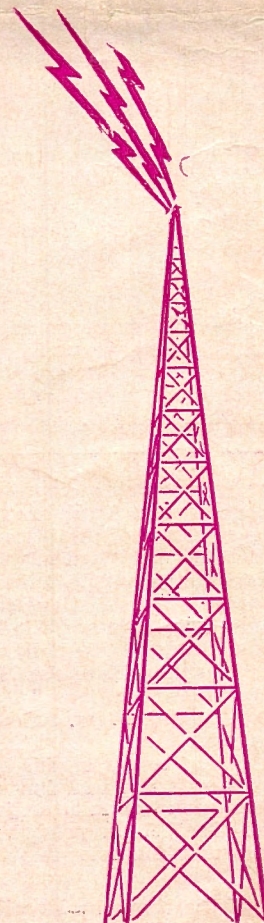
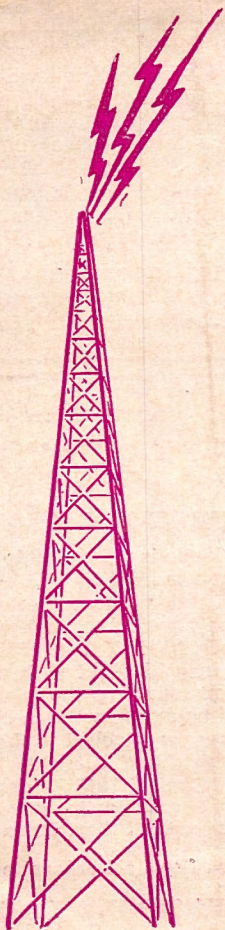


## "The Pilgrim Program"

Is on the air each weekday morning at 6:00 (Central Standard Time) over station WHO, 1000 Kilocycles, Des Moines, Iowa. This program is sponsored by the six members of the "Boone Family." They are the composers of hundreds of sacred songs and ballads,

many of which are in print. They play eight different instruments, and present a devotional program which helps thousands to "Start the day in the right way." You are invited to join them in their morning broadcast.



*Edward Boone*



# CHRISTMAS GREETING CARDS

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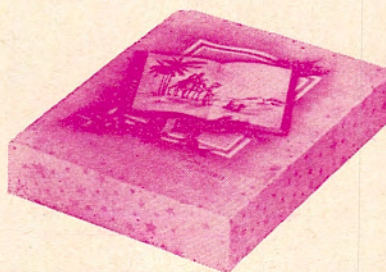


Twelve attractive beautiful folders, with appropriate Scripture texts concerning the birth of Christ, packed in a gift box. These cards, with matching envelopes, offer new artistic designs, printed on high-grade paper in many attractive colors. "Die-cut" effects with sparkling gold, and silver foil underlays, gives them a smooth or frosted appearance. The pictures of worshipping shepherds, and snowy winter scenes, the Virgin Mary adoring her Child, the Wise Men traveling on their camels, and other Seasonal designs are portrayed in beautiful colors. This is our own

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The demand for religious cards becomes greater each year, and so we also included a larger box of 21 select folders for our Christmas trade. This box contains some splendid qualities and values for there are several cards with double underlays which would sell for 15c each. There is a great variety of colors and designs which can only be appreciated by seeing them. Fifteen of the folders have expensive metallic inserts or underlays, sparkling with silver high lights. The cards are printed on costly, choice paper which adds to their value. The folders are of good size and we guarantee them to please you. When sending these cards to your friends and neighbors, they will honor Christ, Who came with peace and good will toward men. The cards and envelopes are packed in a Christmas box, which can be used for sending gifts. They all contain Scripture texts.



## TWO SPECIAL SONG BOOKS

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An 80-page song book, containing 58 special songs all composed and harmonized by The Boone Family. These songs have been published previously in sheet-music form and have been deeply appreciated by the public. This enables us to sell the songs at a greatly reduced price.

In this collection there are songs pertaining to Heaven, Calvary, Christian experience, and various other themes. There are three fine Missionary songs and three serious specials suitable for invitation, as well as some splendid funeral songs.

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Thousands of copies of this book have already been sold and special singers looking for new songs will find many unusual, spiritual, and appealing numbers therein. This book has an attractive red cover printed with gold ink on waterproof cover stock. The book is printed from new plates, on a good grade of book paper making the words and notes easy to read.

### PRICES

Either of the above books sell for 75c each; two copies of either book, or one copy of each book for \$1.25; two copies of each book for \$2.25; or six copies for \$3.00—Postpaid.



## Bulletin

SERIOUSLY ILL

No doubt some of our listeners heard the announcement that Mr. Boone has been overtaken by serious illness. Just as this paper goes to press we must say he has been in great pain and today's report from the clinic and X-ray are such that a major operation may be necessary in the very near future. This will mean the absence from the air and omission of out-of-town services which will be a large financial loss to the Pilgrim Program. We therefore urge you to pray for the recovery of Mr. Boone, and that the children may continue with the broadcast under the blessing of God. We trust that our kind friends will stand by us with their prayers and offerings as we pass through this period of anxiety and testing.

MRS. EDWARD BOONE AND CHILDREN.

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By Edward Boone

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This plaque is unbreakable and washable. The waving flag which is made in colors of red, white, and blue, appears on a rich royal blue background with the words, "PRAY FOR PEACE," appearing in gold relief with a nice gold border surrounding the plaque. This is placed on a solid wooden background with a hanger attached to the back. We sold hundreds of these in just a few weeks. Size 3 3/4 x 5 3/4 inches. This plaque will make a fine gift for Armistice or Memorial Day. Price 50c.

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P. O. Box 200

Des Moines, Iowa



# Giving



By Edward Boone

## THANKS FOR ALL THINGS

Paul, in writing to the Church at Ephesus, admonishing them to be thankful, says **"Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."** (Eph. 5:20.) The giving of thanks is as much of a duty as prayer or attending the means of grace, for by it men express their appreciation for the many blessings daily received from the hand of God.

Thankfulness is the result of a Spirit-filled life, for in verse 18 we are commanded to **"Be filled with the Spirit."** In verses 19 and 20, of the chapter we are considering, it is evident that the Spirit-filled life produces joyfulness and a thankfulness. The least men can do to show their appreciation for the daily blessings they receive is to be thankful. We call your attention to three things:

1. WHEN MUST WE GIVE THANKS? **"Giving thanks always."** The Psalmist said **"I will bless the Lord at all times."** To the Church of Philippi, Paul writes **"In everything give thanks."** It is easy to give thanks when all things go well, when the mill grinds or the wind blows; but it takes the grace of God and a Spirit-filled life to thank God **"Always for all things"** which would include reverses, losses, sickness or many other things. This is possible for a spirit of gratefulness was demonstrated in the life of Job; in the midst of all his losses, afflictions, sorrows and persecutions he cried out **"The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away, blessed be the name of the Lord."** (Job 1:21.)

When Paul was journeying by ship to Rome they met with a great storm in the Mediterranean and the ship and all their possessions were lost; yet, amidst all their suffering and

hardship, we are told that Paul **"Thanked God and took courage."** (Acts 28:15.) The word **"courage"** is found but once in the New Testament and this verse shows that thankfulness will produce courage. How often in our own lives, when we were discouraged or despondent, courage seemed to revive when we counted our blessings one by one. Yes, we are to thank God **"Always for all things."** The Apostle Paul, who commanded this duty, demonstrated its possibility when he, with Silas, was locked in the Roman jail. It was there they sat with feet in stocks and with backs bleeding from the Roman scourging. Yet, in their pain and suffering they **"Prayed and sang praises unto God"** (Acts 16:25) and thereby manifesting their thankfulness that they **"Were counted worthy to suffer for His name."**

It is clearly evident that God would not ask us to do the impossible, so when we are commanded to give thanks **"Always for all things,"** whether they be pleasant or otherwise, God will furnish the grace with which this is possible. Again, let me emphasize that it is only through the Spirit-filled life that this can be done. People who are living below their privileges in grace are usually found among those who often complain about their lot in life.

Unthankfulness is a trait often manifested by those who are not redeemed by the grace of God. They often complain about the weather, the food they eat, the wages they receive, the nation which affords them freedom of worship, speech and press, and many other things. Some even murmur against the God of Heaven who is **"Kind unto the unthankful and to the evil."** (Luke 6:35.) An un-

thankful disposition is the evidence of a sinful nature needing the grace of God. One of the signs of the last days is that men shall be **"Unthankful and unholy."** (2 Tim. 3:2.)

The early Pilgrim settlers, led by the spiritual counsel of William Brewster, landed at Plymouth Rock on December 26, 1620. After a cold, bitter winter and harassed by attacking Indians, they came to the closing of the first year with half of their company lying in the embrace of death in their newly made graves. With all of their hardships, sufferings and losses they established the first Thanksgiving Day to manifest their gratefulness to their Heavenly Father. Truly they were fulfilling the admonition of the Scripture, **"Giving thanks always for all things."**

2. FOR WHAT MUST WE GIVE THANKS? **"For all things."** If we take a survey of our national, physical, domestic and spiritual lives, I am sure we all have much to thank God for. We should thank Him

A. For Our National Blessings: While other nations are in bitter strife and bloody conflict, war has been kept from the borders of our nation. While young men are dying on the fields of battle, our youth are enjoying the schoolroom and pleasant gatherings. In some lands church doors are no longer open but we can worship without fear or molestation of the enemies of the Cross of Christ. The Christians have a protection in this country that is not shared by our brethren in some nations, consequently they endure persecution. We can thank God for our schools where we can educate and train our children according to our own interpretations of the Word of God. Denominational periodicals are printed by the millions without censorship; while the radio, the street corner and public buildings often afford the privilege of preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Surely, we who live under the Stars and Stripes have untold blessings and privileges which have long since been destroyed under the reign of dictatorship. I wonder how some of our readers would enjoy living in a nation where they are forbidden to listen to a foreign broad-



cast and, if found guilty, they would have to spend several years in a cold and dismal concentration camp. Truly, we should thank God we are living in the "Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave."

