

The Power of His Resurrection

"That I may know . . . the power of His resurrection" (PHIL. 3:10).

By G. A. WALDVOGEL

THE power of Christ's resurrection is that power of God "which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places" (Eph. 1:20). It is of the greatest importance that we have the eyes of our understanding enlightened, that we may know "what is the exceeding greatness of this power to usward who believe," and shall be enabled to appropriate the same by faith. For it is by the power of Christ's resurrection that we are saved out of our lost condition into the favor, fellowship, and glory of God. Let us consider briefly what this means.

It is by the power of Christ's resurrection that the believer is justified. To be justified means to be absolved from guilt, to be declared righteous. Justification is the first and fundamental blessing of salvation.

By raising our Lord from the dead and exalting Him, the Father publicly justified Him. (See Is. 50:6-9, especially verse 8.) Such a statement may seem strange to us, but it explains a glorious truth which involves our own acceptance with God. For Christ, the sinless Son of Man, had identified Himself with our sin and guilt. He was not only "reckoned among the transgressors" by the verdict of demon-inspired men, but He was

actually judged by God, condemned for our sin on Calvary's cross. Now He Who was charged with our transgressions is absolved from all guilt, is declared absolutely righteous by being lifted out of judgment and death into the presence and glory of God.

It is perfectly clear that His resurrection must imply the absolution from guilt, and the justification of those whose sins He bore. The very presence of the Son of Man, our Representative, in glory testifies to the fact that justifying grace is provided for all who will believe. Faith "shall be imputed" for righteousness to us, "if we believe on him who raised up Jesus our Lord (our Representative) from the dead; who was delivered for our offenses, and was raised again for our justification" (Rom. 4:25).

It is by the power of Christ's resurrection that the believer is delivered from the bondage of spiritual death. The sinner is spiritually dead. What this means is explained in Ephesians 2:1-4. Here we are told that he who is "dead in trespasses and sins" lives in the "lusts of the flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind" and that these lusts and desires are inspired by "the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience." Natural



A NATION always celebrates when a great victory ends a war, and its anniversary is celebrated. Well, in Easter we celebrate the greatest of all victories over the greatest of all foes. It is the triumph of Life over Death.

—WILLIAM LYON PHELPS.

man is a slave of sin by the dominion of darkness.

The Lord Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil and to set the captives free. On Calvary our great Champion encountered the enemy in a decisive battle. It was there that God permitted the serpent to bruise the Redeemer's heel (Gen. 3:15). It was because Christ assumed our sin that Satan could afflict Him. "Be not far from me," He prayed in agony of soul and body, "for trouble is near; for there is none to help. Many bulls have compassed me: strong bulls of Bashan have beset me round. They gaped upon me with their mouths, as a ravening and a roaring lion" (Ps. 22:11-13). But though assailed fiercely by the foe, our Saviour did not swerve in the least from His obedient devotion to the Father's will. Thus, while indeed the old serpent bruised His heel, He then and there bruised the serpent's head. "Having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it (the cross)" (Col. 2:15).

This victory, won at Calvary, is demonstrated and manifested

in the resurrection and glorification of the "Captain of our salvation." He has been exalted above all principality and power (Eph. 1:21; Col. 2:10). The believer shares in this victory of his Redeemer. By faith in Him he is lifted out of the domain of spiritual death into fellowship with God through the Spirit. The working of the power of Christ's resurrection to usward who believe is thus described in Ephesians 2:5, 6, 10: "When we were dead in sins, (God) hath quickened us together with Christ, and hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. For we are his workmanship created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them."

The ordinance of baptism declares the believer's identification with Christ in His death and resurrection (Rom. 6:3-6; Col. 2:11, 12). Now it is our responsibility to appropriate by living faith the victory which such identification implies. "Reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto (the servitude of) sin and alive unto (the service of) God through Jesus

Christ our Lord" (Rom. 6:11).

If is by the power of Christ's resurrection that the believer shall experience the redemption of his body. Christ's victory includes the conquest of physical mortality. He "hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel" (2 Tim. 1:10). The Lord's physical resurrection is the pledge, the pattern and the power of the believer's inheritance of physical immortality. He is "the first-born from the dead" and as such "the first-born among many brethren" (Col. 1:18; Rom. 8:29).

When Jesus comes, every saint will receive a glorified body, different indeed from his present mortal body, yet related to it as the stalk is related to the corn of wheat from which it sprang. "It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: it is sown a natural body; it

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He Must Reign

"He must reign till He hath put all enemies under His feet."

CORINTHIANS 15:25.

WE forget, sometimes, that the very heart of the Gospel is the truth of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. That was the defeat of the devil and of all Hell. By it He has abolished death and destroyed him that hath the power of death—that is, the devil.

