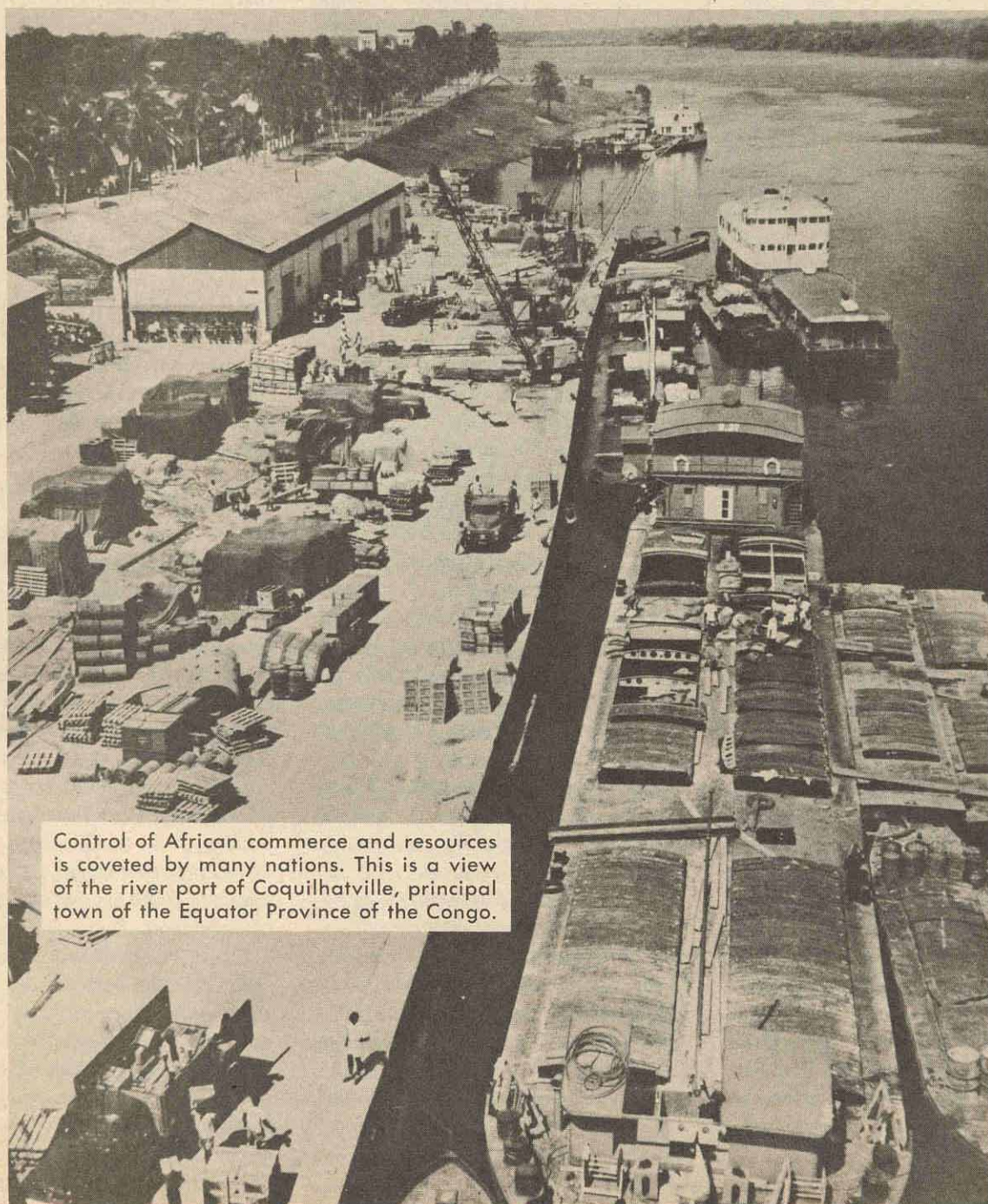


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Control of African commerce and resources is coveted by many nations. This is a view of the river port of Coquilhatville, principal town of the Equator Province of the Congo.

HOW The Plain Truth is different!

We say there is no magazine like *The PLAIN TRUTH*. We mean that literally. Yet most readers probably never grasped the real basic difference. Here it is.

by Herbert W. Armstrong

DO YOU realize that the large mass-circulation, highly reputable big-prestige magazines such as *The Saturday Evening Post*, *LIFE*, *The Ladies Home Journal*, *LOOK*, and others, would refuse to accept for publication the type of articles you are privileged to read in *The Plain Truth*?

