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The Lord's House In the Top of the Mountains.

"It shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it" (Isaiah ii, 2).

Detroit, Mich., September 18.—Pastor Russell of Brooklyn Tabernacle preached twice here today to the local branch of the International Bible Students Association. He had an excellent hearing and large and intelligent audiences. One address was entitled "The Great Hereafter." The other was now report. The speaker said:—

Our text has not yet been fulfilled, but we believe the beginning of its fulfillment to be near. It pictures Messiah's Kingdom, for which Christian people have long been waiting and praying. "Thy Kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as in heaven"—the name Kingdom for which the Jews so long waited and are still waiting. Our text relates, not to the spiritual part of the Kingdom, which the Gospel Church is called to share, but to the earthly part of the Kingdom, which belongs to the natural seed of Abraham. A great mistake has been made by many of us in the past, in that we have not discerned and acknowledged the two Kingdoms, spiritual and natural, and the separate rewards and blessings apportioned to those by the Divine promises of the Scriptures. Both are to be used of God in fulfilling the promise made to Abraham—in blessing all the families of the earth.

After the completion of Messiah, Head and Members, on the plane of glory, the New Covenant will be inaugurated with Israel, as the Scriptures distinctly teach (Jeremiah xxxi, 31-34). Our text, therefore, waits for its accomplishment until the last member of the elect Church of Christ shall have passed beyond the veil.

Israel the Earthly Representative.
In the symbolic language of the Scriptures a mountain is always symbolic of a Kingdom. Hence the mountain of the Lord's house means the Kingdom of God and that royal house or family recognized by him. For instance, we read that David sat upon the throne of the Kingdom of the Lord and that God made a Covenant with him, "even the sure mercies of David"—viz., that none but his Seed, his posterity, would ever be recognized as the Divinely appointed representatives of God in kingly authority and power. In other words, Messiah was to be the offspring of David, the great antitypical David (Beloved), who must "reign from sea to sea and from the river to the ends of the earth."

The Messiah-King on the spirit plane, the Son of God (and like God invisible to men, as are also the angels), is the antitypical David and the antitypical Solomon, the wise, the great, the rich. In the days of his flesh our Lord was the Son of David according to the flesh, though begotten of a divine life not tainted by any human imperfection. He was, therefore, holy, harmless, undefiled and separate from sinners. His faithfulness to the will of the Father made him subject to all of the experiences of suffering and death, as expressed in his own words. The cup which my Father hath poured for me, shall I refuse to drink it? His obedience unto death, even the death of the cross, demonstrated his loyalty to the last degree and he received the high reward appropriated. "Him hath God also highly exalted and given a name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, both of things in heaven and things in earth."

Exalted to the right hand of Divine favor he waits only for the Father's time to take to himself his great power and reign (Revelation xi, 17). Meantime, in harmony with the Divine will, purposed before the foundation of the world, he acts as advocate for such as have the hearing ear and the obedient heart and will now respond to the special invitation of the Gospel Age. That call is to leave the world, its sins, its pleasures and its hopes, and to walk by faith in the exceeding great and precious promises of God—the things which eye hath not seen nor ear heard, neither hath entered into the heart of man. These are the heavenly things promised them as the Bride and joint-heir with their Redeemer in his glorious Kingdom to come and its blessed work of uplifting Israel and the world.

In the Top of the Mountains.

We have before our minds the antitypical house of David, Messiah's kingly household, the royal priesthood Divinely prepared. As a Kingdom it will be at the top, above all the kingdoms of earth. Not only will this be true of the spiritual Kingdom (invisible to men as the angels are invisible), but it will include also an earthly Kingdom composed of "Israelites indeed." At their head as princes in all the earth will stand the resurrected Antient Worthies, perfected as men and samples of what all mankind, by obedience to the laws of the Kingdom, may attain to, with eternal life. These Antient Worthies are enumerated in the Scriptures—Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, the prophets, etc., and described by St. Paul in Hebrews xi, 38-40. To these belong the earthly promises of the Old Testament. They never heard of the heavenly or spiritual promises. Their loyalty will find its reward in the fact

that they will come forth from the tomb no longer blemished and imperfect, but fully, completely restored to the perfection originally enjoyed by father Adam. Additionally these will have the special guidance and instruction of Messiah (Head and members) in all the affairs of mankind. Thus as the Master said, speaking of that time, "Ye shall see Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and the prophets in the Kingdom" (Luke xiii, 28).

