

"The Pilgrim Program"

Is on the air each weekday morning at 6:15 (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 they present a spiritual program which helps thousands to "Start the day in the right way." You are invited to join them in their devotional period.

OUR LORD'S GLORIOUS RESURRECTION

Rev. W. L. Surbrook

"But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept." I Cor. 15:20.

The personal resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ is not only one of the most glorious, but one of the most potent and important doctrines of the Christian religion. Christianity is the only religion in the entire world that has a resurrected, living Lord and Leader. The fact of His resurrection was attested by the strongest evidences that could be adduced in favor of any Scriptural or historical fact.

Upon this eternally established miraculous act rests a large portion of the doctrinal scheme and superstructure of the Christian religion. If His resurrection were a farce and a fraud, then He was earth's greatest enemy and most daring faker, and our faith is in vain for we are yet in our sins.

Just as His life's labors were uniquely divided into three epochal periods, so were His redemptive accomplishments. His ministry was divided, first into a year of steadily increasing progress, second, a year of great popularity, and third, a year of fierce hostile persecution and opposition. His redemptive accomplishments are also separated into three striking and interesting phases. First, His ministerial services, second, His sacrificial crucifixion, and finally, His triumphal resurrection.

In this message we are dealing alone with the latter phase, which was the glorious climacteric act that forever provided and guaranteed redemption complete for not only the human family, but everything that was lost through the fall of man. If He had not arisen, there would have been no resurrection for us, but His resurrection guarantees ours. He declared I have power to lay My life down and I have power to take it again, and He forever established this glorious fact.

He had often foretold of His death and resurrection, and as to the fact of His death, no one doubted. But following His being placed in the tomb, every precaution was taken by the Jews and Romans to prevent His removal by stealth. A Roman guard (usually of 60 men) was placed about the tomb with specific instruction to see that His body was not removed. To add to this safety, a large stone was placed at the door which was secured with a Roman seal.

On the third day His body was missing from the tomb. His disciples affirmed positively that He was alive, while the Jews hired the Roman soldiers to declare that His body had been stolen while they slept. How strange that a few unarmed, weak, timid disciples, who a few hours pre-



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viously had fled from those who took Jesus in the garden, should now attempt to steal His body away from a Roman guard of sixty armed men who were expressly placed there to defend the tomb! Also, how incredibly absurd that ALL of these soldiers should sleep so soundly while the seal was broken, the stone rolled away and the body removed, and they aware that sleeping while on guard in the Roman army was punishable by death. If the story told by thesoldiers were the truth, how astounding that they were never punished for sleeping, nor were the disciples ever arrested for stealing the body.

The glorious fact is, that He who

laid His life down, had now taken it up forevermore. In His resurrection from the dead, the truth of His religion is proven "both by the FACT of His resurrection, which is a miracle of POWER and by the fulfillment of His prediction, which is a miracle of KNOWLEDGE." The miraculous truth of His resurrection was comprehended slowly by many of His immediate followers, however, the regularity, neatness and order in which John found the graveclothes in the tomb, convinced him the Lord had not been stolen. He knew too well that when bodies of the dead were stolen that the robbers did not cooly wait to fold up the graveclothes and lay them carefully by themselves.

For forty days following His resurrection His disciples, who for three years had intimately known Him as a Friend, again conversed, ate and drank with Him, and put their fingers into His nail-scarred hands and spearriven side. These faithful workers then went out to face the scorning tide of Jewish opposition and Roman paganistic unbelief. As daring heralds of the truth of His resurrection they suffered every type of diabolical hatred, persecution, ridicule, scorn and even death, yet not one of them ever expressed the least doubt in this sublime and glorious truth.

Their testimony provided them no honor, no wealth, no earthly pleasure, but with undaunted courage and imperishable zeal they gave themselves up to unparalleled sufferings and privations. To spread this glorious message they traveled from land to land, crossing almost every sea, enduring the dangers, toils and privations of almost every clime.

Their simple message coupled with a life of honesty and sincerity literally compelled men by thousands to believe. On the day of Pentecost—less than fifty days following His resurrection — 3,000 Jews believed on the resurrected Saviour. Zealously preaching and witnessing to His resurrection they carried the message into multiplied thousands of lives and homes and also saw thousands of Gentiles converted. So powerful was the resurrection message that in less than three hundred years Christianity had

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HISTORY OF THE DES MOINES CHURCH

For some time the Home Missionary Department of the Pilgrim Church felt the need of opening a work in Iowa, so the thriving city of Des Moines was selected. This was chosen especially because of its broadcasting facilities, for the committee and other interested parties felt that we could introduce our work much more rapidly by the means of radio. In September the Reverend R. A. Beltz, District Superintendent of the Missouri District, met us in Des Moines, and we looked over the prospects for a new work. At that time a house was rented, and in October, 1937, the six

members of the Boone Family Des moved to Moines. On November 1, we bebroadcasting gan over station and KRNT. wasn't long before the people in Des Moines and central Iowa knew of the new work being started here in this capital city. During the month of November and December we scouted throughout the city trying to rent or buy some church property,

but not until December were negotiations begun to purchase the splendid church building, a picture of which is shown on this page. In the first part of January the purchase was completed, and we took possession. Our opening service was held Sunday, January 16, 1938, and with but a small group of people we started to lay the foundation of the present work. The attendance kept increasing until now, two years later, we have a fine thriving congregation with a membership of seventy people, and several newly converted families are planning to unite with us Easter Sunday.

The building had been rented for many years and was badly in need of

repairs so the Boone Family and a few others worked for several weeks scrubbing, cleaning, painting, and varnishing until the main auditorium took on the appearance of a neat, clean place of worship. The church has beautiful stained glass windows, but they were badly in need of repairs necessitating expensive workmanship, so the Sunday School raised the amount of \$120.00 to take care of this repair work. As the basement was in a damp condition the wooden floors had rotted causing the pillars supporting the main auditorium floor to settle so that it became extremely urgent to jack up the floor and put cement abutments under the posts. This difficult task was all accomplished, a



The Des Moines Church

new floor was laid, four splendid Sunday School rooms were installed, and much of the basement was replastered.

However, the old saying is, "It never rains but it pours," for then we were notified by the insurance company that our insurance had expired which meant an extra financial burden for the little group of worshippers, but worse than that we were told that the wiring was condemned so that the entire basement had to be rewired according to city specifications. During the summer rains, we found that the eavestroughs leaked so badly that the water was seeping into the basement dampening

our newly plastered walls. Thus, to preserve the work already finished, new eavestroughs had to be purchased. The total cost of all this repair work was \$1,000, the amount of which was raised by the members of our congregation. The next burden which came to us was the need of a new furnace as the old one had been condemned and was no longer safe to use. So the new furnace has been installed, the cost of which was over nine hundred dollars. By securing a government loan we are able to pay this in monthly payments, but the end is not yet for in order to meet the city requirements another rest room must be installed and to meet the insurance company's specifica-

tions the furnace room must be replastered. Then there is also one room yet which must be reconditioned and converted into a Sunday School classroom, However, as far as we have gone, we have made some splendid improvements, which are helping us to take care of our growing Sunday School.