We content ourselves with a little Gospel: we are saved; we are going to heaven when we die. But that isn't the Gospel. The Gospel of Jesus Christ proclaims that the devil is dethroned, that death has been destroyed, that we are free, that we have eternal life, that Christ reigns, and the fulfillment of all the Gospel promises depends on whether we let Jesus Christ reign or not. It is a great, wonderful, almighty truth that Jesus Christ *does* reign. How foolish if I don't let Him reign in me! And yet everything depends upon that one thing. The whole preaching of the apostles was this—*Christ reigns!*

Paul was very conscious of his call. He said, "I have been put in trust with the Gospel of God." He said, "God who cannot lie promised eternal life before the world began but has manifested the same through preaching." That puts preaching where it belongs. It is the proclamation of the Kingdom! The voice of Jesus Christ calling the spiritually dead into life. "They

that hear shall live" (John 5:25). The Gospel of Jesus Christ is a wonderful life-giving agency. It is God's call. It is God's creative word. We shall know its life-giving power when we let Jesus "take His great power and reign alone, over our wills and affections victorious, freely surrendered and wholly His own."

Jesus is King! I must let Him reign. He will subdue every enemy, within and without, till we are like Him.

The first-love experience of Christians is so glorious because Christ is permitted thus to reign in the life. They are interested in nothing but the Lord. In the early days of Pentecost one of the brethren said: "Isn't it wonderful how the Lord manifests His reign in me?" (He had just been baptized in the Holy Ghost.) Then he added, "I have to walk so carefully now. Today I went by a certain house and wanted to make a call there but the Holy Ghost made me to know definitely that I wasn't to go in there." It showed me how carefully he allowed Jesus Christ to govern him. If I do like that, if I recognize Jesus as King, then my thoughts, my words, my feelings and my actions all become subservient to His reign. "The unction which ye have received of Him teacheth you all things" (I John 2:27).

Our very bodies have become temples of His—vessels fit for the Master's use. The Apostle Paul protests in I Corinthians 15, that we are saved unto this living hope—that even this body shall be changed, clothed with immortality! I ought to have that hope before me all the time. With this living hope in view, our call to fight, to pray, to labor, to suffer, and to deny ourselves becomes vital. That is what we are baptized in the Holy Ghost for—that the reign of Christ might be completed, might be consummated in humanity. In my body I am making a way for Christ to come forth and consummate His great victory in humanity over death, if I let Jesus reign.

That is what Paul is talking about when he says, "Always abounding in the work of the Lord." That work of the Lord first of all calls for prayer in the Holy Ghost with groanings that cannot be uttered. Every prayer that is prayed in the Holy Ghost establishes that victory.

The Bible tells us what is going to happen when Jesus comes! These bodies will be changed. God is going to show forth the victory, Christ's victory in those who have allowed Him to reign. The victory He won at Calvary. That is my victory over every devil, over all flesh, over every sin, in every test. Believing in my heart that God raised Him from the dead is salvation. That is why Paul writes to Timothy, "Remember Jesus Christ of the seed of David, raised from the dead according to my Gospel."

That is the victory in a successful Pentecostal meeting—to see the risen One and to experience His resurrection power.

Then people are changed, tired bodies receive new life, the sick are healed, souls are saved, bondages are broken.

That happens a thousand times over, and what is it? The defeat of the enemy. And these victories prepare us for that final victory when the trumpet shall sound when these bodies, in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye, shall put on immortality.

I must live in the light of that hope *today*. I must labor for it *today*. I must pray for it *today*. It is very, very important that *today* Jesus Christ shall reign in my life. How shall I let Him reign? The flesh will try to assert itself somewhere along the way. Somewhere I will be tempted to live in the flesh, and if I do, the Bible says I shall die. Therefore, I have a job on my hands, every moment, every step of the way, to say, "Not I, not I, not I." And it doesn't have to be I, thank God! It can really and truly be Christ.

Oh, that glorious and wonderful victory that God provided for us when He raised Jesus Christ our Lord from the dead! That puts the stamp of victory upon all our labor in the Lord. Whether it is teaching a Sunday School class, or going from house to house, or preaching the Gospel, or praying in the Holy Ghost, it is all done by that finished work of Christ on Calvary, by His resurrection life flowing through me. Here Paul says, "*He must reign.*" Once you get hold of that truth you won't have any great difficulty about the book of Revelation. Even though you may not understand it perfectly, you know and you sense somehow that the reign of Christ is now going on in great majesty and in great power. The

reason people don't know about the kingdom of God is that they are not in it, that they refuse to let Jesus Christ reign. Otherwise they would marvel at the glorious victory that God manifests in their lives day by day.

Paul says in Romans 5 that they that receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life. Here is the victory over the flesh,



Crown the Victor

*Look, ye saints! the sight is glorious;
See the Man of Sorrows now;
From the fight returned victorious,
Every knee to Him shall bow:
Crown Him! crown Him!
Crowns become the Victor's brow.*

*Sinners in derision crowned Him,
Mocking thus the Saviour's claim;
Saints and angels crowd around Him,
Own His title, praise His Name:
Crown Him! crown Him!
Spread abroad the Victor's fame.*

*Hark, those bursts of acclamation!
Hark, those loud triumphant chords!
Jesus takes the highest station:
O what joy the sight affords!
Crown Him! crown Him
King of kings, and Lord of lords!*

—Thomas Kelly.



the world, and the devil that God offers me. How foolish not to accept it! The tests sometimes are so severe, so intense that people say, "Well, I just can't overcome. Come on, devil, you win." We say that because we don't have a close view of the resurrected and exalted Christ. We have been baptized into Christ that like as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father even so we also should walk—a daily walk—in newness of life. Do I walk like that?