**B. For Our Physical Blessings:** We can thank God for our physical blessings for many are still able to attend church, others can do manual labor, their own housework or fulfill the callings of life. Even though some of our readers may not be in the best of health, there may be others who are dying with lingering diseases of cancer, arthritis or tuberculosis. Some have had to go through life without ever seeing the dawn of a beautiful day. They have been denied the privilege of eyesight. Some children have never gazed upon their parents, nor a wife upon the husband. They know not what it is to see a shining star, a beautiful rose or a rolling hill. Some are afflicted with deafness; they have never heard the strains of the village choir, a sacred hymn or the gentle voice of a loving wife. The only medium of hearing they have is through the lips of men or pencil and paper. Then, too, we think of those who have been bedfast for years, whose feet have never touched the floor, who have lain year in and year out dependent upon others. Truly, when we see those in such circumstances of life, we can thank God for our physical blessings.

**C. For Our Domestic Blessings:** We should not fail to thank God for our domestic blessings for we are living in a land where we are urged to have our own homes. In some nations they must live in dormitories, or several families under one roof, but here we have the blessings of individual homes where we can have family prayer, return thanks at the table and enjoy sacred music over our radio. Then we share so many things our forefathers never did have. The telephone, radio, running water, electric lights, furnaces and many other things too numerous to mention have been invented for our comfort and enjoyment. Our early fathers carried the water in the home by pailfuls, read by kerosene lights and sat by open fireplaces; rugs for the floors

or curtains for the windows were unknown. Yet, in our land, nearly every home shares these comforts. We can thank God for the children and fellowship enjoyed which the home affords. No doubt, there will be some homes this coming Thanksgiving Day whose family gathering will be marked by an empty chair, a missing voice, which speaks of the loss and separation death has brought. If your home is still complete you have that much more to thank God for.

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### FOR THIS WE THANK THEE, LORD

By Edward Boone

For one more happy, prosperous year  
And all the things we hold most dear,  
For freedom which we fully share  
In speech and press and daily prayer,  
For sacred thoughts we can express,  
For liberty and righteousness—  
For this we thank Thee, Lord.

For bumper crops of corn and wheat,  
For health and strength and lots to eat,  
For lakes and woods and rolling fields  
That pleasure in abundance yields,  
For laughter and for righteous fun  
Which follows us till life is done—  
For this we thank Thee, Lord.

For friends that help along the way,  
For kind and pleasant things they say,  
For our good home and family  
Who show their love and sympathy,  
For fellowship that's pure and sweet  
Which seems to make our lives complete—  
For this we thank Thee, Lord.

For books and papers we enjoy,  
For precious thoughts our minds employ,  
For many things to make us glad  
Which other people never had,  
For faith and hope and charity  
That take us up the homeward way—  
For this we thank Thee, Lord.

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**D. For Our Temporal Blessings:** In enumerating our blessings, we must not forget those which are temporal. During the past year God has been faithful in His providential care for the children of men. He has sent us the rain and sunshine to produce bountiful crops and, again, our cribs are filled with corn and our bins with grain. While famine and starvation are facing several million in Europe, we have more food in America than we know what to do with. God has given us a great variety of fruits and vegetables to suit the various tastes of men. Did you ever stop to think of

what it would mean if we had but one vegetable and one fruit which would be served three times a day; certainly the human race would tire of it. Our mines still have coal so we need not suffer from the cold, while our resources of oil are far beyond our consumption, which provide gasoline to drive our cars for business and pleasure. God, who created all things, has been faithful in preserving creation; and the seasons come and go, bringing us flowers, singing birds and nature dressed in rarest beauty. Surely it is fitting to have a national day of Thanksgiving for the temporal blessings God has so abundantly provided. It is certainly proper and right for men to express their thankfulness before each meal for it shows a spirit of gratitude to their faithful and providing God.

**E. For Our Spiritual Blessings:** And last, but not least, we should be thankful for our spiritual blessings. We should thank God that a plan of redemption has been arranged for the human race and that through this plan we can be made fit subjects for another world. We can thank God for the Holy Spirit that convicts, regenerates, sanctifies and comforts through the pathway of life. In some countries the Bible has become so scarce it is almost a novelty to have one, but in our nation we can daily read its sacred pages and enjoy its truths and keep in its precepts. Truly, we should thank God for its guiding counsel and many promises. We have a great reason to thank God for our church homes for there we can mingle with other members of Christ's body and enjoy the fellowship Christianity affords. We do not have to be kept in ignorance concerning God's will and plan for us for there are still faithful ministers in radio land and in our churches who are not afraid to declare the whole counsel of God. We should not forget that Christianity has given us a hope beyond the cold and cruel grave, and Heaven, the home of the soul, is awaiting for all those who put their trust in God. Truly, when we consider our national, physical, domestic, temporal and spir-

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# Our First Thanksgiving

By Rev. James R. Thompson

Each year, in the United States, we have a day set apart as a National holiday, known as Thanksgiving Day. The purpose of which is to thank God, our Creator, for the many blessings of the past year. The keeping of the first Thanksgiving Day was held by the Pilgrims of the Plymouth Colony in the State of Massachusetts. A company of one hundred and two people sailed from England in the Mayflower and landed at Plymouth Rock, Massachusetts, December 26, 1620.

A long, bitter, cold winter and severe persecutions from the Indians faced these forefathers during the first year. Yet, through all of their hardships they were true to their convictions, faithful in their devotions and thankful in their hearts that the blessings of God had been with them amidst their trials and sufferings. These religious and spiritual people set aside November 26, 1621, as the first Thanksgiving Day. The spirit and suggestion for this day was carried to this country by the Plymouth Colony from England, where an old-fashioned festival was held at the completion of each harvest. This celebration was called English Harvest Home, much like the festival in Scotland, known as Mell Supper.

After the first crops had been gathered by the Pilgrim fathers, they decided to have a feast of ingathering, and Governor Bradford proclaimed the first Thanksgiving Day. This tradition has been carried down until governors of all the States of the Union issue the Thanksgiving proclamations. Chief Massasoit, with ninety of his brave Indians, were invited, who came with venison and wild turkey; wild fruits were gathered from the forests and the waters supplied fresh fish and clams. Splendid pastries, corn bread and puddings were prepared in old-fashioned pans and kettles; while the turkeys, geese,

ducks and venison were roasted over open beds of coals. The preparation of the meals, for nearly one hundred and fifty people, was done mostly by four women and a few young maidens who had survived the year of hardships. Every one took part to make this Thanksgiving celebration one of great success. The fathers

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## I AM THANKFUL

By Edward Boone

*I am thankful for my home,  
With its comforts that I share,  
And a place that's all my own,  
Where I can have my family prayer;  
For a faithful wife and children,  
And the dog, and birds that sing;  
For the flowers in the garden,  
And the cheer these often bring.*

*I am thankful for the neighbors,  
I can greet from my back yard;  
For the strength with which to labor  
In present times that men call hard.  
I am thankful, too, for vision;  
I can speak and I can hear;  
Others may not have this pleasure  
We enjoy from year to year.*

*I am thankful for the miner  
And the coal that keeps us warm.  
I appreciate the farmer,  
For raising fruit and stock and corn;  
For my life and strength and health,  
And the work I have each day;  
For our land so full of wealth—  
It's the good old U. S. A.*

*I am thankful for creation,  
And for God Who made it all;  
For the uttermost salvation,  
To redeem us from the fall;  
For the Bible and the Spirit  
That will guide us on our way—  
This is truly my expression  
On this Thanksgiving Day.*

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supplied the fish and meat, the mothers and daughters prepared the meals, while the children kept the fires burning brightly with wood, gathered from the near-by forest. There was

a fine spirit of harmony existing between the Indians and the white men, who had settled their differences. The celebration of feasting, speaking and other exercises lasted three days.

The observance of this day became general throughout New England and, after the Revolutionary War, spread to the Middle and Western States, until it is now observed in every State of the Union. In 1863, Abraham Lincoln proclaimed the first National Thanksgiving Day, which has since been done by each successive president. On this national holiday, business is generally suspended, giving men ample time to express their thankfulness to God Almighty for His protecting care, abundant crops and innumerable blessings given during the past year. In many churches, religious services are held where thankfulness is expressed and emphasized as the duty of mankind.

After viewing briefly some of the sufferings and sorrows our forefathers experienced, how much more ought we to be thankful for the luxurious surroundings we enjoy. When we look out upon the fields of waving, golden grain, rippling streams, beautiful forests and our comfortable and commodious homes, our hearts ought to praise God with adoration and thanksgiving. All of these mentioned are tokens of His interest toward us, but to go farther, the outstanding expression of His interest to this world is the gift of His own dear Son. It is through Him we have the Gospel of grace, the presence of the Holy Spirit and salvation from all sin. In His gracious mercy, God hath provided for both body and soul, to make men happy. Let us truly be thankful to Him and "praise God from whom all blessings flow."

