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As the object of the American Board of Missions to the Jews is to reach the entire field of American Jewry, it is our desire and purpose to establish Mission stations in such important Jewish centers as may be in greatest need of a Gospel testimony, consistent with the Lord's will, as evidenced through His provision of workers and funds. This work of national evangelization of the Jews is further being accomplished by our Field Secretaries, who come into personal contact with Jews in their travels; also by means of letters, tracts and Gospels mailed to selected lists of Jewish names in practically every city and many towns of the United States; and finally by our Yiddish-English monthly paper, *The Shepherd of Israel* which has a large circulation among the Jews in all parts of the world.

The plan of work for all stations calls for the maintenance of Gospel meetings for adults and children; a medical department to assist poor Jews; a Poor Fund, to enable us to relieve the distress of deserving Jews and to give a practical demonstration of Christian love; a Literature Fund for the purchase of Hebrew Bibles and Testaments and to print tracts in Jewish. Mr. Cohn has written eight Jewish tracts which God has used to the conversion of many.

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Question. *Will you kindly explain to me in the 11th chapter of Isaiah, and 10th verse, the meaning of "to it the Gentiles shall seek and His rest shall be glorious" and also do you think there will be a world wide revival before Jesus comes for His people?*

—Mrs. O. L. O.

Answer. This is one of the most beautiful chapters of Isaiah, for it describes the everlasting kingdom which shall be set up in Jerusalem after the Church has been caught up to be with the Lord and after the Jews shall have gone through the great tribulation spoken of in Jere. 30:1 to 10. It is the same kingdom which is foretold by God through Daniel in Dan. 2:44, "and in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever." This is what Bible scholars term the millenium or the millennial reign, when through Israel shall go forth the law from Jerusalem, unto all the world, and Israel shall be a nation of missionaries and priests unto God.

To the second part of your question I would say that I am personally looking for an outpouring of spiritual blessing that shall result in the ingathering of a large harvest of souls, just before our Lord comes, in fulfillment of the wonderful prophecy of Joel 2:28, "I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions; and also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit."

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Question. *Will babies and small children be taken up when the Lord comes for His own? I cannot think of them being left here to suffer in the dreadful tribulation.*

—Mrs. F. B.

Answer. Yes, we may safely trust the Lord to take up our loved ones who are under the age of knowledge of right and wrong. The Lord showed mercy to Nineveh, a city of great wickedness; shall He not show mercy to those of us who have placed all our trust in Him in behalf of our little ones who are too small even to lip, "I love Jesus"?

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EDITORIAL

How Were the Old Testament Saints Saved? A few weeks ago a friend sent us a very interesting question, one which had engrossed our minds for a period of years. In our attempt to answer this question, the conviction grew upon us that it was of such wide application, we would like to share our own thinking and the light which we truly believe has been shined upon us by the Holy Spirit, with all of our readers. I suppose that so long as we are here upon this earth under the limitations of the human body and the finite mind, our reason will never, nor indeed can it ever, comprehend the height, nor the depth of the wisdom of God. God's sovereignty, man's free will, these have been the subjects of puzzlement to the minds of some of the greatest thinkers in the human realm which the world has produced. But here is the question and following it is our answer:—

Question. I have been taught to believe that God's people in Old Testament times looked forward to Christ for Salvation, just as now we look back to Christ. What puzzles me is that I am convinced that were I reading the Old Testament, as a Jew, I would not have been able to discern that my faith must be fixed on a personal Christ for Salvation, rather it would seem I must in faith trust in God. Passages frequently occur such as "The seed of the woman", "I know that my redeemer liveth", the 22nd Psa., Isa. 53, etc., etc. But did the Jew discern and look forward in faith to the coming of a personal Christ for Salvation as we now look back? Or did they simply have faith in God, believing that He would take care of their salvation? Isaac, Joseph, Hezekiah, etc., were undoubtedly saved, but nothing is stated other than that God seems to have been the object of the faith. Can you help clarify this for me?—N. G. G.

Answer. The problem you raise is a very interesting one and one which we have long considered. In studying the questions involved, and in our effort to find the solution, we have found it helpful to approach the subject from several angles rather than through a direct road.

