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“LIFT UP YOUR EYES, AND LOOK ON THE FIELDS; FOR THEY ARE WHITE ALREADY TO HARVEST.” — JOHN 4:35

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## *Beware of False Prophets!*

Radio Broadcast for May 21, 1978

Good morning to all the listeners of the broadcast. What a privilege to be coming your way again. I have for you a warning from the Word of the Lord. Listen: "Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves." Matt. 7:15. If Jesus spoke of false prophets in his day, then we surely ought to be aware of them today. And that's what I want to talk about in just a moment, but first this:

### HOLY SCRIPTURE

Who has this Book and reads it not  
Doth God himself despise;  
Who reads but understandeth not,  
His soul in darkness lies.

Who understands, but savors not,  
He finds no rest in trouble;  
Who savors but obeyeth not,  
He hath his judgment double.

Who reads this Book, who understands,  
Doth savor and obey,  
His soul shall stand at God's right hand,  
In the great judgment-day.

Now, we are living in an age of deception. This we see all about us. In the commercial and business world, there are schemes to defraud and deceive in order to make a sale and get advantage of those who are unaware of these schemes.

Government agencies are busy trying to head off and prevent fraud, and sometimes the fraud exists right in the

agency. And we are sorry that fraud is not confined to business enterprises, but reaches even into the religious world. So I say, beware of false prophets which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

When there seems to be no other way to deceive a soul, then the devil makes a pious appearance in a religious cloak and begins to talk and preach "religion" to the poor wandering sinner. He says:

"Now, just join the "church" and you will be all right; all you will need to do will be to give the preacher your name and your hand, and subscribe to the rules of his creed, and you will be all right. You won't even have to obey all the rules of the discipline, if you pay the preacher well." Religion is quite a popular thing nowadays, and easily obtained, as the preachers are after money, members and popularity, and do not really have the care for souls that they should. That is, some of them. We're not going to say that everyone is

this way. But so many are! So the enemy says, "Just take your ease, you do not need a change of heart, have a good time, just so you keep up your profession. Then it will be easy for the preacher to declare you have gone to heaven when you die."

Dear ones, do you not know there is more truth to this than fiction? The so-called churches are filled with just such deluded souls who have gone on listening to the smooth suggestions of the devil and his servants, many who fill a place in the pulpit have never had a change of heart. But please listen to me now: A person may belong to all the religious denominations or creeds in the world and yet not have a particle of salvation, and in the end land his soul in perdition. Christ is the door, he is the "way, the truth and the life," and when a soul comes to him, they are made complete in him, and are made fit subjects for heaven. The word of God is true in spite of all the suggestions of the devil, and no one can be saved without following Bible teachings. Jesus told Nicodemus, "Ye must be born again."

Of course, Satan puts up a life and death battle before turning loose of a soul. When the gospel call comes to a person with conviction and seeks for the sinner to turn from the ways of sin, forsake the ways of evil and serve the Lord, there is a struggle which takes place before a positive decision is reached. Some are able to make the choice according to the gentle voice of the Spirit without such a severe struggle, while with others it is almost heart-rending to even decide to give up the ways of the world. The enemy would bring up a thousand things to discourage a soul at just such a time. It is a critical time and it would sometimes seem as if death

itself would be a relief, so firmly does the enemy try to hold his victim. If his enticements and worldly allurements are about to fail, then he will come in like a flood on another and entirely different line.

I heard of a man who gave up his seeking the Lord when faced with tremendous restitutions in his past life, which he was unwilling to straighten up, --so it was reported. Sometimes the enemy will come with threats, and try to frighten the one whom he has long held in bondage, to prevent a yielding to the will of God. He will whisper: "The people will scoff at you; God will let you starve to death; you will lose your business, reputation, good name, and become a castaway." A thousand other things he has to suggest and bring to mind. But he is not only a liar, but he is the father of lies, and goes about as a "roaring lion seeking whom he may devour."