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The radio offers an opportunity for the aged, the poor, and those living in remote places, to hear the Gospel, who otherwise would never be privileged to hear the truth concerning their eternal welfare. Consequently, radio programs, of a religious nature, are a missionary work which is worthy of your financial support.

Have you read the article "May We Explain?" If not, please read it and then pray about it.



# Station W H O

Below is a picture of the huge transmitter and radio tower of Station WHO, located about nineteen miles east of Des Moines, near the village of Mitchellville. It is the tallest structure in Iowa, its height being 532 feet—more than twice as high as Iowa's tallest office building; so you see the Boone Family gets up

pretty high each weekday morning to send out this broadcast to you, in order that you can hear it. But, remember, it is only our voices.

The radio is certainly a great invention when we think that the Boone Family can be in the studios, located in the heart of Des Moines, and their programs can be sent out nineteen

miles from the studios and are enjoyed thousands of miles away.

It took sixty-five tons of steel to build this tower at a cost of \$30,000. If our out-of-town friends ever drive on highway No. 6, from Davenport to Des Moines, you will be able to see the red light on the tower in the nighttime, many miles away. A large sign is erected, identifying the tower as that of WHO and beneath are these words VISITORS WELCOME. Whenever you are passing through Iowa, you will find the right hand of welcome extended to you at both the transmitter and the studios of WHO.

## Our Announcer

The picture of the young man on this page is that of Max Robinson, born in Des Moines on November 16, 1915, the junior announcer of WHO, who usually presents to you the Boone Family at 6 A. M. Max is a congenial fellow to work with and has done everything to make broadcasting easy for the Boones. He started his radio career on Station KYSM, Mankato, Minnesota, after attending Drake and Iowa Universities. He married Marjorie Lewis of Petoskey, Michigan. They are the proud parents of a fine baby boy, named Peter John. The Robinsons are now building a new house and expect to occupy it by December 1st. We hope they will spend many years of happy married life in their new home.

Whenever you are visiting in Des Moines, we would be glad to have our listening friends watch us broadcast the "Pilgrim Program." The studios are located at 914 Walnut Street, in downtown Des Moines.

## AN EXPLANATION

Some people have asked me why the radio time in general, on all broadcasting stations, is so expensive; but a few days at a station would soon convince them the cost of its operation. Thousands of dollars must be paid for permission for its artists to sing copyrighted songs, and for the news obtained from leading press associations, besides the many employees and other overhead expenses to operate a station. One hundred and seventy-five persons are on WHO's pay roll and it costs more than \$2,000 a day to operate this station.

THE VOICE OF THANKSGIVING





# THE RICH AND THEIR LOSS



In these last days, the prophecies recorded in James 5:1-6 are surely being fulfilled. About ten years ago, when the world-wide depression visited America, many, who were considered wealthy or mediumly so, received a great financial shock through the loss of much of their property. In fact, some were greatly humiliated by going into bankruptcy, while others lost valuable property as stocks, bonds and other sources of wealth. They had heaped treasures (some through dishonest gains) to see them vanish away in a few months' time. This same condition has repeated itself in the European nations in the last year. Many who were independently rich, owning large department stores, successful industries and valuable estates, saw them swept away overnight. When their properties, including homes, were confiscated by the governments, some of the non-Aryan race, or those who were not favorable toward their own governments, were forced to flee from one country to another, homeless, friendless and penniless. Those who remained in their own countries lived in constant fear of arrest, the concentration camp or even death. This should show to all that the god of money cannot help men in the days of their distress or calamity. They, too, had **"Heaped treasures for the last days"** (verse 3) and in their mad gain for wealth, the most of them had forgotten God and His day of worship. They failed to support His cause or His ministry and they turned a deaf ear to the cries of the poor; while their employees who helped to earn their riches were made to work on starvation wages. Through

their greed they have lost the favor of God and the good will of their employees. Their calamity should be a lesson to the American people for when any one lives for selfish gains, to the neglect of the spiritual, and to the good of their fellow men, there is certain to be a reaction and a retribution from the hand of God.

Some in America through their selfish ambitions have neglected the worship of God, the attending of the means of grace, secret and family prayer; while the Lord's Day has become a day of pleasure rather than a day of worship. Some have demanded that their employees work seven days a week when it was not necessary. A day which might be spent for worship, rest or with their families was denied the person who must strive for a livelihood — all through the greed for a few more dollars. While this is true in the wealthier ranks, the same spirit exists in many of the common class of the American people who have very little time for worship, prayer or spiritual things, due to the fact that business and pleasure have found first place in their heart and life. The result is there are over 50,000 empty churches in the United States, with millions of children without Sunday School or Christian training. Through it all the support of the Gospel is sadly neglected and churches, Bible training schools, missionary societies and gospel radio programs are having a death struggle to continue. It looks very much that the same condition existing in Europe may come to America, and the money that could have been spent to support the Gospel, feed the poor

and evangelize the world, will be spent for the manufacture of guns, bombs, bullets and other instruments of warfare to destroy and kill. If men will not be faithful in stewardship, by using their money to the glory of God and the spiritual and material welfare of the human race, the Hand that governs all will see to it that their investments fail, their profits cease and their wealth perish.

Yes, the prophecy concerning the rich, in James 5:1-6, is rapidly being fulfilled and the verses which follow in the chapter are words of admonition to the Christian, the key word of which is **"patience."** We must not find fault or complain because we suffer for Christ's sake lest we come into condemnation, because the Judge of all things, who is Jesus Christ, **"Standeth before the door"** (verse 9), that is, His coming is very near at hand. He is soon to appear and He will reward the just with eternal life, while the unjust, the selfish, those who have striven for wealth and pleasure to the neglect of their souls, will fall under eternal condemnation. May God help the Christians to watch and pray lest the coming of Christ find them unprepared.

Edward Boone.

We are indebted to Rev. James Thompson, District Superintendent of the Michigan District of the Pilgrim Churches, who wrote the article found on page 5. Rev. Thompson and myself were ordained together into the ministry in April, 1924. We have been bosom friends ever since. We urge our friends to read this article.

## Free 1941 Catalog

Any persons in need of books, commentaries, Easter cards, plaques, Bibles, song books, mottoes, Christmas or Everyday Greeting cards, should write for a copy of our attractive 80-page catalog giving a large list of religious merchandise which we offer. It is through the sale of this merchandise and the freewill offerings we receive that we are able to meet the large expenses, and to send forth our radio broadcasts, which are bringing many into the Kingdom and blessing thousands of others. Send for this catalog today. Address, The Boone Family, P. O. Box 200, Des Moines, Iowa.





# A NOTE of THANKSGIVING

from  
**THE BOONES**

Surely we who live under the Stars and Stripes, in the Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave, have much to be thankful for; and we want to express to God our thankfulness at this time for supplying our needs to meet the expenses of the Pilgrim Program — our Morning Devotional Broadcast. During the past year the Lord has come to our rescue again and again, when it looked as if we would have to discontinue bringing gospel cheer through the means of the radio.

We are also grateful that God has given us physical strength to carry on the work that He has called us to do. We have found He has verified His promise **"As thy day is, so shall thy strength be."** It is a great strain on the physical and mental to be up every morning at 4:45 and be out some nights until twelve, one o'clock, while on some occasions it was even as late as 2 A. M. So many have said to us, "I don't see how you stand it with such few hours of sleep." Our reply is, **"God has given us strength."**

We are also thankful to God that He has blessed our early morning efforts to the salvation of many souls, and to the encouragement and edifying of the sick, the shut-ins and the Christians. Many who heard our broadcast were, by the Spirit of God, led to our church services and there surrendered their hearts and lives to Jesus Christ, insomuch so that we have a strong, growing church as a result of two and one-half years of labor. We constantly hear of people who have been led into the Kingdom through the medium of our Devotional Services, for all of this we abundantly

thank God, for after all it is the Lord who giveth the increase. If He can use us in any way to the salvation of souls, we gladly and humbly submit ourselves into His hands. We especially ask our listeners to pray that God will use our voices and messages to the redemption of wayward men. We are thankful that God has blessed the Church over which He has made us overseers—a report of which is found elsewhere in this paper. The Pilgrim Church is located at University Avenue and Harding Road, here in Des Moines, Iowa.

And last, but not least, we are grateful to our many listening friends who have sent in their offerings and remembered us in their prayers. It is through your splendid sacrifice and cooperation that we have been able to continue with our broadcast. Some have sent their offerings to us each month regularly and this has greatly aided us to meet our expenses the first of each month. If it wasn't for the kindness of our listening friends, we could not continue with our broadcast as we have done. So, in this month of Thanksgiving, we want to express to you our sincere gratefulness and thank you, one and all, for your prayers, offerings, encouraging letters and kind words. In return we are praying that the broadcast may be a special blessing to all who have shown their kindness toward us. We are certain that God will bless you and that you will share in the rewards in the Coming Day.

Your radio friends,  
**The Boone Family.**

## DECEMBER MEETINGS

The Boone Family will give a musical program in the Christian Church at Knoxville on Tuesday, December 3rd. Rev. Pigg is pastor of this church and has been doing a great work as the congregation was about to lose its property, but since Rev. Pigg has taken over the pastorate, the indebtedness has been removed and an exclusive remodeling and redecorating program has been accomplished. We are looking for a great service at this place.