In the first place we have our Lord's statement to the Jews in John 8:45,

"Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day; he saw it and was glad."

Now, we have no direct Old Testament statement to the effect that Abraham actually saw and conversed with the Lord Jesus Christ. The nearest account of such a meeting is to be found in the record of Abraham paying tithes to Melchizedek. In the Epistle to the Hebrews we are told that our Lord was an High Priest after the order of Melchizedek. So here we have type meeting antitype.

Now to go a bit farther in the analogy we see Jacob on his death bed giving final blessings to his sons, in Gen. 49. Suddenly, and abruptly, and right in

the midst of these blessings he stops and pours out his heart to God with the expression, "I have waited for thy salvation, (in the Hebrew this word is Yeshua, Jesus) O Lord". Gen. 49:18.

Is it not possible that to many of the Old Testament patriarchs there did come a revelation from God as to the Person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ? Just see the beautiful story which illustrates this thought, in Luke 2:25-35, where we are told of that saint, a man just and devout, Simeon, waiting for the consolation of Israel. The text gives us some further thought-provoking information, for it reads:—

"And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came by the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law, Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: For mine eyes have seen thy salvation." (Hebrew, Thy Jesus.)

But now approaching the problem by a different path, let us look at it with the sacrifices as the type. The Jew was taught from the very day of his deliverance out of Egypt that on the Passover night he was to kill a lamb, concerning the eating of the lamb there were many stipulations which found their complete counterpart in the incidents surrounding the crucifixion and death of the Lord Jesus Christ. Again, the Jew repeatedly offered sacrifices, and over and over he was taught that only the blood could make atonement for the soul. There was also the annual scapegoat experience in that climacteric holy day of the year, the day of Atonement.

Now of course every Jew through all of those years of the Old Testament days knew that the actual killing of the sacrifice did not of itself forgive his sins, but that on the contrary these sacrifices were a type looking forward to the day of "better things", the day in which there was to be a grand fulfillment of all the symbols contained in these rituals and sacrifices. And through all of those years the Lord was preparing the people just for that great event.

Now let us see in this connection how God made provision for the salvation of those Jews in the Old Testament days who knew nothing, even as you suggest, of the actual Person of the Lord Jesus Christ; for He had not yet come. In the account which the Lord gives us in Luke 16:19-31 of the wicked rich man and the righteous poor man, the fact is made clear that those Jews who were good Jews in the Old Testament days, that is who actually obeyed God in following the types and the instruction of the sacrifices, those Jews were in what is called "Paradise" and sometimes called in Talmudic literature "Abraham's bosom." It is clear that this place called Paradise was not heaven and was not the final goal of the righteous. It was only a place of waiting, and comparing of Scripture with Scripture brings to us the revelation that God kept this place of waiting for Jews who died in the faith, until the finished work of Christ should have been done on Calvary. Thus, atonement having actually been made not only in type but in real fulfillment, we find these revelations concerning what the Lord Jesus Christ did between the time of His death on the Cross and the resurrection:—

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Question 1. *Do you think the present world crisis will be solved once more as has been done before, or will times get worse and worse from now on until the Church is translated and the world finds itself in great tribulation?*

Question 2. *Why has not the United States entered the League of Nations?*

Question 3. *Will the United States also be embroiled in the last great war?*

Question 4. *What role will the Roman Catholic Church play before or during the reign of Antichrist?*

Question 5. *I have just read where the Catholic hierarchy met at Washington and that the sessions were closed to the public. Do you not think they are planning to rule America since they have lost so much power elsewhere?*

—Mrs. A. T.

Answer 1. It is always possible of course for Satan to patch up temporarily the difficulties and catastrophes of the world and produce once more a general world impression of prosperity and peace. Whether this will be done again out of the present world crisis, no one knows. It would seem however that we are so close to the very bottom of the image of Daniel that the coming of the Lord for His saints must be exceedingly near. Beyond this general opinion, we have no clear Scripture teaching that will help us to point to the exact day and hour.

Answer 2. May it not be that the Lord has had a hand in keeping the United States out of the League of Nations? You will notice as you study the prophecies dealing with the last days of tribulation through which the Jews will pass in Palestine, that they do not give mention specifically of nations outside of Europe, Asia and Africa. Read carefully Ezekiel 38 and see the list of nations there given, of which Russia appears to be the leader. If it should so happen that the Jews should enter into a covenant treaty with the League of Nations or through the agency of the League of Nations, you can readily see that it is of prophetic value that the United States shall not be a part of the League.