When the devil roars with a great noise before you, he's not so much to be feared from that standpoint; but is like the African lion, who will give a tremendous roar in front of the hunter who is nearing him; and while the startled hunter is almost paralyzed with fear on account of the sudden noise, the shrewd beast silently, quickly and stealthily makes a circuitous route through the jungle and comes up behind the hunter, who, if not acquainted with the nature of the lion, is watching the point from whence the noise came, while the animal is ready to devour him by taking him unawares.

If Satan can so attract any one as to take him unawares and devour him, he is always ready to do so. Therefore it is necessary to get acquainted with God in order to know the devices of Satan.



And with the Spirit of God dwelling within us we can become so fully equipped that the enemy of souls will be compelled to flee away. We find in the Word where it says: "Resist the devil and he will flee from you." But you must resist if you desire to be saved. You can resist by deciding to obey God; by forsaking sin, and evil companions, and God will help you just as far as you help yourself, and when you can do no more he will do it all.

The great important step in getting salvation, is the decision. One must come to a thorough decision or all efforts will be in vain. To make up the mind just to "try it" and if a failure is made, then let the matter go and conclude that yours is a hopeless case, is folly to the extreme. People must get decided on this point or they will drift along with the tide of sin, until the death angel decides the matter forever.

When one is charged with a crime, he is brought before the jury, witnesses tell what they know of his actions pointing to his conviction or otherwise as the case may be. The judge charges the jury to be fair in all their deliberations. But they are compelled in all honesty and fairness to render a verdict of "guilty" in many cases.

What a striking illustration this is of a person in sin, who has gone on until the end of life and must appear before the great court of heaven, to be tried as a criminal for breaking the laws of God, there to be judged according to the deeds in the body. The sinful deeds of life come up as witnesses to testify against the transgressor. Mercy pleads in vain. Truth must prevail, and the verdict is rendered "guilty". The Judge pronounces the sentence and the doom is forever sealed. This is the death

scene of the sinner. But, dear one, while there is life there is hope for you, and mercy will plead your case and prevail, if you will but make the effort and make a positive decision.

The reason so many fail who "try" to get saved is because they fail to fully decide to go through with God, cost what it will, and until that point is reached there is not much advancement towards getting a settled experience. When a wise man contemplates building a house he first sits down and counts the cost, and if he finds he is able to build, it does not take long to make a decision and begin the work with a determination to go through with it. The sinner must first count the cost and see if he is able to pay the price of giving up sin and the ways of wickedness, worldly conformity, and such things as pertain to a worldly life. Then he is ready to begin to call upon God for help, and not before, and will find the Lord ready to answer.

And friends, though you may not have many talents, you can be like the man in this poem:

#### THE ONE-TALENT MAN

He couldn't sing and he couldn't play;  
He couldn't speak and he couldn't pray;  
He'd try to read, but break right down,  
Then sadly grieve and smile or frown:  
While some with talents ten begun,  
He started out with only one.  
"With this," he said, "I'll do my best,  
And trust the Lord to do the rest."  
His trembling hand and fearful eye  
Gave forth a word of sympathy;  
When all alone with one distressed,  
He whispered words that calmed that breast;  
And little children learned to know,  
When grieved and troubled, where to go.  
He loved the birds, the flowers, the

trees;

And, loving him, his friends loved these.  
Of homeliness, and in his face  
There beamed a kind and tender light  
That made surrounding features bright.  
When illness came, he smiled at fears  
And bade his friends to dry their tears.  
He said, "Good-bye," and all confess  
He made of life a grand success.