We will hold our fourth service with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Shepard, pastors of the Christian churches in Truro and St. Charles. This service will be held Tuesday night, December 10th, in the high school auditorium in Truro, Iowa. The Shepards are very fine people and we have enjoyed their fellowship. We hope many in this community will be present to enjoy an evening of music and singing together.

## GOOD NEWS FROM GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

For nine years the Boone Family resided in Grand Rapids, Michigan, where I was pastor of the First Pilgrim Tabernacle. In November of 1937, Rev. Calbert Holstein, of Huntington, West Virginia, became the pastor. The following April the congregation had the misfortune of losing their property by fire. This was a hard blow to both pastor and people as there was still an indebtedness on the property, which was partly covered by insurance. For two years they struggled to keep the flock together as they worshipped in rented buildings.

News just reached us that they purchased a fine church building, in the heart of the city, and a successful revival is now in progress. We rejoice in this splendid new achievement and wish the pastor and congregation the best of success. In addition to this, we are told they are broadcasting each Saturday night at 10:15, over Station WLAV (1320 on your dial), which was recently licensed. Those living within hearing distance are urged to tune in and hear this 30-minute broadcast. More power to the Grand Rapids Church is our prayer.

**Their Former Pastor.**

THE VOICE OF THANKSGIVING



# May We EXPLAIN?

The Pilgrim Program is a radio broadcast which comes over Station WHO (1000 on your dial) each weekday morning at 6 A. M. (Central Standard Time). The six members of the Boone Family sponsor this broadcast and they are entirely responsible for the financial obligation connected with this devotional program. While we are members of the Pilgrim Church, the broadcast itself is interdenominational and is supported by our many radio friends who are members of various churches. It is our sincere desire to be a blessing to people of all denominations who love God, and we aim to bring cheer and comfort to the sick and shut-ins by our early morning efforts. Then, too, it is our prayer that those who do not know Christ as their personal Saviour, will find Him through the medium of this devotional broadcast, for we

would have God to be glorified in the salvation of sinners through the songs, music, prayers and messages we bring each weekday morning.

We have three ways in meeting this large radio expense. First, we are greatly helped by the offerings we receive through the mail. We are very grateful for our friends who have sent us offerings continuously each month to keep our work going. Let me say if it wasn't for this support we would have had to discontinue long ago. We also receive considerable financial aid from our out-of-town services, which we hold throughout Iowa, as freewill offerings are always taken in these meetings which aid us in paying our broadcasting time. So, whenever you order any of the religious merchandise we have to offer in our catalog, or this paper, you have part and lot in helping to bring the Gospel into the homes of thousands. We wish to say we receive no salary from the radio fund as this is paid by our local church, over which I am pastor.

We do not wish to bring any hard luck stories in this Thanksgiving paper, as God has been good to us the past year, for which we are thankful; but, at the present time, we are behind several hundred dollars on our radio expenses. Surely you have much to be thankful for and may you express your thanks by giving an offering to carry on the Lord's work and we are sure that, in return, God will bless you for it. For your convenience we are enclosing a coin envelope and whether your offering be large or small, it will be deeply appreciated, as it will help us to continue with the work the Lord has called us to do. In case we failed to enclose an envelope in the paper, you may enclose your offering in your letter; and if you have already mailed us your offering, or you are unable to send one, please remember us in prayer. We, The Boone Family, are praying that this broadcast will be a blessing to all those who listen to it.

Edward Boone.

## Out-of-Town Services

Two or three nights of each week the Boone Family makes personal appearances in out-of-town cities. We have gone to hundreds of communities where we have presented a sacred program, consisting of instrumental music, sacred songs, musical readings and often a gospel message. Nearly twenty-five of these services have been sponsored by different denominations. In some churches we have repeated our programs several times. We are deeply grateful for the splendid courtesy and kindness shown us by the different pastors or groups who sponsor these meetings. This has given us a greater revelation of the invisible Church of Christ, and we find that Christ has other sheep who are not of our fold (The Pilgrim Church).

Usually the largest building available is secured to accommodate the attendance. It is nothing unusual to have 1000 people pack the building, with hundreds turned away, unable to gain entrance. Our largest service

was held in the Methodist Church in Oskaloosa. We were told the building seats 1600 but an additional 400 crowded into the available spaces. Nearly one-half hour before services the building was packed and the ushers estimated over 1000 people were turned away. We were happy to have with us R. W. Wolfe, our General Home Missionary Secretary, and Rev. O. W. Bottenberg, our District Superintendent. The following article was taken from the daily paper of Oskaloosa:

### OVER 2000 PACK CHURCH FOR CONCERT

"The largest crowd which had ever been packed within the walls of the Central Methodist church was in attendance at the musical program presented by the Boone Family of Des Moines on Friday evening. The performance, which was sponsored by the First Baptist church, was viewed by a capacity throng of 2,000 persons.

Doors were closed to some 1,000 would-be spectators at 7:20, because of lack of accommodations. The program, which consisted of instrumental and vocal numbers, also contained a short talk by the father

on the Christmas story. This family is heard every weekday morning over WHO."

We have many Holland listeners in and around Pella, Orange City and Sioux Center, where several splendid services were held to an appreciative audience. So many calls came for meetings that we were unable to accommodate them all, and scores of invitations were turned down. We have covered considerable territory throughout Iowa and have also held services in Missouri, Illinois and Michigan. These out-of-town services have greatly aided us in the continuation of our radio work, as offerings were taken which helped us to meet our broadcasting expenses, and we now want to thank all those who had any part in arranging these services, for it is greatly appreciated by the Boone Family.

If any of the readers of this paper, living within a distance of 300 miles from Des Moines, Iowa, would be interested in having the Boone Family for a musical program, you can com-



municate with us, providing you could secure a building that would accommodate several hundred people. No definite amount is asked for but, as stated above, a freewill offering is taken which, in turn, helps us to bring the Gospel into the homes and hearts of many.

The following article was taken from one of the weekly papers. Since this happened the Boone Family had a splendid service in the High School Auditorium at Dows:

#### 500 GATHER TO HEAR RADIO GROUP THAT DOESN'T APPEAR

"About 500 people gathered at the Dows schoolhouse Monday evening, expecting to hear a musical program. Those who listened to the Boone Family Broadcast over WHO last week, heard the announcement that the Boone Family would be at the schoolhouse in Dowd Monday evening and mistook Dowd for Dows. There were people here from Hampton, Belmond, Galt, Clarion, Iowa Falls, Alexander, Webster City and Rowan, all expecting to hear the Boones. Most of them went home without knowing why the Boones failed to appear."

The following article was taken from the weekly paper published in Wayland, Iowa:

#### OVER 1,000 HEAR BOONE FAMILY MONDAY NIGHT

"The Boone Family that broadcasts over WHO every morning at 6:15, gave a varied program at the Wayland High School gymnasium Monday evening before approximately 1,000 people. The program was sponsored by the Delta Alpha Class of the local Mennonite Sunday School.

This family is composed of six members—Rev. Edward Boone and wife, and daughters, Beatrice, Beulah, Olive Boone Roesink, and the latter's husband, Leland Roesink. Mrs. Boone was not here as her aged parents were visiting at the Boone home in Des Moines. Neither did Leland Roesink, who does a good deal of the announcing and solo work in the broadcasts, accompany the family here.

Beatrice sings soprano and Beulah alto. The instruments played by the group are piano, violin, Spanish guitar, harmonica, guitar, tiple, and accordion. The accordion is a gift by one of the radio listeners.

The Boones came to Des Moines from Grand Rapids, Mich., two years ago and established a church at the capital city. The denomination to which they belong — the Pilgrim Church — is little known in the West, as 80% of its membership is east of the Mississippi river. While they belong to this denomination, Rev. Boone stated at the program Monday evening that their broadcasts are interdenominational.

The elder Boone is a composer and has written 150 songs which have been arranged

and bound in four volumes. The song for which they have received the most requests is 'I Won't Have To Cross Jordan Alone.' This, however, is not one of his compositions.

The people that attended the program here Monday evening did not go away disappointed as the Boones supplied them with a program well presented, and one that the great mass of common people enjoyed and felt that they were benefited for having heard it."

### CHANGE OF TIME

This is to inform our listeners, who may be living in distant states, and have been unable to tune in to our broadcast over WHO (1000 on your dial), that the Pilgrim Program, featuring The Boone Family, is now broadcasting daily, except Sunday, at 6 A. M. (Central Standard Time). We have received many letters telling us that the 6 o'clock period is too early, and we would like to hear from our listening friends who would rather have a later period. If the response seems great enough for a change of time, we will negotiate with the station officials to see if we can secure a later period. May we kindly hear from you as to what time of the day is most suitable for you? Just drop a card to The Boone Family, P. O. Box 200, Des Moines, Iowa, and we will be grateful for your cooperation in this manner.

### THE BIG CHEESE

The following article was taken from a daily paper, which might act as a warning to other preachers:

Redding, Calif. (U.P.)—"A minister of the Redding Baptist church had just finished telling his congregation that he would make the meeting informal when it suddenly became more informal than he had planned.

A mouse ran up his trouser leg. He tried to ignore it. Then it peeped out of his coat sleeve. The pastor continued talking. Then the mouse ran up his back and finally down his leg. The worshippers in the front pews rocked with suppressed laughter. 'I guess he thought I was the big cheese,' was the pastor's only comment."