God's Kingdom will be represented in the earth by Israel—especially by these salutary men of Israel, resurrected perfect, who will be the special appointees and representatives of the glorified Messiah's rule. As it is written, instead of thy fathers (the ancient saintly ones were styled "the fathers," as Jesus was styled the Son of Abraham and David) shall be thy children, whom thou mayest make princes in all the earth (Psalm xiv, 16). These princes, acting under and continually in contact with the spiritual Kingdom and rulers styled in the Scriptures "the royal priesthood," will, of course, be so superior in their wisdom and power as to command the obedience of the whole earth. The nation of Israel, with whom they are related, would naturally respond more quickly than others to the New order of things, which will be just that for which they have been waiting and praying for more than thirty centuries.

All Nations Flow Unto It.

In these words the Lord through the prophet assures us of the wonderful success which will attend the establishment of the New Empire of earth, the dominion of the Prince of light, which will supersede the dominion of the Prince of darkness, when Satan shall be bound for a thousand years, that he may deceive the peoples no more. Messiah's Kingdom will be high above all other Kingdoms, not only in its grandeur, majesty and authority, but also in the lofty principles which it will represent. Thus it is written, "He shall lay righteousness to the line and justice to the plummet and the hall [Truth] shall sweep away the refuge of lies" (Isaiah xxviii, 17). Nevertheless, as the world shall come to appreciate the new order of things all nations shall flow unto it, flow up to it—contrary to the downwardness of fallen human nature. It will make manifest such wonderful rewards for righteousness and obedience to God and it will so make manifest the stripes that must attend all willful disobedience to the Divine arrangement that the Scripture will be fulfilled which declares that when the judgments of the Lord are abroad in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness (Isaiah xxvi, 9).

Humanity for six thousand years has been learning "the exceeding sinfulness of sin," its downward tendency in every sense of the word. Every form of government has been tried in an endeavor to secure the greatest amount of blessing. But the uniform results have been that those exalted to place and influence and power have proved themselves unequal to the opportunities and temptations of the positions and have abused them selfishly. Whoever is acquainted with history realizes the truthfulness of all this. If some of us have hoped that the general education of the masses and the general enlightenment of the race would abolish sin and selfishness and demonstrate the truthfulness of the Proverb, "Honesty is the best policy," we are willing to confess that this has been a mistake. We perceive that the greater wisdom and intelligence granted to a selfish mind and heart the greater will be its opportunities for evil and incitement thereto.

Every Man Against His Neighbor.

As a consequence the world is losing confidence in itself. All, whether politicians or judges or governors, great or small, of one party or another, of one nationality or another—all are accused of being tarred with the same stick of selfishness. The Bible clearly indicates that this distrust is not without reason and that the great time of trouble soon to come upon every nation (Daniel xii, 1) will be the direct result of this loss of confidence. The Bible's description of the matter briefly summed up is, Every man's hand shall be against his neighbor (Zechariah vii, 10; xiv, 13). It will be after that great time of trouble shall have thoroughly sickened humanity as respects itself and any hopes it might have had of bringing about a millennium by its own efforts—that God will manifest his Kingdom in the top of the mountains—higher than all other Kingdoms every way, and all people shall flow toward it. As it is written, "The desire of all peoples shall come" (Haggai ii, 7).

This is described in the verse following our text which reads, "And many people shall go and say, Come ye, let us go up to the mountain (kingdom) of the Lord, to the house (temple) of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways and we will walk in his paths, for out of Zion [the spiritual unseen Kingdom of Messiah] shall go forth the Law and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem [the seat of earth's empire to be]. And he shall judge among the nations [rewarding

and punishing justly], and shall rebuke many people; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." All Christians agree that these words apply to the Messiah's Kingdom. They tell us clearly and distinctly of new judgments of the Lord will be abroad in the earth, causing wars to cease and the knowledge of the Lord to fill the whole earth as the waters cover the great deep (Isaiah xi, 9).