An independent Sunday School had rented the church property before we

purchased it, and in May, 1938, the church took over the Sunday School. To begin with we had an average attendance of about forty but there has been a steady increase until our record attendance was 256.

It has been a pleasure to us to see the many new families converted in our ministry. Many who never attended church or who had very little light along the lines of salvation have been brought into the Kingdom of God, and most of them are making very fine Christians, living an influential life in their communities. I wish some of the readers could hear these new converts pray and thank God that the church was ever started

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My Easter Offering

for the

"PILGRIM PROGRAM"

Featuring the BOONE FAMILY

Over Station WHO, 1000 Kil., Des Moines, Ia. Daily (except Sunday) at 6:15 A. M.

THE ABIDING CHRIST

(Luke 24:29)

It is late afternoon and two travelers are seen journeying down a dusty, rocky road. Sorrow, perplexity and grief fill their hearts, and their countenances reveal their feelings. So deep is their grief that they scarcely notice the Stranger who has silently overtaken them, and is walking along with them. So sympathetic and understanding is His talk that they are soon unburdening their souls to Him. They tell Him about their beloved Lord Who was crucified and Who died like all other great leaders. They tell of blasted hopes, of their dreams that He was the long-looked-for Deliverer, Who would free them from the tyranny of Rome and establish His glorious kingdom on earth. They no longer have a business to pursue, as they gave up all to follow Him. To think that He should thus fail them was almost too much to bear. So, broken in spirit, and smothering in their hearts the last remains of smoke from the charred embers of a burned out hope, they are returning to their home. Their Master is dead. As if to tantalize them by attempting to revive their hopes in their Lord, the Stranger is speaking most gracious words that burn into the very depths of their souls. But what is the use, they reason, He is but a stranger here, and cannot hold out hope to us, nor can He know the sufferings of the soul! Ah, had they only known, and O that we would know—HIM!

The long shadows of evening are stretching themselves out in grotesque shapes as the little party arrives at the home of the travelers. The Stranger is accorded a welcome to their home and the evening meal. They are hushed as they bow their heads in silence over the food, remembering the many times they had their Lord with them on similar occasions and the gracious words of blessing that proceeded from His lips. Choking with emotion, the Stranger is asked to return thanks. The deep, rich voice of the Stranger is being lifted in prayer, and what a prayer! That voice sounds familiar, hauntingly, perplexingly familiar.

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not pay much attention, nor care who this Stranger might be. But now! They look, they see a loving face lifted up to Heaven. They behold hands extended in benediction, and a sight that revives a thousand hopes and calms a thousand fears. His words are like oil on a tempestuous sea, and a great calm comes over them. They really behold Him now for the first time, as they see the wounds in His hands. They rush to embrace Him, but the mission of the Stranger being accomplished, He vanishes from their midst.

Being too enraptured to eat, the food is left untouched upon the table, and Cleopas and his companion, with burning hearts and light feet, hastily retrace their steps over the trail back to Jerusalem. No thoughts of weariness or the difficult journey can now impede their progress. The Lord is risen, and they have beheld Him. They must quickly inform the others of their company that the Lord is risen indeed, even as the women had told them.

Life may have been unkind to you, my friend, the struggle back to virtue and to God may be difficult and may be beset with many obstacles, but there is One who wants to take you by the hand, and help you over the rough places of life, and lead you safely along its uneven journey. Even now His voice is calling out to all that are weary and heavy laden, saying, "If any man . . . open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him." His coming will make the drabness of your soul to shine with the brilliance of the morning star; His presence will so gladden the life that the pleasures of earth seem but toys; His constant nearness will make the lone hours of midnight to ring out with songs in the night. That old rugged cross has been made a throne; His death and humiliation a glorious triumph heralded to three worlds; His open tomb the gateway to endless life and supernal bliss. He will as surely bring a great calm to your troubled soul, as He did to the angry sea, on that morning years ago.

We are sailing over rough and angry seas today, and if ever we needed to cry out in the words of the two travelers, it is now, "Lord, abide with us."

Early one morning a pastor was called to visit an old Scotchman who was dying. Upon the arrival of the dominie (the preacher) he noticed another chair drawn up beside the bed of the dying man, and remarked that he must have had other callers earlier than he. "Oh, no," replied the old man, "that is the Lord's chair. Years ago I had difficulty in realizing the presence of God when I prayed. Troubled about it, I went to my dominie and he told me to place an empty chair in my prayer closet for the Lord, as He would as surely be present as any earthly friend. Ever since, I have seen to it that the Lord had a chair, and He always meets with me." In the morning the old gentleman's daughter informed the preacher that her father had passed away during the night. When they found him, his hand was outstretched on the chair, as if in a handclasp with another.

Though pain may rack the body, and you may be called upon to walk through the valley of the shadow of death, you can rest assured that He will break the bars of death asunder in a glad resurrection, and you will rise above it all to the home of the soul in the land of endless day. The tomb is open, and so is Heaven. He who was dead is alive forevermore, and has the keys of death. Hallelujah! Glorious paradox! Now at the right hand of the Father, yet abiding with us alway. Until He comes to take His own to abide with Him, we shall continually pray, "Abide with us."

"O Saviour, thou my Risen Lord, The King, all glorious, How much we need Thy tender care, Come, Thou, abide with us."

> By Rev. D. F. Price, 8343 Ellsworth Ave., Detroit, Michigan.

It takes thousands of dollars a year to send forth the "Pilgrim Program" over station WHO; for that reason we solicit your prayers and financial support.

THE DEVOTIONAL HOUR ON WHO

On November 1, 1937, the Boone Family started a series of broadcasts on station KRNT, the result of which was that we made many friends in Central Iowa, and in 1938 the Boone Family received more fan-mail than any other program on that station. This is evidence that there are still many who enjoy hearing sacred singing and Gospel messages.

Then in January of 1939 we made a personal visit to the office of Mr. Hale Bondurant, who is the Sales Manager of the Central Broadcasting Company. Mr. Bondurant was very courteous and gave us a cordial interview, and after a few weeks of negotiations we began broadcasting on station WHO (1000 on your radio dial) in Des Moines, Iowa. With the exception of three broadcasts, the Boone Family has been heard daily (excepting Sunday) during the past twelve months, at 6:15 A. M. over this powerful 50,000 watt station. This station is frequently tuned in to because it is centrally located on the radio dial, and listeners, even in distant states, searching for good programs easily locate this station. This fact, along with the splendid programs, select advertising, world, national, and farm news, and also because it is part of the Red Network of the National Broadcasting Company, gives this station a tremendous radio audience. WHO has an exclusive, clear channel with no other station in the U.S. operating on the same frequency at the same time. Consequently, it has practically a coast to coast coverage, as is evident by the fact that during the past winter months the Boone Family has heard from forty-three states of the Union and several provinces in Canada. This reveals the vast coverage this station affords.