Answer 3. Quite probably so, for as is so often reiterated to us in these days, the whole world has become a neighborhood, and it is now hardly possible for any important group of nations to engage in a war without embroiling and

involving practically all the rest of the world.

Answer 4. We think that the Roman Catholic Church is the harlot Babylon as described in the 17th chapter of Revelation. This description fits the Romish Church system, for Rome indeed is an incorporated mixture of religious, political and economical intrigue.

Answer 5. The ambitions of the Romish system have always been for world rule and tyranny. We suppose that if the Roman Catholic Church ever secured control in America, we would witness again the horrible scenes of the dark ages, and our streets would run with the blood of martyrs.

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Question 1. *Will you explain the apparent contradiction in the number of times one is supposed to forgive as set forth in Matt. 18:15-17 and later in the same chapter, verse 22.*

Question 2. *Also what is the meaning of Matt. 24:34, for we know that generation has been long dead and all those things are not yet fulfilled?*

—Miss P. C.

Answer 1. Verses 15 to 17 are our Lord's instructions for guidance as to dealing with a brother in the Church, which at the time when our Lord spoke was still future. Verse 22 has to do with the relation that the Jew had one to the other. The rabbinical teachings all exhorted the Jews to forgive a wrong done to another Jew, three times. Peter wanted to show the Lord how generous he was, and so he voluntarily offered to forgive seven times, thinking doubtless how great-hearted he was in exceeding by twice the requirements of the rabbis. But the Lord Jesus gave to Peter a rather startling and subtle rebuke, for the Lord told him, "I say not unto thee until seven times: but until seventy times seven." This means that the ethical standard of the Lord Jesus Christ involved forgiveness without limit, a standard which Peter well knew that the human race could not possibly reach.

Answer 2. The expression "this generation" is based on the Hebrew word "Dor" which is the same as our word, race, or people, or family. Thus, the verse really reads, "This race (the Jewish nation) shall not pass till all these things be fulfilled." The Jew is God's eternal evidence and witness that His revealed Word is infallibly true.

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front, a barbaric cruelty that has never been known in the history of the world. Even the Saracens never thought of putting their women to the battle front. Russia is patiently biding her time, and giving Japan plenty of rope. When the time is ripe, it may be within six months, or it may be within three years, Russia will suddenly and decisively swoop down upon Japan, and make her demands, and settle her account. This may well be the precipitating point for such a world slaughter as never before has been seen. In the meantime, Russia is persistently and pervasively flooding China with Communistic propaganda, so that already China in many parts is cursed with the spread of Communism. The Word of God has some important things to say about Russia in the closing drama of this age, in such chapters as Ezekiel 37, 38, 39. Perhaps we are witnessing the embryonic origins of the little mountain streams that may soon converge into a torrent that shall overwhelm the world.

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The Literary Digest reports that there are now four Jewish Governors in the several states here in America, including the recently elected Governor Herbert Lehman of New York State. One of these governors, the Literary Digest reports, is a Jewish Christian, a Congregationalist.

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In the American Hebrew we read the following news item:—

"Alfred Shemanski, Seattle civic and communal leader is the first Jew ever to become a regent of the University of Washington. The Seattle Jewish leader was named to his new post by Governor Clarence D. Martin. Mr. Shemanski's term expires March 4, 1938."

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Another news item of similar import, which also appears in the American Hebrew is as follows:—

"Nathaniel Weltchek became the first Jew to hold a position in the executive branch of the city administration of Elizabeth, New Jersey, when Mayor Thomas Williams named him

a member of the Board of Public Works, a position paying \$3,100 a year. Only 27 years of age, Mr. Weltchek is also possessed of the distinction of being the youngest man ever to hold an important position in the City Hall. He is a native of Elizabeth, a member of the New Jersey bar and for the past five years has been an active member of the local Chamber of Commerce."

