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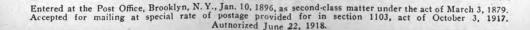
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## Salutation

"We go down to salute the children of the king" — II Kings 10:13

Dearly beloved friends: -

As you read these lines, the sessions of the New York Congress on Prophecy will be in full swing. The meetings are being held in the Calvary Baptist Church, 123 West 57th Street, in the heart of New York City. "Overwhelming" is a mild word to use to describe the tidal wave of response that you poured in upon us when we made the announcement of this epochal event in October. It is difficult to find words to express the emotions of our heart when we realize how truly we have come into the kingdom for such a time as this, and how to hosts of our beloved friends the same vision has been given of God. Your letters of approval made us feel like the participants in a contest in the arena, with its thousands of spectators, rising to their feet to cheer almost in a frenzy. Just to give you an idea of how some of your letters brought to us their tonic of encouragement, let me quote:

The thought of a National Congress on Prophecy is thrilling; I am sure God inspired that thought, and His blessing will rest upon it and you. I am enclosing a gift and can do this only because my agent was asked to sell some security and place the money at my disposal, for I had the feeling that what I can do, I must do NOW.

Somehow I am glad that the call has come from a Jewish Mission for it may awaken an interest in both Jews and Gentiles. Use the money just as you think best, I shall be praying.

Another precious letter is typical of what our friends are thinking as they too become sharers with us in the privileges of the flowing tide which is carrying us out into new seas of adventure in the depths of the grace of God:

I have just read the call for the gathering for the first eight days of November. As I finished I prayed, and my whole being was thrilled as the Spirit led me to ask that it might be a gathering such as had never been before and that the Holy Spirit would so move upon all that God would be glorified so as to cause rejoicing in heaven. I shall pray daily for the meetings. I would love to be there but at my age (85 last April) I could hardly make the trip. I am enclosing a check to help someone else to come. I would like a copy of the program. It will help me to pray during the 8 days. Thank you. God bless you.

We cannot hold back still a third letter from our readers; you know we are all human and we do love to feel that other of the Lord's people are thinking and feeling and praying just as we are. So here is the third, and that must be enough for the present occasion:—

I was thrilled as I read about the National Congress on Prophecy. I certainly believe it is the Lord's doing. I enclose \$\_\_\_\_\_ towards it. I trust the Lord may enable me to attend as I have not been in robust health. May God guide, bless and undertake in every phase of this prophetic conference. May God bless you in all your life and service for Him.

And now this word to the many friends who are unable to be present during this high tide of spiritual blessing. You will pray for us, and continue to

pray unceasingly. We will report to you next month at least in reasonable detail how the Lord has dealt with us in these meetings, and what will be the promise of streams of blessing flowing out over our country because of this undertaking in the hour of crisis. We are negotiating just now to secure radio time for at least some of the addresses, but at the present writing we cannot give you any definite stations or hours. If before The Chosen People goes to press we do succeed in making some specific arrangements, we will put a post-script to this letter, or make some note somewhere in the paper giving you the information. If we cannot do it, then please watch your local newspapers for announcements of possible radio broadcasts. Already a number of our friends have written to us, pleading that we put some of these good things on the radio. One brother writes, "I am a shut-in, but surely you must not deprive me of the blessing of at least some of these sessions." We also will plan to give in The Chosen People summaries of the important addresses, perhaps one each month, for a long time to come. We hope also to have the book prepared containing principal addresses, and we will make announcement of that later on.

## "JERUSALEM LIETH WASTE"

As we keep pondering over the swift events of these last few weeks with regard to the plans for this great New York Congress on Prophecy, we find ourselves back again, in vision, in the days of Nehemiah. And we think of those verses of Nehemiah 2:17, 18:—

"Then said I unto them, Ye see the distress that we are in, how Jerusalem lieth waste, and the gates thereof are burned with fire: come and let us build up the wall of Jerusalem, that we be no more a reproach. Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me; as also the king's words that he has spoken unto me. And they said, Let us rise up and build. So they strengthened their hands for this good work."

And so has it not been now too? If for a moment we may do violence to the text, and consider Jerusalem as representing the people of God in the present hour, that is, His organism called the Church, then is it not true that "Jerusalem lieth waste?" Have not the wolves crept in on all sides unaware, and has not Satan done his utmost to confuse, bewilder and dishearten the saints of God? And if this be so, then has not God called us truly to sound out the clarion call to the faithful ones who still remain in the Body, "Let us rise up and build!" So you see, beloved friends, what functions there are for you and for us together, to whom the Lord has brought such precious enlightenment concerning Israel and her place in these tragic days of world crash, to perform for His honor and glory.

## THANKSGIVING IS HERE

In the rush of our thousand and one activities, we almost forget that the days of thanksgiving will soon be crowding upon us. What a thanksgiving season is this! Many of us may be down-hearted, some of us may have been walking through the valley of the shadow of death, some of us have had to go through the indescribable anguish of soul brought about by that ominous dispatch from Army or Navy Intelligence Bureau. And perhaps we are tempted to do what Job's wife wanted him to do. But then we think of that potent confession of the disciples, when the Lord Jesus Christ asked them, "Will ye also go away?" (see John 6:68). Then came the revealing flash from Peter himself, "Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou (alone) hast the words of eternal life!" And then we think of that other illuminating testimony we find in Acts 5:41. The new disciples were undergoing such persecutions as they had never dreamed they would be called upon to suffer, for the sake of the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. And in the welter and agony of these persecutions, we read this astonishing testimony, "They departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name!"