### A NEW MEMBER OF THE FAMILY

Many of our listening friends will be surprised to know that a new musician and singer has joined The Boone Family, and it is little Barbara Joan, a five-pound baby girl, who was born to Mr. and Mrs. Leland Roesink, on Friday, September 13th. We are grateful to report that Olive, who has been a very sick mother, is now able to be up and around; and Leland, the daddy, is doing as well as can be expected, seeing this is their first baby. Well, in fact, the entire Boone Family, including Grandpa and Grandma and the two Aunties, are all happy over this nice baby girl. Since she came, so many have asked us, "Grandpa and Grandma Boone, do you feel older?" and the following poem, which Grandpa Boone recently composed, humorously expresses his sentiments:

#### I Feel That I Am Growing Old

By Edward Boone

When I look back to days gone by—  
A barefoot boy, quite young, was I—  
When all the family lived at home,  
When through the fields we used to roam;  
I see how everything has changed,  
How providence has now arranged  
The neighborhood, so strange and cold;  
I feel that I am growing old.

The doctor said the other day,  
"This must be done without delay.  
Those decaying teeth must all come out;  
Then you'll be well without a doubt.  
Your eyesight on those 'specks' depends;  
You'll have to have some double lens,"  
And when he had the whole thing told,  
I felt that I am growing old.

The busy stork, he came our way;  
My daughter now can proudly say  
That she is mother; so, you see,  
That makes me grandpa—oh, dear me!  
Where time has gone, I do not know,  
But twenty-five long years ago  
A baby came within our fold,  
And so I must be getting old.

I think of days when young and strong,  
When I could work the whole day long  
And feel as fresh and spry at night  
As I did at the morning light;  
But now I know I cannot do  
The work I did at twenty-two,  
And so my wife says I'm enrolled  
Among the folks now getting old.  
Then when I try to think I'm young,  
I get a pain in my left lung  
Or aching throb in my right knee,  
My rheumatism humbles me;  
And then I say it doesn't pay  
To kid myself along the way,  
For streaks of gray among the gold  
Cry out to all, "You're getting old!"

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# The Products of SALVATION

By Edward Boone



The word "salvation" is found many times in the Scriptures, and the following Bible study may be of interest to the readers of this special Thanksgiving paper.

1. THE ROCK OF SALVATION ON WHICH WE CAN STAND. **"Jeshurun waxed fat . . . and lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation."** (Deut 32: 15.) This gives us a foundation, for a rock is something solid and secure. When a contractor would build a large structure, he never erects it until he is able to lay the foundation on solid rock; the only means by which the building can stand against the elements which endeavor to destroy it. Likewise, God's dispensational structure, the Church of God, is built upon a rock, and that rock is Christ, for Jesus told Peter, **"Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."** (Matt. 16:18.) This rock was pictured in type in the Old Testament when Israel encountered great drought and thirst while crossing the Arabian desert, in the journey from Egypt to Canaan. The large army of men, women, and children were about to die for want of water and Moses heard their bitter complaint. In the hot and barren desert lay a large rock, and Jehovah instructed Moses to smite the rock with the rod—that is, strike the rock with the cane or walking stick he had in his hand. Moses, promptly obeying the Lord's command, discovered a gushing stream of refreshing water flowing from the rock. This supernatural and mysterious wonder pointed forward to Jesus Christ when He, too, would be smitten in death, but the smiting came from the hand of God instead of from Moses, for Isaiah said, **"He was smitten of God and afflicted."** He was smitten in judgment for our sin until justice was satisfied. Fifty days after the smiting came the re-

freshing streams of spiritual life, grace, and power as the Holy Spirit descended at Pentecost. In all this, we see that Jesus Christ is the rock of our salvation, and upon His finished work do we stand, there our foundation is secure.

2. THE GARMENTS OF SALVATION WITH WHICH WE ARE CLOTHED. **"My soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness."** (Isa. 61:10.) Adam and Eve lived in a state of innocence in the garden of Eden, but when they disobeyed God and sinned, they entered into a state of shame, for it was then they realized they were naked. They consequently proceeded to make homemade garments of fig leaves, but in God's sight these were insufficient, as there is only one thing that will cover sin and shame before Him, and that is the shed blood of Christ. Following this, God made them coats of skins from the skins of beasts slain in death. Here is the first record of death in the Bible, when the animals were slain in atonement to provide a cover for the sin and shame of our first parents. This, too, pointed forward to the death of Christ, which was accomplished that we might be clothed with the garments of salvation. To make it a little plainer, let me explain that we are clothed—covered in God's sight—with the righteousness of Jesus Christ. The last time the sinful world saw Jesus was on the cross. He was hanging in agony—naked—stripped in shame. It was there He took the place of the guilty and condemned offspring of Adam's race. Now they can be clothed with the garments of salvation as the prodigal son who, clothed in a new robe, sat at his father's table. Thus, the redeemed ones are clothed, and they sit at God's communion table,

free from the shame that sin brings.

3. THE WAY OF SALVATION ON WHICH WE MUST TRAVEL. In this verse Paul is preaching to his audience in Philippi, the Gospel which is called **"The way of salvation."** (Acts 16:17.) This is the highway upon which the redeemed are traveling. It is a narrow way, for Jesus said, **"Strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life."** (Matt. 7:14.) It is so narrow that it bars out all sin and worldliness. It is also a safe way, as those who travel it are **"Kept by the power of God."** (1 Pet. 1:5.) As long as men are obedient to God by walking in the light, God's providential and protecting care will be their portion. Then, too, it is a holy way. Isaiah, in his prophetic strains, confirms this when he said, **"A highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness."** (Isa. 35:8.) He says the unclean, that is the impure, shall not travel this gospel highway, but the ransomed of the Lord are sojourners on this route introduced by John the Baptist, but built by Jesus Christ. It is not only a narrow way, a safe way, and a holy way, but it is the only way that leads from earth to glory. All those who travel the King's highway will reach His kingdom at the end of life's journey. Those who refuse to travel this way will remain on the broad road which leads to destruction. Solomon, the wisest man who ever lived, said, **"There is a way that seemeth right unto man, but the end thereof are the ways of death."** The way of self-righteousness, sinful indulgence, or worldly pleasure may seem right to some, but it has a fearful end which is death. That does not refer to physical death, which all men must endure; no, it means spiritual death, death to divine grace, spiritual opportunity, and to all hope.

4. THE GOD OF SALVATION WHOM WE ARE TO SERVE. **"He shall receive the blessing from the Lord, and righteousness from the God of his salvation."** (Psalm 24:5.) The God of salvation is the only true and living God. He loved us so much He planned a redemption for us, and He is worthy of our affection, our obedi-

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# One Taken



# - One Left

A man with his wife was at the University hospital at Ann Arbor, Michigan, when he was called to another part of the large institution. There was a mutual understanding that the wife was to remain in the reception room until his return. After a few moments he returned to find her seat vacant. At once he felt an awful dread that perhaps Jesus had come, and his wife had been raptured away. He looked and searched in the crowd of waiting people, but all the chairs were occupied by others. While he was waiting, moments seemed hours and great fear presented the question, "Has the rapture taken place? Has she gone to the marriage of the Lamb?" When the wife returned from another part of the building there was great relief to the anxious, waiting husband. The horror and fear which had gripped this man's soul can only be realized by those passing through similar circumstances.

But the reader may ask, "What is the rapture?" The answer may be found in Acts 1:9-11, when Jesus with His disciples was standing on Mt. Olivet. Suddenly "He was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight," v. 9. The angels which stood by said, "This same Jesus which is taken up from you into Heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into Heaven." The words "taken up" are found four times in this chapter, showing the Holy Spirit would have us know where He went. In the discourse of Jesus on the Second Coming (Luke 17:34-37) He said, "One shall be taken, the other shall be left"; this He repeated three times. Thus the rapture, the removing of the righteous people from the earth will be secretly, suddenly and selectively. Just as Jesus ascended through the clouds to His home in Heaven, so will the children of God, who are twice-born, Spirit-filled, and walking in Heaven's

light ascend to the marriage of the Lamb.

1. SECRETLY: "In that night" (Lu. 17:34), and what a night it will be, one of sorrow, weeping, remorse, and loneliness. It is midnight (a dark hour) and a shout is heard, but only by those who know His voice, for Jesus said, "My sheep know my voice," and "All who are in their graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth" (John 5:48). One sleeper hears and

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## THE LORD HIMSELF SHALL COME

By Edward Boone

It may be in the ev'ning  
When your daily tasks are done,  
When you're sitting on your doorstep  
Viewing there the setting sun,  
That your waiting Lord and Saviour  
May appear in yonder sky  
To rapture His redeemed ones  
To their mansions up on high.

It may be at the midnight,  
When the stars shine over head,  
As all nature droops in slumber,  
While you're resting on your bed  
That the long expected bridegroom,  
With His band of angels white  
May take thee from thy slumber  
Like a thief who comes at night.

It may be when the cock crows,  
When the night is ebbing fast,  
And the "morning star" is saying  
That your resting time is past,  
That the angel's waking trumpet  
With its notes so clear and plain  
Will proclaim the blessed news  
That your Lord has come again.

It may be in the morning,  
As the day begins to dawn,  
When the stars have ceased their shining,  
And the gloom of night is gone,  
When your plans are in the making—  
If in business, work, or play—  
That the Lord may then appear  
Just to catch His bride away.

This is true—we know not when  
Our dear Lord Himself shall come  
If between the evening shadows  
And the rising of the sun;  
So be watchful and be ready,  
For the Lord is coming soon.  
It may be in the evening,  
In the morning, or at noon.

