

THOUSANDS OF DEMONS INFEST EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE

**PASTOR RUSSELL Shows From
the Bible Their Origin and
Their Pernicious Influ-
ence Upon Mankind.**

"Giving heed to seducing spirits and
doctrines of demons" (1 Timothy iv. 1).
"Wicked spirits in high positions" (Ephes-
ians vi. 12). "The heathen sacrifice to
devils and not to God" (1 Corinthians x.
20).



Trenton, N. J.,
February 12.—Pastor
Russell of
Brooklyn Taberna-
cle preached here
today in the Opera
House on the
"HEREAFTER"
and subsequently
on "Those angels
which kept not
their first estate"

(Jude 6). Excellent attention was
given at both services. We report the
latter as follows:

The Bible's teaching that the earth's
atmosphere is infested with evil spirits
is now very generally disbelieved. As a
result of the disbelief thousands of
well-meaning people are being the
more easily entrapped by these evil
spirits. The blight is both physical
and moral. The usual method of pro-
cedure is to arouse curiosity. While
the quest for knowledge proceeds, an
influence much like that of hypnotism
affects the investigator, impelling him
forward to further investigation. Some-
times the curiosity is attracted
through the outer senses at spiritualis-
tic seances, with ouija-boards, etc. At
other times it is by spirit rappings.
Again, it may be by whisperings in
the ear, inaudible to others. At other
times the messages come through
trance-mediums.

In every instance these communica-
tions purport to come from dead
human beings. This of itself gives to the
communication a special charm to
many. They feel honored in being
sought out by the dead and in being
able to communicate with them. They
are curious for information respecting
the hereafter. They forget that they
have been taught from infancy that
the holy dead are far off in heaven,
and that the unholy dead are far off
in torment.

They Teach False Doctrines.

How fully this is forgotten is shown
by a letter which I received on the
first day of this month from a Catho-
lic lady. In it she tells how she first
obtained clairvoyant powers—the gift
of hearing what others could not hear.
This, in turn, permitted her to commu-
nicate with the evil spirits, the fallen
angels. These, representing themselves
to her as inmates of purgatory, came
to her for help. They solicited her
prayers and were progressing to get
her more and more under their control.
Just in time she was rescued through
reading my writings on the subject.
Since then she has exercised her will
and her prayers against having any
fellowship whatever with these fallen
angels. Gradually she is becoming
more and more enlightened in the
Truth of God's Word.

Not infrequently do these spirits per-
sonate the Heavenly Father and Christ,
urge more prayer, accuse of sin, recom-
mend the reading of the Scriptures,
etc. This appears to be with a view
to gaining the confidence, the relaxing
of the will. Later on dishonorable sug-
gestions are made. The Bible is scorned,
prayer is laughed at. If, then, the
subject takes fright and seeks to break
the hypnotic chain, the evil spirits
laugh at him, swear at him, and some-
times tell him that they will shortly
have him fully in their power to roast
him forever. If he attempts to pray,
they intrude and interrupt and tell him
that God would not hear him now, that
he has gone too far, etc.

With some the matter goes so far
that the human will is broken down
completely and the spirits obsess them
and use their bodies foolishly—some-
times viciously, sometimes insanely,
until finally they are pronounced dan-
gerous and committed to asylums. We
do not claim that all the insane are
obsessed of evil spirits, but so far as
we can judge, nearly one-half the in-
mates of asylums are obsessed by
demons who live in them while they
are mastering their wills.

Prepared For These Delusions.

God, through His Word, has fore-
warned His people against these delu-
sions. In permitting them, neverthe-
less, to fall into these traps, He is
merely teaching a great lesson. The
terrible results of disobedience, of
neglect of God's Word, are not eternal.

The Divine arrangement is that ulti-
mately the entire human family shall
be released from the bonds of sin and
death, ignorance and superstition, and
all have full opportunity for coming
into full harmony with God. The
present lesson will illustrate the neces-
sity for searching the Scriptures
and obeying God's voice therein.

Seducing Spirits—Doctrines of Devils.