Do you know why?

Our type of material is contrary to "their policies." Yes, but do you know WHY?

Why People Resent Authority

Probably you never quite realized this distinction before. Suddenly, just now, it has come to me like a shock.

I have just picked up a copy of *The Saturday Evening Post*. An unusually large two-page caption of an article arrested my eye. The three words "The Universe Revalued," set in very large type shouted at me clear across the two pages. This article, set in important-appearing larger size type in its first two-page spread, flashed instantly to my mind the real *difference* between the popular prestige magazines of this world and *The Plain Truth*.

Immediately I have come to my typewriter. While this realization is hot on my mind, I want to explain it to YOU.

First let me repeat, as I have said so often, the basic ingredient in human nature is *vanity*. Vanity is self-love. Vanity is not only proud, selfish, greedy, it resents authority *over* it. Vanity wants to play GOD—to make the *self* GOD. It likes to be flattered, pampered, waited upon and served. The airlines know this, and if you ever ride a trans-oceanic jet first class you'll realize how their stewards and hostesses are trained to pamper you, please you, wait on you.

To submit to authority is to recognize

something *above* the self. But GOD is above all. And for the *self* to acknowledge, serve and obey authority breaks up the game of playing GOD. It demotes one, reduces him down below his pleasing imaginary self-estimate. It is like taking defeat.

The very circumstances of life force every individual, time after time, into the uncomfortable sense of being lower than some circumstance, situation, person, group, or whatever. Down deep he *knows* he is not really GOD. This underlying realization, antagonistic to his nature, is humiliating. This is the cause of the inferiority complex. The "show-off" is merely a guilt-stricken inferiority complex attempting to rise above it by attracting attention to the *self*, whether favorable or unfavorable.

And *that*, too, is vanity!

We don't stop to *think* about these things. We are not usually conscious of them. They work subconsciously—they are HUMAN NATURE.

Human nature is not instinct. Animals have instinct—humans have human nature. Animal instinct is virtually involuntary *action*, based not on reasoning, imagination, decision and will, but on instinct.

Human nature is a *tendency of attitude*—a sort of gravitational *pull* of attitude in the direction of VANITY. The human mind, once aware of this pull, has power of reasoning, of understanding, of decision, and of will to resist it—power to see, comprehend, decide, and DO what one *ought to do*, instead of *what he wants to do*.

Thus humans are capable of developing the very CHARACTER of GOD. Animals are not. But the CHARACTER of God comes only by the humility of recognizing the FACT that the self is NOT now God, and by recognizing the su-

preme authority of the Creator of man Who, only, is GOD.

That is simply the *fact*. And god-like character is based on *understanding* of fact and truth, and acting accordingly, even at cost of self-denial, self-propulsion, self-discipline.

Not only is GOD the supreme AUTHORITY, but He may, and often does, set lesser authorities over us—even the authority of other people, or of His inexorable laws, or even of organized human law, or human organization and rules.

A basic ingredient of human nature, then, is REBELLION—against all authority over one. And since all authority emanates from, or at least is allowed by God, this attitude of rebellion is actually *rebellion against* GOD.

How to Win Friends

Now what has all this to do with the difference between *The Plain Truth* and all other magazines?

Well, these respected popular magazines are actually a commercial business. Their real income is derived from advertising. Obviously, they must not offend business interests, the source of income and profits. But also they must not offend the PUBLIC, for their circulation is derived from the largest possible portion of the public they can interest in reading their magazines. Advertising rates are based on volume and quality of circulation.

Elbert Hubbard was right when he said, "We do business only with our friends—our enemies don't trade with us." The business man, therefore, feels he must give the public what the public wants. If you want to win friends, be agreeable. Avoid controversy. Avoid offense.

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How to Get and Hold a Good JOB!

There are REASONS why some men and women often seem to have "job troubles"! Do you know what they are? Do you know how to master this problem?

by Roderick C. Meredith

RECESION in business, nagging unemployment, the American economy in trouble!" These are the newspaper headlines we have had to read for many months now. Economists say we have hit bottom and are slowly to recover.

How can you be sure you will keep your job—if you still have one? And what about getting a job if you are presently unemployed?

Do you know the REAL answers to your financial and job problems? How can you help yourself—and your loved ones—to find true financial security in the uncertain years ahead?