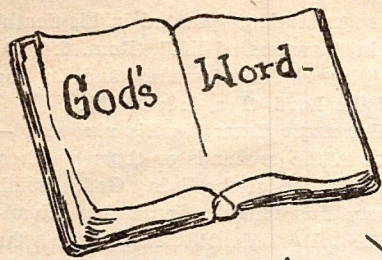
wakes; the other sleeps on. So SECRET, it shall be like a thief in the night; the sleepers which are left behind will not know until morning what has truly occurred. Like a flash the hearer rises to immortality, but the sleeper does not hear the shout or cry, nor is he even awakened until the morning breaks, to find "ONE TAKEN — ONE LEFT." Yes, ONE TAKEN, the one he loved, lived with, and depended on, the one who prayed for him and talked with him about this very event, is missing. SECRETLY, he has been taken from their midst never more to return. They talked, lived, and enjoyed each other's presence for the last time. "ONE TAKEN—ONE LEFT."

2. SUDDENLY: "Two women grinding together." As the Oriental custom is, two women are grinding the meal for the breakfast hour. They sit facing each other at their work; SUDDENLY, one gasps as she finds the other missing. Unbelievable, but true, her fellow laborer has gone, without a farewell, an explanation, or even a parting glance she disappears. The Saviour's voice has summoned her to the marriage in the sky. Dazed and stupid the grinder (or whoever they are who are left behind) sits in amazement to awaken to the fact that the catching away of the Christians has occurred. SUDDENLY it will happen (just as the translation of Enoch) "He was not; for God took him," Gen. 5:24, though his loved ones sought to find, "He was not found," Heb. 11:5; SUDDENLY, as the lightning passing from the east to the west (Matt. 24:27); SUDDENLY, as one can blink the eye, He shall come (1 Cor. 15:52); SUDDENLY, it will come as the flood came upon the old world. They "Knew not until the flood came, and took them away, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be" (Matt. 24:38-39). Just so suddenly the saints will be gone, the scoffer left, the rapture has taken place and ruin remains. "ONE TAKEN—ONE LEFT."

3. SELECTIVELY: "Two men shall be in the field, the one shall be taken and the other left." It is now mid-day in some parts of the world while

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# A Word About Our CHURCH

No doubt many of our friends and listeners are anxious to know what progress we have made in the Home Missionary Field of the Pilgrim Church. Three years ago this month (October) we moved to Des Moines, Iowa, to open up a work which is sponsored by the Home Missionary Department of the Pilgrim Holiness Church, with headquarters in Indianapolis, Indiana. We had no church building at that time, nor was there any available. However, we did not let the time go idly by as broadcasting time was purchased from Station KR-NT with the view of introducing our Church to the people of Iowa. On November 1st of 1937, we presented our first broadcast and continued on this same station for sixteen months—until February of 1939. The radio gave us a splendid channel to present the Gospel and introduce our Church to our listeners in Iowa.

The following December we started negotiations to buy the property which we now have. In the first part of January the purchase was completed and on January 18, 1938 our first service was held. Truly, at first, our attendance was small but as months went by we noticed a small but steady increase; insomuch that at the present time we often must use extra chairs to accommodate the attendance. Our Sunday School now has an average attendance of 170, while our Midweek Prayer Service averages better than 60. Our membership has increased until we have nearly 100 members, with 80% of these under the age of 35 years; so we have a church made up mostly of young folks—the majority of which are young married couples. We are happy to say, too, nearly all of these were saved under our own ministry since coming here to Des Moines, so we feel much like a father over a family of children.

## Extensive Improvements

During the past two years extensive improvements have been made. The basement of our church has been completely remodeled. We have installed four splendid Sunday School rooms and one large room for the Young People's Department, with a nice auditorium accommodating 150 people for midweek prayer services. A new furnace, costing nearly \$900.00, has been installed and \$120.00 worth of repair work was done on the stained glass windows. Much of the building has been re-wired and new eaves-troughs were purchased. The laws of Iowa demanded two rest rooms for each public building, so a new rest room was also installed. Thus far we have made splendid improvements which have greatly added to the value of the property. Inasmuch as the main auditorium has not been redecorated for several years, it is now badly in need of the same and, at this time, funds are being raised to take care of this expense. If any of our friends would like to share in this much needed improvement, your offerings will be deeply appreciated and would be very helpful.

## Young People's Department

When we took over the Church, the young people were few in number but we have had a continual increase in this Department of the Church until now there is an attendance of 35 to 40 in the Young People's services on Sunday evening. These are all unmarried young people. They have been very active in the Church and are interested in the various improvements that are needed. They purchased nearly \$50.00 worth of folding chairs which are used in their department and in the main auditorium to take care of the overflow attendance. On a special Father's Day service they greatly surprised the congregation by presenting them with a fine new

carpet and padding for the rostrum and aisles, which covered 90 yards of surface. The total cost of this was \$232.00, which is all paid for. Our first Young People's Rally was recently held which proved to be real beneficial.

## Splendid Unity

There is a splendid spirit of unity existing in our Church and they greatly appreciate the spiritual things of God. They are loyal to their pastor and the words of appreciation and encouragement, so often received, have been helpful to us. We find them a most congenial and splendid group to work with. Whenever any of our radio audience should be passing through Des Moines, we welcome you to our services. Our Sunday School convenes at 9:45, Morning Devotional Service at 11 A. M., and a rousing Song Service beginning at 7:30 P. M. Our Midweek Services are held each Wednesday night in the church at 7:30. If any of the readers of this magazine live in or near Des Moines, we extend to you a hearty welcome. Our motto is "You come once—you'll want to come again."

**Edward Boone, Pastor.**

When it is possible for you to be in Des Moines over Sunday, we cordially invite you to visit the First Pilgrim Church located at University Ave. and Harding Road. Our Sunday School convenes at 9:45 A. M. with preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

If you could read the many fine letters we receive, telling how the "Pilgrim Program" helps to "start the day in the right way," or how people have been led into the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, you would have a greater interest and concern in religious radio broadcasts.

## THE VOICE OF THANKSGIVING

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# SERMON OUTLINES

By Edward Boone

## A CHRISTMAS STUDY

(Luke 2:8-20)

This is a night scene. Night (darkness) is the result of sin; so the principal acts of redemption in prophecy and accomplishment were performed in the night to bring to us the dawning day. (II Pet. 1:19.)

I. THE MESSENGER: "The angel of the Lord" v. 9. Angels sang at the morning of creation (Job 39:4-7); they sang at the morning of redemption, when the Babe was born. The angels, sons of God by creation, came to tell us we could be sons of God by redemption. Note:

1. *The Audience*: "Shepherds" v. 8. He came not to rulers or chief priests, but to lowly shepherds who were "watching," not sleeping. When He comes the second time it will be for those who are "watching."

2. *The Approach*: "Came upon them" v. 9. The wise men (Gentiles) were notified of His birth by the star. The shepherds (Jews) were notified by an angel, the same manner in which they received the law (Acts 7:53), showing that both came from God.

3. *The Accompaniment*: "The glory of the Lord shone round about them" v. 9. The signs and manifestations surrounding the birth of Christ were sufficient to prove that He was the Son of God. He was named in Heaven (Matt. 1:21); His birth filled Jerusalem and Herod with trouble (Matt. 2:3); a star guided the wise men (Matt. 2:2); a choir of angels welcomed Him (Luke 2:13); His life was protected by the visitation of dreams (Matt. 2:13); He was born according to prophecy (Isa. 9:6); His birthplace was named years in advance (Micah 5:2). What other babe had these seven things accompany its birth?

II. THE MESSAGE: "I bring you good tidings (the Gospel) of great joy" v. 10. Christ was a gift to the world (John 3:16); "I bring you" was the message of the angel.

1. *A Universal Salvation*: "To all people" v. 10. The wise men (the Gentiles), who were "afar off" (probably from Arabia), were as divinely led to Christ as were the shepherds (the Jews) who were in the covenant of promise. God's order is again seen in the following quotations: "I bring (to) you"—the Jew first, and "to all the people," including also the Greek (Rom. 1:16).

2. *An Up-to-date Saviour*: "This day" is born to you "a Saviour" v. 11. Not "prophe-sied," or "is to come," but "is born"; the Saviour has arrived. So we have a present salvation; "this day" is salvation come to thy house (Luke 19:9).

3. *An Unfailing Sign*: "Ye shall find" v. 12. The soul that seeks Him shall find Him, though he be like the wise men in Arabia or the Jew in Bethlehem. He will find Him "lying" in a tomb, wrapped in linen, as the one who took his penalty; and afterwards He is found "sitting" on the right hand of God, raised in resurrection power to give him life.

III. THE MULTITUDE: "The heavenly host praising God" v. 13. Angels rejoice over the birth of sinners now as they did over the birth of Jesus then (Luke 15:10). In their song we see:

1. *A Restored Man*: "Good will toward men" v. 14. A restored man has nothing but love for all men. He loves his neighbors and prays for his enemies. There is no room for retaliation, hatred, or revenge, for his life is governed by love.

2. *A Redeemed Earth*: "Peace on earth" v. 14. Christ is our peace (Eph. 2:14). Where He is there is peace. When He abides in the heart, the soul is at peace with God. When He sets up His Millennial reign, the earth will be at peace, because He is here.

3. *A Reconciled God*: "Glory to God in the highest" v. 14. The ultimate end is that God may be glorified, by the restoration of man, the redemption of the earth, and the reconciliation of all things to Himself.