O, House of Jacob, Come!

We have already noted that this prophecy belongs to natural Israel and not to spiritual Israel. As the first verse declares, it concerns Judah and Jerusalem. By the time this prophecy will have begun to be fulfilled, spiritual Israel will be beyond the vale. It is in full harmony with this that we read in the fifth verse, "O house of Jacob, Come ye and let us walk in the light of the Lord." This is particularly the time when this message to natural Israel should go forth. We understand the Scriptures to teach that during the next few years the Lord will have special dealings with Israel in connection with this call. He will point out to them the way of righteousness and the great privileges that are theirs as a people, because of Divine promises to their fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, etc. But only those who respond by turning to the light of God's Word to walk in it will be in the proper condition of heart and obedience to promptly get the blessing at the beginning of Messiah's reign. Those most prompt to respond will get the greater blessing.

Verses 6-10 portray some of the reasons why God's favor has been withdrawn from a time from natural Israel—aside from the fact that his special favor was for the time to be given to spiritual Israel. Then follows a description of the time of trouble, in which present institutions will succumb, to be followed by Messiah's empire. Let us read some of these verses and note their applicability to our day and the correspondence between these statements and very similar pronouncements in the Book of Revelation, applicable also to the time in which we are living. We will quote and paraphrase from verse 11 to the end of the chapter.

What the Trouble Will Accomplish.

The lofty looks of man shall be humbled and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down; and the Lord alone shall be exalted in that day. One of the greatest obstacles in the pathway of humanity, hindering approach to truth and righteousness, is pride. The Almighty God is not sufficiently revered. The very learned men of all our colleges seem more and more to doubt that there is a God and that the affairs of earth are subject to any other regulations than those of chance, except as the learned can regulate them. The time of trouble when the various theories of man will be tried and found wanting will demonstrate most thoroughly that the wisdom from above is neglected in favor of earthly wisdom. The Lord says in another place, The wisdom of their wise men shall perish and the understanding of their prudent men shall disappear.

For the day of the Lord of Hosts shall be heavy upon every one that is proud and lofty, and upon every one that is lifted up, and he shall be brought low, and upon all the cedars of Lebanon that are high and lifted up [the ecclesiastically great] and upon all the oaks of Bashan [the politically strong]; upon all the high mountains [the kingdoms of the world] and upon all the hills that are lifted up [the smaller principdoms]; and upon every high tower and upon every fenced wall [representing human organizations for strength and protection] and upon all the ships of Tarshish [labor organizations] and upon all desirable prospects and ideals of earthly ambition, the arm of the Lord will be heavy. The result will be that the loftiness shall be humbled and the haughtiness shall be made low and the Lord alone shall be exalted in that day; and the idols shall be utterly abolished. God must be first under the new order of things. No peace or blessing will otherwise result.

Hiding In Rocks and Caves.

Those in distress and perplexity will in that time of trouble flee to the holes and the rocks and the caves of earth for fear. As Revelation (vi, 16) expresses it, they shall call to the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him that sitteth upon the throne." We are not to understand this more literally than its context. It does not signify that people will be so foolish as to literally pray for rocks to fall upon them, when they could more easily destroy their lives in another way. The thought is the very contrary of this—that they desire protection, shielding, hiding, covering from the trouble of the coming day of the Lord. These shelters of the rocks and caves of the earth symbolically represent the attempted protection of human organizations—insurance companies, secret societies, etc. But none of these will be able to protect from the trouble which is coming—which will be world-wide and involve every earthly thing and interest, religious and secular, financial and political.

This will take place when the glory of the Lord and his majesty are manifested in connection with his standing up to assume command of the world and when "He will shake terribly the earth [society]; that everything contrary to righteousness and holiness may be uprooted and overthrown. St. Paul pictures that same time of trouble and declares that the only thing that will not be shaken will be what is in harmony with God's Kingdom of righteousness (Heb. xii, 26-29).