And so shall we not with unshakable faith, keep in mind always that He doeth all things well, and that we with our poor limited knowledge cannot begin to know what are His eternal purposes, but He alone knows; just as Simeon

# Out of the Mail Bag

As Others See Us

Dear Dr. Cohn:

It is a beautiful summer morning. I am alone at my desk, your summer letter just came in mail. Oh how beautiful are the feet of them that serve. God's blessing on your tireless work, how I pray for you and staff, but my heart aches for the Tews and the morning papers last week again enumerated large numbers of Jews put to death. Your page makes so clear the stage setting of Hitler's and Japanese war plans and progress in light of Bible prophecies, it would seem as if we are on the very threshold of the rapture. again covet your earnest prayers that I be not careless in my prayer life. I have to fight wrong thoughts and not allow Satan to whisper. Even while I start to pray he seems jealous of every move when approaching our Glorious Heavenly Father. I crave to be more hungry for souls these closing days. I would so like to have a dozen or so leaflets you enclosed called "And So I Love." And I have another request an extra copy of this August letter. I want to send one to a minister in my home town

Thanking you, and now yours faithfully in His service. Enclosing check for *God* my Father. Praise His Name, Amen. — Miss A. S.

A few short years ago I was a "Coughlinite" and a Jew hater, but the Lord saw fit to save me and change my heart. I've been wanting to send you something for a long time. — Scr. W. F. W.

Army Air Forces Drew Field, Fla.

I want to send a small gift to help in giving the Gospel to God's chosen people. In this time when so many people turn against the Jews, the Christians have a wonderful opportunity to give them a living Christ. I am enclosing two dollars. This isn't very much but I pray that the name of Christ might be honored by it. I also pray the Lord's richest blessings on your Mission as you labor so faithfully to bring Christ to those hungry and needy souls.

Yours in Him, PRIVATE FIRST CLASS — N. D.S. Dear Friend:

I am writing in answer to your ever welcome letter of July 13. And I will say that your letter was a real inspiration to my heart, although at the same time a friendly rebuke for my carelessness as only a dear brother in Christ can give. "Better is open rebuke than love that is hidden. Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful." Prov. 27:5, 6. RV.

Now for a word concerning "The Chosen People." I must tell you from the bottom of my heart that I have never received a greater blessing from any printed paper than I have from The Chosen People; I just simply cannot lay it aside when it comes until I have read the last ad on the back cover. I certainly do not want to miss even one issue of it. I certainly look forward to receive it every month. I am also looking for the mid-summer letter from you which I always enjoy.

Yes I truly believe that we are living in this world's Saturday night as you stated in your letter. I cannot help but believe that the next great event will be the Rapture of the Saints. What a glorious day that will be, "Praise His Blessed Name." Then I shall see and know you even though we have never met in this world. Glory to God, yea and all the redeemed as well! May God help me to be faithful in this present evil world and may it never be said of me that I did not show kindness to one of these "His Jewish Brethren." I only regret that I cannot do more for your great work at this time, but I trust that this little contribution will be of some assistance to you. May you use it to the Glory of God and may it be the means of Salvation to some poor soul.

My every Prayer and wish is, Godspeed to you in His service. May the love of God and the grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ be with you now and for ever more.

I am ever yours in Christ. - A. C. F.

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declared, "Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world." Acts 15:18. Can we not, therefore, gather about our thanksgiving tables and give thanks to Him for the many hundreds and even thousands of mercies that have been vouchsafed to us, blessings and mercies which, if we should start to count them, might indeed be beyond the counting? Think of the agonies that our blessed land has been spared as we consider more and more the frightful havoc into which Europe has been plunged. Our soil has not been drenched with the blood of conquest; our homes have not been robbed of the amenities of life that we hold so dear; our tables will still be groaning under the weight of abundance of every sort of food, even luxuries. The poorest among us will have enough to eat, and to spare; our liberties to worship God according to the dictates of our consciences have not been taken away by the deviltries of such a fiend as a Hitler; we can still gather in our churches and worship God, and give Him praise for His preservation of life, and property and privileges.

### SHALL WE SHARE?

To us here in the thick of the battle lines where we can give testimony to a heart-broken Israel concerning salvation and peace and joy to be found only through His Salvation, His Peace, His Joy, the Lord Jesus Christ, the thanksgiving season presents one of those golden opportunities when we can do that which St. James so much emphasizes:-to give our testimony not only by word of mouth, but also to confirm the witness by our works, the fruit and the evidence of that inner work which the Holy Spirit has done within our hearts. The challenge of St. James has many times shamed us:-

"If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; not-withstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit? Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone." James 2:15, 16, 17.

And so we can come to our Jewish families, in their tenement homes, up and down the rickety stairs, and as we find them in the deep humiliation of poverty and need, we can say to them, "Here is a gift that will help you buy food and clothing for your dear ones; the gift comes from a child of God who loves the Lord Jesus Christ and who wishes to express thanks to Him at this time for the many blessings that He has showered upon him." Such a testimony at such a time is priceless in its efficiency value, to make the Gospel known to Israel. And so we shall once more count it a privilege to be the channel through whom your overflowing hearts may fellowship with the many needy ones among whom we labor and to whom we are privileged to minister. We still do not seem to have the heart to re-establish the old thanksgiving dinner of the days of my dear father's joys and sorrows in the work of the Lord; but instead we will either buy food and clothing to give to our needy ones, or we will make them the gift in actual cash, and let them do their own buying just as they find it necessary. Your gifts therefore, if you feel led to remember this department especially at this time over and above your regular generous help in all the work of the Mission, should be specified "For the Thanksgiving Poor Fund Distribution."

And now may the God of all mercy cheer and comfort your hearts and keep you steadfast in these days of upheaval and testings, and we look forward to greeting you again in December with news of the New York Congress on Prophecy.