O God, this is wonderful! Either I live or I am dead, either I sow unto the flesh or unto the spirit, either I am preparing the way for the King to come or I am holding Him up. What am I doing? Do I see Christ? May God anoint our eyes with eyesalve to see the King in all His beauty, to see the finished work of Christ, to see Him on the throne.

"The Lord reigneth; let the earth rejoice . . . The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord" (Psalm 97:1-5). The Lord's reign brings the presence of God into my life.

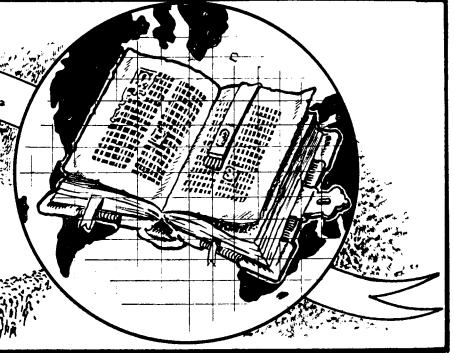
If Christ could speak to me, would He say, "I am the King, but you don't let Me reign. What's the matter? Why don't you let me? You're defeated? The reason is plain—because you don't put Christ on the throne."

Do you know that Jesus Christ has conquered every enemy? Oh, how we please Him when we believe him! "If thou shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." That sight of faith in your heart that God raised Him from the dead brings you from death into life.

GO YE INTO ALL THE WORLD...

Seed-Time and Harvest

on the Mission Fields



The Macedonian Call

Once again *Pastor Hans Waldvogel* has heard the call of the Lord Jesus Christ to go to Europe for a season of ministry. And once again the Good Shepherd has very evidently gone before to prepare the way. The Lord willing, the first services will be held in Hamburg with Pastor Oskar Lardon. Later meetings will be conducted in other places throughout Germany and Austria. Munich has had little opportunity to hear the Gospel, and our brethren hope to conduct a campaign in that city. Permission has been granted to enter Yugoslavia where Pastor Waldvogel labored fifteen years ago. This open door presents an unusual opportunity, and the field is white for harvesting.

Miss Wally Roth will again accompany her uncle and play for the services. An accomplished organist, Miss Roth will be able to play a Hammond organ which the Lord recently provided for the European work. The organ with its two tone cabinets can easily fill the largest auditoriums and thus supplies a great need for an instrument adequate for the large European meetings.

God has called another to assist in this mission, a young man especially fitted by background and training, *Mr. Walter Fette*. A native of Germany but reared in the United States, Mr. Fette has an excellent command of the German language which will enable him to be very useful in the services. A veteran of World War II, he was converted about six years ago in the Ridgewood Pentecostal Church and at once became an active witness for the Lord. For the past two years he has devoted his full time to serving the Lord and now has answered the call to help in spreading the Gospel in his native land. He sailed April 3rd, taking with him the organ and other equipment necessary for the summer's work.

In speaking of this ministry Pastor Waldvogel has said, "*God has given us a ministry. It isn't the work of one man, or three, or four, but it is the work of the whole Fellowship.*" Let us back this effort with earnest, prevailing prayer.

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You have only as much holiness as you have of Jesus.

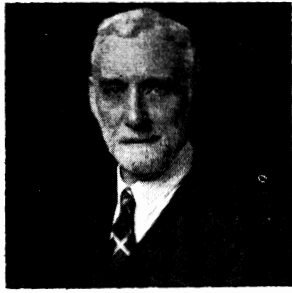
From the S.S. African Sun

Miss Eleanor Malhus, enroute to Kenya, East Africa, sends her first letter: "My first few days as a sailor have been very successful. One of the other passengers wanted to know how many pills I had with me for seasickness. When I told her none, she raised her eyebrows and looked at me questioningly. I told her I was trusting God to keep me from getting sick. She gave me another quizzical look and said no more. However, God is really proving himself on my behalf. How glorious to trust a God like our God! Keep praying that the Lord may be glorified in my life—I want Jesus to shine forth!"

Harvest Grains:

Miss Lillian Trasher, Nile Mother of Assiout Orphanage, Egypt, testifies: "It is a wonderful thing to look back at last year's accounts and to see how the Lord's children from all over the world have sent their gifts, large and small, to make the grand total—enough for all of our needs last year. Our expense for 1951 was \$60,188.80, and we were able to start the new year with enough for the first week of the new year left over from 1951."

From another orphanage—*Bettiah* in India—*Miss Mary*
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PHILIP MAURO

THE TITANIC

This month marks the fortieth anniversary of the sinking of the S.S. Titanic, the largest ship which had ever been built.

Mr. Mauro, internationally famous patent lawyer and Bible teacher, was a passenger on the rescue ship and here tells the story and the lessons to be learned from an event which shook the world.