St. Paul, in describing our day, de-
clares one of its prominent signs to be
that many will now give heed to these
seducing spirits, whose teachings and
practices lead away from God. St.
Paul intimates also that by these mis-
leading spirits many will come to hold
doctrines of demons, or devilish doc-
trines. It is a sad commentary upon
our wonderful day of enlightenment
that the most enlightened people should
hold the most awful doctrine respect-
ing the hereafter.

A doctrine of demons it most surely
is which tells, to the dishonor of God's
name, that nine hundred and ninety-
nine out of every thousand of humani-
ty are to be eternally tortured, either

because of Divine incompetence to
make better arrangements for them,
or because God willed and foreordain-
ed it so before creation. This doc-
trine of demons has enslaved many
honorable people who would them-
selves scorn to make such a plan of the
ages as they attribute to God.

Thank God, the time is not far dis-
tant when these seducing spirits will
be completely bound, restrained, and
deceive humanity thus no more. But
the deception has so long prevailed
that poor humanity is thoroughly un-
der its control. The falsehood leading
up to all this error is Satan's first lie
to our parents in Eden. There, con-
tradicting the words of God, he said,
"Ye shall not surely die." Ever since,
for six thousand years, he has worked
along this line, and all the fallen an-
gels with him. His message is, "Ye
shall not surely die." You do not surely
die. When men seem to die, they
become more alive than before they
died.

On account of these errors, that dead
men are alive, Satan and the fallen an-
gels, contrary to the teachings of the
Bible, have instilled into the whole
world, nonsensical, heathen supersti-
tions respecting heaven, purgatory and
hell. The Catholics pray for those who
go to Purgatory, to help them out.
Protestants do not so pray, believing
that the saintly few go direct to heaven
and all of the unsaintly go as directly
to eternal torture.

If this great lie wherewith Satan
first seduced Mother Eve and murder-
ed our race could be fully eliminated
from our minds and our creeds, it
would mean a religious revolution to
both Catholics and Protestants—back
to the Bible and away from the domi-
nation and seduction of the lying spir-
its, the fallen angels, who personate
humanity.

The Fallen Angels Lustful.

So far as we can learn from those
who have once been spirit mediums,
the trend of Spiritism is toward un-
chastity, impurity. And this agrees
well with the Scriptural declaration
relative to the sin through which these
fallen angels first became reprobate.

St. Jude (6) and St. Peter (II Peter
II, 4), tell us briefly of the fall of the
angels—that "they left their own habi-
tation and kept not their first estate."

Both Apostles mention the circum-
stance in connection with human las-
civiousness. The story of the fall of
the angels is given us briefly in Gen-
esis vi, 1-4. After man's fall into sin
God permitted the holy angels to have
communication with humanity. And
because human eyes cannot see spirit
beings, God permitted the angels to
materialize. For instance, we note the
case of the angels who visited Abra-
ham on the plains of Mamre and for
whom he prepared a veal dinner. We
read that, materialized, these angels
were like men, and taken by Abraham
to be men, while they ate and talked
with him. It was subsequently that
Abraham learned that they were real-
ly heavenly visitants.

So it was with all the angels before
the flood. They were permitted to ma-
terialize and to appear in every sense
of the word as men. The record shows
that the angels became lustful. We
read, "The sons of God saw the daugh-
ters of men that they were fair and
took unto themselves wives of such
as they chose." The angels, with su-
perior powers and superior knowledge
to man's, acted as the masters of men,
who were practically obliged to do
their bidding. The result is stated in
few words. The children of this mesal-
lance, we are told, were giants as
compared with the ordinary members
of our race. And not only were they
giants physically, but also intellectu-
ally—"They were men of renown." Poor
humanity could not compete with this
race. The result was that strife and
contention and lustful, sinful prac-
tices abounded in all the earth, until
God declared that every imagination
of the thoughts of man's heart was
only evil continually.

God had foreknown all this, and a
canopy of waters, which then sur-
rounded the earth, similar to Saturn's
rings now, was held in readiness to
cause a flood, that sinful men and the
human offspring of the angels might
be destroyed. Only Noah and his fam-
ily were found worthy of preservation
to be the new start of humanity this
side of the flood. The declaration of
the Scriptures respecting Noah's fam-
ily is, "Now Noah was perfect in his
generation." He was properly gener-
ated or born—so were his children.
There was no strain or admixture of
the angelic stock in that family. The
plain information is that the remainder
of humanity were so degraded by the
seductions of those fallen angels that
they were not fit to live. The entire
race had become corrupt.