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## Incidents In The Work

From Concentration Camp to Salvation in Christ By JOSEF ISRAEL HERSCHKOWITZ

RORN in 1898 in Vienna, in an orthodox Jewish home, and being the second child of four, I was taught like my brother who was eleven months older than I all the rituals of the Jewish religion. Regarding this time I will only say that for some reason I always had Gentile children for comrades.

During the first World War my brother was drafted. It happened on my seventeenth birthday and on this same day I gave up the Jewish religion saving there is no God. This was because I could not understand why God should want children for soldiers. This seemed to me to be a step away from God but proved to be my first step to Christ as my later experiences showed. During this time I kept saving, "There is no God". I became acquainted with Atheists and through their influence I became one also until I was sent into Concentration Camp.

Before I tell about my experience there I will tell what happened to me when my wife was in a hospital. She was there with a serious illness. The doctors called me to tell me there was no hope for her life . I realized that only God could save her. It was a terrible feeling for me because, with all my love for my wife, I could not pray! But God is merciful and saved my wife's life. I believe it was for the reason that I should find through her, many years later, the way to Christ. She is a Protestant.

In 1938 Hitler occupied Austria, and now a life full of fear and trouble began for me. It also started a time for which I am very thankful to the Lord.

I was unfortunate enough to have no relatives in any other country so I could not hope to go to any other country. All other lands closed their border lines to the Jew. I felt as though I was in a mousetrap! After trying all different ways in different consulates I gave up all hope of going abroad some day.

When the Jewish New Year came,

We had to stand all night outside our door before we could go back, and only then because my wife is an Arvan.

My wife then said to me, "Come, let us go to a Mission I have heard about. Perhaps they can help us." This was my first step to hear and meet real Christians. At this place I met Mr. Lichtenstein from the American Board of Missions to the Jews, Inc., of New

They did not promise me any help but said they would see what they could do for us. In order that they would not forget me I attended each week the Wednesday evening and Sunday morning services and saw for the first time Christians who love the Jews. I also heard the Gospel preached for the first time and could not believe it at all.

A short time later, on November 10. the Nazis caught me because I was a Jew and put me in a Concentration Camp in Germany. Here I learned to pray again. I also learned to believe in God.

In Psalms 91:7 I find expressed what I have seen and felt. In this terrible place facing death many times, I realized there must be a God. There must also be a guarding angel. Here I saw unspoken testimonies of real Christians. Here I saw many priests and preachers testifying for God. They were told that they could go out of camp if they would sign a paper stating that not Christ but Hitler was their leader. This made the greatest impression on me.

After six months I was released on account of a Shanghai ticket my wife had bought for me. I had to leave Germany inside four weeks, just time enough to get all my papers in order. In the meantime the Mission got me a place at a Protestant refugee camp in Holland.

Here I received my first Bible lessons. I now believed in God but could not believe in Christ or in the Trinity. It is so very hard for a Jew to believe the Nazis drove us out of our home. this. I had always learned that there

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is only one God. How could I believe in three? I did believe everything in the Bible.

At this time my wife was in correspondence with a Hebrew Christian Mission in Detroit, Mich., trying to find some one to sign the necessary papers so I might get a visa and go to America, the land of Freedom. After 10 months of inquiry they found a family by the name of Blair in Erie, Pa. When I got the papers I found that Mr. Blair was not rich enough to get the visa for me. I felt so disappointed.

But God can do all things. So when I received the card saying that l should call on the American Consul, it seemed to me that it would be wasted time. I didn't like to go, but went anyway. Before going I prayed to the Lord, "Oh God, show thou me Thy mercy. Give me a sign. Thou knowest how hard it is for me to believe on Jesus Christ as the Messiah and as the Son of God. I know that it is impossible almost for me to get the visa, but if it is Thy will that I should get it then I shall know that Jesus Christ is the Messiah, the Son of God." I prayed, because in a few days I was to be baptized and I did not like to be a Christian if I could not believe. I was searching for the truth.

Then I went to the American Consul and got the visa! Here was the answer to my prayer. Believe me it seemed as though someone had struck me with a big hammer. Jesus Christ became my Lord. I must confess that I did not know then that I had to accept Him. I thought that to believe on Him was enough. So fourteen days later I was baptized and after three more days I left Holland.

During this time we were daily waiting for Hitler to come into Holland. The situation was very dangerous, so dangerous that I with my little faith couldn't believe I could get the boat in time. I was without money. The Protestant committee paid for my ticket. The same committee bought upper and lower dental plates for me. (I lost all my teeth except one in the Concentration Camp.) I owe much to this committee who did so much for me and who tried by their kindness to make us feel at home in a strange land.

I saw how good and powerful our Lord is because I reached the boat before Hitler marched into Holland.

After we left Vlissingen, the Dutch harbor, we could only go to Dunkirk. Here we had to stop for ten days and nights. German bombers attacked Dunkirk day and night. We could not move. The bombs dropped near our boat into the water. It was terrible. One morning we found we could go, not knowing what was waiting for us. After a couple of days travel we learned that Hitler had conquered Holland. Our boat was no longer a neutral boat. We had to watch for submarines. The life-saving boats were ready day and night to go into the water and the lifesaving belts were on our bodies day and night.

With the help of God we arrived May 16, 1940 at the New York harbor. You can imagine what happiness was felt among the refugees when we saw the Statue of Liberty!

The Committee for Christian refugees sent me, after being fourteen days in New York City, against my will, to the people who had signed my papers, the Blairs, because I could not understand one word of English. For that reason I could not find a job in New York.