One lady wrote us from Washington telling how she must prepare breakfast at 4:00 A. M. (Pacific Time) for her two boys who start to work early, and she, along with her sons, are daily listeners to our morning broadcasts. It was also gratifying to us to receive a letter from some of our friends in Camden, New Jersey,

who formerly were members of our tabernacle in Grand Rapids, Michigan. They told us that they were made happy in receiving our broadcasts. The Boone Family also has many listeners in Iowa, for statistics from a recent survey show that over 80 per cent of the radio audience in this state tune in to WHO during daytime reception. Thus, we are certain that a large radio audience is benefited each morning by the Pilgrim Program.

We have enjoyed our work over station WHO during the past year, and we are glad to report that the em-



Leland, Our Family Announcer

ployees have done everything possible to make our work easier for us. Our good-natured control men have been very careful in placing the microphone and have checked carefully on the singing and instrumental music, so that we have been able to keep a good balance. This has helped us to improve our program, and we feel indebted to them for their fine services. We are also grateful to the announcers for their congenial spirit and cooperation which they have shown in introducing our programs each morning; all these kindnesses are deeply appreciated. We can say that it has been a pleasure for us to bring this devotional program over this fine station to help our listeners "Start the day in the right way."

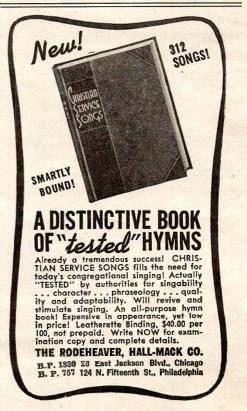
IT IS FINISHED

"It is finished," cried the Savior,
As He hung on Calvary;
Finished was His intense suffering,
Which He bore to set men free.
The goal was reached, the price was paid
To ransom all of Adam's race;
Their guilt and sin on Him was laid,
And now He saves men by His grace.

"It is finished," said the Savior,
While the echo mocked His cry;
But if men would have salvation,
He for guilty men must die.
The Scripture types and metaphors,
The ancient law with all its claim,
Were all fulfilled and satisfied,
When Deity hung there in shame.

"It is finished," cried the Savior—Blessed note of victory;
He has vanquished Satan's power,
Conquered is our enemy.
He has no claim; resist Him now,
Draw nigh to God in confidence;
Your faith and trust in His dear Son,
Our God will surely recompense.

"It is finished," cried the Savior,
Just before He bowed His head;
Then He yielded up His spirit
And was numbered with the dead.
The finished work, the death of Christ,
Has triumphed over death and hell;
I need not fear, He took my place,
And with my soul I know 'tis well.



THE INDISPENSABLE RESURRECTION

Melvin T. Rothwell

The resurrection is a superlative and imperative doctrine of Christianity!

It is superlative because it is the greatest miracle recorded in sacred or secular history. It is imperative because it is the foundation of our imperishable faith, for on it rests the framework of Christianity, the enlivening hope of millions of the disciples of Jesus Christ, Who, Himself, became the firstfruits of the glorious resurrection power!

Like Paul the Apostle, we cling to its blessed assurance with unrelinquished grasp. We rejoice in its hope; we revel in its life.

The great Apostle set forth the indispensable need of faith in the resurrection when he said in his epistle to the Corinthians, "but if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen: and if Christ be not risen then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain." He struck again at the heart of materialistic unbelief when he continued: "Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God: because we have testified for God that He raised up Christ: whom He raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not. For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised: and if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins. Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished."

There is no alien tone in the Apostle's words. They ring with inspiring certainty and aggressive, unretrenchable faith. They stand out against the sombre background of the day-dawn in which he wrote, like the glare of brilliant belts of lightning across the ebony sky in a stormy night. And, like the electrical shafts that leap across the black canopy above, the spiritual reverberations of his inspired words illuminate and invigorate the hearts of twice-born, spiritually resurrected men and women. Hallelujah! What a Saviour.

It is as impossible to construct a Christianity without the Pauline interpretation of the resurrection as it

is to build so vast, and yet mobile, a teaching without Christ, Himself. By the resurrection, the framework of Christianity is as impregnable as the Throne of God. The Disciples of Christ are not false witnesses. but torch-bearers of truth and joy. Heralders of salvation are not ranting confusionists, but flaming swords of light to point men to the path of virtue and victory. The vigor of Christianity is the pulsating current of life that throbbed in the breast of the Master. The power of Christianity is not the cunningly devised mechanics of man, but the authority of the living God, executed by the blessed Third Person of the Trinity, that works quick and lasting destruction on sin, and shields the believer by an indestructible defense.

The hope of Christianity is in the Firstfruits of the resurrection, in Him Who rose conqueror over the grave and burst its defiant walls. The hereafter of Christianity is an eternity illuminated with the fadeless glory of His everlasting presence, the fulfillment of the believer's highest hopes, and the attachment of those things too high and incomprehensible for man's limited understanding, described by Paul in the second chapter of the same epistle, where he wrote: "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him."

Among the many attacks made on the resurrection, philosophers argue that it is contrary to the law of matter; that matter dies and does not come to life again. What is a law? It is not a self-moving agent. It depends on a force or power to move it. The laws of the land never arrest anybody, but the officers of the particular government, the force behind the laws, do.

Who is the Author of the laws of nature? The great, omnipotent God, to be sure. Have not the legislators who enact certain laws, the power to repeal them? They can also amend and change them. Is the Author of the laws of nature more limited than these?

But, are the laws of nature really nullified? In the case of the resurrection, I think not. Seeds sown, germinate and grow, reproducing their kind, some sixty, some one hundredfold. Out of death comes life. We may not understand it, but we cannot deny it. We are neither skeptical nor amazed, it is so common.

How about the body? Its resurrection is not contrary to the laws of nature. We should not deny it simply because we cannot explain it, unless we want to endanger ourselves with confusing absurdities. The body does not lose its identity through change, for it is retained in infancy and manhood. Scientists turn back baffled at the process of change we call metamorphosis. In the metamorphic process we have first the egg, then the larva caterpillar and then the gaudy butterfly. A six-year-old boy can tear the cocoon in pieces and destroy the process in the chrysalis state, but a scientist or philosopher with a kite-tail of degrees as illuminous as a comet, is as helpless to explain the process as the boy who destroys it.

If Infinite power can keep the body in such radical change in this life, Divine vigilance can preserve it in death!

As to the character of the resurrection, it will be the identical body, but it will be changed. The corruptible shall put on incorruption. John, the Beloved, wrote in his first epistle, "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is." The risen bodies of the saints shall resemble the glorified body of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Other religions of the world are dead, because their founders are dead. Some would talk the life out of Christianity by denying the resurrection and leave it as empty as the shells the squirrel pushes out of his nest in the spring. So much of Christianity today is mechanized, but not vitalized. Material things can supply the mechanics of the church, but only the life of Jesus Christ can put vitality into it. It is that holy, inextinguishable flame that burst forth on the resurrection morning that ought

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A BIG MAN AT THE HEAD OF A BIG RADIO STATION

By Rev. Edward Boone

It has been said that every institution is the lengthened shadow of a man. It follows that the size, the importance, the worth of an institution is determined by the same qualities in the man at its head.