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Thus, the Jew is rising in public favor and in the esteem of the public, in all parts of the United States. This may have a rather important bearing dispensationally, for it would appear that it is God's purpose for the Jew in these latter days to assume places of trust among the nations of the world, so that these positions will be of value when the time shall come for Israel to go back to the land. A rather illuminating sentence is found in Exodus 12:36, "And the Lord gave the people *favor* in the sight of the Egyptians." May it not be that we shall witness a repetition of this way of God's dealing, in that the Lord shall once more give *favor* to Israel among all the nations of the world?

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From Keith L. Brooks' magazine, Prophecy, we take the following paragraph, which he entitles, "The Cohens are doing well." It is not without its amusing feature, and we thought our readers would be interested to read it:—

A writer in a New York paper points out the glory that resides in the name of Cohen. There is Octavius Roy Cohen, the writer; Senator Cohen of Georgia, the statesman; Wilbur Cohen, the tennis player; Andy Cohen, the baseball player; Otto Kahn, the financier. Allan Dale, the late theatrical critic was actually a Cohen. Even in China, there is General Moshe Cohen, the bodyguard of the late Sun Yat Sen. In England, there is Jefferson Davis Cohen, millionaire race horse owner. In our Congress, there is Mrs. Florence P. Kahn, representing a California district. In academic circles, there is Prof. Morris Cohen. Then there's Ex-Rabbi Leopold Cohn and his son J. Hoffman Cohn, who head the American Board of Missions to the Jews.

It would seem that Cohen is a grand old name. It is supposed to indicate connection with the priestly tribe.

"Wherefore he saith, when he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men." Eph. 4:8.

"By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison." 1st Peter 3:19.

Now while it is true that 1st Peter 3:19 is followed by the 20th verse which refers to those who lived in the days of Noah, that statement does not exclude such Jews as Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and many thousands upon thousands of Jews who lived in the Old Testament days and obeyed God in every particular, and died in that obedience. Is it not a beautiful revelation of God's care that during the time that our Lord's body was in the tomb, He Himself actually went to this place called Paradise, the place of waiting, and announced to those waiting souls that now He had accomplished the plan of the ages, the atonement had been made and these souls could ascend with Him on high and partake of the joys waiting them in their eternal abiding place which we know as heaven?

Thus you see that the Jew of the pre-Christ days was not condemned because he did not believe or accept the Lord Jesus Christ who had not yet come, but, he was condemned because he disobeyed God in refusing to observe all the commandments God gave him and in refusing to accept the sacrifices as the type of Him who should come and who should vindicate the Jews' faith in the symbolical shedding of blood through the sacrifices. Thus the Jew who died in such faith was finally brought to Heaven through the place called Paradise, while the Jew who disobeyed God was lost at the time of his death because already he had rejected the exercising of that faith which in itself was exactly of the same quality as the faith which we now exercise when we believe in the Lord Jesus Christ. It was Abraham who saw the invisible, and so was counted righteous. Likewise today we must see the invisible and we are counted righteous. The Cross must be made central, and it matters not whether we stand 2000 years this side of the Cross and look back to its efficacy, or whether like Abraham we might have stood 2000 years the other side of the Cross, looking forward to this efficacy.

We Need More Tracts. Our Literature Fund is exhausted. From this Fund we pay for Bibles, New Testaments, Gospels, and our eight Tracts in Yiddish and in English. To print only 5,000 copies of one of our tracts for Jews costs from \$150 to \$200. These tracts are in addition to, and they supplement, the monthly issues of *The Shepherd of Israel*. They are intended to be given to the Jew after he has been reading *The Shepherd of Israel* for some time, and has become sufficiently interested to seek from us more information concerning the Lord Jesus Christ. The subject matter of the tract covers the full range of the difficulties and obstacles the Jew meets in his inquiries into the claims of the Lord Jesus Christ. Some of the titles of the tracts are:—The Virgin Birth; Do Christians Worship three Gods? The Logic of the Changed Calendar; Cain and Abel, or Christ and Israel; The Feasts of the Jews, etc., etc.

The Lord has blessed richly to Jewish souls the circulating and reading of these tracts. Perhaps some of our readers have available some of the Lord's money to be used only for the printing and distribution of the Word itself and of the printed page explaining the Word, and would like to fellowship with us in this department particularly. If so, we shall be happy to hear from you, and to use your gifts for this purpose, so that we shall again have a supply of literature on hand.