The Blairs are wonderful fundamental Christians, and so no wonder I have found in their home a home for me. I call them my family today. They did not tell me that I should do this or that, but only showed me how Christians live and took me to their church, and to places where I could see and meet Christians. When I went the first Saturday evening to prayer meeting I thought the people were all crazy. Today I am just as crazy myself and thank God for it. After attending their church for two months I confessed Christ as my own personal Saviour and a short time later was baptized again. I do not know who was more happy, the Blairs, Rev. Lorgsdon or myself. From this time on I knew what it means to be happy. I had never known before what it really means to be truly happy. The Lord is wonderful. He is above all human understanding! He never takes away things from us without giving us much more for it. He had taken away my wife and my home. (My wife is still in Vienna.) I had lost all the things

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I loved most but He gave me Himself, Jesus Christ and through Him joy and happiness.

## News Letter from Jerusalem

There are rumblings in Jerusalem. Who knows but that we are now in the days when Jerusalem, and indeed all of Palestine, is being prepared for that great and terrible day to come! It is not always easy to trace the pattern of transpiring events into the scheme of God's impending purposes; but as the tapestry is woven, then we can understand how the pieces are put together. All we know now is that every portent is ominous, and will find its place in the final denouement of what will be the worlds greatest drama.

In the meantime our missionary in Jerusalem, Mr. Sigurd Biorness, keeps faithfully at work, plodding day after day, winning such as will receive the message of the Gospel before it is too late, and receiving always encouragement from on high, because he is doing about as closely as anyone in the world can be doing, the direct will of God. Here are some quotations from two of his recent letters:—

There is an old saying with the sailors: there is always a lull before the storm breaks. I think I can say that is the present condition in the Holy Land. Nerves are high strung, faces taut, every one has to prepare himself for whatever may come, and be ready for any eventuality. An occasional air alert, but no incidents for a long time now. Terrible reports from Europe of massacres and murders of women and children. The words of Jesus come before one: "... great distress in the land and wrath upon this people, and they shall fall by the edge of the sword," but also: ". . . if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry?" We know very well Jesus is and referred to Himself as the "green tree". But there could also be another meaning read into these words:that Israel must after all be counted for the green nation who shall first come to judgment before God is going to judge the rest (or dry) of the nations. For the present

there is peace and comparative tranquility in Abraham's land, but a good many of the people know what is going to come and there is quite a bit of anxiety of mind. Leaders of Judaism are making intense propaganda for enlistment. There is still a claim for forming a Jewish army. This is not to my mind dictated by inherited pride of nation, but by simple and well founded fear of the future days .fear of Jeremiah's predictions "there is none to plead thy cause." Jer. 31:7 & 13, etc.—I am aware of the seriousness of the impending future which looms up in the horizon as a great dark cloud and want to be prepared for it not only for our own sake but also for those who will be left without anybody to plead their cause. That time will come.

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The Shepherd of Israel is a boon. I have not had a single paper returned to me of the many we have mailed, and we take it to be a good sign that the papers are appreciated and read. We have had some interested young people helping us to distribute the papers. Activities at our home have not been standing still. Every day there is a knock,—"Can you help us with our children?" One day a poor widow with five children came; the father dead, and she left with a flock! Two women, under direction of Mrs. Biorness, set at work and made dresses and undergarments for the whole family. We have given them, and many others, groceries. There is practically no work to be had for either men or women except with the army, and those who cannot go to war are left without bread.

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Once in a while a big four-ingbomber circles over our head here in Jerusalem. Nevertheless we cling to the precious promise from the Lord:— "As birds flying, so will the Lord of Hosts defend Jerusalem." Isaiah 31:5. The redeemed of God are waiting for the Divine Rider of the heavenly sky separated, and the standard of separation is, "inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren (the Jews)." The possession of the earth then will be divided among these sheep nations on a basis that has a relation toward Palestine. Deut. 32:8 tells us clearly, "When the Most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when He separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people (nations) according to the number of the children of Israel."

But Rev. 7:9-17 has to do with a certain group of individuals out from certain of the nations that will be gathered to the great war of Armageddon and these individuals will sing praises to the Lord Jesus Christ. No doubt these will be converts from among some of those Gentile nations, who will have been brought to the worship of the Lamb because of the testimony of the 144,000 from the twelve tribes of Israel who are to be sealed as the servants of God.

Answer 2. There is no scripture teaching that there will be salvation or resurrection or translation during the millennial reign. Certainly Rev. 20:8-9 indicates that there will be rebellious elements on the earth even during the Millennium. Zechariah also confirms this, as well as other of the scripture writers.

Answer 3. No, we do not so interpret the passage. Peter was specially beloved of the Lord Jesus Christ; his relation to the Saviour was of a nature almost as affectionate and intimate as was the relationship between David and Jonathan. And we prefer to understand this passage as though it had read, "tell His disciples, and especially Peter." All of which means to us that the Lord Jesus Christ was now giving the evidence that Peter had held a special place in His heart, a place occupied by no one else in all the world.

Question. Where in Old Testament prophecy can the quotation "they will lend to all nations and borrow from none" be found? — Mrs. F. B. F.

Answer. The references are Deut. 15:6 and Deut. 28:12. We quote from the first one, "For the Lord thy God blesseth thee, as he promised thee: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over thee." It must be kept in mind that this promise will find its fulfillment when Israel is obedient to God. See Deut. 28:1-2. This era of perfect obedience by Israel will be an established fact when new Israel, reborn, regenerated, shall rule from Jerusalem with the King of kings at their head.