### *Testimonies*

From Okla.: "I love to hear the preaching of the word of God over the broadcast. So glad to be able to report victory in Jesus our Saviour... I want to let you know that we had an accident week ago today at 5:55 p.m. coming home from Fairview, coming to our corner and did make turn off left. Then a lady hit us. We landed in the ditch west, facing east. The car had to be towed into our home place. Ambulance was called. Abe and I were taken to the Fairview hospital. We were released to go home, although there was some suffering. Thanks unto God the Father and Jesus Christ. I receive help from Heaven. Most pain was between my shoulder blades in the back. O praise and give thanks unto the Lord for every pain relief he gave me, and also for his healing virtue. We have no car or pickup to drive with. So dear friends and neighbors are our helpers. God bless them. Trusting the Lord to help us get a car or pickup, what so ever God in his wisdom wants to bless with. I love the prayers of the saints in this matter too."

--Sis. Eva Penner, R. 1, Box 166, Fairview, Okla. 73737.

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From Okla.: "I have been attending the spring meeting at Boley. The meeting was going real well. The Spirit of the Lord was leading. Some souls sought help... Continue to pray for us here in Tulsa."

--Sis. Theresa Gaines

From Texas: "These few lines leaves me still saved and sanctified pressing the battle on. I mean to go all the way with my dear Lord and Savior. Without him I can do nothing. Bro. Paul said, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."--Sis. Nellie Lovell

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From Pa.: "Greetings in the wonderful name of Jesus! He is ever near when we need Him. Oh! His precious promises are for all who will hold onto His mighty hand. I am so glad He is mine and I am His, for I wouldn't want to live without Him. Today is rainy and dark, but the sunshine of God's love is within my heart. We were saddened last Thurs. April 27 that our sister-in-law Jessie left us. She had planned on getting better and gaining strength and doing many things, but God saw fit to take her... God bless you as you work for Him. I am gaining strength and flesh on my body. I was down to skin and bones. God is good. Please pray earnestly for my husband. He is having trouble breathing... Wish I could help him some way, but all I can do is pray."

--Sis. Eva Cox

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From Calif.: "The Lord is blessing us here with stirring messages, to strengthen us in the last days in preparing us for his work and also for heaven. Heaven is where we have started as I often heard Bro. Chandler say, and the Lord has the way made clear for us, if we just heed the way marks... We miss dear Bro. Stover. The Lord is reaching down and calling some of his children home. Seems like I can almost feel their joy when the Spirit leaves this house of clay and takes its flight and joins those gone on before. Oh, what a reunion that is! What Glory! ... We mean to be faithful until he calls us to our reward."

--Bro. Gene and Sis. Loretta Harmon



From Calif.: "This morning finds me happy and encouraged in my soul and thanking the Lord for all of his daily blessings ... I felt so sad about dear brother Stover; so glad I got to see them last summer, as it had been six years before then. And it was so sad to give dear aunt Neva up so soon after mama. ... I pray often for the work there, and do keep praying for me that I will keep faithful to God and be a help to my family..."

--Sis. Hazel Savage

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From Ark.: "Hope you both are well. We are up, able to wait on ourselves, doing very well for old people. My husband will be 81 the 29th of this month, but up and about... We enjoy the Mission Trail very much; we want to keep getting. We are not able to go to church, can't walk that far. We don't have a radio so we can't hear you, but we enjoy the Mission Trail."

--Jay and Nettie Warford

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From Calif.: "I want to live a life to please my Lord and make it in when the saints go marching in. Oh, praise the Lord, what a time that will be. But oh, a sad time for those that are not ready. The good Lord healed me a while back... You know he won't let anything come but what he takes us through."

--Sis. Ada Leach

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From Okla.: "I believe we are living in last days. According to God's word the Bible is just about fulfilled. People are looking for easy way to heaven. I am sure if we are right with God we will have trials and temptations. I know I do. I am glad God has a few people who will stand the test until Jesus comes. Paul tells us in God's word he died daily. We meet with trials. Sometimes it seems we can hardly endure, but it is God's grace that keeps us on the go for God..."