Angels Restrained—Chains of Dark- ness.

Of course, the fallen angels were not
destroyed in the flood, for they not
only had the power to materialize, but
also the power to dematerialize. It
was at that time, however, that all of
the fallen angels were put under re-
straints—not permitted again to ma-
terialize, the limitation lasting "until
the judgment of the great day."

Their restraints or chains are not
physical, to confine them to a place in
Tartarus—the earth's atmosphere. They
may roam at will; but are chained, or
restrained from materializing. The im-
itation of the Scripture seems to be
that, with the ending of this Gospel
Age, just prior to the inauguration of
the New Dispensation, these evil spir-
its may be allowed to break their
chains and manifest themselves as
men, in connection with the great trou-
ble time incidental to the change of
Dispensation.

Separated from God and the holy
angels, and unable to assume human
bodies, the sinful angels have probably
had terrible experiences during the
past forty-four hundred years. True
happiness is not to be expected

amongst those alienated from God.
Anger, malice, hatred, strife, "works
of the devil," the Apostle says, are not
compatible with the love, joy and
peace which belong alone to a condi-
tion of holiness. Under such circum-
stances we cannot wonder that these
fallen angels would seek association
with humanity. Being under the con-
trol of Satan as a chief or prince of
devils, they have followed his course
and propagated his original falsehood
—"Ye shall not surely die." They have
conjured to men's minds the hell of
the heathen, the hell and Purgatory of
the Catholics, and, worst of all, our
Protestant mis conception of awful and
unending torture for all except the
saintly few.

Enemies of God and Men.

These doctrines of demons have in-
creased the gulf between God and hu-
manity and have made the Bible, the
message of God's love, a book of ter-
rors—not to be loved, merely to be en-
dured or kept as a fetish to secure pos-
sibly a cooler place in purgatory. We
may safely say that all the false doc-
trines of Christendom, represented in
all of the creeds of the "Dark Ages,"
are doctrines of demons. Our minds
became defiled—our hymn-books, our
creeds, everything.

Thank God that the light of the New
Dispensation is now bringing to us the
beginning of blessing—release from
some of our darkness. The seeing of
the true wage of sin—that it is death
and not eternal torment—is one of the
most important features connected
with our enlightenment. When we
learn that the dead are really dead
and, as the Bible declares, will not
know anything until the resurrection,
then we begin to see the beauty of
God's Plan—the need of Christ's death;
the need of His second coming; the
need of His Kingdom; the need of a
resurrection; the need of an opportu-
nity for all mankind to come to a clear
knowledge of the great Truth of redem-
ption through the precious blood
and the opportunity then, by God's
grace, of attaining eternal life—either
during this Gospel age, as New Crea-
tures, spirit beings like unto the an-
gels, or in the New Dispensation dur-
ing the more general salvation of the
world to human perfection in an earth-
ly Paradise.

Jesus Cast Out Devils.

Our great Redeemer manifested his
power by casting out demons from those
who had become obsessed. And
we read further that he commissioned
his Apostles to heal all manner of dis-
ease and to cast out unclean spirits.
We are told that they did this—and
numerous instances, in illustration, are
given us. One man was obsessed by
a legion of these spirits. No wonder
the poor fellow was crazy. But after
they were cast out he was clothed and
in his right mind and became a disciple
(Luke viii, 26-36).

St. Paul and Silas had an experience
with an obsessed young woman who
practised sooth-saying, fortune-telling,
by the power of the evil spirit which
obsessed her. As the evil spirits recog-
nized Jesus and cried, "We know
Thee, who Thou art, Jesus," so this
spirit knew the Apostles and, through
the young woman's lips, cried after
them, "These be the servants of the
Most High God, which show to us the
way to obtain eternal life" (Acts xvi,
16-18).

Neither Jesus nor the Apostles were
willing to accept demon testimony and
commanded the evil spirits to come
out of their victims.

Scientists Being Entrapped.