IV. THE MYSTERY: It was "God manifested in the flesh" and introduced by holy angels. Note how it affected the shepherds:

1. *Their Decision*: "Let us now go" v. 15. Decisions for eternal destinies are made by the individual. "I will arise and go," said the prodigal (Luke 15:18). They went not to investigate but to "see" what had "come to pass." They believed the testimony of angels; how much more should men believe the testimony of men who have tested and tried the grace of God.

2. *Their Delight*: "They came with haste and found" v. 16. Oh, that men would hurry to the cross and find the peace that awaits them! Those men not only found the "Babe," but also Mary and Joseph. God gives us good measure by giving us brothers and sisters in the Lord.

3. *Their Devotion*: "Returned, glorifying and praising God" v. 20. The "great joy" which the angel spoke of they now manifested by praising God. A life that does not praise and thank God is but an empty life of profession. They returned from the stable satisfied with salvation. — Edward Boone.

## "THIS (1941) YEAR"

(Luke 13:6-9)

This is a Jewish parable, spiritualized for Gentile people. The Jewish failure should be a warning for Gentile followers. The preceding verses teach that except men repent they shall perish; the parable teaches that except men bear fruit they shall be "cut down." Three persons are typified in the parable: God, Christ, and the Christian.

I. THE ILLUSTRATION OF THE TREE: The Jews are likened to a "fig tree"; the Gentiles, to a "fir tree"; and the Christian, to a "palm tree."

Look at—

1. *A PROFITABLE TREE*: "a fruit (fig) tree." Every Christian is supposed to be a fruit-bearing tree, profitable to God's cause, bearing the fruit of righteousness. (James 3:18.)

2. *A PLANTED TREE*: "a fig tree planted"—V. 6. It was not stuck in the ground like a stick in the mud, but was planted by the

work of regeneration, "planted in his death" to walk in "newness of life" (Rom. 6:4, 5); "planted" by rivers of water and in the courts of the Lord (Psa. 1:3; 92:13).

3. *A PRIVILEGED TREE*: "in his vineyard"—V. 6. Not in the lowlands or thorn patches, but in the Church of the living God. Isaiah 5:2 pictures this vineyard with five advantages: (1) DAILY PROTECTION, "he fenced it," like Job; (2) DIRECT PROVIDENCE, "gathered out the stones"; (3) DIVINE PROPAGATION, "planted it with the choicest vine," Jesus; Christians are the branches; (4) DISTINCT PROSPECT, "built a high tower in the midst," so we can see the land that is fairer than day; (5) DELIGHTFUL PROVISION, "made a wine press therein." The reader might use these five points for a separate outline if he so desires.

II. THE INSPECTION OF THE OWNER: He wants more than leaves of profession (Matt. 21:19); he demands fruit. The more privileges and advantages granted the more fruit is expected.

Note—

1. *THE OWNER'S DUTY*: "he came and sought fruit thereon"—V. 6. He came himself, he did not send another. How do we know that He (Christ) will not come this year (second coming) seeking the fruit of redemption!

2. *THE OWNER'S DISAPPOINTMENT*: "found none." Three years of seeking shows the long-suffering of God. We stand by grace. Who knows but that "this year" the reader and many others may have their final revelation of God like the Jews who, in that year of grace, saw Him crucified for their sins.

3. *THE OWNER'S DECISION*: "cut it down." This will be the verdict for many fruitless professors and followers of Christ this coming year. A cumberer is a tree that not only hinders itself but others in the vineyard.

III. THE INTERCESSION OF THE VINE-DRESSER: Many fruitless Christians would have been cut down long before but for the prayers of some mother or loved one, and the faithful intercession of their High Priest, Jesus Christ.

Note—

1. *THE VINE-DRESSER'S PLEA*: "let it alone this year"—V. 8. That may mean 1941 for some. He does not try to vindicate the tree nor excuse its fruitlessness, but prays for mercy, "this year." "Give it space to repent" is the cry.

2. *THE VINE-DRESSER'S PROMISE*: "I shall dig about it and dung it"—V. 8. He gives it special application of truth. When chastisement sets in, you may know the gardener is busy at the roots digging, and it is high time to repent. This year may mean the loss of friends, position or property, sickness or death, to some; this may be sent direct from the hand of God as chastisement to fruitless followers.

3. *THE VINE-DRESSER'S PROPOSAL*: "if it bear fruit well"—V. 9. He promised to abide with the results; if fruit, well and good; if not, "after that" thou shalt cut it down. "After



that"—after the tears, preaching, praying, revival, ceaseless efforts, days of mercy and warning, thou canst then "cut it down." What history 1941 will make for millions and "after that" the Judgment.—Edward Boone.

#### SEVEN "I AM'S" IN ROMANS

1. A Sinner's Character: **"I am carnal"** (7:14).
2. A Shameful Condition: **"I am wretched"** (7:24).
3. A Sure Conversion: **"I am glad"** (16:19).
4. A Sanctifying Consecration: **"I am ready"** (1:15).
5. A Satisfying Confidence: **"I am not ashamed"** (1:16).
6. A Sacred Calling: **"I am the apostle"** (11:13).
7. A Smiting Confession: **"I am debtor"** (1:14).

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#### CHRIST'S GREAT HUMILIATION

Philippians 2:6-8

- I. **His Renunciation**  
"Made Himself of no reputation"
- II. **His Limitation**  
"Emptied Himself"
- III. **His Subjugation**  
"Took the form of a servant"
- IV. **His Incarnation**  
"Made in the likeness of men"
- V. **His Humiliation**  
"He humbled Himself"
- VI. **His Resignation**  
"Obedient unto death"
- VII. **His Degradation**  
"The death of the Cross"

#### THE BIBLE SHOULD BE FOUND IN FIVE PLACES

- In the House—See Deut. 6:9.  
In the Hand—See Eph. 6:17.  
In the Head—See Prov. 3:13-24.  
In the Heart—See Psalm 119:11; Prov. 4:23.  
In the Habits—See Psalm 51:6.

He writes in characters too grand  
For our short sight to understand;  
We catch but broken strokes, and try  
To fathom all the mystery  
Of withered hopes, of death, of life,  
The endless war, the useless strife—  
But there, with larger, clearer sight,  
We shall see this—His way was right.

#### SEVEN PRODUCTS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

1. **THE PREACHER OF RIGHTEOUSNESS** (2 Peter 2:5). **To Warn Us.** Men are in danger and need warning. The flood of God's wrath was on its way and Noah warned the people. The wrath of God will soon break out again and we need to warn men. It is our part to warn and man's part to act.

2. **THE GIFT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS** (Rom. 5:17). **To Save Us.** This is a gift and must be received or accepted, not of works, lest any man should boast (Eph. 2:9). It is not what I am, what I do, or what I may give that saves me, but what Christ did for me. All man can do for his salvation is "repentance toward God and faith towards our Lord Jesus Christ."—Acts 20:21.

3. **THE WORD OF RIGHTEOUSNESS** (Heb. 5:12-14). **To Feed Us.** What are you getting for your rations—milk or meat? Are you skillful or unskillful, saved or sanctified, carnal or cleansed? Too many professors enjoy the magazine and the movie more than the milk and the meat. In many cases games, jig puzzles, jazz music, comic pictures are all the soul food some people get.

4. **THE FRUIT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS** (James 3:18). **To Bless Us.** "The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace," and what a wonderful grace to have in the heart, mind, home and nation! This fruit can grow only where the "gift of righteousness" has been planted.

5. **THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS** (Eph. 6:14). **To Shield Us.** The Devil always aims at the heart, but God has provided a protection. The breast typifies affection. Their High Priest's portion of the peace offering was the breast and right shoulder, speaking of affection and strength. Love strong enough to keep us and strength great enough to lift us!

6. **THE HOPE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS** (Gal. 5:5). **To Cheer Us.** The believer already has the "gift of righteousness," but we are now waiting for the "hope of righteousness." This is a "blessed hope" (Titus 2:13); a "purifying hope" (1 John 3:3); and a "lively hope" (1 Peter 1:3). Sometimes waiting is hard work, but we are cheered with the prospect of what lies ahead.

7. **THE CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS** (2 Tim. 4:8). **To Reward Us.** This takes us out of the realm of time into the age of eternity. Here we find a righteous crown will be presented by a righteous judge to a righteous man. In the above chapter we find Paul with his **past**, "I have fought a good fight," Paul with his **present**, "I have kept the faith," and Paul with his **future**, "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness"—but not to him only but for "all them that love his appearing."

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#### RELIGION UNDER GRACE

"For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh." Phil. 3:3.

In this chapter we find that Paul is warning the believers against the false teachers of his day. He classes them as dogs and evil workers, (v. 2). Then Paul announces that he is no longer under the bondage of the law, but he instead identifies himself with Jesus Christ. Notice the four "C's."

1. **HIS CLAIM: "We are of the circumcision."** He does not refer here to the circumcision of the flesh but to another circumcision—that of the heart—about which many of his fellow men knew nothing. Circumcision was a painful separation, and the experience of heart circumcision will separate men from sin, evil, unbelief, and a Christ-rejecting world.

2. **HIS COMMUNION: "Which worship God in the Spirit."** Just as soon as the heart has passed through the painful process of spiritual circumcision, the soul delights itself in worship, but this is not a lifeless form of worship, for it is "in the Spirit." All worship without the Spirit (and how much there is of that today) is vain and profitless. Jesus said, "They that worship him (God) must worship him in Spirit and in truth." To be filled with the Spirit means to worship in the Spirit.