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Introducing a New Worker



MISS IDA LOIS ROSENTHAL

"Better late than never" is a convenient adage that we find necessary ours lves to use once in awhile. Crowded pages, much news to tell our friends, a busy life, these are the reasons why we have not before told you that last summer the Lord sent to us a new worker, this time a Jewish Christian girl, in the person of Miss Ida Lois Rosenthal. Since her coming to us she has endeared herself to all of the workers and we want our friends to know a little more about her. She was brought up in Philadelphia, and after her conversion was educated at the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago having previously been a trained nurse. After her graduation from the Moody Bible Institute she came to us to help in the Vacation Bible School and has remained with us ever since, for the Lord has been providing funds from time to time in unexpected ways, for her support. We have asked her to give us her own story, and we print it herewith so that our friends may rejoice with her and pray for her as she labors with us.

Isaac Watts has well said:
 "Not all of the blood of beasts
 On Jewish altars slain,

Could give the guilty conscience peace,
 Or wash away the stain.
 But Christ the heavenly lamb,
 Takes all our sins away
 A sacrifice of nobler name,
 And richer blood than they."

I thank God that when I was a little girl of eleven I accepted the Lamb of God as my sacrifice and Saviour. At first the name of Christ was very repulsive to me. This was so because being of Jewish origin I had always been taught to hate Jesus Christ, the imposter, as He was called.

My Girl Scout leader spoke to me concerning Christ and His claims. She, a Hebrew Christian, told me how Christ came the first time as a sacrifice for sin, and that He is coming the second time as a King of Kings and Lord of Lords. The Jewish people could see the Messiah's coming as a King, but had overlooked the prophecies concerning His coming as the Lamb of God without spot or blemish to take the sin of the world.

There was something in that Jewish Christian Girl Scout leader and her husband that made me love them. They truly had the fruit of the Spirit and they led me to a decision for Christ. One day I asked them where they had gotten their training. They told me it was at the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. At that time I promised myself that if at all possible when I was older that would be my place of training.

There was much antagonism at home. My mother would never consent to my going to a Bible School. A few dear Christian people made it possible for me to go to Wheaton Academy for a while. This was short-lived, because I was a minor and had to come home. Conditions at home were none too pleasant. I could not see my Christian friends or go to Church. If I did go anywhere I was followed. This among other things made me decide to go into nurses training.

JEWISH NOTES

Adolph Hitler is in the saddle in Germany. He is apparently a demagogue who has captured the ears of the mob by the clever use of exceedingly vague generalities. Not even a German by birth, and of rather obscure origin, this agitator has had a meteoric rise in the political tides of that greatly disordered country. His career somewhat parallels the cyclonic record of Mussolini in Italy. Whether Hitler possesses the staying powers of a Mussolini, is still a matter to be tested in the crucible of political developments. Already reports are out that Kaiser Wilhelm is grooming himself for a sudden swoop into Germany and a coup d'etat that shall regain for him his aforesaid crown. The situation will bear close watching by the student of God's Word concerning these last days of clay and iron.

Incidentally, or perhaps we should rather say, of paramount importance at least to the lover of Israel, the only issue on which Hitler has a specific program, is the issue of Antisemitism. He hates the Jews, and he hates them with a venom born of a thousand demons. He proposes to drive every Jew out of Germany if that is possible. Already many thousands of poverty stricken Jews are gathering together their few rags and preparing to move on. Where to, they themselves do not know. It is the old story of the wandering Jew—whohin soll ich gehen?—where shall I go?

Well, Hitler has to learn much. Spain drove out her Jews in the 15th Century, Spain hated them, tortured them, burned them alive, drowned them; and Spain is today a 10th rate power—she used to be a first rate. And Spain in recent years has awakened to a realization of the stupidity of five centuries ago, and has been making heroic overtures to the Jews of the world, inviting them to return and to settle again in her country. But

nary a Jew even nibbles. Once bit, twice shy, is the old proverb.