Temporary Jobs Not Real Solution

Although you can usually "stopgap" your unemployment problem by getting one or more temporary jobs to fill in, the real *problem* still remains. For a stable, long-range solution to unemployment, you should put yourself through a course of *self-analysis*. Many of you have read how Mr. Armstrong did this at age sixteen to make sure he was getting on the *right track* for his future life work.

There are vocational guidance tests available from many colleges, universities, and private agencies to guide you. Check into these thoroughly.

But *on your own*, think slowly and carefully over your entire life and *write down* a list of activities in which you have excelled in school, in handicraft activities, in hobbies and all other extracurricular activities. Note down any specialized vocational *training* you may have received in school, in the armed forces, or in any other way.

Make a written list of the various jobs you have actually held, and note the ones in which you have excelled or were particularly interested. Also, write out a list of your main *interests* in life



Wide World Photo

Here are newcomers entering the job market. Will they be able to get and hold good jobs?

—what you like to do best in both work and in recreation. Remember that you usually *enjoy* the most those activities in which you excel.

As you begin to make these various lists and study them you will probably begin to see a pattern. Perhaps your list of previous jobs will include outdoor jobs of a manual nature. But you will also remember that—although these were fine for temporary or part-time jobs—you did not really *excel* in any jobs of this type. Perhaps you didn't have any special "savvy" in developing the skills that would normally make you a leader in this field.

Then, you may begin to remember that—although you never "happened" to get a job where it was used—mathematics, perhaps, was your strongest

subject in school. You also enjoyed it because you could excel in it.

In that case, depending upon your age, your present financial condition and the number of people relying on you for support, perhaps you should begin taking either full-time or part-time training in a college, reputable correspondence course or technical school to really *prepare* for a GOOD job involving mathematical skill and training. This should be a field in which you should become a *leader* and a definite *success*.

You see the point of this hypothetical illustration.

If you intelligently analyze your past—your *real* interests, abilities and training—you will be able to determine the field in which you can *excel*. Whatever

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

"Dear Mr. Armstrong:

"Today I met a girl from Germany who will go back next August. She told me that Frankfurt was 90% destroyed, but that Germany today is very modern. I asked her which country she liked best, America or Germany. She replied America was nice, but that she liked Germany much better."

Man from Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Editor's Comment: Many Germans remain loyal to Germany even when they move to other nations. Germans are often *strongly nationalistic*.

Experts Realize World Conditions

"Quite by accident (?) I heard your recent broadcast in which you referred to the increase in earthquake activity around the world. You mentioned that a new book on earthquakes was to be

published soon. Would it be possible to obtain the name of the book and its publisher? I would also like to obtain your pamphlet titled, 'Who Will Rule Space,' and copies of The PLAIN TRUTH which mention earthquake activity. Please bill me for this information. You are right about the increase in the earthquake activity, but neither you nor the public has any idea of just how intense the increase is."

Seismology Expert, Seattle

I Remember

"I sure did enjoy the article 'I Remember' in the January, 1961, PLAIN TRUTH on the recovery of a battered Germany. I remember very plainly back in 1944-45 when you prophesied that Germany would rebuild and be a major world power again and everybody said they never would rebuild, but I knew they would. The PLAIN TRUTH is the best magazine printed."

Man from Sparta, Missouri

Germany Will Rise Again

"A school teacher who had recently returned from Germany told his West-End Club exactly what you said in your magazine about the bustle and prosperity of Germany. Said that country was coming ahead with leaps and bounds, and building underground. There are some neighbors in back of us who claim that Germany will rise again, that in the eyes of the German youth Hitler is not dead. His teachings still remain. These neighbors back of us are German immigrants and they want to go back to Germany."

Woman, Regina, Sask., Canada

Editor's Comment: Write for our article "Germany In Prophecy." Find out what is to happen in *your* future.

News from Canada

"I am so happy to have a small part in this great and wonderful work which God is doing worldwide in these latter days. My prayer is that God will bless His work throughout Canada as He has done in the United States and around

Sorry! There was not enough space in this issue for Mr. Armstrong's **Autobiography**. Read it next issue!

the world. It gives me great joy to just think of the good news being broadcast in the city of Vancouver—hoping too that many will hear and heed the call of this true gospel and have the joy and peace that has come to me since first listening to The WORLD TOMORROW broadcast."

