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DNON CONS. "LIFT UP YOUR EYES, AND LOOK ON THE FIELDS; FOR THEY ARE WHITE ALREADY TO HARVEST." — JOHN 4:35 WOND WONG

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Faith and Reason

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It is a pleasure to be coming your way once again by means of radio with a short message from the word of God. If there was ever a time when we needed a strong foundation upon which to anchor our faith it is now. We are living in perilous times. Not every one has faith in the Lord. Unbelief and skepticism is making inroads into many homes and the hearts of individuals. Did you read in a recent issue of the Reader's Digest about the young clergyman? He was quite skeptical himself and while he was visiting a certain Senator in Washington he had an experience which no doubt put him to shame and perhaps will be remembered for a long time. This Senator was showing him a computor which was supposed to be able to accept a handwritten question and give a sensible answer. Well, here's what happened. This young, polished preacher wrote out the question "What is God?" Would you like to know what the answer was which the computor spewed out after the gears rolled and the lights blinked? The answer said "Do your homework." It is said that the clergyman went home to do it. Well, I think he should have, don't you? How could he expect an electronic computor to come up with an answer to such a question as that and accurately define what is God. Here's a song, "Springs of living waters". The singers are Manuel and Marie Mitchell and Frances Porter.

Now listen to this scripture. "Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men: and the weakness of God is stronger than men. For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called: But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are: That no flesh should glory in his presence." I Corinthians 1:25-29. This points out the utter foolishness

of men's reasoning. It matters not how learned and intelligent one may be, there are yet many questions which science cannot satisfactorily answer.

But on the other hand let me give you the key to this deep secret of the hidden mysteries of God. Here it is in Heb. 11:6, "But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

Friends, do you have reason or do you have faith? Well, really I hope you have both of them, but I hope you will not allow reason to take the place of

faith. Of course, reasoning is Godgiven and the Lord wants us to use it as such. But we should certainly realize its limitations. Reasoning can only go so far. Faith takes over where reasoning quits and faith has no limitations.

Here is a good scripture that proves the limitations of human reasoning: "Teach us what we shall say unto him; for we cannot order our speech by reason of darkness." Job 37:19

And then listen to this one, "Men do therefore fear him: he respecteth not any that are wise of heart." Job 37:24

Here is a poem:

FAITH AND REASON

Two travelers started on a tour,
With trust and knowledge laden;
One was a man with mighty brain,
And one a gentle maiden.
They joined their hands and vowed to
be
Companions for a season.
The gentle maiden's name was Faith,
The mighty man's was Reason.

He sought all knowledge from the world
And every world anear it;
All matter and all mind were his,
But hers was only spirit.
If any stars were missed from heaven,
His telescope could find them;
But while he only found the stars,
She found the God behind them!

He sought for truth above, below,
All hidden things revealing;
She only sought it woman-wise,
And found it in her feeling.
He said, "This earth's a rolling ball,
And so doth science prove it";

He but discovered that it moves; She found the springs that move it.

He reads with geologic eye
The record of the ages;
Unfolding strata, he translates
Earth's wonder-written pages.
He digs around a mountain base,
And measures it with plummet;
She leaps it with a single bound,
And stands upon the summit.

He brings to light the hidden force In nature's labyrinths lurking, And binds it to his onward car To do his mighty working.
He sends his message 'cross the earth,

And down where sea gems glisten; She sendeth hers to God himself, Who bends his ear to listen.

He tries, from earth, to forge a key
To ope the gate of heaven;
That key is in the maiden's heart,
And back its bolts are driven.
They part. Without her all is dark,
His knowledge vain and hollow;
For Faith has entered in with God,
Where Reason may not follow.

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Let us pray,

Our heavenly Father,

Give us an understanding of the things of the Lord that we may be able to impart the spiritual truths of thy word to those who listen to the broadcast from week to week. Remember those who are in trouble and those who have written requesting prayer. Bless each one this day as the need may be and to thee we will give the praise through Christ our Lord. Amen

Friends, if we may be a help to you, to better understand the things of God,

be sure to let us hear from you and if you would like a printed copy of the broadcast today send us your name and address and let us mail you one without cost or obligation. We deeply appreciate those who co-operate with us to make the broadcast possible and to keep it on the air, also the printed copies going through the mail each week. When you write address your letter to The Mission Trail, Guthrie, Oklahoma.