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# Questions and Answers

Ouestion 1. I have wondered what the heavenly seed foretold. There are Romans 14:22 meant about having faith to ourselves before God. Would you please tell me if you feel one should keep silence about receiving answers to prayer?

Question 2. Can Romans 9:6 mean that those who have heard the Gospel and accepted Christ as their Saviour are no longer of Israel because they belong to the body of Christ? - Mrs. J. E. N.

Answer 1. As to Romans 14:22. The idea is more fully elucidated in verses 3, 4, 5 and 6 of the same chapter. It is the old principle that if to any child of God in his own conscience a certain thing is wrong to do, and if he does that thing, to him it is a sin. On the other hand, to some other child of God, to whom that particular thing does not seem wrong to do, and he does it, to him it is not a sin. This has to do particularly as to the eating of foods, and was intended to solve the problems brought up in the early church by the Judaizing brethren from among the Israelites who had been brought to the Lord Jesus Christ. The principle given is "Whatsoever is of faith, is of the Lord: whatsoever is not of faith, is of sin." And so we come to the second verse and Paul sums it up by asking "Hast thou faith?" and then he tells you. "Have it to thyself before God." That is, if you believe that it is wrong to eat pork, then practice that belief to vourself before God, but do not expect someone else to live up to the same measure that you have meted out for yourself. Some other child of God may think it is perfectly proper to eat pork, therefore you are not to condemn him just because you think it is wrong to eat pork.

Answer 2. With regard to Romans 9:6, Paul is simply arguing to show the Jews that not every Jew is a true Iew simply because he happens to be born of the seed of Abraham. A true Jew is one who believes the Word of God and obeys it, besides being also the seed of Abraham. We must distinguish between the spiritual seed of Abraham and the physical seed of Abraham. The promise of the covenant was that the children of Abraham 25:31-41 has to do with the judgment shall be as the stars in the heavens and as the sands on the seashore. And so there you have the earthly seed and sheep nations and the goat nations

within the Jewish nation today millions of true Israelites, real Jews, who believe the Word of God, and believe with all their hearts in the soon coming of the Messiah and who look for Him every day, but who have not recognized or have not known, in the Lord Jesus Christ, their long-looked for Saviour and Redeemer. There are on the other hand many thousands of Iews who are Jews only by name, who happen to have been born Jews racially. They have no true faith in the Word of God, they have long ago given up any hope of a Messiah to come, they live only a life based on dubious ethical philosophies. Certainly these cannot be counted as true Israelites. Then there are those Jews who in addition to being orthodox and to having an unshaken faith in the Old Testament, have come to recognize in the Lord Iesus Christ their Messiah and their Saviour. These Jews are no more a part of the Jewish race so far as eternal destinies are concerned. They have no interest any more in the rebuilding of Palestine or the return to Jerusalem, but they are pilgrims of a better journey for they are on their way to the heavenly Jerusalem. Their watchword is "Behold I come quickly" and they have become members of the Body of Christ, and are waiting together with all the other members, for that blessed shout from the heav-

Question 1. Does Matt. 25:31-41 and Rev. 7:9-17 mean the same band of people and are they living, physical people?

Question 2. Where is there any scripture that tells about the people born and reared during the millennial reign, being saved or resurrected or translated? Don't we have the wicked spoken of in Rev. 20:8-9 in Satan's last army? But what about the others?

Question 3. Why did the angel tell the Marys, "But go your way tell His disciples and Peter that He goe'h before you into Galilee," as though Peter wasn't a disciple? (St. Mark 16:7).—MR. R. H.

Answer 1. No, the passage in Matt. of the world nations for their treatment of the Jew. There we find the

who soon shall illuminate the heavens and the whole universe with His glory. .

There has just come to hand a snapshot showing Rev. Isaac Feinstein, Rev. Leon Awerbuch and our own Mr. Bironess. Mr. Feinstein was murdered in Roumania a few months ago by the Nazis; for a number of years he had been a faithful missionary to the Jews in Galatz, Roumania, having been supported by a Norwegian Society of Christian friends. It was our joy to have blessed fellowship through these years, our first meeting having taken place in Budapest a number of years ago. The widow, with six children, has escaped to Switzerland, and we are now trying to reach her with special relief funds. In the



FEINSTEIN AWERBUCH BIORNESS

center of the picture is our beloved Leon Awerbuch through whom we were able to do much blessed work first in Kischineff, and later among refugee Jews in London. The story of his home-going we told in The Chosen People last year, and since that time Mrs. Awerbuch has been our trusted and beloved missionary in London. At the right of the picture is our Mr.

Biorness, from whose letters we have quoted above. This snap-shot was taken in 1936, when all three of these beloved brethren were together in Galatz; evidently Mr. Awerbuch and Mr. Biorness were paying a visit to Mr. Feinstein. Of these three, only one now survives, Mr. Biorness.

## Suffering in Haifa

In Haifa also we are privileged to minister to an Israel in great distress of body and anguish of soul. A letter from our beloved brother, F. J. Plotke, through whom we are enabled to distribute funds from time to time as the Lord puts them into our hands, gives most interesting glimpses of what is going on behind the scenes:-

Your good letter reached me on my 50th birthday, and was thus a means of special pleasure. I never doubted that you are mindful of our needs over here, and thus I had cabled to you just 10 days previous to receiving your letter for fresh funds. Meanwhile I have also received your transfer of \$500.00 and also miraculously your letter dated March 3 for which I do thank you most heartily.

What a busy servant of our LORD you are-rushing to and from the Pacific Coast-how can you manage all this amount of travelling and your widespread activities in U. S. A.? God is blessing you with health sufficient to bear all your heavy burdens, and thus I feel the more indebted that even Palestine is not neglected in your kind consideration and care.