Radio station WHO, 50,000 watt Voice of the Middle West, is no exception.

WHO is one of the largest, most powerful stations in the United States. It has grown to eminence under the leadership of Col. B. J. Palmer of Davenport, Iowa, who is known affectionately by thousands of friends simply as B. J.

Colonel Palmer, Dr. Palmer, professionally, is a pioneer broadcaster, owner of a dozen businesses, a world traveler, author of many books and editor of a dozen publications. He is president of Central Broadcasting Co., which owns and operates radio station WHO—Des Moines; president of Tri-Cities Broadcasting Co., which owns and operates WOC—Davenport; head of the PSC Printery, a large commercial printing plant, and the Palmer cafeteria.

Besides this, he is founder of the B. J. Palmer Chiropractic Clinic, and president of the Palmer School of Chiropractic which is known throughout the world. One of the finest characteristics I have learned about Mr. Palmer is that he has always advocated to his student body that they be considerate in their charges to the ministry. This consideration is practiced by many of his graduates whom I have contacted, and I am sure this is greatly appreciated by the ministry. His wife, Mabel, and his only son, David D., are both active in the Palmer enterprises.

His principal hobby is A Little Bit O' Heaven, an institution so beautiful and so unique that more than one million persons from all over the world have passed through its portals to inspect its marvels which were gathered by B. J. in the course of more than 830,000 miles of world travel. We urge many of our radio friends traveling through Davenport to be

sure to visit A Little Bit O' Heaven, for we know that you will enjoy it. Next to A Little Bit O' Heaven, Mr. Palmer's favorite hobby is deep sea fishing.

LELAND, OUR ANNOUNCER

Some of our listeners have been wanting to know who Leland is. We are happy to say that he is our sonin-law, having married our oldest daughter, Olive, who plays the piano and sings with her husband, her father, and her sisters. They were married on June 19, 1936. Both of their birthdays come on September 20.

Leland is employed at the Ginsberg Furniture Store, but enjoys using his spare time in broadcasting and in musical concert work.

Please urge your friends to hear the Boone Family each weekday morning at 6:15 (Central Standard Time) over station WHO, Des Moines, Ia., 1000 on your radio dial.

Easter will be Sunday, March 24, and special services are planned for the day. Read the advertisement on page 13.

A VISIT TO SUNSHINE MISSION

On February 23, the Boone Family motored to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where we gave a musical program in the Sunshine Mission. We were surprised to learn that this mission was founded in 1895, and during the past 44 years it has been open for services every night in the week, with the exception of a short period when all the churches in the city were closed because of the flu epidemic.

Rev. Frank H. Ward succeeded his father as superintendent of the work, and Rev. Thomas J. Hinkin is the assistant superintendent. Mrs. Hinkin is a native of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and was formerly Leland's (our son-in-law) Sunday School teacher. They have a wonderful mission work, and eternity alone will reveal the amount of good that has been accomplished.

We had a lovely service and enjoyed singing to a very large audience. There was a spiritual atmosphere in the service which made it easy for us to sing and preach. A good offering was taken for our broadcasting work, and we feel that the service was profitable in every way. May God bless the Sunshine Mission is the prayer of the Boone Family.



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EASTER AND THE CHRISTIANS' HOPE

By Edward Boone

Easter time in the realm of nature brings to us new hope and new life, for at that season new buds, leaves, blossoms, and grass all declare creation's resurrection. Had Easter come in the fall or winter with nature in the embrace of death, it would not speak of new hope or new life. Likewise, in a spiritual sense Easter brings to God's children the hope of life and immortality. This hope has cheered the sick on their beds of lingering illness, it has encouraged the aged who realized their forms were bending under the strain of years, and it has dried the tears of many in their farewell journey from the silent city of the dead. Truly the resurrection-Easter time—gives us hope. It is no wonder that so many Christians believe in the Second Coming of Christ. for it means the resurrection of the dead and the translation of the righteous which will be the termination of our hope. But let us analyze this hope:

1. IT IS A BLESSED HOPE: In Titus 2:3 we read, "Looking for the blessed hope and the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ." In this verse it is called a "blessed hope." The word "blessed" is translated from the Greek word "makarious" meaning happy, so it could be read, "Looking for the happy hope." And why is it called a "happy hope"? Surely it brings great happiness to know that when Jesus comes. the toils, cares, and hardships of life will be forever gone-not only gone, but forgotten. Those who have suffered for years from lingering diseases, which have often caused great pain and confinement, are made happy to know that when Jesus comes the old body of clay, in which the spirit has made its home, will no longer writhe and twist from intense pain; for this mortal shall put on immortality. It surely is great happiness to those, especially the aged, who must live in deepest poverty from year to year to know that their home, probably a hut or a couple of rooms, can be exchanged for a mansion in the sky. It is with a blessed hope they

look forward to better days. No doubt, some often suffer from hunger, with scarcely sufficient food to keep body and soul together, yet, they are living in hope that when Jesus comes they shall never hunger or thirst again but shall be fed on angel food and from the twelve kinds of fruit found on the tree of life. The tears in this old

BECAUSE OF EASTER DAY

I stood in the silent city
Where lay the countless dead;
I saw with intense pity
Those markers at the head,
The dates of birth and passing
In letters large and bold '
Were very plainly written
On marble hard and cold.

These dead once lived and labored Each day, as you and I;
With many, we had neighbored In good old days gone by.
In mem'ry I reflected
O'er days we can't recall;
I thought of those respected,
Who lived when I was small.

I thought of all the sadness
That came with every stone,
The love, support, and gladness
Vacating every home,
A missing voice, an empty chair—
These things passed through my mind.
I thought of death, that's everywhere,
That monster so unkind.

A solemness came o'er me
While thinking there alone,
That death, a common enemy,
Would enter every home;
And soon we would be lying
With tombstones at our heads
While others would be sighing,
"They're numbered with the dead."

My thoughts turned toward the Saviour, Who entered death's domain,
But He arose a victor
That we might live again.
All those "in Him" when dying
Can pass on peacefully,
With hope that they shall live again
Because of Easter Day.

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By Edward Boone.

world have been many — not a nation, a family, or an individual is exempt. Many have been shed publicly, while others flowed unseen by friend or foe. From various sorrows they have come; crime, broken homes, great financial losses, disobedient children, drunkenness, death, and a thousand other causes have brought rivers of tears into the lives of the

human race. But read from Rev. 21: 4: "God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things have passed away." This blessed hope of the sorrowing and suffering Christian is founded on this verse.