Here is a song, "Heaven's Jubilee". The singers are Waldo Eck, Edwin Eck, and Neta Eck.

Dear ones, be with us again next week at this same time on this same station for another broadcast of The Mission Trail. Now until we meet again this is Willie Murphey saying may heaven's richest blessings be with each of you and a very cheerful good-bye!

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MY OLD BIBLE

Though the cover is worn,
And the pages are torn,
And though places bear traces of tears
Yet more precious than gold
Is this Book worn and old,
That can shatter and scatter my fears.

This old Book is my guide,
'Tis a friend by my side,
It will lighten and brighten my way,
And each promise I find
Soothes and gladdens the mind,
As I read it and heed it each day.

To this Book I will cling,
Of its worth I will sing
Though great losses and crosses be
mine,
I cannot despair
Though surrounded by care,
While possessing this treasure unknown.
--Sel. by Sybil Goldsberry

Testimonies

From Ore.: "Greetings to you all this lovely autumn day. Sorry I've been so slow in writing. Think of you and pray for you daily even though I don't write like I should."

--Sis. Ruby Hutchinson

From Miss.: "Greetings in Jesus dear name. Sure hope all are well. I appreciated your good letter very much. Am always glad to hear. . . I guess we are about the same. . . I praise God for things being as well as they are. He blesses us in a lot of ways for which I praise Him. . . Continue to pray for us. In Christian love,"

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--Dorothy Bridges

From La.: "Greetings of love in Jesus Today finds me on precious name. way to heaven. I love Jesus with all He is so good to me. my heart. have had smothering spells with my heart, but the dear Lord is so good to take care of me as I live alone. He comes to my rescue in time of need. I have some problems I want the Lord to work out for me so please pray for unsaved loved ones. I am determined to make heaven my home at any cost. -- Mary Bush Yours in Christ,"

From Ill.: "Greetings of love. We are thankful this morning for the Lord and His many blessings to us. We went to Decatur Sunday and heard two good messages. Bro. Gordon Humphrey was the only minister there. There are three families of us gets together each Saturday night for Bible study. take turns meeting in each other's home. If you are ever up this way we would be glad for you to stop by and be with us. We are always glad for any of the saints to come see us. Christian love, "

--Lenard and Mary Marler

From Okla.: "Greeting in the name of Jesus. It's been a long time since I wrote you. but I haven't forgotten you. I do enjoy you every Sunday morning at 8 a.m. . . Now I must praise the Lord for his goodness to me. Many time when I have pain or a problem comes up my first thought is to complain. Then in a second my thoughts go to God and I praise him with all my heart. I am very burdened for our saints' children that are going to school. It's sad what they have to go through with, but they are blessed with parents that know the Lord and can teach them. I think back when I was their age I had to rub shoulders with the world. Ihad no one to teach me. I praise the Lord for my experience in life and how he lead me to the truth. Praise his holy name. Pray for me. "

--Sis. Agnes Gatties

From Okla.: "Greetings in Christ Jesus. I am happy in the Lord our Redeemer. I am thankful for the saints of God, because they love the truth of I love the Mission Trail. . . I was up to the Golden Rule Home for one week. Truly enjoyed it. Thanksgiving unto our heavenly Father for the many blessings he provides by the help of his beloved people. 'And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: (As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever. Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister breadfor your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness;) Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanks giving to God. II Cor. 9:8-11. Godbless you all is my prayer."

--Sis. Eva Penner

From Okla.: "I greet you in Jesus name. I heard your message on the 19th... we pray for you and your work. We want you to continue to be faithful. Surely many saints rejoice to hear... God's message. Yours in Him,"

-- Manly L. Jones

From Mo.: "Greetings to all. We trust the Lord is blessing you with all his many benefits. We had a good meeting at Neosho. Bro. Sammons was with us. A rich table of God's Word was set before us each night. . . We are truly thankful for the many blessings the Lord bestows on us each day. We desire your prayers as we remember you. With Christian love,"

--Sis. Eunice Cole

From Mo.: "I am enclosing \$1.00 offering. I always enjoy reading Mission Trail. My husband Waldo Burke and myself need to be remembered in prayer as neither is very well. And of course going down the shady side of the hill."