IT fell to the lot of the writer and one of his family, through a disarrangement of their own plans, to take passage on the steamer *Carpathia*, sailing from New York, bound for Genoa, on April 11, 1912. In the early morning of Monday, the 15th, a few moments past midnight, a brief message was received by wireless, to the effect that the *Titanic* had collided with an iceberg, and was asking assistance. During the four days when we were in company with the survivors, we were called upon to witness harrowing scenes, to hear heart-breaking tales, and to view abject human misery upon a scale so vast as to make a deep and lasting impression.

In view of the things thus seen and heard, it was natural we should have been led to ponder deeply and frequently the lessons which, through this great tragedy, God would teach, both to sinners and to saints. The greatest, the costliest, the most lavishly-appointed, the best advertised vessel ever built by man, started amidst a burst of enthusiastic acclamation, to demonstrate man's mastery of the seas, to prove his ability to furnish upon the ocean-voyage every luxury of the hotel, the club and the drawing-room, and to make a new "record." The

eyes of the world were fixed upon that proud vessel as they never before had been fixed upon any work of man. For did not this magnificent creation of human genius and human skill fitly represent the marvelous progress of mankind? And did it not embody a promise and prophecy of the approaching day, when (as the world vainly dreams) man's long struggle for supremacy over the adverse forces of nature and the difficulties of his "environment," shall be crowned with complete success?

The veteran commander of the doomed vessel is reported to have said, just before embarking upon his last trip, that, thanks to modern inventions (water-tight compartments, wireless telegraphy, etc.), *the day of great marine catastrophies was past*; and having uttered that remark, he straightway sailed the most perfect embodiment of modern ideas in naval architecture into the greatest of all marine catastrophies in the annals of the human race.

The world's opinion of the *Titanic* was in a sense correct. That stupendous and elaborate structure did fitly represent the ultimate development of the scientific civilization of "man's day"; but more than that, its



On Sunday evening, April 14, 1912, the *Titanic*, bound for Southampton, bound to New York, was on her last voyage. Part of her passengers and crew were on the deck where the collision occurred. The vessel was on her usual course usually taken by transatlantic liners when icebergs may be encountered. The stars shining with exceptional brilliancy had received warnings from other ships. The vessel had acknowledged the warning "with a light" at the maximum, stated at from 10 to 15 miles. The vessel carried no sea anchor, though a receptacle had been hurried to sea incomplete as regards arrangements.

The vessel had a registered tonnage of 52,310 tons (was its first and last) upwards of 2,300 boats and several collapsible rafts. The number of persons on board the vessel was 2,208.

The steamer *Carpathia*, then about 100 miles away, received, shortly after midnight, the fact of the collision and asking assistance. The vessel was under forced-draft, amid many icebergs at dawn. The survivors in the various lifeboats, were taken aboard, some, however, in a poor posture.

From the decks of the *Carpathia*, while making additional rescues, could be seen stretching as far as the eye could reach. The subsequent measurements, from sea at varying distances, were a dozen or more miles.

After remaining on the spot until the 17th, the *Carpathia* headed for New York.

TRAGEDY

By PHILIP MAURO

swift and utter overthrow is an epitome, a miniature, of the greater shipwreck that is coming in the fast-approaching day, when the Lord shall arise to shake terribly the earth.

And so, in a still, calm, starlit night, with sea as smooth as the surface of a lake, while everything within and around tended to produce a sense of security, the *Titanic* met an obstruction in her path, her proud career was suddenly ended, her great mass rent in twain by the very steam-power that propelled her; and she sank, a pitifully helpless thing, to unfathomable depths.

One of the most conspicuous facts connected with this disaster is that the *size and speed* of the vessel were the main causes of its destruction. A smaller and slower vessel is much more easily managed; and, moreover, suffers less from collision with another floating object. Thus it was the vessel itself that wrought its own destruction, and that *after ample and repeated warnings*.

Here we have a most pertinent lesson, in view of the headlong rush of modern society.

The "world" in its course is gathering both mass and speed. Those who are managing its affairs, and those who have their portion in it and their hopes upon it, are proud of its *bigness*, and of the *rapidity* with which it is moving. But as little do they think of the certain doom to which the world is rushing, as did the occupants of the great boat think of the object that was lying in their path. It was not the iceberg running into the *Titanic* that caused the disaster. It was the *Titanic* that ran into the iceberg. There was plenty of room for both. Moreover, the iceberg was in its proper place, for its abode is in the sea. There was no *need* for the *Titanic* to have crossed the ocean at all; and there was no *excuse* for it to be rushing on a dark night, at top speed, through a sea known to be strewn with great masses of ice.

Moreover, abundant warnings had been given; and the warnings were acknowledged politely, "with thanks," and — ignored! Is it not precisely so with those who put their confidence in our modern high-speeded, high-powered, high-g geared civilization? The warnings are given, they are understood, they are received with courtesy, and — they are ignored.