To describe the needs of our people is almost an impossible task -the sufferings are so varied and although there is no lack of work at the present time, wages are not keeping pace with the considerable rise of commodities. I have to provide clothing, food, helps for rent, dentist fees, special medical treatment and recreation for exhausted folks; some are finding their way into self supporting jobs, but others are breaking down quite of a sudden and new problems are to be faced.

I had the privilege of assisting by your generosity a good number of worthy people - a Hebrew-Christian of 3 years' good witness as a junior Government clerk has passed away after a long illness there were no friends to assist his widow who was with child and thus I paid for his grave; I also assist the widow who meanwhile has given birth to a baby girl until she will be able to earn again her living - no pension being granted to her from the Government. A boy apprentice is being supported for one year's training until he will be able to get a paid iob as a dental mechanic; school fees for Hebrew-Christian children are being provided; shoe-repairs amounting to £-.500 for soles and heels are another recurring expenditure for many folks who seek assistance and so on in many other items I am called for help. which I am only too glad to render.

I had good news from the Cyprus Refugees who have been transferred to Tanganyika—they have not asked for further help and I understand that they are beginning to build up a new life at their new residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Biorness called on me when passing through Haifa from Jerusalem—I feel that they would like someone to help them in their work. I am resolved to call at Mr. Biorness' at the first opportunity and shall be only too glad to be useful in any possible manner.

The reading of your Magazine The Chosen People is always a great help and blessing - some of my readers in my Reading Room turn its pages over discreetly, when they believe themselves unobserved, and I am convinced that the scriptural meditations and even the reports of incidents from your work are having a beneficial influence on their minds and souls. I am always glad to have an ample provision of religious literature mingled with the daily papers and periodicals for the use of visitors to the Hall. Sometimes such who would never think of considering the claims of Christ are having a mere glance out of curiosity into the Mission Magazines, when other papers are not available for the moment, and they become stirred by their reading, and then an opportunity for a personal word in season arrives.

I have been rather ill the early weeks of this year — my old kidney trouble has weighed heavily upon my heart function — after some lengthy cure with injections, etc. I am feeling much better now and I do trust that He will carry me through as long as I shall have some needed work to do in His glorious cause.

Please remember me with prayerful intercession as you are always lovingly upheld before His Throne of Grace. The Lord of the Covenant is our strength and comfort in these evil days — His Kingdom come; Amen!

Ever faithfully yours,

F. J. PLOTKE.

officers declare that they were sickened by the horrible scenes, and estimate that tens of thousands of Jews have been massacred in the region of Kamenetz-Podolsk. Among the dead are at least fifteen thousand Hungarian Jews who were among those deported to Galicia from Hungary last August and subsequently driven by the Nazis to villages on either side of the Dniester. One officer estimated that eight thousand Galician Jews were slaughtered by machine guns while praying in synagogues, besides the large numbers killed in raids in their homes. The bodies of victims were thrown into the river. In addition to threatened further pogroms the Jews in the Ukraine are facing starvation and are without medicine or shelter.

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According to an Ankara broadcast, all the Jews of Bukovina and Bessarabia were recently moved, at four hours' notice, from their homes to the new Rumanian province of Transnistria, on the River Dniester. There they have been placed in open-air concentration camps, without any shelter from the extremely hard winter weather. The total number of Jews thus imprisoned is not accurately known, though it is established that they include fifty-seven thousand men, women and children taken from Cernauti and its environs. During four months it is estimated that at least one hundred thousand Jews, Russian and Rumanian, were murdered by Rumanian soldiers alone.

According to a Jerusalem report, about seven thousand eight hundred men and women were rounded up in Jassy by German and Rumanian soldiers and were slaughtered with machine-gun fire. Several hundred Jews were deported in sealed goods trucks to Bessarabia. When the train arrived at its destination, the journey having been made without food, water and air, one hundred and eighty-two were found dead; the rest were demented and their appearance was worse than those deceased.

This is something of the tragedy of "Jacob's trouble," greater than any other tragedy because an absolutely defenceless people in the power of a ruthless enemy and unable to come to any terms but forced to accept torture and death.

Of all the sad world news in these days, that of the Jews is the saddest to record, as will be seen from the accounts given below. The only oases in this desert of suffering are where opportunities arise to give the suferers the Gospel.

Two Years Of War. Referring to the fact that the nations slept and played for years whilst the grisly menace of Nazism matured, and the ghastly awakening, the Jewish Chronicle says: "For Iews the awakening has been crueller still, for not even the most rabid pessimist among themand certainly not the comfortable lotus-eaters of former German Jewry -could have expected the Jews of Europe to be engulfed quite so completely by the Nazi fury as has turned out to be the case. Jews have suffered as nationals of the subjugated countries. But they have also been crucified as Jews. Never before, even in their unhappy history, has the savage hate of which they are victims sunk to such depths. Jews have been forced to dig their own graves and then been buried in them alive. Whole Jewries have been uprooted and despoiled, or thrown into slavery, or locked up in ghettos, or cast adrift on the open seas in hell ships, drifting amid horrors from one inhospitable land to another, or at the end finding in the waves oblivion of their ghastly totures.

"Scores of thousands of executions in cold blood are being perpetrated by the German police-troops upon the Russian patriots who defend their native soil," says Mr. Churchill, and we know that among them are many gallant and patriotic Jews. A great rally of prominent representatives of Russian Jewry and of representatives of Soviet literature and science, the speeches at which were broadcast from several Russian stations, has just been held in Moscow. In an appeal to the Tews of the world it declares that "in Poland alone the Hitlerites have cruelly tortured and massacred over a million Poles and Jews. They have outraged daughters before their parent's eyes, and split open the heads of children before their mothers. Those who have remained alive have been obliged to see their daughters forced into military brothels and their sons sterilized. . . .'