The Scriptures indicate that there
will be a wonderful activity amongst
the fallen angels in the close of this
Gospel Age. The Master declared that
the deceptions would be such that, if
it were possible, the "very elect"
would be deceived. But that will not
be possible, because Divine providence
stands engaged to protect the elect.
The Ninety-First Psalm, which gives
a picture of the closing of this Age
and its sundry trials and tests, de-
clares that God will give his messen-
gers a charge concerning the feet mem-
bers of the Body of Christ in all their
ways—lest a foot should be dashed
against a stone of stumbling (Psalm
xci, 12).

As Satan and the fallen angels op-
erate largely through "the children of
disobedience," so God and his holy
messengers use not only the Scriptures,
but God's children of obedience as
mouthpieces, as helpers, as God's am-
bassadors in "building one another up
in the most holy faith." Hence the
time when "a thousand shall fall at
thy side and ten thousand at thy right
hand" will be also the time when these
ensnaring and deceptive errors will
"not come nigh them"—not come nigh
the members of the Body of Christ, the
elect.

If our understanding of the Scrip-
tures be correct, we need not be sur-
prised if the fallen angels may again
seemingly gain a victory over the Di-
vine restraints and materialize in
broad daylight—personating not only
the dead, but also at times personating
the living. Spiritists and mediums
are claiming such things as already
beginning and likely to be accomplish-
ed on a grand scale shortly. Should it
come it will inaugurate a terrible time
of trouble such as has not been since
the flood. God's people, while resting
confidently and at ease under Divine
supervision, should be on the alert to
resist everything akin to Spiritism,
Occultism, Hypnotism, and to warn
their friends respecting these things.

Numerous scientific men are being
entrapped by these lying spirits whose
doings and powers they are investigat-
ing under the name of Psychic Phenom-
ena.

Thank God we are nearing the time
when Satan shall be bound and when
every evil influence shall be restrained.
Not only will there be a full cleansing
from a physical obsession, but a still
greater cleansing and freeing from the
doctrines of demons.

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foundry, and the same is in the build-
ing. Mr. Bert Pollock and Mr. H. A.
Schneider, of the building committee,
were conferring with Mr. Chopieska
this morning relative to the position
of the cupola, which is that part of
the foundry in which the molten
metal is poured. This appliance will
be at the east end of the building on
the outside. Mr. Chopieska will have
this cast in Omaha the early part of
next week and it will probably be in

place before the last of the week.

Mr. Boyd is erecting an office room
within the building which will occupy
the northwest corner of the machine
shop. In the machine shop two large
lathes are in position, and a large
combination piece of machinery. The
shafts and pulleys will be lined up
at once, and by the time another
week rolls round the new foundry
will be ready to commence business.
Mr. L. C. Sharp remarked this morn-
ing that when the fires are ready to
light there should be a bonfire and
banquet pulled off at the building,
and everybody take part and whoop
it up for the new industry.

There are already orders coming
in for work as soon as the wheels
are started, and the outlook for a
good run of business in this line
grows brighter every day, and the
Plattsmouth business men who have
contributed of their means to help
the enterprise along will have the sat-
isfaction of seeing foundry and en-
gine factory a success of which they

may all feel proud.

The machinists and moulders, with
one exception, will be Plattsmouth
men, which is another good feature
of the enterprise.

Little Child Quite Sick.

The little six-year-old son of Mark
Furlong, residing at Rock Bluffs, has
been suffering for the past three days
from an attack of pneumonia. The
little fellow is so ill that it is neces-
sary for some one to be at his bed-
side night and day.

Miss Lillian Thompson, one of the
efficient clerks at E. A. Wurl's store,
has tendered her resignation and will
accompany her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
J. L. Thompson, to their new home in
the western part of the state. Miss
Lillian has a large circle of friends,
who will regret her departure from
their midst, but wish her much happi-
ness in her new home.

Try the Journal's want ad column.

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Now a few words to those who will be so fortunate as to read the above, I
will say that my sale will be bona-fide, and that all purchases must be paid for in
cash, as that it the only way that I will sell at the discount figures as above
stated. Remember the dates, and tell your friends about this sale, if they are
not subscribers to the local newspapers.

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