3. **HIS COMPENSATION: "Rejoice in Christ Jesus."** The law gave men fear, but through Christ, Paul was rejoicing. At that very time he was in the Roman prison, separated from home and friends, yet he was happy. He rejoiced in Christ because He was the end of the law, because He was the provider of grace, and because He was the hope of mankind. Some rejoice in another's failure, loss, or downfall, but not so with Paul, for he rejoiced in his Redeemer.

4. **HIS CONFESSION: "And have no confidence in the flesh."** Jesus said, "That which is born of the flesh is flesh." Any man in his natural state is a fallen creature the same as Adam was, so he needs to be born of the Spirit. Paul had no confidence in the circumcision of the flesh, for although he was circumcised on the eighth day, he still retained the same wicked disposition. He had no confidence in the works of the flesh, for they are only the energies of fallen men. However, Paul confessed that the need of man is Christ and Him crucified. Just as the Ethiopian cannot change the color of his skin, neither can the works of the flesh change the heart of man.

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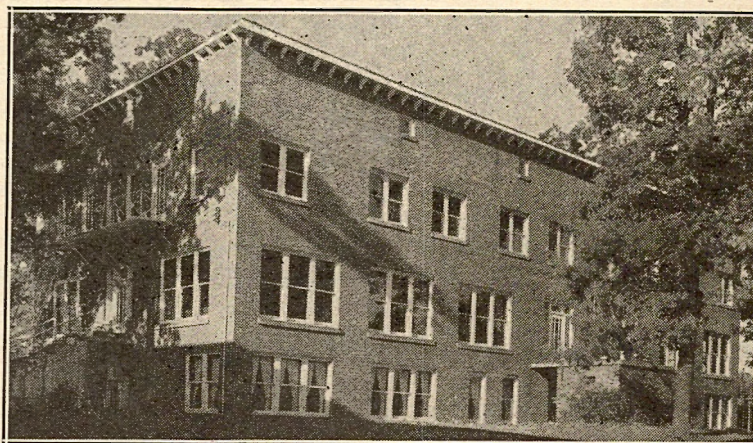
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It is highly important for Christians to pray that our President and law-making bodies may guide our nation in the paths of peace. War is the product of cruelty and hatred. Truly we should pray that our youths may not be sacrificed by the thousands on the battlefields, which are the creation of greed and selfishness.

Before another harvest is realized in Europe, no doubt thousands of people will die from starvation. Many leaders of the European countries are aware of this fact. Let us pray that this coming famine which will produce untold suffering and pain, will be the means of many calling upon the name of the Lord for salvation, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

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## ONE TAKEN—ONE LEFT

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it is night in others. Men are at work in the shop and field. One, with hands employed for a livelihood, while hearts are meditating on the Lord's return; the other dreaming of the night of sinful pleasure, of bank accounts, or increase of wages. Suddenly, silently, but surely, the one is missing. Who is gone? The twice-born, Spirit-filled man, who thought and talked about his Lord's return; "For unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time" (Heb. 9:28). In the twinkling of an eye he drops his garment of flesh, to flee with a robe of immortality into the arms of his waiting Lord. Who is left? He that rejected the Holy Spirit's pleading, the sacrifice of the cross, and mercies of his God. Left to what? To pass through the great tribulation of seven years of sorrow, suffering, and sadness such as the world has never had. "ONE TAKEN—ONE LEFT."

Reader, so this will happen, SECRETLY, SUDDENLY, and SELECTIVELY. Are you ready? When you awaken in the morning to find your loved one missing, it will be too late to prepare; the door will then be shut. Prepare now,

by humbly confessing your guilt and undone condition; pray the prayer of the publican, "God be merciful to me a sinner." Then trust Him to pardon and forgive you, for His promise is sure. "Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved." Yes, saved, and from what? Saved from sin and its power, from the coming tribulation and its judgments, and from hell and its miseries.

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## GIVING THANKS FOR ALL THINGS

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itual blessings, we have much to thank God for.

3. TO WHOM MUST WE GIVE THANKS? **"Unto God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."** We always render thanks to man for the benefits we receive from him so certainly we should thank God for the blessings which come from His hand for He is a great and liberal benefactor. You will notice that we should give thanks **"In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ"** for it is through His divine nature, implanted into the heart, that we have a disposition to give thanks. Then, too, it is through the Mediator, Jesus Christ, that we approach God for He said **"No man cometh unto the Father but by Me."** So if we reject Him as our Saviour, it is evident we cannot thank or praise God for the blessings He gives, for it will not be acceptable in God's sight because He has great respect for the name of His Son. To make it a little plainer, Jesus is the Way that leads from earth to the Throne of God. This was seen by the ladder which Jacob saw that reached from earth to Heaven. This ladder represented Jesus Christ and if we would reach Heaven, to thank God for the blessings He has bestowed, we must do so on the ladder of grace which Jesus Christ has provided.

Then, too, the spirit of thankfulness honors God for it glorifies the Most High; for Christians to grumble and complain dishonors Him **"Who hath given to all men liberally."** So, may this Thanksgiving Day be one where we can express our thanksgiving from the heart and not from the lips. As people gather in their various places of worship, may it truly be a day when God will be thanked, honored and glorified for the many blessings we, the citizens of the United States, have received during the past year.

This is the month when many express their thanks with a "thank offering" to aid in God's cause. Why not send an offering to aid us in our broadcasting work? Remember the "Pilgrim Devotional Program" enters thousands of homes which otherwise would never hear the Gospel.

## THE PRODUCTS OF SALVATION

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ence, and our worship. The first commandment reads **"Thou shalt have no other gods before me."** In other words, Jehovah, the God of our salvation, is the only true God and Him alone should we serve. How many are worshipping the god of pleasure or of gold, while some even go so far as to worship a human being as God. Father Divine, the negro preacher in New York, has thousands of followers who acclaim him as God Almighty. If the God you serve does not remove the guilt from your conscience, does not make a great change in your life, or will not give you, in your dying hour, an assurance of a happy life beyond the grave, you do not serve the God of salvation, for He does these very things. Jehovah is the God of creation, the God of the Bible, and the God of redemption, and serving Him means peace and joy now and life eternal hereafter.

5. THE TOWER OF SALVATION FROM WHICH WE CAN GAZE. **"I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the heathen, and I will sing praises unto thy name. He is the tower of salvation."** (2 Sam. 22:50-51.) In the ancient days, towers were erected for observation, just as they are today. The purpose of any tower is to make it possible to see a great distance away. In like manner, salvation gives us a grand prospect and future outlook, and men with prophetic understanding are able to see the dangers and uncertainties that lie ahead for those who know not God, while on the other hand, they can see through the prophecies of the Bible, the blessings, the comforts, and the enjoyment that lie in the distance for the child of God. John, the apostle, was allowed to climb up into God's prophetic tower, and from it he could see the land that is fairer than day.

6. THE WELLS OF SALVATION FROM WHICH WE CAN DRINK. **"Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation."** (Isa. 12:3.) Here the prophet is praising God with a joyful note of thanksgiving, for his thirst has been quenched with the water of salvation. The poor

outcast woman of Samaria was ever thirsting until she met Jesus at the well. His saying, **"Whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst"** (John 4:14) seemed cloudy and hard to understand, but when she drank from the water of life He had to offer, she no longer saw Him as a weary Jew or a prophet, but He became her Messiah, meaning the Anointed One.

The Psalmist said he would take the cup of salvation and drink. A cupful is not very much, but it is better than none. Then the quantity increases, and we find a well of salvation. This is a much larger supply, but there is still a danger of a shortage, for a drought may cause the well to go dry. However, in the New Testament the supply becomes greater still, and there we read of rivers of water—not a cupful or a well full, but rivers of living water. So it is in grace, the Christian life becomes better and better, and richer and richer, as we travel on, with an abundant supply for every day from the wells of salvation.

7. HEIRS OF SALVATION WHO SHALL INHERIT A KINGDOM. **"Are they not . . . sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation."** (Heb. 1:14.) Heirship comes to one on the grounds of sonship, for one inherits his father's property because he is a son and a legal heir. So the redeemed are heirs of God and joint heirs of Jesus Christ. To be an heir, there must be an inheritance, and Peter tells us it is **"Incorruptible and undefiled and that fadeth not away."** Peter also adds, **"It is reserved in heaven for you"** which insures it against loss through excessive inheritance taxes or through dishonest administrators. In Matthew 25:34 Jesus invites the faithful and blessed to inherit the kingdom prepared for them from the foundation of the world. This, too, shall be a portion of the inheritance of the righteous. Before us is heaven, immortality, special rewards for services, the reunion of loved ones, and a glorious kingdom. Surely the Christian can endure the cross, persecutions (which are sometimes his portion) for such an inheritance.



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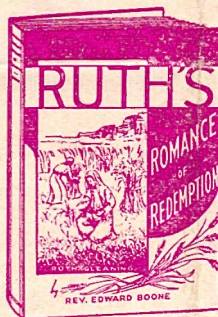
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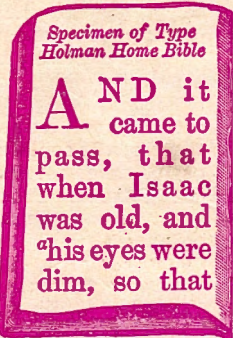
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