The fate of those who remained on the vessel, some be-

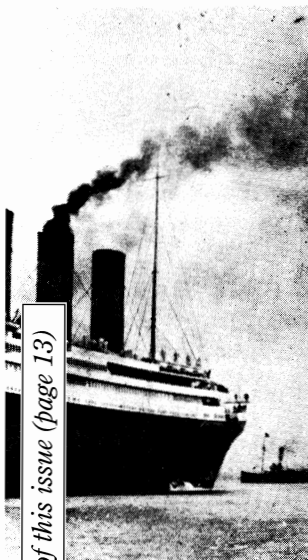


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the steamship *Titanic*, from New York, and sank with the greater part of her crew on Monday morning. The place was in the North Atlantic, in the place of northern Europe, in the sea-marvelously clear and still, the perfectly smooth. The *Titanic* met an obstruction in her path, her proud career was suddenly ended, her great mass rent in twain by the very steam-power that propelled her; and she sank, a pitifully helpless thing, to unfathomable depths.

On that voyage (which was the last of her life) she carried on board sixteen lifeboats, and a crew of less than half

away and bound for the Mediterranean by wireless, briefly announcing the fact that she had altered her course and, steamed on to the scene of the disaster just as the iceberg was sighted. About 745 persons in all, mostly in poor condition from injuries or ex-

haustion, were in the vicinity in the hope of making the vessel, a vast continent of ice in the direction, and which was, according to reports, many miles long. On the other side, the icebergs, glistening in the sun, were further rescues was extinguished, and the following Thursday evening.

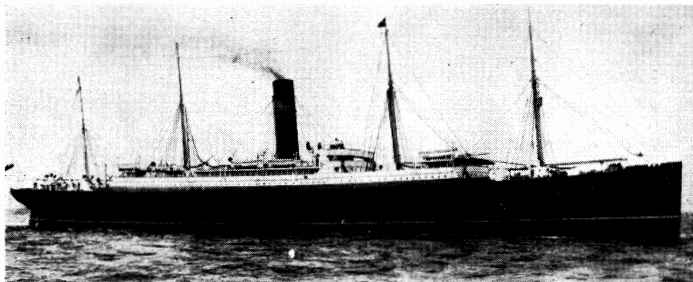


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THE RESCUE SHIP—S.S. CARPATHIA

cause they believed, until *too late*, that there was no danger, and many because there were *not enough life-boats for all the passengers*—furnishes a striking illustration of the truth of Scripture that “*in Adam all die.*” All who had nothing to sustain them but the massive hull of that great vessel went down to death. There were men on that boat of enormous wealth. It availed nothing. There were men of great intelligence. It was of no service in that hour. There were men of high character. It did not save them. There were men who controlled the resources of the world, so far as men can control them. They were no better off than the poor immigrant. The reason why they perished was simply that they had *only the Titanic to sustain them.*

What a clear lesson may be read here by those who are trusting in their own works, or powers, or goodness, or in any one or anything but the crucified and risen Son of God! Just as, in the sphere of the physical, human contrivances, watertight compartments and the like, are wholly unavailable to keep out the waters of the sea, when an accident such as we are discussing occurs; so in the sphere of the spiritual, when the hour for judgment comes, it will be found that human strength, human goodness, human ingenuity avail nothing against the waters of death. From death's power there is but *one way* of escape, and that is through the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being God over all and blessed forevermore, nevertheless became a partaker of flesh and blood, that *by death* He might destroy him who has the power of death, that is the Devil.

On the other hand, those who were saved were not saved because they were any better, or more deserving than their fellow-passengers who perished. They were not saved for their strength, or culture, or wealth, or goodness. The reason why they were brought up in safety out of the great deep was simply because they were *in the life-boat*. Again it mattered not what their character may have been, nor what their past life may have been; the fact that they were *in the life-boat* was what made them safe. Precisely so, those who are spiritually saved are not saved because of their good character or good deeds, but simply because they trusted in God's Life-boat, Christ Jesus, as it is written, “In Christ shall *all* be made alive.”

Here we have also a wonderful illustration of the two spheres, the sphere of the living, “in Christ,” and the sphere of the dying, “in Adam.” It would be hard for one who judged only by appearances, to realize that those who were on the decks of the mighty vessel and had beneath them its massive hull, were really the perishing ones, while those in the narrow, frail-looking and uncomfortable life-boats, were being borne to a place of safety. Yet so it was.

Those two spheres of *life* and *death* existed for a while side by side. During that critical time it was possible for a passenger who was aware of his danger, and had confidence in the life-boat, to take a place in it. But the time came when there was a final separation between the living and the dying; and *after that moment* there was no more passing out of death into life.

So it is with the world and its passengers. So long as the wrath of God, long justly due, is withheld, there is yet opportunity for those who are in jeopardy to put themselves in the place of safety. It requires but a step of faith to reach God's Life-boat, Christ Jesus, Who yet waits to *save* those whom He must otherwise *judge* for refusing the offer of the Gospel.

Another very striking and characteristic fact—a fact that assumed great prominence in view of the disaster, was the comparatively trifling attention paid, in the construction of the great vessel, to the means for saving the lives of its passengers in the case of such an event as did actually happen. The cost of the vessel and its superb appointments was more than ten millions of dollars, whereas the amount invested in life-boats was insignificant—probably not a thousand dollars!