Canadian Listener

Editor's Comment: This is one of the first letters received by our new Vancouver office.

First Full-length Sermon in Years

"For the first time in a good many years I listened to a full-length sermon—last Sunday over WIBG, Philadelphia. I stayed to the end. If all of your work in any way approaches that which I heard last Sunday, I will be listening again."

Man, North Wales, Pa.

Editor's Comment: The WORLD TOMORROW broadcast is different. It is one solid half-hour of preaching the very message Jesus proclaimed—the good news of the soon-coming Kingdom of God!

The Truth Is Understandable

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

"I never could read the Bible or become interested, but your writings make it more interesting and understandable. It is the revealing manner and proving style which brings everything into focus and readily accepted for reading enjoyment that mainly makes me want to know more about the Bible and God. . . . This is what I've been needing."

Man from Bronx, New York

The Work Grows in the Mid-West

"I sincerely enjoy your morning broadcast at 10:30 over KRVN at Lexington, Nebraska. It is a powerful station and is reaching lots of people. Some of our relatives live at Purdum, Nebraska, and they listen very intently. I trust many others in this area are listening also. It's surprising how interesting your program is since there is no singing of gospel songs. I am glad all the time is spent in giving out the Word of God. It is a very short half-hour. Wish it were longer."

Man from Nebraska

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Behind the CONGO CRISIS!

Underneath the raging chaos, a power struggle is on for the control of Africa. Recently released news sources, presented here by our own News Gathering Department, reveal a little-known participant in this struggle.

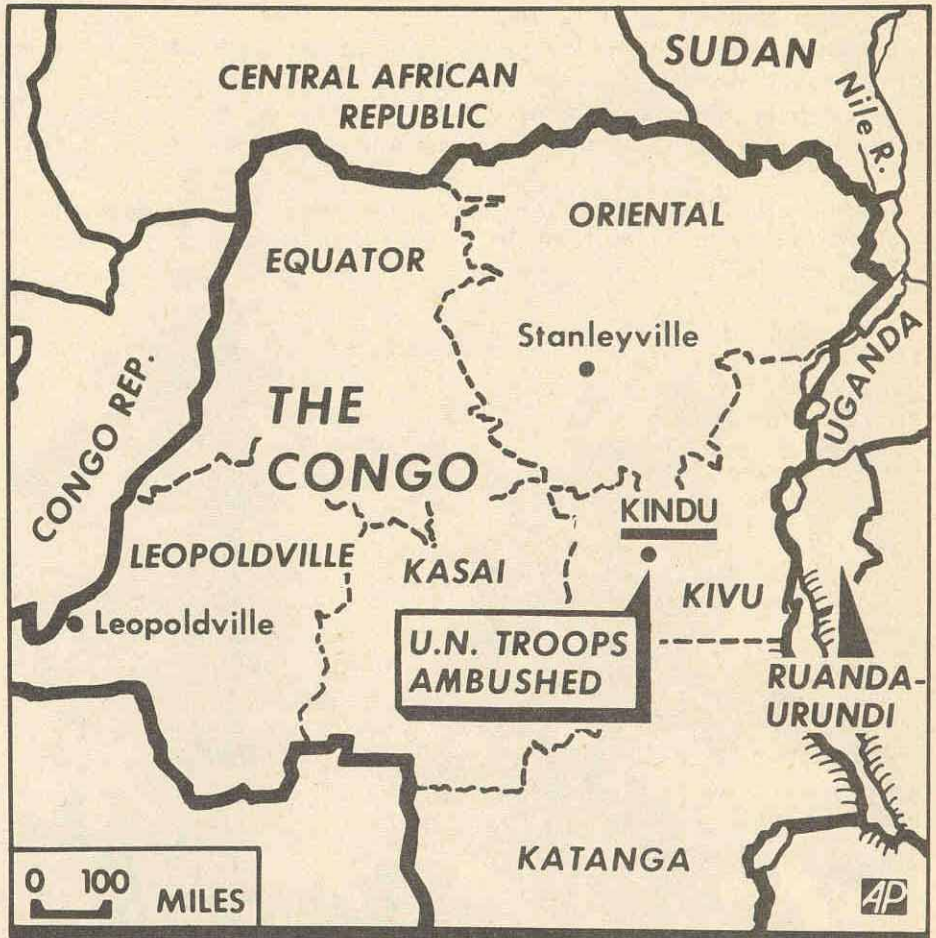
by Gene H. Hogberg

NATIVE nationalism is spreading throughout the "dark continent." The match that lit the tinder-box was struck in the Congo, where rival factions today threaten the complete disintegration of the former Belgian colony.