--Sis. Della Harrison

From W. Va.: "Feed me with food convenient for me, by Bro. Earl Bliss-- I read his experiences growing up here in the hills of W. Va. So many of his experiences here in the hills of West Va. were the same as my experiences. I was born in Gilmer County and when I was 6 years old my folks moved to Calhoun county in April, 1901 ... We moved from an old log house to an old board house. It was in bad shape but much work was done on it and now it is a nice house... When I was 11 years old I milked 10 cows. We had plenty of milk and butter. And those sugar trees when tapped -- I carried the sugar water to the house and we made so much maple syrup. We raised all our vegetables and dried and canned fruit and buried our potatoes, beets and cabbage. We had a big peach orchard, and I would go on the hill and pick peaches and go get the sled and horses and bring them off the mountain, and folks would be there to buy them. We sold them for \$1.00 a bushel, so I wonder what part of West Va. the Bro. Bliss got two dollars? We attended church regularly as far back as I can remember up on a hill in sight of our home until I was six and we moved, then we walked a mile to church. People were more eager to go to church then than what they are now. I have moved to several different places, and will have to say I have liked every place I have lived, but one and I only stayed there one year. I expect my next move will be my last move. How I hope to meet those that have been so dear to me where there will be no more parting. I do pray that I will meet you dear ones that I have never met, but still feel that I know you, because you are my brothers and sisters. Please keep praying for me and if ever you have a chance come see me, and bring us a message. We only have a few coming, but still have good services." --Sis. Flora Hinzman

From Calif.: "The Mission Trail means much to me where I am not near any of the saints right now. As soon as the lady here is able to walk when her hip is healed, I plan to return home to Oregon, the Lord willing. I was sorry I didn't get to attend Ira's funeral and would have if it had been here in California, but I couldn't get away to Okla., as there is no one here to take my place right now. Two of our good ministers are gone now -- in one week's time. Outside of being quite confined here I'm enjoying the lovely warm weather here in California--my native state."

--Sis. Lucille Trimble

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From N. Car.: "Dear Bro. Willie, Enclosed is a very small offering for the Lord's work. Wish I could send more. We do appreciate the work that you all are doing for the Master. I enjoy reading The Mission Trail so much. Do pray for us. We shall be praying for you. Christian love,"

--Sis. C. B. Nelson

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From Calif.: "This is to let you know I am yet encouraged to keep pressing on in the straight and narrow way...I have gotten much inspiration and comfort from the reading of the Mission Trail... May the Lord ever bless and keep you in his service. Pray for me."

--Sis. Geneva Pierro

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From N. Mex.: "Greetings of love in the dear name of Jesus our Lord and Savior. We hope you are well and everything is going smoothly in all you have to do. I love the little Mission Trail... the dear Lord is so good to every one who trusts in him day by day. How wonderful it is we can always go to him for help and just to tell him our requests. I am sending a gift to help in some way. God bless. Christian love,"

--Sis. Ruth Doolittle

From Kans.: "Greetings in Jesus dear name this beautiful day the Lord has given us. We are thankful for the truth and glad we bought it and don't intend to sell it either. I think your message Sunday brought that in. We had a time of refreshing Sunday by the coming of Bro. and Sis. Rudy Schmidt, also the Lord blessed Bro. Vada McMillian with a good message for our encouragement. Last week the Lord gave us a scripture that encouraged us to hold steady. Then Bro. Vada clinched it. His message was on the value of the presence of the Lord. We, too, like Moses of old--If his presence don't go with us we don't want to go...I thought of the little boy who wouldn't tell a lie, so the other boys drowned him and the monument said he died rather than lie or be untruthful. What a memorial he left. We want to be honest with God, honest with our own souls...We pray the Lord to bless you in your radio ministry. Many times it has been just what we needed."