But Israel needs the prayers of God's people as never before. Perhaps the stage is being set for the ushering in of that terrible, unspeakably terrible day known as the time of Jacob's trouble. If so, the Lord must come soon, otherwise Israel will be totally destroyed. Pray for Israel. Particularly that a great harvest of Jewish souls shall be garnered with His Church before the tribulation days overtake them. See Joel 2:28. Also Joel 3:1-18.

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In the midst of world depression, calamity and suffering, it is rather astonishing to know that there is one country in the world where there is no depression. That country is Palestine. The Palestine Government reports that its income for November, 1932 amounted to 271,625 Pounds as against expenditures of 182,038 Pounds. Thus is the Palestine Government's budget in November not only balanced, but it has a handsome surplus. So satisfactory are the financial conditions in Palestine that the Nathan Straus Soup Kitchens in Jerusalem have all been closed, as there is no need of such relief work now. Perhaps this is a hint of what we may expect in the prophetic days to come when Israel shall once more be in full possession of the land, and from Jerusalem shall flow streams of blessing that shall refresh all the earth.

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The Japan situation is causing much concern, not only to the League of Nations, but indeed to every government on the face of the earth. What people do not generally realize is the fact that Russia is working relentlessly on preparations for the finest and largest army in the world. Already she has the largest airplane fleet in the world, and is drilling both women as well as men to fight on the battle

CATCHING SOULS

The other day I stepped into his shop and he introduced me to a young man, Mr. G. The young man, however, refused to talk to me because of my being a missionary. His only remark was, "Excuse me, I must go." But Mr. S. begged him to stay a little longer and have a talk with me. Mr. G. refused to talk, so Mr. S. said, "So, you are afraid that you will not be able to answer his questions?" To which Mr. G. replied, "I can answer questions even to the President himself." And with that he proceeded to inform me that we missionaries are all trying to "catch" souls, etc. I tried to explain to him that certainly we would derive no personal benefit from trying to "catch" souls, and that therefore his accusation was absurd. We argued for some little time and I tried to explain to him that what we are doing is for the Jews' own good and not for our own. "Well, I have got to go," he announced, and went out.

IN THE CAFETERIA

A few days later, I met him entering a cafeteria and I followed him in and took my lunch to the same table to which he had gone. During the meal, we talked very earnestly of many things, and in the end, when I took his check and paid for his meal in spite of his protests, he was very much impressed and decidedly more friendly, so friendly, indeed, that he walked with me for a long time and opened his heart to me. He was in the midst of many troubles. His wife was sick and in a hospital, his two children were being boarded by strangers, and he was barely able to earn enough for his own bread and butter. He had been trying to do a little business by buying small rolls of linoleum or old coats and going from door to door trying to resell them. But now he had no more capital with which to proceed,

and he was in despair to know what to do. He knew of a policeman who made loans of five dollars to different people at the rate of a dollar a month interest but he had been unable to secure a loan because the policeman had doubts of his being able to make enough to pay him the monthly dollar. It seemed very clear to me that I should do something to help this poor man so I gave him five dollars with which to launch out in his little business again.

THE SECRET NOT KEPT

Not long after, I had the privilege of aiding this man again. I was in Mr. S.'s tailor shop and learned that Mr. G. had a suit there which he had been unable to take out even though the tailor had made him a special price of one dollar. Hearing this, I took a dollar of our poor fund money, gave it to the tailor and instructed him to give the suit to Mr. G. without letting him know who paid the dollar. Mr. S. did not carry out the instructions exactly to the letter. When he gave Mr. G. the suit he informed him that I told him not to tell but that I was the one who made it possible for him to get his suit. This made a more profound impression on Mr. G. than anything else had done and he was nearly overcome with wonder and gratitude and joy. The next Monday evening he attended our services and remained to go upstairs with us for refreshments. Previously, whenever he passed our building he would curse and spit. I introduced him to Mr. Englander and they two had an earnest talk together. Afterward, Mr. G. declared that he never imagined that it was so nice at our mission.

It is our great privilege, as we meet such people as this, to tell them of our Saviour who said to those early disciples, "Come and see", and we invite them all to "Taste and see that the Lord is good."

May the Lord continue to deal with Mr. G. and bring him soon into a knowledge and acceptance of the Bread of Life.