Just so it is with the people of the world. Everything is spent for that which ministers to pride, carnal ease, and the vain glory of life, while the means of safety are neglected. When visitors inspected the *Titanic* before her departure from land, they were shown, and they marveled at, the sumptuous furnishings and decorations, and many and varied arrangements that had been contrived to furnish amusement and entertainment during the last few hours of the *only passengers* that were ever to take passage on that prodigy of extravagance and pretentiousness. But which of them paid the slightest attention to the humble life-boats? Those unobtrusive objects were ignored, as not worthy of notice. Besides, they were for use only in case of danger, and peo-

Step by Step

He does not lead me year by year
Nor even day by day,
But step by step my path unfolds;
My Lord directs my way.
Tomorrow's plans I do not know,
I only know this minute;
But He will say, "This is the way,
By faith now walk ye in it."
And I am glad that it is so,
Today's enough to bear;
And when tomorrow comes, His grace
Shall far exceed its care.
What need to worry then, or fret?
The God who gave His Son
Holds all my moments in His hand
And gives them, one by one.

—Barbara C. Ryberg.

ple do not wish to be reminded of danger. Many of the things of the world are devised for the very purpose of preventing those who are in it from thinking of their peril. Moreover, has not the inventive genius of man undertaken to make the sailing of the seas almost perfectly safe? Why, then, give any attention to the life-boat?

But when the hour of danger came, that which had been passed by without a look became the object of supreme interest and importance, the only thing, indeed, in all that great vessel, that was of the slightest value. Of what avail were the wonderful things upon which labor and money had been lavished, and which excited admiration and astonishment? What could the gymnasium, or the elevators, or the swimming pool do for the threatened passengers? Nothing, and less than nothing. Absolutely the *only thing* that was of any value in that hour of peril was the life-boat; and its value was beyond all computation.

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SERVICE



ECHOES

This department is conducted in the interests of servicemen and will carry brief reports from them from time to time. If our readers would like to have **BREAD OF LIFE** sent to interested servicemen we will be glad to do so and to include their names among those who are regularly remembered in prayer. Reports from these for the paper will be welcomed.—Editor.

THE WORD—A LAMP

Marine Daniel Pellegrino has been stationed in California and writes, "A few days after I arrived here, I happened to go into a U.S.O. where the first thing that attracted my attention was a poster on the wall:

In all thy ways acknowledge Him,
And He shall direct thy paths.

This verse has been on my mind ever since. Pray for me, as I am trying to live the life that God wants me to live, that He will make me responsive to His call and help me to do my duty as a Christian—to be a light to the boys that are with me."

WITH THE BIBLE STUDENTS

Bread of Life offers free to any serviceman requesting the same a Bible Correspondence Course. Here are a few comments from some who are taking the course:

"I have been greatly blessed by this course in many ways. I have been shown that there is a deeper meaning to the Word of God than I have known and my great need of God and His Spirit. The Lord is also answering many of my questions I had just by His Word. I've found out that the Word of God is *for me*." This is from *M/Sgt. Grant Gonyo* who was at Fort Laughton awaiting further orders, and he adds, "I've been able to testify to many."

"Since I have been taking the course, the Lord has been helping me in all I do, especially in my pray-

er life, waking me early every morning to have fellowship with Him."—*Joseph Cucciane*, Great Lakes, Illinois.

"Sal Gaglio told me about the Bible Correspondence Course and also urged me to send for it. I am an Assembly of God boy from Tacoma, Washington. William Kirschke is our pastor there. Perhaps you have heard of him, a great pastor and Sunday School man. A number of us here, including Sal and Cecil, have little prayer meetings together. We certainly enjoy Sal's companionship and thank the Lord for him."—*Wayne Haun*, Germany.

JESUS NEVER FAILS

Carl Pra Jr. has been in Germany for some months, much of the time on maneuvers. From there he sends word, "I received copies of Bread of Life. They sure are rich in blessing and help. I found a Pentecostal family in Frankfurt through Walter Waldvogel and have spent many happy hours there because the Lord is present. I really am thankful and praise my Lord for His goodness to me, for His strength when all else fails. Even though I'm so very far from home He is always near and has never failed me."

If you really want God, you will wait upon Him. The reward is God Himself.

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Christ is. That's an established fact. And a simple sight of faith makes Him yours.

TITANIC

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Again we have, in this feature of the case, a surprisingly accurate picture of the ways of the world. Expense is lavished upon everything that ministers to ease, present comfort and pleasure. Every new contrivance for those ends is welcomed, admired and discussed. Everything that assists the people of the world in their endeavors to kill time, while time is killing them, is hailed with acclamation. But the unadorned, unpretentious *Life-boat*, to which the Gospel draws the attention of perishing sinners, is slighted, and treated with contemptuous indifference.

Besides, has not modern theology assured us that there is no real danger, that the notions of hell and of a righteous God Who punishes all unrighteousness and ungodliness of men were the mere crudities of thought belonging to former days, which have been dispelled by the enlightenment of the Twentieth Century? Have not the church-goers of this day been taught upon the authority of "Science" and "Scholarship" to discard with pitying contempt the "narrow" doctrine that God has one only way of salvation?

