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"Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." Galations 6:7-8-9. Good morning, friends. Even as well as we know this scripture, I believe it is one which needs to be preached often. We need to be reminded over and over again of the unfailing truths of the Word of God: "God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." So that is exactly what I want to do in the short time allowed for this message: remind you once again that there is coming a reaping day.

What would you think of a farmer who planted his field and never reaped it? Do you know why he plants the grain? It is with the expectation of reaping a harvest. Now, another thing, a man always expects to reap more than he sows. If this were not the case he would be just as well off to keep the grain he has and not sow it. But if he sows a handful he expects to reap perhaps a bushel. If he sows a bushel he should reap several hundred bushels. And so it is with spiritual things. If a man scatters handfuls of tares in spiritual things his spiritual harvest will be bushels of tares, and not wheat. Whatever he sows he shall reap. If he sows the wind he must reap the whirlwind. There is an intensive growth and increase.

If a man is bad and corrupt in his thoughts, you can tell precisely what his deeds will be. If he has lying, stealing thoughts and wishes, look out for him, he is dangerous. Sometimes the seeds

of his character spring up even beyond his life, and choke the good from the lives of his children and family. It is often the case that even the children will also grow up to be guilty of the sins they have seen manifest in the lives of their parents. A wayward son is often the living penalty of the sins of his parents.

Please don't misunderstand me, now. I don't mean to say that the children must be evil just because the parents are. The Lord does not hold them responsible for the sins of the parents. But so often, the children will follow the steps of the example they have seen the parents set before them.

Another thing worth remembering is this: If a man sows, he must reap the fruit, no matter how ignorant he may claim to be, or really be, of the nature of the seed. A plea of ignorance is not sufficient. You may sow tares and think it wheat, but nothing but tares

will spring up. You may call it wheat, or rye, or grain of whatever name you please, but you get nothing but weeds and tares. You must look to what kind of seed you are sowing, for neither ignorance nor any other excuse can make tares bring forth wheat.

Not only is this true concerning individuals, but notice how it is also true in regards to nations. Nations are made up of individuals, and what is true of a part, in regard to character, is also true of the whold. In this country our forefathers planted slavery and an open Bible together, and did we not have to reap? The nation wept as she gathered the harvest of the great civil war. Both the north and the south gave up their young men to the great slaughter which swept the country.

There is a scripture which goes like this: "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." Prov. 14:34. This applies to the modern day nations as well, including Japan, Germany and the United States, as well as others. There must be a reaping for sin, regardless of where it is found.

Now, I want to share with you a quotation from the book entitled: "The Beautiful Tree of Life." I really don't know if the example given here is a true one, or if it is rather a "true to life" lesson, but at any rate it is worthy of our attention. I quote: "How often is the happiness of many a well-meaning couple marred by their forgetfulness of the duty enjoined upon us, to 'bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ!'

"How often, when John comes home from work, a little put out because things have not gone quite smoothly at the workshop, or Sally is just a wee bit out

of temper because the children have been rather more troublesome than usual-how often, we say, in such a case, instead of gentle words to make things pleasant, is some remark as this indulged in: 'Holloa! why, how cross you are to-night!' This leads to the retort: 'I'm not cross a bit; it's you that are always trying to make a body angry.'

"One word of course brings on another, and a most uncomfortable evening they spend, you may be sure.

"Now, we know a couple with whom this difficulty not infrequently occurred, and very wretched for the time it made them. But they were really very fond of one another, and had more common sense than many people we have met with. What wonder, then, that they should put their heads together, and try to find some means by which this state of things could be got over?

"They did, and now we will tell you the experiment they tried, and what was the result. It was agreed between them that if things had gone unpleasantly with John during the day, when he came home he was to wear his cap a little on one side, and Sally then must do her very best to make all smooth at home. If, on the contrary, her temper had been ruffled by little household troubles in the day, a corner of her apron was to be tucked up on John's return, and he was then to be more amiable than usual. The plan was tried, and answered admirably; many a pleasant evening was enjoyed, which otherwise would have been passed in great discomfort.