The three years in the hospital were ones of discipline and growth, both mentally and spiritually. By His grace I was kept day by day. During my last year I wondered how I ever was going to get to Moody. The sum of money given while in training was meager, just enough for carfares and necessities. But "He is faithful who promised" and two weeks before I graduated from the hospital it was told me that the church to which I belonged was going to help me my first term at Moody. Well you can imagine my joy and thanksgiving. These words come back to me as I remember this experience:—

"He knows, He cares, He loves,
Nothing this truth can dim.
He gives the very best to those
Who leave the choice with Him."

While at Moody my desire to become a missionary grew. My heart's cry was that He would make me useable in some mission field. It did not matter to me where the field was to be. It pleased Him to have me go to my own people in Brooklyn, N. Y.

"First to the Jew was the order He gave,
First to the Jew came Jesus to save,
First to the Jew when sins He forgave,
What are you doing for them?"

The work at this Beth Sar Shalom has been and is, one which yields rich results. "He giveth the increase." My prayer is, that my life will tell for my Lord and Master.

Another Side Light

Miss Rosenthal is a member of the Tenth Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia, Donald Grey Barnhouse, pastor. From a recent bulletin of this church we were glad to pick up the following which we think also our friends will be glad to read:—

One of our own young women, Miss Ida Lois Rosenthal, a converted Jew-

ess, is working with the American Board of Missions to the Jews in Brooklyn. Her support is purely a matter of faith. Our Church and Sunday School and various individuals have contributed to her support. Miss Rosenthal writes of her work as follows:—

God has wonderfully supplied each time there has been a need. Not only has He given material help, but spiritual and physical help also. Every Friday I have Dispensary, and all the new people that come I visit either the next day or a few days later. Most of our people are very poor. Some homes I have visited have almost made me give up and go home. I never knew that such conditions could exist. But God is faithful. But more than their mental and physical darkness is their spiritual darkness. When we visit these people we invite them to the meetings we have at the Mission every Monday and Friday night. They hear wonderful Gospel messages which are given in Yiddish. Every Monday night after the message there is a short time for testimony. Many of the believers who have been saved in the Mission give their testimonies. They are thrilling. On Wednesday afternoon we have a mothers' sewing class, followed by a Bible lesson. Last week twenty-seven mothers were present. God alone can do that. You know how prejudiced our Jewish mothers are, and to think that here the mothers come each week and like it. The Bread of Life is broken to them and they listen eagerly and come for more. I wish you could hear them sing. Some songs are in Yiddish and others in English. These mothers bring their children, and not long ago we had over forty ranging from three months to fourteen years of age. Those who are of school age are taught from God's Word. We have lovely girls' classes, and classes for young business women. These provide wonderful opportunities for testimony both by the life and the word of the teacher. I thank God that He has given me a part in it.

The work here is a needy work. Your prayers will do much to open channels and doors and hearts. "Prayer changes things."

Jottings from Mr. Englander's Note-Book

In a barber shop, I find two partners; one is an Israelite and the other a Russelite, and both are shaving Jewish customers. Mr. A. the Jewish partner, had secured from me some time ago, a Jewish Bible for himself and his boy. He now introduced me to his Russelite partner. This partner cannot tolerate the idea of eternal death as punishment for sin, evidently not knowing the Scripture. And while I was bringing to them all, both partners and customers, the Word of life, he jumped in with his belief that there is no such thing as death and hell.

I first tried to show Mr. B. his error, referring to Ezek. 18:4, "The soul that sinneth it shall die." That was something new to Mr. B. and it quieted him down. But one of the customers (a Communist) did not believe in a resurrection at all, and if there is nothing after this earthly life, then why believe in Christ?

Here the Lord gave me another fitting quotation, Dan. 12:2, "And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall rise, some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting contempt."

This impressed Mr. A. deeply, and he became quite earnestly concerned for his soul's salvation. Many questions were asked and answered. Am prayerfully waiting for those poor precious souls to be converted to the only way of life, the Lord Jesus Christ.

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One day I passed by a synagogue whose doors were wide open and a large number of people were gathered within and without, waiting for the arrival of a new Scroll of the Law which a member had donated. Soon the procession arrived. They brought the scroll under a canopy accompanied by a band of music. Everybody present kissed the scroll, and a grand

march into the synagogue followed. Finally they put the scroll into a dark closet and locked its doors.