It is well for us that God's ways are not our ways. In the work that *God* is doing in the world, everything is expended for safety, and nothing for show. God's salvation is not a pretentious affair. It makes no show in the world, excites no admiration, draws no crowds. Yet in all the universe there is no other means of deliverance, no other ark that will bear a sinner safely through waters of death, *than God's unsinkable Life-boat*,

Jesus Christ. "Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

HARVEST GRAINS

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Wagoner sends this inspiring report: "We started special meetings here among our girls and Christian people. I am safe in saying that all of our hearts were greatly blessed and enriched. Eleven girls testified to being filled with the blessed Holy Spirit. Sixteen fine girls finished their work here in the school and have gone to other schools. Quite a few have gone on to Bible School and we covet your prayers for them."

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Pettenger have carried on a very successful work in various locations in the mining region of South Africa. One Sunday School alone has over 800 and at Christmas they had to provide for nearly 1,300 pupils in all. They also write:

"The revival at Springs Location, under the ministry of our African worker *Brother Nebe*, is still going on. For months now God is blessing in saving and baptizing souls and healing bodies. Ever so often there is a baptismal service when quite a few are immersed. Night after night, right under the stars, in all kinds of weather, hundreds gather for services. Truly a permanent building of some kind is needed for this assembly and work. Do pray much for our Brother Nebe who has made great sacrifices and is being mightily used of God here.

"*Helen Hoss* was staying with us for a few days before our

missionary conference, and we enjoyed her very, very much. She is a great blessing in Port Elizabeth, and God has blessed her ministry there. Our Sunday School children were just thrilled as she played the accordion and sang; and they cried with one accord, "Don't leave us but stay with us forever." As she ministered here our hearts were uplifted. May His blessing continually rest upon her."

POWER OF RESURRECTION

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is raised a spiritual body" (1 Cor. 15:42-44). An immortal body, glorious in beauty and heavenly in nature, shall be the eternal inheritance of those who have experienced the power of His resurrection unto their regeneration and sanctification.

While the redemption of our body can only be manifested fully when our Lord returns, yet the firstfruits of that redemption are ours now. We may know, nay, we ought to know, the life of Jesus made manifest in our mortal flesh, as an earnest of our coming salvation. "If the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you" (Rom. 8:11). This is the very secret of the divine provision for healing and health. This truth, so long neglected, but now brought to light again, is of special importance for the saints in these last days.

Spiritual resurrection with Christ is the necessary condition and the earnest of our glorification. "If ye then be risen with Christ (spiritually)—ye are dead (have died to sin) and



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Stand Upon the Rock

And the Lord said, Behold, there is a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock:

And it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a cleft of the rock, and will cover thee with my hand while I pass by.

EXODUS 33:21, 22.

IT was first when I was seeking healing God used these verses to me. I had already received a remarkable and instantaneous deliverance from several severe and chronic diseases. I was still weak in many ways and had no vitality. God had during this time of seeking led me past the point of seeking healing only. I saw I needed the Healer, Christ Himself, His life, His fulness, in greater measure. But for many weeks after this one miracle of healing I apparently stood quite still.

At this time God led me to the company of others who believed in God as Healer of the body, that I might have a little teaching. In my intensity I was running from one to the other seeking help, one day hopeful, the next despondent. Very earnest for a few days, then a period of discouragement, anxiety and even coldness. My soul, "chattering like a crane," continually cried out, "Lord, *why* do You not reveal Yourself? Why do you not come to me? Why? Why? Why?"

One afternoon, while in this state of mind, I was led to a good brother who asked me to read

this passage in Exodus. "Sister," he said, "what do you think Moses did when God showed him the rock?"

"He went to it and stood upon it," I said.

"And what then?"

I considered. "Why, I suppose he waited for the glory."

"What else?"

I thought it over. "I don't think he did anything else."

"Nothing else?"

"No, nothing else," I insisted, assurance increasing the more I considered it.

"But suppose God didn't pass by at once?"

"All Moses could do was to wait until He did pass by."

"And you don't think Moses got impatient and anxious, and feared lest the Lord might forget His promise, and so slipped off the rock and ran up the road every once in awhile to see if the glory was in sight?"

O, it didn't need any explanation to drive home the point, although he gave it.—"Sister," he said, "God has shown you in His Word the Rock, Christ Jesus. His promises are yea and amen *in Christ Jesus*. By His (Jesus') stripes are we healed. *He* took our infirmities and bore our sicknesses. *By your* own statement you have absolute conviction as to God's will in this matter. His Word is quite plain. You have taken Jesus the Christ as your Saviour and Healer. In other words, God has shown you the Rock, and you have come to stand upon it. But have you stayed upon it?"

"Alas no," I cried, as I saw myself. "I haven't. I have doubted and feared and questioned. And when the glory has been delayed I have gone up the road—in worry and anxiety of soul—looking for it. By the grace of God I will take Him at His Word and stand steady." And I did until God showed Himself, and healed my body and brought me into a fuller light.

your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also (who know Him as your life) appear with him in glory" (Col. 3: 1, 3, 4). How the glorious manifestation of the power of His resurrection will startle all creation, when "the trumpet

shall sound, and the dead in Christ shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed! For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. Then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory" (1 Cor.