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TEXAS A GREAT EMPIRE IN ITSELF

Morvelous Growth of the Leading Cities of the State.

Yoakum, Tex., Sept. 13, 1910.
Editor, Journal:

A northern visitor to this country who remains here long enough soon finds that he is in almost another land. It is true that the people are all American and imbued with the same love of country which our own folks possess, but with all that, there are quite a number of differences.

The old feeling left by the civil war is still here and the "Yankees," as they are known and universally called, do not meet with the warmest reception. There is a distinct feeling of antipathy which may be concealed at times, but which crops out every now and then. This state of feeling can be easily accounted for as the south suffered untold loss from the ravages of the great war and its horrors sank deep into its people. With the great influx of northern people into this country this feeling will soon change, but even now more than half a century since the war closed, its recollections are still strong and its passions are deep.

The northern emigration into this land has been very heavy in recent years. Texas has gained in population during the past decade at a truly marvelous rate. Its cities have all doubled and trebled in population and they rival those of what are commonly called "old states," not alone in size but in imposing structures and in public improvements. And yet they are but in their swaddling clothes. Houston, Dallas, San Antonio and Fort Worth are a quartette of cities which have a marvelous future before them. But they are not alone, as there are a myriad of smaller cities which will grow into real cities of importance before many years have passed.

Of the larger cities, Dallas is probably the largest with San Antonio likely a very close second, and these two positions may be reversed by the census. Houston is third with 78,000 people in its limits and probably well over the 100,000 mark, if its suburbs are included. Fort Worth is treading upon Houston's heels and will show very close to it in this census.

In time to come, it looks probable Houston will be the metropolis of the state, owing to its location. It will become within a few years the seaport of the great southwest, and through which will flow a great commerce to the sea. Should the Panama canal amount to all it is expected to, the commerce of Houston and Galveston will be among the largest figures of the world. Houston drains what is in reality a great empire capable of sustaining millions, and this empire is yet hardly touched. Its commercial history remains to be written.

San Antonio perhaps will rank among the greatest wholesale and jobbing cities of this empire, in addition to being one of the greatest of winter resorts of the country. It has a great trade already established and the country which is now on the boom is all its territory. As a winter resort San Antonio will unquestionably increase in popularity, and each succeeding season will almost certainly see an increase in the already large number of visitors.

Dallas and Fort Worth are making a gallant fight for supremacy, with Dallas holding the advantage, because of a big start which it got in early years. It is a great jobbing and wholesale center and recently has secured a number of manufacturing

enterprises which have added largely to its population.

Fort Worth is pre-eminently the railroad and packing center and its growth has been little short of marvelous. In addition to its mainstay, many small and some large factories have been secured and these have helped very materially in city building.

All in all, the future looks very bright for these cities and there are a number of smaller ones which will also leap ahead with the progress of this southwestern empire. The entire garden of the southwest will be cultivated and yielding ere many years, and when that time comes Texas will be in truth and in fact, the empire state of the union.

Chas. D. Grimes.

LITTLE HAZEL CLUGEY CELEBRATES HER FIFTH BIRTHDAY

From Saturday's Daily.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clugue was the scene of a very pleasant birthday party last evening when a number of little people and parents had been invited to come to the Clugue home to assist their little daughter, Hazel, in properly celebrating her fifth birthday anniversary. The little folks spent a very happy evening playing several games and indulging in various pranks, all of which created considerable merriment for them. At the proper time a delicious birthday luncheon, consisting of ice cream, cake and fruit, was served by the mother of the little hostess, after which all departed for their homes, having spent a most delightful evening. Little Miss Hazel received a number of pretty gifts which will remind her of this most happy event.

Those in attendance were: Mr. and Mrs. David Eaton and daughter, Mamie Josephine, of Union; Loren Drum, of Auburn, Neb., a cousin of Hazel's; Esther Godwin, Ruby Winsett, Beulah Parker, Dorris Winsett, Viola Parker and Frank Godwin.

Resolutions.