--Fronia Burke

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From Ark.: "Greetings of love this Monday night in the name of our loving Saviour! It has been so long since I have written but I am still on the upward way, no desire to turn back now. I would love to have gone to some of the campmeetings but seems like something hindered every time. seven children and all of them came home this summer, but not all at one time. . . I love the Mission Trail. I want to send greetings to all the saints everywhere. . . I am so happy that Sis. Eck's daughter and son-in-law, Bro. Randell and Sis. Deloris are moving just across the road from me. Ibelieve God has a purpose in moving them here. Pray for me that I will stay true to the end. . . A sister in the one true way, the Bible way. " -- Sis. Johnnie West

From Ohio: "Greetings in the dear sweet name of our loving Saviour. He truly takes care of all his children's needs. At the present time the Lord has taken care of all my needs, spiritual It seems just like I and temporal. couldn't ask for another temporal need but I know I can always use a deeper depth in the Lord. . . I desire your prayers. Truly the time is short and as time gets shorter the way becomes more pressing. . . None of us have time to worry about little trifling things when we could be praying for a soul (unsavedor saved) having a worse time than ourselves. "--Mrs. Elaine Carter

From Mo.: "Greetings of love in the sweet holy name of our Saviour, the one that suffered on the cross that we may have a home in heaven. I'm so glad I found the straight and narrow Bible way that leads me to heaven. just suits me. . . I thank and praise the Lord every day for all His blessings. . . . for taking me out of sin and placing my feet upon the solid rock, Jesus. I want to keep pressing on till I gain the crown. There is nothing in this world to turn back to. . . May the Lordbless you all and encourage your hearts to keep the good work of the Lord going out to hungry souls. Christian love," -- Fannie Williams

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From Pa.: "Greeting in the precious name of Jesus. I do thank him for salvation and his goodness to me. And oh how I enjoy the Mission Trail paper. It is a blessing to me. Enclosing you will find a little gift. . . and please pray for me."

--Sister G. Beard

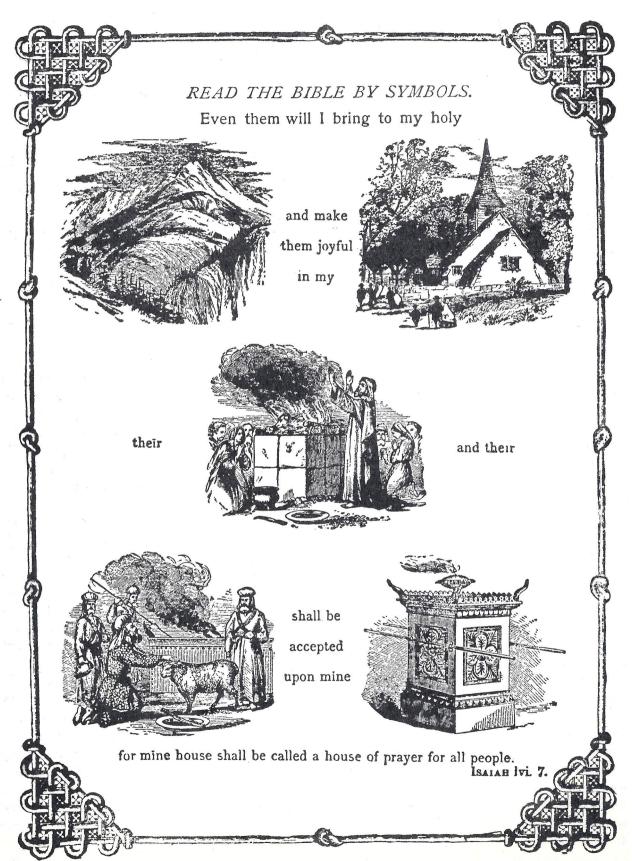
From Wisc.: "Just a few lines this beautiful sunshiny morning to let you know we aren't frozen up up here yet. It only got 200 above last night and it has only snowed twice. The ground has frozen twice. I have a little rose bush in front of my kitchen window that is still blooming. We have lots of wood so can have a nice warm home which always give me such a good feeling. It seems so cozy when it's so cold out side. So we have as much to be thankful for as you folks in the south and the woods are still so colorful. They look like large flower gardens. God really must have loved beauty as He made so much of it. . . We pray the Lord is still blessing you folks and pray for us." -- John and Bertha LaVeau