--Bro. Ralph and Sis. Inez Beisly

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From Mo.: "Greetings in Jesus dear name. We trust you and yours are all well and much encouraged. We all back here are doing very well and encouraged to press on. There is no better way than to stay with God. We have his good promises if we keep true and faithful. We still miss our dear mother. The Lord does comfort our hearts each day. Thank you all again for your love to us during that time. The singing was so good. We always enjoy the Mission Trail paper, seems more than ever now since we don't hear you over the radio... Do pray for me..."

--Sis. Cassie Wilson

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From Calif.: "I too, want to be in that number in the resurrection morning. So many have been called home. It will be a comfort to see them again."

--Sis. Opal Williams



# at press time

we understand:

In Memory of Sister Berniece Rumpfelt  
Our dear mother

left us one year  
ago May 17, 1977  
to make her home  
in heaven. Oh,  
how we miss her  
smiling face and  
kind words. We  
wipe away the  
tears and think of



the love and sweet memories she left  
us. We know heaven is richer and  
brighter since she has been there. We  
would not wish her back. --Virgie,  
Virginia, Lyman and grand children.

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From Ore.: "Dear Bro. Willie...How  
are you all back there? As you have no  
doubt heard, I have rheumatic fever, but  
am doing much better. The Lord has  
been good to me...I always enjoy the  
Mission Trail, but especially since I've  
been sick. Pray for me,"

--Bro. Irwin Wattanbarger, 612 S. 2nd,  
Silverton, Oregon 97381.

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Congratulations to Nelson and Genece  
Doolittle, Loranger, La., on the birth  
of their son, Carlos Lynn, April 23.

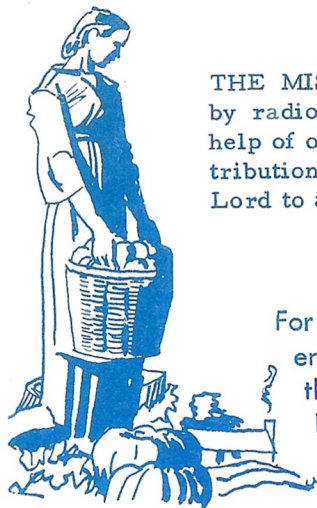
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June camp meetings include: Holly Hill,  
S. Car. -- June 2 to 11th. Jefferson,  
Oregon; Tulsa, Okla.; and Green Bank,  
W. Va. all begin June 9th and continue  
through 18th. Hammond, La. -- June  
24 through July 2. Others are scheduled  
throughout the summer. National camp-  
meeting begins July 21 near Neosho,  
Mo. and continues through July 30th.

Sis. Evelyn McCoy is sorely afflicted  
and is in need of earnest prayers of the  
saints. Although very weak she is  
patiently waiting on the Lord. Re-  
member her and Bro. McCoy.

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"Cast thy bread upon the waters: for  
thou shalt find it after many days. Give  
a portion to seven, and also to eight;  
for thou knowest not what evil shall be  
upon the earth. If the clouds be full of  
rain, they empty themselves upon the  
earth: and if the tree fall toward the  
south, or toward the north, in the place  
where the tree falleth, there it shall be.  
He that observeth the wind shall not sow;  
and he that regardeth the clouds shall  
not reap...In the morning sow thy seed,  
and in the evening withhold not thine  
hand: for thou knowest not whether shall  
prosper, either this or that, or whether  
they both shall be alike good." Eccl.  
11:1-4; 6. And so it is in preaching  
the Word. Some of it may fall on stony  
places and some along the wayside, but  
as we send it forth each week over the  
air we trust that God may cause some  
of it to fall into good ground and grow.  
One soul is worth more than all the  
world. We are in our fourteenth year  
of broadcasting over the radio and we  
are reminded that radio waves travel  
at the rate of 186,000 miles per second.  
They enter locked doors, hospital rooms  
and automobiles as they travel the roads  
of the nation. We desire your prayers  
as we continue our efforts to spread the  
truth throughout the land. Your help  
is appreciated. Many thanks to all who  
have assisted in the past.



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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

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