-The Scattered Nation.

## **Jewish Notes**

CERTAIN things are already clear. of the most critical and of the most There has been a large migration of Jews have fled to our own country, some to Palestine, some to North and dies, to China and Australia. Never before have Jews been so widely dispersed. But if there comes financial depression throughout the world after the war, as seems so very probable, the natural outcome will be a cry for the expulsion of "newcomers," especially if they are poor and can be accused of taking work from the native populations. It has been reckoned that in times of financial stringency no nation which has five per cent, of its population Jewish is free from antisemitism. We may deplore it, we may recognize it as the un-Christian thing it is, but we shall have to reckon with it as a fact, and deal with it in a constructive way. It is useless to imagine, whatever liberal-minded statesmen of our allies may say, that the ordinary citizens of lands from which Iews have been expelled will readily give up in time of distress to returning Jewish exiles the posts which the latter formerly held, and to which these citizens have succeeded.

After the last war clauses were inserted in the peace treaties guaranteeing the rights of minorities; but in many cases these were either disregarded or circumvented. In other lands private bodies of nationalists, like the "Iron Guard" of Roumania, committed excesses even worse than an openly anti-Semitic government might have perpetrated, and the authorities "looked the other way" rather than take drastic and unpopular steps.

Even in Britain anti-Semitism has been barely kept in check, despite the fact that it is now recognised as being with, and promoted by, Hitlerism. While, of course, it is not the object of a missionary society to enter into a political controversy, it is manifestly almost impossible to present the Christian doctrine of redeeming love to Iews who suffer in so-called Christian lands from the very antithesis of that love.

Anti-Semitism, however, is only one of the difficult aspects of the problem of reconstruction with which we have

complicated problems of the post-war Iews from Nazi-dominated lands. Some settlement. As a Scottish speaker recently said: "Hitler has put the question of the Jews on the agenda of the South America, some to the East In- world's business." So we summon our friends to ponder the Jewish question in the light of God's Word, to pray that we may be enabled to see and to do the Christian thing, to take counsel with our friends upon it, and then to do our part in forming a dynamic public opinion. As we have said, the problem is complicated. No single remedy or plan will be sufficient. It must be tackled from many angles.

No government will take action unless a public demand calls it to do so. It is our task to create that public demand not only in our own land, but so far as possible in other lands also.

- Jewish Missionary Intelligence.

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The occupation of Odessa witnessed the most horrible mass murder of Jews. Soon after the entry of the Axis troops into the city the German and Rumanian soldiers were, as usual, given a free hand to "avenge" themselves against the Jews, who were accused of having incited the Russians to organize the stubborn defense of the city and of assisting the guerilla bands who continued the struggle. The invaders assembled hundreds of Jews in the Moldavanka district of the city and ordered them to strip and flog one another. Those who refused were shot dead. Large numbers were arrested and subjected to all kinds of torture in an effort to obtain information from them. These orgies ended with mass massacre. Twenty-five thousand men, women and children were herded into the city's central military barracks, and there methodically executed by squads of machinegunners. The barracks were constructed of wood. After the execution of the Jews the barracks were set on fire and the bodies of the murdered Jews were cremated. This is not war. but murder. - Immanuel's Witness.

According to reports of Hungarian officers returning from the Soviet-German front, where they participated in to deal. The Jewish situation is one the Axis invasion of the Ukraine, the

Our London Letter From our Missionary

MRS. MARIE AWERBUCH

Dear Brother Cohn,

One year is past since my dear husband is in heaven, and though I am very lonely I still can say, "I am not worthy of the least of all Thy mercies."

I had such a nice letter from Sister A. B., (Bolton, England) the other day. She wrote that she is one of the "Chosen People" family and sent me 10/-. Immediately, I took the money to my poor friend Lilv B. One time it seemed as if she was getting better, but now she relapsed and cannot move at all. A few times I took her out in the garden and there I read the Bible to her. She is always very thankful for any help, and I thank you for your kind thoughts in writing to that sister.

I often do visit the family where my husband was taken ill. The older son, who recently joined the army, wrote that he has two friends there from the brethren and he reads the Bible and prays with them. The Lord is so very near and is taking care of him. I was so glad to hear that. The other son too is in the army, he is married and they have a little baby. I took a Hebrew New Testament to them and told them that the Lord Jesus loves little children and blesses them. They asked me to pray for them, especially for the baby; and after my prayer the young mother thanked me and said: "I am sure the Lord will bless my baby and his dad," and tears ran down her cheeks. The hearts of many of my Jewish friends are touched by the love of our Saviour. On my way home, I was just crossing the road and an old Jewish woman stood at the corner waiting for me. She smiled at me and

said, "How nice to see a Yiddish face." I replied, in Yiddish, "I am sorry to disappoint you, I am not a Yiddish face, but I am a daughter of Abraham by faith, and I love the Jews." "How is that," she replied, "you talk Yiddish so well, and yet you are not Yiddish?" Then I told her about my faith in God, that He sent the Messiah for whom the Jewish people are still waiting, because they don't search the Scriptures. She then asked me - "Did you light candles tonight? You said you are a true Jewess." "I would have done it, if that would be God's commandment; but as it is not, I have not done it. What we have to do is to love Him with our whole hearts, and our neighbors as ourselves." I quoted the verses in Hebrew. "You are right," she said, "it is getting late, here is my address, come to my home and we will talk more about it. I too am very lonely." The Lord Himself is sending souls along my way to witness for Him to them.