2. IT IS ALSO CALLED A LIVE-LY HOPE. I Peter 1:3 reads, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which — hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." This word "lively" could be translated "living," so it can be called a living hope. It has been living in the hearts of those whom Christ has redeemed since the scene on Mt. Olivet when the disciples saw Jesus slowly ascending into Heaven. The white-robed angels said, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus which is taken from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." Acts 1:11. Down through the years this has been a living hope to the people of God of various denominations. It has been living from century to century, from decade to decade, from year to year until it was handed down to you and me; and it shall continue to live until the last member has been added to the body of Christ and the comforting hope has been fulfilled in the rapture of the Saints of God. Insects, animals, trees, and just about everything terminates in death, but the hope of the Church, when realized, enters into a life that never terminates, for as soon as the righteous dead have been raised from their graves and, with the living saints, have been translated to their eternal home, they will immediately pass from scenes of death into the sphere where death will never enter.

But why is it a living hope? It is a glorious fact that Christ is the "Living One," and again we see everything centers in Him. Take Christ out of the Scriptures, and you have but an empty shell. Note! He is the Son of the Living God, and we confess Him as such before men (Matthew 16:16); He is the Living Stone — a

sure foundation - on Whom our faith is built (I Peter 2:4); He is the Living Way by Whom we have access to the throne of grace (Hebrews 10: 20); He is the Living Bread on Whom we are fed (John 6:51); He is the Living Water that quenches all thirst for sin and worldliness (John 4:10); He is the Living High Priest who is representing us before the throne of God (Hebrews 7:25); and He is our Living Hope because He is coming again for us. Because He lives, we shall live also.

3. IT IS ALSO A PURIFYING HOPE, for I John 3 reads, "We know that when he shall appear we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. And every man that hath this hope purifieth himself even as he is pure." May I give you an illustration to bring out this truth? One rainy day a father had instructed his little son not to play out-of-doors because of weather conditions, but, as is often the case, the little fellow slipped out of the back door and greatly enjoyed himself playing in the rain. Suddenly to his surprise he slipped on the walk and soon came into the house with soiled hands and wet clothing, crying as if his heart would break. The father punished him for his disobedience by making him sit in the corner, but after a while he dried his tears and slowly moved over to where his father was sitting, trying to be very friendly with him. The kindhearted father, looking down on the tear-stained cheeks, placed a big kiss of pardon on his little forehead, and in a few minutes the little fellow with soiled hands and wet clothing tried to climb on his father's lap and urged his father to hold him. In other words, he wanted close and sweet communion with his father, who said, "Son, I've forgiven you; now go and have mother wash your hands and change your clothes, and then you can sit on my lap." You see what the son needed, before he could hug up close to his father and enjoy perfect fellowship with him, was cleansing. The father had forgiven him and placed a kiss of forgiveness on his brow, but he still needed cleansing. Paul saw that such a cleansing was needed in some of the "dearly beloved" members of the church of Corinth and said, "Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." (II Corinthians 7:11.) The hope of His soon return will cause men to seek and enjoy a clean heart, so they can walk in holy uprightness before God. Others who enjoy this "blessed hope" and a clean heart have made great improvements in their living. Their conversation is on heavenly things, their conduct is edifying to one another, and they are faithful in attending the means of grace and supporting the Gospel with their finances. They practice a close fellowship with God, thus purifying themselves in practical living as well as enjoying the experience of heart purity. Thus in the Scriptures we see the words of hope: First, A Blessed Hope; Second, A Living Hope; Third, A Purifying Hope. Those who do not have this glorious hope are missing the greatest part of life in these days of unrest and uncertainty. Let Christ be your Saviour, and Easter time will bring special hope to you.

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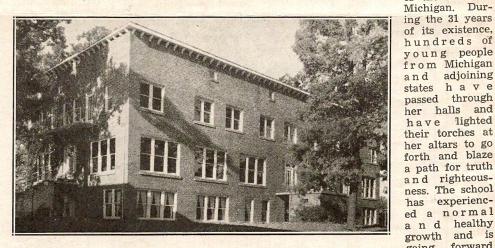
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WHAT OTHERS HAVE TO SAY

The following are some of the excerpts from letters we have received and we felt our radio friends would be interested to know how encouraging some of our mail has been. Each excerpt speaks for itself, and I am sure that this page is proof that the "Pilgrim Program" is worthy of your moral and financial support.

"Dear Friends in Christ: You will never know how happy I am and you can not realize how I appreciate your broadcasts. I will tell you in a few words how I ever happened to hear your first broadcast. It was just this way, I was turning the dial around slowly and I accidentally heard that song that the girls sing at the close of the program. I listened and found out when you would be on the air again and looked at the dial and got the number and I have been waiting for each and every broadcast since and if I did not send you a donation when I could I would feel like I was stealing something very good and not paying anything in return for hearing such wonderful programs so often. I have not received my government check yet, but when I get it it will be a real pleasure to send you a contribution and help keep these wonderful programs on the air."

Grandfield, Okla.,

"Dear Friends! Greetings in Jesus' Name-I am an interested listener to your program every morning at 5:15 (Mountain Standard Time). I gladly get out of bed a little before 5:00 A. M. and get the fire started and the room warm, and then listen to your hymns, prayers, and talks on the Bible themes. I surely enjoy the same though the rest of the family like to stay in bed until 7:30, I cannot stand it in bed when I know the Boone Family is on the air."

A Listener. Sask., Canada.

"Dear Reverend Boone: First let me tell you that I am a bedridden invalid, thirty-five years old, a victim of that dread disease, tuberculosis, for

the past three and a half years. I wish that I were able to send an offering to help in your radio work, but after three years of hospitals and doctors what little I once had of this world's goods has long since been swept away, and all I have left now is Jesus, but thank God He is all I need.

"Next, let me 'try' to tell you what a wonderful blessing, what an inspiration your broadcasts are to me. How they bring such comfort and cheer in the Master's name into my little room in the gray dawn of each succeeding day, how they drive away the gloom and help me to look away by faith to that day when I shall have a glorious body like unto His own. Most of all. Reverend Boone, do I get a blessing out of your earnest prayers, and I turn on my pillow and join you in every one."

> Bert R. Acree. Jamestown, Ky.

"Dear Friend: We have heard your announcement over the radio this A. M. that you had a picture of the Boone Family, so we want the family picture. For the last three or four weeks we have been getting your program each morning, and we do enjoy it very much. We are a Catholic family, have a daughter that is a nun. May the Lord bless you more each day."

> Your friend, Nauvoo, Ill.

"Dear Boone Family: Heard your program up here in the timberlands of northern Minnesota where I am alone with no car or way out except by boat, as I go across the lake and have the natives get my mail. I'm enclosing \$1.00. Would you send me one of your mottoes? I'd like to have the motto to hang by my bed in my cabin. I hope I can help you with a big offering some day. God bless each of you."

> Yours in Christ, Nisswa, Minnesota.

"Dear Ones: This morning at 7:15 I turned on the radio, trying to get the news for the morning and all at once we heard such lovely music with

such beautiful harmony, so instead of listening to the news we heard your program through.

"I felt like it was an echo of the invisible world. May God make you a blessing to others as He has to me."

Your sister in Christ,

Marion, Ohio.

"Dear Radio Friends: I have made one resolution for 1940, and that is to listen to the Boone Family every morning at 6:15 and try to get others to listen too. I do enjoy your programs so much."