When leaving the synagogue a visitor remarked to me, "Wasn't it beautiful?" But my answer was, "Not very beautiful, but rather sad. See how true are the words of Isa. 29:13, 'Wherefore the Lord said, forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips do honor me, but have removed their heart far from me'. With the lips we kiss the scroll, but in heart and soul we break it day by day, so that we put ourselves under the curse of Deut. 27:26, 'Cursed be he that confirmeth not all the words of this law to do them'."

Gazing at me, he told me that years ago while in London, England, a missionary spoke to him in the same manner. With the word "Missionary" the attention of several other Jews was attracted, and a lively conversation began. One Jew said that in spite of the fact that Jews do not observe all the law of Moses yet they are far better than others who keep none at all. Better to have half a mouthful than nothing. What have others that is worth while having?

At this I walked with them away from the synagogue and began to tell them what others have which is worthwhile having, namely Jesus Christ the Messiah of Israel and Saviour of the world, Who alone can satisfy the soul's hunger; and I quoted from Isaiah 53.

Another Jew insisted that Christ is only meant for Gentiles; and yet he could not deny that Isaiah 53 has been fulfilled in Christ and that it referred also to the Jew, for it reads in verse 8, "for the transgression of my people (the Jews) was he stricken."

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One hot summer day at the seashore a man cut his foot on broken glass in the sand. I, having had experience at our Mission dispensary, bandaged his

foot, not even knowing who he was. He was very grateful to me, although he likewise did not know who I was, but after a short friendly conversation, he regretfully admitted that he always had been a bitter enemy of missionaries and missions since years ago when a son of one of his neighbors became a Christian through a Jewish missionary named Mr. W. This brought much unhappiness to the whole family. "I could love you," he continued, "for what you have done for me; but how can I when you are a missionary, the very name of which I hate?"

"My friend," I said, "if it were not that I am a missionary, and love Jesus, I wouldn't do what I did for you. You can love me or not. I love you just the same. We do not bring disaster into Jewish homes, we bring Christ, who drives out disaster and chaos from the home and from individual lives." I made plain to him that disaster and troubles come through sin, but that through Christ, the Bearer of sin, peace is restored and blessings follow.

I noticed that my words entered into his heart. He admitted that his neighbor's son became quite changed after his conversion, left off gambling and gave up drinking. It was a real joy to see this man change his attitude toward Christ and His followers. He is a cantor in a synagogue who ordinarily would not give a second thought to the claims of Christ; but now he took seriously all I told him of the blessed Messiah who was wounded for us, not just a little cut in one foot as this cantor had received, but deadly wounds in both feet and in both hands, exactly as foretold in Isaiah 53. Praise the Lord for that opportunity which took away the hatred from Mr. D's heart toward Him who loved Israel even when they shouted "Crucify Him!" knowing not what they were doing.

To the Tailor I Become A Tailor

By SOLOMON KARCH

As I have previously mentioned in this paper, I was a tailor by trade before my conversion and so, consequently, I make a practice of entering every tailor shop that I see. I have a special point of contact at such places. Many times I have won the friendship of the tailor by assisting him with some of the work he is doing. Of course, I accept no pay from him. Often there are groups of men gathered there discussing politics or the depression, or some other topic of general interest. I enter the discussion and contrive to turn it to the subject of Christianity. Some members of the group begin to oppose me while others proceed to defend me before their fellows. I observe the man who seems to be most favorable and endeavor to win his friendship. I then procure his address and later visit him in his home.

Some months ago I became acquainted with a very old tailor, a Mr. S., who attends our meetings. It came about in this way. I entered his shop and found that he had purchased a cast-off brown suit for fifty cents and was hoping to resell it for two or three dollars. But he was very much distressed because it had a number of moth holes and he would have to send it away to an establishment which specializes in repairing just such things and where the charge might be something like fifty cents a hole. This, of course, would rob the tailor of his profit. I suggested to the tailor a method of doing the darning in an inconspicuous way and then did the whole thing for him by hand. He was overjoyed and became a fast friend of mine. His wife, a grandmother, is attending our meetings. I visit this man's shop often and through him have made the acquaintance of many Jewish people.