15:52-54).

Let us see to it that we be indeed risen with Him, delivered from the bondage of spiritual death, alive unto God by the indwelling of His Spirit, pressing "toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 3:14).

More Than Conqueror!

HOW vividly Bunyan personifies the events and incidents of our history under sin in his *Holy War*! He talks graphically about "the terrible Captain Sepulchre and his standard-bearer, Mr. Corruption." I think I hear those two talking over the situation on the night that Jesus Christ was buried.

Corruption says to Sepulchre:

*"Hold fast to that man in Joseph's tomb yonder!
There is a rumor that
He proposes to break forth from the grave.
Do not let him go till I can fasten upon him."*

*But Corruption fails to touch Him during
All those hours in the tomb
Because it has been written,
"Thou wilt not suffer thine Holy One to see corruption."*

Then Hell from beneath cries out:

*"Hold fast to this man! If He comes out He will
Make a breach in the walls of death
Through which all the prisoners of Hades will escape."*

And "he that hath the power of death,
Even the Devil," exclaims in fright:

*"If thou let this man go, thou art not Satan's friend!"

But vain the seal!
Vain the watch!
Vain the grip of death!
Vain the doors of the tomb!*

As it began to dawn toward the first day of the week there began to be a mighty stir in Joseph's tomb; terrible Captain Sepulchre tightens his grip, but in vain. "It was not possible that He should be holden of death."

*He rises! He lives!
Even as saith the Scripture:
"For to this end Christ both died, and rose, and revived
That HE might be LORD
Both of the dead and living."*

—A. J. GORDON.

TITANIC TRAGEDY

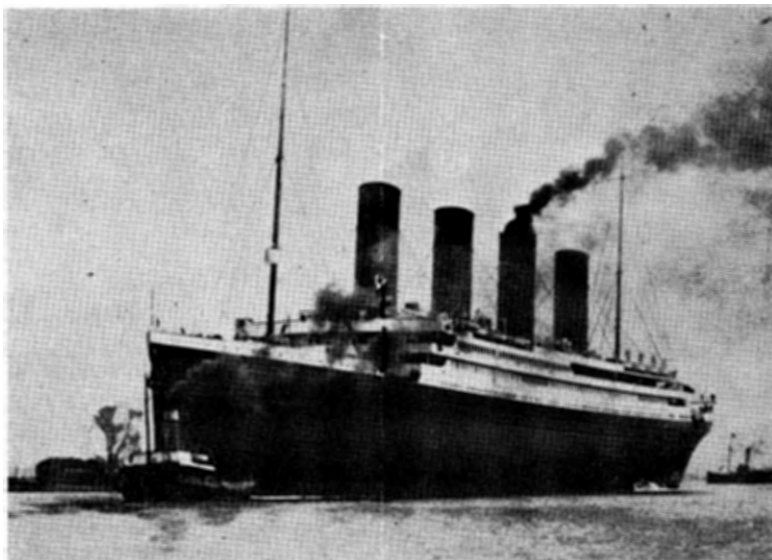


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S.S. TITANIC

On Sunday evening, April 14, 1912, near midnight, the steamship Titanic, from Southampton, bound to New York, collided with an iceberg, and sank with the greater part of her passengers and crew at about two o'clock, Monday morning. The place where the collision occurred was about 1,150 miles from New York, and was in the course usually taken by transatlantic liners from ports of northern Europe, in the season when icebergs may be encountered. The night was marvelously clear and still, the stars shining with exceptional brightness, and the sea perfectly smooth. The Titanic had received warnings from other vessels of the proximity of icebergs, and had acknowledged the warning "with thanks." But the speed of the Titanic was maintained at the maximum, stated at from 21-23 nautical miles per hour. No effort was made to avoid danger by steering more to the south. The "lookout" was not increased in numbers. The vessel carried no searchlights. There were no night-glasses in the look-out station, though a receptacle had been provided for them. In fact the ship had been hurried to sea incomplete as regards equipment, and with a crew unfamiliar with its arrangements.

The vessel had a registered tonnage of 45,000 tons. It carried on that voyage (which was its first and last) upwards of 2,300 passengers and crew. There were sixteen life-boats and several collapsible rafts, having a maximum capacity equal to less than half the number of perons on board the vessel.

The steamer Carpathia, then about ninety miles away and bound for the Mediterranean, received, shortly after midnight, a message by wireless, briefly announcing the fact of the collision and asking assistance. She at once altered her course and, steaming under forced-draft, amid many icebergs, arrived at the scene of the disaster just at dawn. The survivors in the various life-boats, about 745 persons in all, mostly women, were taken aboard, some, however, in a dying condition from injuries or exposure.

From the decks of the Carpathia, while cruising in the vicinity in the hope of making additional rescues, could be seen one side of the vessel, a vast continent of ice stretching as far as the eye could reach in every direction, and which was, according to subsequent measurements, from seventy to ninety miles long. On the other side, at varying distances, were a dozen or more motionless icebergs, glistening in the sun.

After remaining on the spot until the prospect of further rescues was extinguished, the Carpathia headed for New York, and docked the following Thursday evening.