> Your radio friend, Pilot Mound, Iowa.

"My Dear Friends: I have just recently discovered your splendid program on the air. Eternity alone can tell the comfort your good program has been to me. Now that I have found you I do hope I shall never miss one program you put on the air.

"God bless you girls, I think it is wonderful to see talented young people give of their best to the dear Master. Keep on going in His name and you will never regret it."

Your friend and sister in Christ, Amelia, Va.

"Dear Friends: Will you please send me the songs and poems you have been advertising? I enjoy your programs so much, I'm so tired some mornings I think I just won't get up in time to hear you, but I just can't start the day without hearing you. Seems to make everything go right all day. Here I am, up at 5:30 writing this letter, I'm, afraid I'll oversleep and miss the program."

> A listener, Fairfield, Iowa.

"Dear Friends: I couldn't begin to tell you how your program helps me to start the day right. Indeed it is a blessing and food to my soul to hear your voices each morning telling of Jesus and His love. The singing is beautiful, also the piano playing, and Bro. Boone's short messages are so helpful and inspiring."

Yours in Christian love, Dallas, Texas.

CONTRIBUTORS TO THIS ISSUE

The article on page two entitled "The Lord's Glorious Resurrection" was written by Rev. W. L. Surbrook of Detroit, Mich. He is the General of the Superintendent Churches of North America, an office which is equivalent to that of Bishop in other denominations. My son in the Gospel, Rev. D. F. Price, pastor of our church in Detroit, Michigan, contributed the article "The Abiding Christ" found on page four. Rev. Melvin Rothwell of Port Huron, Michigan, kindly consented to write the article found on page six, entitled "The Indispensable Resurrection." Brother Rothwell is now a student in the University of Ohio. We are grateful to these brethren for these articles, and we urge our friends to be sure to read them.

One pastor, in addressing his large Easter congregation, said, "I want to wish many of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, for I fear I won't see some of you again until we have our Christmas Cantata." This was a stinging but truthful rebuke. Some people think of God and worship only on Easter and Christmas.

If you are in need of song books, greeting cards, plaques, Bibles, mottoes, or other religious merchandise, write the Boone Family, P. O. Box 200, Des Moines, Iowa, and ask for a 1940 Catalog.

The story is told of an incident which followed a stirring appeal for a missionary offering as given by the pastor of a certain church. Directly in front of him sat a very large, fleshy woman with a boy-a stranger-sitting by her side. The lad reached into his pocket and took out a fifty-cent piece, all the money which he had, and while waiting for the offering plate to be passed, he spied a nickel in the hand of the fat lady. Whereupon, he looked up and said to her, "Lady, you take this half dollar, and I'll take the nickel, for I can crawl under the seat easier than you can." Thus, we find some people - large in their ability, but small in their giving.

Your Easter offering to aid us in paying for our broadcasting expenses will be greatly appreciated. Have you read the article found on page fourteen, entitled "An Easter Note of Appreciation"?

WHY IS IT?

By way of explanation we write the following to answer the inquiries, "Why is it, that we can hear you so well over the air during the winter months but not during the summer?" All stations have a larger coverage during the winter when the weather is cold, the nights are longer, and the atmosphere is practically free from static. The coverage in the nighttime is always greater than in the daytime, and because during the fall and winter months it is still dark at 6:15, when we go on the air, our programs consequently reach out much farther. If during the coming months you cannot tune in the "Pilgrim Program," we urge you to try again early this fall so you may be a constant listener throughout the fall and winter months.

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widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury:

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PRE-EASTER SERMON OUTLINES

By Edward Boone THE DEATH OF THE CROSS

(Phil, 2:8)

When looking at Christ in His death on the cross we can see many truths, facts, and lessons which teach us various things. It is like seeing the seven different colors in one rainbow; so looking at the death of the cross we see—

- 1. THE DEPTH OF HIS HUMILIATION: "And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." Philippians 2:8. Truly the Son of God was brought to the depths of humiliation when He was stripped of His garments and made to hang in shame and disgrace. His nakedness brings back the scene in the Garden of Eden when sin stripped Adam and Eve of their glory and left them in a state of condemnation, but Christ suffered this shame that we, Adam's offspring, might be clothed with the "garments of salvation."
- 2. THE ANGUISH OF HIS SEPA-RATION: "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" Matthew 27:46. This saying on the cross came from the Saviour's lips when He realized that sin had separated Him from His Father. This was the first time He ever addressed Him as God, thus conceding that He forfeited His sonship when He took the place of the sinner. The communion, fellowship and presence of His Father was gone, and it was this He needed so badly in His dying hour. Sin brings separation, and such is the doom of the sinner who does not find Christ as his Redeemer. He shall be separated from God and righteousness through all eternity.
- 3. THE GOAL OF HIS INCARNATION: "When the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, to redeem them that were under the law." Galatians 4:4-5. The purpose of the incarnation was to provide a Saviour to redeem the Old Testament Christians who were under the law. The miraculous incarnation of Christ was but the forerunner of the crucifixion. He was born to be the Saviour of the world-a plan premeditated, arranged, and completed by the mind of God. The goal that lay before the Saviour was not a pleasant one, for it ended in suffering, shame, and death; but the outcome of it all is one of glorious triumph. The tragedy of the cross did not come to Christ with surprise for He knew for what cause He came into the world. Even at the age of twelve He said, "I must be about my Father's business."
- 4. THE BASIS OF OUR SALVATION: "Ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, . . . but with the precious blood of Christ." I Peter 1:18-19. Peter here reminds us that the buying power of the world—gold and silver—could not purchase our redemption and that the basis

of our salvation is entirely in the shed blood of Jesus Christ. Morality, church membership, good works, and many other things have been substituted as the means of salvation, but none of these has been able to bring peace and joy into the yearning, aching hearts of sinners. The divine plan of salvation is the only basis on which we can build our eternal hope. This salvation is in the past tense, "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men" (Titus 2:11); it is also in the present, "Today is the day of salvation" (II Corinthians 6:2); and we also find it to be future, "For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ" (I Thessalonians 5:9). Thus, we see salvation is threefold—past, present, and future.

- 5. THE CAUSE OF EACH NEW CRE-ATION: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature; old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." II Corinthians 5:17. The miraculous and instantaneous change that comes into the heart and life of the penitent soul is only the result of the power of the cross. Creed, ceremonies, or church membership will not strip people of the evil habits or appetites with which so many are bound. It takes a dynamic power to change a sinner into a saint. We have seen those who were wicked, vile, and sinful changed into persons of faith and prayer. They become lovers of their Bible and faithfully attend the means of grace, and all of this because of a new creation through Christ and the cross.
- 6. THE CHOICE OF OUR DESTINA-TION: "Today shalt thou be with me in paradise." Luke 23:43. Crucified with Christ were two thieves-one on the right, the other on the left-and each of these men chose his own destiny. In this momentous hour the one thief retained a rebellious attitude toward Christ, refusing to ask for mercy or trust for grace, and soon afterward his eyes were sealed in death while his soul had reached its eternal destiny in the regions of despair. However, the other thief prayed "Remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom." It was a short prayer but one of sincerity and faith, and in the darkness of the hour came the dawning hope "Today shalt thou be with me in paradise." Thus, we see that eternal destiny is chosen at the
- 7. THE STATE OF SIN'S TERMINATION: "I thirst." John 19:28. In the parable of the rich man and Lazarus recorded in Luke 16, we find that sin terminated in spiritual death, but this death was a state of existence for the rich man was living after death. While in that state he suffered with thirst, just as Christ did on the cross. The rich man begged for water, but water was a stranger in the regions of the lost. When Jesus was taking the penalty of death, darkness was over all the earth. He was separated from all that was holy and good and was dying in the dark. We find that the Scriptures state that those who have re-

jected Christ "shall go their way in outer darkness." This and much more is the penalty of sin and the state of its termination.