"At last they found themselves in this dilemma. One evening John returned with his cap immensely on one side, and what was his dismay on entering the house to find that Sally's apron was

tucked up! Now, what was to be done? Whose duty was it to give way and try and make things pleasant to the other? The difficulty lasted only for a moment. Looking at each other strangely, they both burst out into a hearty laugh. John gave his wife a long and loving kiss, and they have since been heard to say it was one of the happiest evenings they ever spent.

"More than this, that very night, we have good cause to know, they lifted up their hearts together in thanks to him who enabled them to overcome the wicked one, and in prayer that he would ever keep them steadfast in their love to him, and to each other; and now we are sure that for twenty miles around there is not a happier couple to be met with than John and Sally." End of quote.

Dear ones, if the daily trials of life prove baffling to you then take them to the Lord in prayer. He has an abundance of grace for your every need. Consider what I say and the Lord give thee understanding.

Let us pray:

Our father, bless the message to the good of every listener. Help us to sow the kind of seeds which we will be glad to reap in the harvest. Do remember the ones who have requested the prayers of thy people. Some are sick and others are in trouble or have a request for some loved one. Bless each one in the way which they need and thine shall be the praise for we ask it in Jesus name. Amen.

Thank you, dear ones, for a few moments of your time. I hope you will make it a regular habit to listen to the Mission Trail broadcast. If you would like to write us you may do so by ad-

dressing your letter to the Mission Trail, Guthrie, Oklahoma.

And now this song: "What Will Be your Profit." The singers are Kenneth & Lois Abbott, Johnnie and Della Gutwein; also Brother & Sister Ira D. Stover.

Until we meet again this is Willie Murphey saying May God bless you richly and a very cheerful goodbye!



AN INDIAN'S PRAYER

Oh, Great Spirit-whose voice I hear in the winds, and whose breath gives life to all the world, hear me. I come before you, one of your many children. I am small and weak. I need your strength and wisdom. Let me walk in beauty and make my eyes ever behold the red and purple sunset, Make my hands respect the things you have made, my ears sharp to hear your voice. Make me wise, so that I may know the things you have taught my people, the lesson you have hidden in every leaf and rock. I seek strength not to be superior to my brothers, but to be able to fight my greatest enemy, myself. Make me ever ready to come to you, with clean hands and straight eyes, so when life fades as a fading sunset, my spirit may come to you without shame.

Correspondence

From Ga.: "The devil is a tricky old fellow. The Lord tells us to put on the whole armour of God that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. Then he tells us to be strong in the Lord. Eph. 6:10-11. Paul tells us in the word of God 'I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.' Phil. 4:13. . . I myself am happy in the Lord. I am so satisfied with Jesus too. He is our all and in all."

--Sis. P. R. Bowers

From Louisiana State prison: "Just a note to thank you for the many courtesies extended to me while receiving the Mission Trail. I cannot recall any weekend more challenging and rewarding than when I have the Mission Trail. I have accomplished so much that it seems easy. God has surely raised you up for training of soldiers for Christ behind prison walls. May our Lord continue to use you there for His glory and honor. . Yours in Christ,"

--Bro. M. Nesbitt

name of our wonderful Lord and master
--the one that means so much to us all.
We trust you dear ones are keeping well.
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I was real sick Sat. with virus but the Lord touched my body and was able to go to church Sunday. . . I got to go to La. for Bro. Jim Manuel's funeral, stayeda little over three weeks visiting with my loved ones. I surely enjoyed my visit. . . I am happy in the Lord and enjoying his many blessings that He has for his children. . . Your sister

From Okla.: "Greetings of love in the

in Christ," --Sister Della Perry

From Ohio: "Greetings in Jesus dear name this early morning in our little home in Dayton, Ohio. We made the trip safely. Left Guthrie Saturday forenoon and got to the Tomblesons that night. Stayed night and came on Sunday. Traveled nearly 600 miles that day with that heavily loaded truck. about 10 after 8 o'clock Sunday night. Cecil and Ann were here awaiting our coming to help us unload. Then Helen and Willard were here soon and others from the chruch and in about 45 minutes the truck was all unloaded. How thankful we were. We love our little home. It's so handy, just right across street from church and so cozy. They had really worked on it in fixing it up. . . It hardly looks like same place, painting

and varnishing, floor coverings, window shades and curtains. Things just shines. It's so encouraging. Things look so clean and inviting. . . I could write on and on and tell of how good the Lord has been to us. His blessings are more than we can number. We are real happy. It just seems the loving arms have been about us and his hands beneath. Praise his dear name. It was two weeks ago this afternoon that the great event took place. We were joined in Holy matrimony. We are not sorry but happy. . . "