"Warm greeting of love From La.: this beautiful morning. Sorry, I don't have time for a letter but wanted to get this offering in the mail, with the paper going out, know there will be quite an expense for postage. enjoyed the message 'Pray without ceasing'. I'm endeavoring to do just that. Trust Bro. Willie and Kathleen had a profitable trip and will probably be home today. We have been praying for all of you, know it is a real sacrifice to stay home and keep the 'home fires burning while our preacher companions go out in the work of the Lord but we must daily 'deny' ourselves, take up our cross and follow Him. What a blessed life this is! Praise the Lord! . . . Pray for us. . . In tender love,"

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--Sis. Sybil Goldsberry

Children's Page



at press time

we understand:

From Okla.: "Just a few lines to let you know I'm still on the battlefield for our Lord. Thankful to know he will help us in every time of need. . . May the Lord richly bless you all."

--Clara Wahl

From Okla.: "We listen to The Mission Trail message every Sun. morning over KGGF, Coffeyville, Kansas. We are more than pleased with you giving the Bible references. Enclosed please find \$1.00. Please send me last Sun.

message. Yourstruly, "--Geo. Seidle

From Okla.: "This is to inform you and the saints at Guthrie of the passing of Bro. Gus Leverett. His funeral will be Thursday, Oct. 23 at 11 o'clock in the chapel on Pine Pl. and Norfolk. Remember the family in prayer, especially his daughter, Sis. Mayetta West. Christian love,"

--Queen Esther Mills

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Congratulations to Earland Violet Watson of South Louisiana on the birth of their daughter, Margaret Diane, Mon. October 20.

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From Ark.: "Somehow this a.m. as I was musing over my schedule for the week it seemed weighty. Then again as I looked upward the words very distinctively came to me "Look and live". More effectively it was this from the Lord, "Today you are working for me." This finds me joyously working today for my Master. I hope to live each day at a time." —Lou Bray

The messages which Bro. Leslie Busbee of Springfield, Mo. brought to the Guthrie saints last week were both uplifting and encouraging. He left for home by bus Fri. night after services.

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The Oklahoma State Assembly Meeting is scheduled to begin in Guthrie, Fri. December 19. An enlargement has been made on the dining hall to provide additional tables and seating capacity for more people after being served through the food line.

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From Ore.: "Greeting in Jesus Holy Name. I want to thank you Bro. Murphey for sending me 'The Mission Trail' even tho I for sometime couldn't help bear expenses. God blessed me to be physically able to move to myself... Oh, my God is so good to me and I surely thank and praise him over and over for the blessing. If I could only shout the good news to all the world. I love my Lord. I will now send a small offering and hope to be able to help a little each month. God bless you and yours in your every effort to spread the True Gospel to the world."

--Sis. Allis King

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From Ala.: "I greet you all this morning in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ who gave his life that we might be saved. I thank the Lord I am saved, looking to the Lord for everything. I thank the Lord for touching my body a few weeks ago. . . please pray for me. Seems my ankle and foot is about to break out in a boil again." --Sis. L. Cook

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For some it will come true: "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." Jer. 8:20. Let us hasten with the message which Jesus gave: "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls."

Broadcast Schedule

Listen for THE MISSION TRAIL weekly on one of the following stations:

RADIO STATION	LOCATION	DIAL SETTING	TIME	
KGGF	Coffeyville, Kansas	690 kc.	Sunday,	8:00 a.m.
KCKW	Jena, Louisiana	1480 kc.	Sunday,	7:30 a.m.
WFPR	Hammond, Louisiana	1400 kc.	Sunday,	7:45 a. m.

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