"FOR THIS CAUSE CAME I INTO THE WORLD"

A few hours before Christ went to the cross He said to Pilate, "To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world." John 18:37. Jesus knew for what purpose He was robed in human flesh. The years, months, days, and even hours before Him were never a mystery, and all through His earthly ministry He made statements which pointed forward to the cross. Let us notice seven such statements:

- 1. A BAPTISM HE MUST EXPERIENCE: "I have a baptism to be baptized with." Luke 12:50. These words did not refer to His water baptism, for He had already received that when He entered His earthly ministry. But it does refer to His suffering and death. Just as the waters of the Jordan rolled over Him and in figure buried Him beneath the waves of death, so in reality the waves of judgment immersed Him into the realms of death.
- 2. A LIFTING HE MUST ENDURE: "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the son of man be lifted up." John 3:14. This lifting signified the death He would die on the cross. It was the antitype of the brazen serpent which, as related in the Old Testament, was lifted up on a pole so all those who were bitten by the sting of death could look by faith at this erected object for their recovery.
- 3. A BLOOD-SHEDDING HE MUST OF-FER: "This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you." Luke 22:20. When Jesus was instituting the Lord's Supper, He said, "This is my body," which spoke of incarnation; "This is my body which is broken," which spoke of the crucifixion; "This is my body which is broken for you," which spoke of His vicarious death. I Cor. 11:24. Here we have the doctrine of substitution, meaning that He died in our place. Jesus knew of the atoning death He would die; He knew that the cross lay before Him and that on this cross He would shed His blood for the remission of our sins. This bloodshedding He had to offer in order to redeem fallen men.
- 4. A CUP HE MUST DRINK: "The cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?" John 18:11. Here the sufferings and death of Christ are spoken of as a "cup" the contents of which Jesus must drink. No doubt, the dregs of this cup, which was also prophesied by the Psalmist, referred to the bitter anguish and suffering Jesus had to endure in the Garden of Gethsemane, for while He was there praying, in His bitter despair, He cried out, "Oh, my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me." However, it was not possible if the human race was to be saved.
- 5. AN HOUR HE MUST FACE: "Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this.

cause came I unto this hour." John 12:27. The dreaded hour He was facing had arrived, and the prayer "Save me from this hour" came forth from His human nature as He saw the cross before Him. His work of redemption was timed to the very hour, and He knew it. Twice before, Jesus had said that His hour was not yet come, but now the hands on God's clock pointed to the greatest moments the world had ever known. From the beginning of creation the eyes of faith looked forward to this set time, and since then we have looked backward to this same crucial period which Christ called His hour.

6. A WORK HE MUST ACCOMPLISH: "When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost." John 19:30. His work of redemption was not finished until He "bowed his head, and gave up the ghost." All the types and prophecies of the Old Testament which concern the sufferings of Christ were fulfilled, and many were these in number. The Mosaic Law with all of its stern warnings and judgments was finished. and grace was to reign in its place. His sufferings as the Redeemer for lost mankind were finished when He voluntarily gave His spirit into the hands of His Heavenly Father; and last, but not least, sin was finished, for the wages of sin is death and here the punishment for the sinner's transgressions was endured by Christ. So the Christian's death and judgment are finished in the work of the cross.

7. A DEATH HE MUST DIE: "Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." John 12:24. The corn of wheat Jesus mentions here refers to none other than Himself, for He is the one that had to fall into the shadows of death and finally die. However, by His death He shall bring forth the fruits of redemption and the fruits of resurrection. Just as the grain of wheat dies and brings forth hundreds of other grains, so He who died came forth in resurrection splendor with the pledge that in the coming resurrection we who die in Him shall come forth with immortality. Thus, we see to what end Christ was born, and for what cause He came into the world.

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SEVEN PERSONAL, PRACTICAL POINTS

- 1. "HUMBLE YOURSELVES" (James 4: 10) For Your Own Sake, "He will lift you up."
- 2. "KEEP YOURSELVES" (Jude 21) For Your Love's Sake, "in the love of God."
- 3. "EXAMINE YOURSELVES" (II Cor. 13: 5) For Your Faith's Sake, "whether ye be in the faith."
- 4. "WITHDRAW YOURSELVES" Thess. 3:6) For His Name's Sake, "name of our Lord Jesus Christ."
- 5. "YIELD YOURSELVES" (Romans 6: 13) For Righteousness' Sake, "as instruments of righteousness."
- 6. "PROVIDE YOURSELVES" (Lu. 12: 33) For Heaven's Sake, "a treasure in the Heavens, that faileth not."
- 7. "SUBMIT YOURSELVES" (Heb. 13:7) For Your Soul's Sake, "for they watch for your souls."

Note that this sevenfold command is individual and personal. You are to humble, keep, examine, withdraw, yield, provide, and submit "YOURSELVES"; not your pastor, or your brother, or examine one another, but "yourselves"; and what a big job He gives

EASTERTIDE

He is risen! The morning breaks In wonder, as the earth awakes, To meet again upon the way The gentle Christ of yesterday; While to each anxious, startled cry, We hear Him say, "Fear Not, 'tis I"! The rustic cross has turned to glory, The echoes bring the sacred story, And hope alights the pilgrim way, Since Christ, the Lord, is risen today! Maud B. Little,

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At 11:00 A. M. the pastor, Rev. Edward Boone, will speak on "Resurrection Scenes." There will be the dedication of infants, reception of members, and a special Easter offering during this service.

Young People's service begins at 6:30 P. M. We have a splendid group of young people, who are vitally interested in the work of the Kingdom. Young people are especially invited.

The Pilgrim Church in Des Moines is known for its rousing song services, and many tell how they enjoy the spiritual and wholesome congregational singing. This song service begins at 7:30, after which there is special singing by the Boone Family. In this service the pastor will speak on the subject, "Pledges from the Resurrection." You are cordially invited, and a hearty welcome awaits you. Our motto is: "Come once; you'll come again."

AN EASTER NOTE OF APPRECIATION

The members of the Boone Family want to express their appreciation to their many listeners who have contributed financially during the past year. It is only through the gifts of our friends that we are able to continue with our broadcasting work, and we have often wished we could express in words, the gratefulness we feel in our hearts toward those who have aided us in this way.