--Bro. & Sis. William A. McCoy, 621 Tyron Ave., Dayton, Ohio 45404

From Miss.: "We hope all is well with you, and you are still enjoying a good Christian life. To me, that is the only life to live. If in this life only, we had hope we would be as Paul said, of all men most miserable, but thank the dear Lord he has made a way for all who will accept. It has been some time since we wrote you. Mother has celebrated her 91st birthday, and is still going, healthy Two of Austin and Vada's and happy. sisters came to see her on her birth-We enjoyed them so much. . . Bro. Murphey, I know your space is limited in the little Mission Trail, so I won't feel bad if you don't print my testimony. May be some one else's would be worth more. I want to help with the expense. . . With much Christian love." -- Sis. Grace Gill.

From Mo.: "Greetings in the Lord, this nice day. The sun is so warm and the leaves are turning some. The Lord is so good to us all. I sure do thank and praise him for his blessing from day to day. He is worthy of all praise and honor. I want to be more like him and do all I know which is pleasing in his sight. Remember me in your prayers, as we do you all."--Sis. Myrtle Glass

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From Pa.: "I know the word says 'All things work together for good to all who are called according to his purpose' That isn't all of it, but I lean on that verse so much. Maybe sometimes I let self come in too much. Also my other verse is 'Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee, because he trusteth in thee' Oh what precious words from His book. We can find balm for every hurt or advice where needed too. The word is given for our admonition, instruction and learning. Oh that I could read it more. . . . God bless you each day. Your sister in His service, " --Eva Cox

From Ohio: "Greetings to one and all in Jesus dear name. We had a safe trip home--no trouble at all. God sure blest and we truly thank Him for all his many blessings. Moreover, the saints are so wonderful. We love and appreciate them more and more and truly appreciate their prayers in our behalf."

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--Sister Armilda Abbott

From Tenn.: "... I was thrilled and inspired because you had the grace and courage to attack snuff over the air. That took more courage than most evangelical preachers have in this generation. When I was a child, nearly all self respecting preachers attacked the tobacco habit; but now most not only condone it but have it. I have seen two preachers stand in front of a

church before services and smoke together. When I was baptised, I made sure the man who performed the ceremony was one who did not use tobacco. I'm glad I don't have to decide who will go to hell; but if I had the tobacco habit and refused to break it, I certainly wouldn't hope for anything better for myself and especially if I were a preacher. . . Yours in Christ, "

-- John W. Patton, Sr.

From Calif.: "I think of you often but just haven't gotten around to writing as I should. . I love the Lord and his word. I have no intention of turning back. It appears to me the time is short. . Pray for my sister Helen and her daughters. Her husband was killed in a car accident last Sunday, between Enid and Nash, Okla. He was 45. Please pray for my unsaved loved ones." --Sister Edith Reavis

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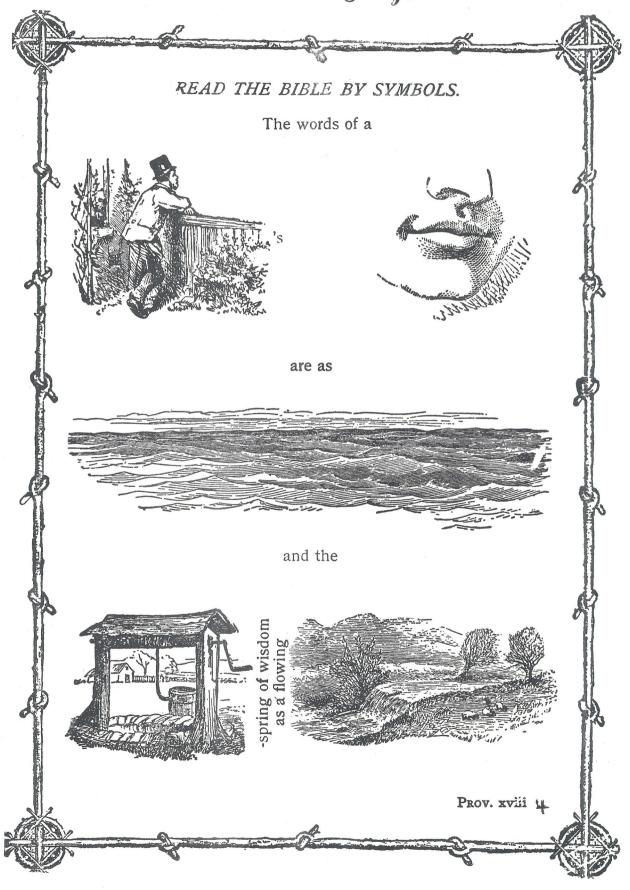
From Colo.: "We are glad to report victory through the precious blood of Jesus. We are determined by the help