In our house live two very nice Jewish families. There were several airraid warnings sometime ago, and as I am living in the basement flat, all came down and stayed with me during the raid. In my room on the wall are Hebrew texts, the people have asked me what those texts mean. So I read, and told them the meaning. They are Isa. 53. They felt very ashamed that they cannot read nor understand, they listened to me very attentively. When I became tired. I went to bed and asked my guests to make themselves comfortable until the "All Clear". The Lord is our shelter. As long as it was quiet they stayed in the other room, but when the guns started to fire they all came into my bedroom, 5 ladies and 2 gentlemen, because, they said they feel safer with me, I am not nervous. I had a well attended night meeting. I am so glad for every opportunity the Lord gives me to witness for Him.

## God's Purpose In Israel

A condensed report of an address given by Rev. Albert G. Johnson, D.D., at the Hamilton, Ont., Conference on Prophecy and the Jews, in the Philpott Tabernacle. Dr. Johnson is the beloved pastor of the great, historic Hinson Memorial Church of Portland, Oregon.



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THERE are no people on the earth who have so absolutely clear an ancestry as have the children of Israel. Their record is unique. They sprang from one man whom God separated from his family and kindred. God made a covenant with this man.

Abraham. Later they spent 400 years in captivity under Egyptian subjection. They had a miraculous deliverance by God, wandered in the wilderness for 40 years, eventually reaching the Promised Land that had been covenanted to their fathers. They became one nation, had a glorious kingdom; later they separated into two sections, one going into idolatry. Their leaders led them blindly so that they rejected Christ and as a result they were scattered to the ends of the earth.

## DISRAELI'S RETORT

What an amazing history! Disraeli was once chided by an English peer because he was a Jew; but he met the statement with these words, "When your ancestors were treading the forests as barbarians, the Jew was walking in palaces of kingly splendour."

Why should there be one people so chosen of God beyond all others? God chose Israel for His supreme glory, that they might be His channel through which He would come to us in human flesh. "Who are Israelites; to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises; whose are the fathers and of whom as concerning the flesh Christ came, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen." Romans 9:4, 5.

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Nations have been entirely cut off from the face of the earth. Why is it that the people of Israel are indestructional tible and yet no people has ever been so persecuted as they have been? God gives His divine revelation about Israel in Psalm 83:1-5:—

"Keep not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still, O God. For lo, thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee have lifted up their head. They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones. They have said Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance. For they have consulted together with one consent; they are confederate against thee!"

Here is the answer. Israel is chosen of God, and those who are confederate against her are also against God. God has a divine purpose in the Jewish race in relation to the world:—

"Thus said the Lord, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; the Lord of hosts is his name: if those ordinances depart from before me, saith the Lord, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever. Thus saith the Lord; if heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath. I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the Lord." Jer. 31:35-37.

Israel is as indestructible as the Word of God itself. Israel is a nation of unfinished history. They are scattered to the ends of the earth, but they are still united. They are dispersed, but Pales-

tine is still the land of their patriotism. They have one language known by all so that they may always converse with one another no matter what country they are in. They have one faith in the God of Abraham. Why are they so scattered? It is because of their interrupted communion with God:—

"And I will bring the land into desolation: and your enemies which dwell therein shall be astonished at it. And I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste. Then shall the land enjoy her sabbaths, as long as it lieth desolate, and ye be in your enemies' land; even then shall the land rest, and enjoy her sabbaths. As long as it lieth desolate it shall rest; because it did not rest in your sabbaths, when ye dwelt upon it." Lev. 26:32-35.

"Since the day that your fathers came forth out of the land of Egypt unto this day I have even sent unto you all my servants the prophets, daily rising up early and sending them; yet they hearkened not unto me, nor inclined their ear, but hardened their neck: they did worse than their fathers." Jer. 7:25-26.

Our Lord Himself bears out all the Old Testament words; for He says the very same in Matthew 23:31-39. God is preserving His people because of the divine covenant given in Gen. 12:3. Israel is still to be the means of the earth's greatest blessing.

### SCIENCE GONE MAD

We have made great scientific progress especially in the means of deathdealing devices. Our education and speculative philosophy have ruined our youth. The evolutionary hypothesis has culminated in a survival of the fittest as taught by Germany. Certainly we can never say that we have been a blessing to all the earth. This present war is the physical expression of moral and physical conflict. Behind it all stands the devil in his attempt to banish God.

## A PEOPLE FOR HIS NAME

Even in our day God is working out His divine purpose of taking out a people for His name from both Jew and Gentile. Acts 15:13-18. God has turned Israel's loss into our gain, because for the time He has given some of them a spirit of hardness and hath blinded them. Psalm 102 predicts that Israel will be nationally restored; but this can never be realized without the evangelization of the Jew. "For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world, what shall the receiving of them be but life from the dead?" Rom. 11:15. Israel is the olive tree and the wild olive branches are the Gentiles who have been grafted in. God is the divine horticulturist, and only He could take out a people for Himself from these two distinctive races.

#### THE FINAL DRAMA NEAR

We are almost at the grand finale of this world's stage. There must be the Northern Confederacy as spoken of in Ezekiel 37 and 38, with Russia in the supremacy and Germany in subservience. There must also be the ten federated kingdoms spoken of in Revelation. And there will be the sheep and goat nations spoken of in Matthew 25. As the stage becomes clearer we see Great Britain and the United States taking their places with the sheep nations.

#### THE SUPREME TASK

As the last stage is set, wherein is our work? We are to evangelize God's chosen people and make them jealous of our lives as Christians. We can't accomplish this by harshness, nor unkindness, but only by love; and God Himself will bless us.