Last November when we were lacking several hundred dollars to pay our broadcasting expenses in full, many came to our rescue with Thanksgiving offerings, and we found it true also in the month of December when the hearts of so many were filled with generosity. At this time, a number of our listeners who sent us Christmas wishes, enclosed offerings for the broadcasting work, and our hearts were made to rejoice to overflowing because at the close of the year our total expenses for 1939 were paid in full—thanks to you loyal listeners who have responded to our appeals. However, we found January a very difficult month financially, no doubt, due to several reasons. First, January is a month of financial strain because of the fact that it follows the holidays, and also because of added expenses incurred by taxes and the purchasing of automobile licenses and, therefore, our contributions were greatly reduced, then theseveresnow-

storms throughout the nation hindered many of the mail men from collecting mail, especially on the rural routes, and because of the extreme cold weather in Iowa, we were unable to give any musical concerts in other cities. These musical programs have always been a big financial aid to us, and this loss was felt keenly. Thus, we found that we were greatly in the red at the close of January, and at this writing we find that it will take about \$1500.00 to pay our expenses up to Easter Sunday. Some extra expense is incurred by the publishing of our sixteen-page Easter magazine. Because of this large amount we are asking our listeners to please remember us in prayer, for we feel that the prayers of God's people for our work over the air, and also in the church, have been a great asset in helping us to continue as we have.

It is customary for many to show their appreciation to their Heavenly Father for their spiritual and temporal blessings by giving an Easter offering to support the Gospel work, and we are making this appeal to our friends at this time to remember us with your Easter Gift to help in our broadcasting work. We are unable to pass the offering-plates to our listening friends, as is done in church services, nor do we wish to make embarrassing appeals for finances over the air. In fact, we say very little about offerings in our broadcasts; because of this we are trusting in the

faithfulness of our friends to stand by us at this time.

How happy we are that you are depending upon us to bring you this devotional broadcast each weekday morning to help you "Start the day in the right way." On the other hand, we are depending upon you, our radio friends, to help us meet these expenses. Let me say that I have not received any financial remuneration for my services so that our friends will know that the contributions sent in have gone directly to pay for all the general expenses of the broadcasting work. We have two ways of obtaining financial aid. One is through the sale of the merchandise which we offer over the air, for the profit from all books, greeting cards, and mottoes goes to help us in this way. The other means is by the "freewill" contributions which we receive through the mail or in the out-of-town musical programs which we give.

We can truthfully say that the foremost aim of our lives is the glorifying of God in the salvation of souls and that the financial issue has always been a secondary matter. In other words, we are fulfilling our Gospel calling for the good we can do, not for financial gain. We have heard of those who have gone "on the rocks" spiritually because they got their eyes on what Paul called "filthy lucre" (money). May we always remember the admonition of Paul when he said, "The love of money is the root of all evil." However, if we are to continue with our radio work over the air, we must receive enough contributions so that we will be able to meet our broadcasting expenses.

We want to wish our many dear radio friends a very pleasant and happy Easter. May God bless you is the prayer of your broadcasting friends.

Edward Boone and Family.

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A few years ago the school was on the verge of bankruptcy, but at that time the board was fortunate in obtaining the services of Howard T. Mills, who for nearly thirty years had been engaged in public school work in Michigan. The churches of the Michigan district of the Pilgrim Church cooperated wholeheartedly with Mr. Mills, and in a few years a debt of nearly \$25,000.00 was wiped

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school is found on page 9 of this Easter issue.

HISTORY OF THE DES MOINES CHURCH

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in Des Moines, for they might still have been in spiritual darkness had not the Home Missionary Department of our church seen the need of launching out into new territory. This is the result of the Home Missionary support that has come from the Pilgrims all over the United States. There is a fine spirit of unity existing in the local church, and the Spirit's presence in our services is most precious and sacred.

On October 7 we had our first communion which the pastor served after preaching a message on the significance of the Lord's Supper. At this time the congregation gathered around the altar where the elements representing the broken body and the blood of our Lord were served. This was the first time many had ever partaken of the Lord's Supper, and, indeed, it was a touching scene, for the tears of appreciation and love could be seen everywhere. One of the older brothers of the church who had been converted for nearly forty years said that he had never attended such an impressive service in all his life. The hallowed, sacred presence of Jehovah lingered in our midst.

In conclusion we wish to say that the broadcasting has had a great deal to do with increasing our attendance and making us known in this city. We covet the prayers of God's people everywhere that we may win many more into the Kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The Boone Family.

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.

OUR LORD'S GLORIOUS RESURRECTION

(Continued from page 2) completely supplanted paganism and had become the established religion of the Roman Empire.

His resurrection marks a glorious transitory period from the types and shadows of the Law to the conscious spiritual realities of a new era. He did not "come to destroy the Law ... but to fulfill" all its demands. This He did and now, "Christ is the END of the Law for righteousness to every one that believeth." Having fulfilled all the righteous demands of the Law, He immediately opened to all humanity a new dispensation of Grace which marked the passing of the old Sabbath. The Sabbath had been kept in commemoration of God's having rested on the seventh day and was a type of the rest of soul promised to the people of God during our present Holy Ghost Dispensation, as well as a type of the Millennial reign of rest and peace. Now no longer need humanity be cramped and ground under the rigors of the Mosaic Law, for a new life of glorious victory and freedom in grace is now provided; "For the Law was given by Moses, but grace and truth by Jesus Christ."

"Because I live ye shall live also," He declared. This is the age of death, but the morning of the resurrection will usher in the age of life. Now physical death reigns over the bodies of the saints, but then life will reign triumphantly. He was the "firstfruits" of them that slept, and the firstfruit promises a complete harvest to follow.

"Our Lord has written the promise of the resurrection, not in books alone," declared Luther, "but in every leaf in springtime." It will be a glorious, incomparable springtime at the resurrection of the just when the Son of Righteousness shall shine forth in sparkling splendor and triumph with diamonds He has purchased with His Blood, rescued from earth's debris and polished through His infinite grace.

Oh, glorious hour when earth's groaning, longing cry for deliverance will be answered, for "Creation itself shall also be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God."

THE INDISPENSABLE RESURRECTION

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to burn in the breast of every profes-Without it, the dark, clumsy hand of materialism molds in vain; it builds a body, but cannot breathe into it the breath of life.

The resurrection is more than a celebration, it is a life. Mahomet is dead. Confucius is dead. Buddha is dead. But, Jesus Christ lives!

The Moslem in ridiculing Christianity, bluntly said: "When we go to Mecca, our prophet Mahomet is there, but when you Christians go to Jerusalem, you find an empty grave." That's just the difference. Mahomet, like all other false prophets of old religions, is dead, but Christ is alive forevermore!

Arisen from the dead, the Mighty God, the Prince of Peace, stands on the ramparts of time challenging the thoughts of wise men, captivating the hearts of willing men, wielding the sceptre of authority over life and death. There has been none like Him, there is none like Him, and there never will be another like Him.

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