Jesus. We are determined by the help of Jesus to press onward and upward till we reach that heavenly home prepared for all who will live Godly. Wife and I are both doing very well in body, thanks be to God. We hope this finds all well and happy in the Lord. Bro. Wollert was here yesterday. They are both doing well. Keep the good work going. We are enjoying the Mission Trail very much. May the Lord bless you in the work of the Lord. Pray for

us. . . Bye for now. In Christian love, "
--The McEndrees, Ed and Addie

--0--From Okla.: "Want to say I am still rejoicing in the Lord and enjoy His presence with me. . . I want you to especially pray for my grandson, Marvin Hardy, who was hurt in the accident two weeks ago last Saturday. Had word from Esther again yesterday. still will have him in traction four more weeks before they can really do much for it. They found it broke in four places. . . They said it is not doing too well to now. . . And he is just a young boy 16 years. We know our God is able to undertake. . . Has broken collar bone and other injuries. He is in South Bend Memorial Hospital, 615 N. Michigan, Room 550, South Bend, Indiana 46601. . . Christian love and prayers, " --Nellie Poulos

Children's Page



at press time

we understand:

Dear Brown Sister Murphey I have intended to write you all summer it was hard for Me to write while it was so hot and people Eighty years old its harder than for young, people I am Still Saved and by the Lords help I intend to Stay Saved untill the Lord Calls me Home. I have been unusually the last four years the Lord has been so good to me please pray for me as I Do for you sister Naomianne

"Ilove the Lord. He is so good to me, I am sure He orders each day for me and will continue to do so as long as He needs my labors here."

--Sister Lou Bray

"P. S. Oh, Brother Murphey, I was so glad to see the picture of the newly weds. I know sister Gibson. She and Bro. Gibson came to visit me some time back which we enjoyed having them in our home. My husband was glad to meet them. Well, well, Sister Gibson has gotten married. I trust they both will do well and their life will be a happy one."

--Sis. P. R Bowers

We are sorry about that wrong zip code given earlier in the Mission Trail in the address of Bro. & Sis. Wm. A. McCoy. Please notice their correct address and zip at the end of their testimony on page 4, of this issue.

"Dear Bro. Willie, Sis. Frances and readers of the Mission Trail, I want to take this means to thank each and everyone of the Saints who have prayed for me for so long. The Lord has not seen fit yet to heal me but I am still pressing on and trusting God for all things. He knows what is best for each of us and I believe I am consecrated for the Lord to have his way in my life. I have received many cards, letters and even telephone calls from all over and each one is an encouragement to me. I can witness that the Saints help bear each others burdens. Continue to pray --Sister Minnie White for me. " R. 4, Box 145, Guthrie, Oklahoma 73044 --0--

"Would you please put a little notice in the paper giving the saints our new address?... We are very happy in our new home. We will be glad if we ever get all settled. Love to all the saints."

--Sister Margaret Brant, 13 North St., Bangor, Mich. 49013

"Hope you are well and enjoying life, but if you folks are like me things don't always go the way we think they should but the Lord always knows best."

--C. A. Stone

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Earnest prayer is requested for Bro. Dale Doolittle who is having severe trouble with his back and limbs. It is necessary for him to lie down and rest often. Sis. Dora is also greatly afflicted and suffers much pain. Sister Ruby wrote: "She had to eat with her left hand. I combed her hair for her."

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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."

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