Da es dem Allmaechtigen Gott gefallen hat, insern Bruder Julius Doeh- und unsere mitte abjurafen, see es beschlossen, das wir die Germania Lodge No. 81, zee der er ein gutes Mitglid war, der traunden Familie, sowie den Vernandten unser herliches Beileid auszudruecken. Ferner sel es beschlossen das eine Abschrift dieser Reshluesses in das Protokoll der Loge eingetragen wird, und eine Abschrift der traunden Familie ueberggeben wird.

William Otterstein.
John Wickman.
Joe Droege.
Committee.

Live Real Estate Men.

A \$27,000 land deal was pulled off in Union last Thursday by two live real estate agents in the persons of C. F. Harris and J. B. Roddy, where-by John Hansell became the owner of the 80 acre farm upon which he now lives, and Hugh Warden of Nehawka, gets title to the southwest quarter of the Wessel farm, one and one-half miles north of Union. These are both excellent farms and the price paid is considered very low. The 80 acre tract sold for \$125 per acre, and the 160 acre farm sold for \$110 per acre. Harris, Roddy and McCarty have other fine lands near Union for sale. They sell on the thirty day plan—quick sales and small profits.

Miss Florence Comer, Alma Clements, Minnie Sunderland of Elmwood and Lottie W. Wunderlich of Nehawka were taking teacher's examination at county superintendent's office today.

JOHN CLARENCE IS PLACED IN COUNTY JAIL

From Saturday's Daily.

At a special term of the district court the matter of State vs. John Clarence for the murder of John P. Thacker was before the court a few days ago and judgment on the mandate of the supreme court reversing the district court's verdict and judgment of guilty. Deputy Manspeaker went down to the farm yesterday and brought the defendant in to court. The court was convened this morning by Judge Travis, and John C. Watson appeared for Clarence and asked that the court fix a bail bond so that his client could have his freedom until court sits October 3. The court refused to accept bail and consequently Clarence was remanded to the custody of the sheriff.

In a civil suit pending before the court in which Clara Davis is plaintiff and W. C. Carraher is defendant, the court gave the defendant thirty days to answer the petition of plaintiff.

An information was filed in the district court by the county attorney this morning, charging J. Lawrence Stull with assault with intent to do great bodily harm upon his sister, Mrs. Monroe.

Conventions Meets Sept 28

One week from next Wednesday will be the opening of the tenth annual Sunday school convention of Cass county. The session this year will be held at Greenwood and will be in full swing for two days. Dr. Hamill of Chattanooga, Tenn., and other noted workers in the Sunday school will be present each session. The date is the 28 and 29 of September, and any desiring programs can get them by writing to the secretary, Miss Edith Clizbe, at Weeping Water.

HARRISON ESCAPES FROM THE STATE PENITENTIARY

From Saturday's Daily.

Convict Harrison sent up from this place April 10th of this year with his pal, Wilson for burglarizing a bunk car in the M. P. yards here, escaped from the penitentiary yesterday. Harrison was sent up for one year and had by his genteel actions impressed the prison authorities favorably. He was being worked out side the prison walls yesterday afternoon when he made his get away. Deputy Sheriff Manspeaker received the information immediately and a sharp lookout for the escaped convict is being kept.

The offense for which he was sentenced happened last spring, when, he, in company with two others, one Wilson and a youth from Omaha broke into a boarding car at the M. P. station in this city. The Omaha youth got a jail sentence while both Wilson and Harrison were sent to the penitentiary for a year.

Is Full-Fledged Sailor.

Mrs. J. W. Gamble is in receipt of a communication from her son, Cedric Eaton who is a gunner on the battleship Pennsylvania, stating that he has been constituted a full-fledged sailor. He snipped with the first division of the Pacific fleet near Seattle, August 14, sailing for Chilli, South America, expecting to land at Valpariso September 10 where the fleet was to take part in the centennial celebration of the Chilean government. The ships in the first Pacific fleet are the California, Colorado, Pennsylvania and Washington. The fleet is due to return to San Francisco October 22.

John Klarens of Union was in the city today looking after business.