Horrible Mau-mau-type uprisings are now even threatening Portugal's iron-fisted rule in Angola. The Central African Federation, composed of Northern and Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland, is feeling the brunt of anti-colonial fervor. British plans to appease the black leaders by giving them more representation in the Northern Rhodesian parliament has met with severe reaction in the Federation capital of Salisbury. And now, in the latest development, the Union of South Africa, angered by criticism of its racial policy, has decided to pull out of the British Commonwealth. South Africa's Prime Minister Hendrik Verwoerd bluntly announced at the recent Commonwealth Ministers Conference in London that his country's withdrawal was the first step in "the disintegration of the Commonwealth." *Britain's dominant position in Africa is fading fast!*

Yet few recognize that the present world crisis over Africa is prophesied in the Bible! But before we turn to the Bible answer, let's notice these facts!

"The rule over Africa will one day decide the rule over the planet," wrote one geopolitician. Fully realizing this fact, the major powers have emerged on the chaotic scene. Russia's hand is hardly concealed. Under the guise of helping to "liberate" the young struggling nations from under the "yoke of colonialism," she is rapidly spreading her sphere of influence. But Russia is not the only power interested in Africa. She is being firmly contested by another nation whose re-emergence as a major power is now an accomplished fact—GERMANY! In all the turbulence



Map locates Kindu in Congo Province of Kivu where Pro-Lumumba rebels recently ambushed a United Nations unit.

of the African scene, Germany's aspirations in the fabulously rich continent have gone almost unnoticed.

Failed Twice

Germany's intentions to gain an upper hand in the "dark continent" are nothing new. Ever since her emergence as a European power in the latter 1800's, the control of Europe and Africa—a gigantic "Eurafrican" bloc—has been the very cornerstone of German design for world rule.

Arriving late on the colonial scene, Germany embarked on her grandiose scheme with the acquisition, at the turn of the century, of South-West Africa

and German East Africa, now Tanganyika. This was to have been the beginning of the new German empire of "Mittel-Afrika," which would have covered the continent from Kenya in the east to the Gold Coast (Ghana) in the west, from South-West Africa to Southern Rhodesia. Such an empire, indescribably rich in mineral wealth to feed the furnaces of the burgeoning German war machine, would also have effectively cut British influence in the continent in two. By controlling this central core area, and conspiring with the Arabs in the North and the anti-British Boers (Afrikaners) in the South, Germany, in a short time, would have

pushed the British out of Africa, and replaced her as the dominant world power.

However, this all came crashing down with Germany's defeat in the First World War. The colonies she did have were stripped from her. But this did not deter her well-laid plans! In plotting the next war, Hitler followed the classic pan-German blueprint of co-operating with the Arabs in the North and the Afrikaners in the Union of South Africa. Only by overcoming stiff Afrikaner opposition did the Union join

the fight against the Axis Powers.

And who can forget Rommel's campaigns throughout North Africa? Few people realize, however, that Rommel's troops were also trained for *tropical warfare*, in the heart of British Africa, should that have been necessary.

Now Working Through a United Europe

The defeat of the Afrika Korps at El Alamein put a halt—but *not an end*—to German designs for "Eurafrica." Immediately after World War II, Ger-

many's geopoliticians, working underground from Spain and Argentina, began formulating new plans. These plans were bigger and more inclusive than ever before, but still aimed at putting an end to the hated Anglo-American domination. This time, however, the goal was to be achieved through *economic, not military* warfare. A captured document circulated from the Nazi geopolitical center in Madrid in 1950 outlined plans for the first few turbulent years of the post-war period. "It should prove possible for Germany to build up a new political bloc out of Europe, Africa and Latin America. The economic advantages and the political possibilities in such a new power combination *would put the United States against the wall.*"

The Madrid group issued another top-secret directive in October of 1951. Only recently translated into English, this startling document lays bare the plans for an integrated Europe with Africa as its storehouse. "Our entire economic and political efforts in the future," stated this directive, "must be directed towards bringing about the unification of Europe as quickly as possible. . . . The development for achieving a Unified Europe must come from the *economic* side. *The new political pattern will then follow as a matter of course*"—Germany and her five European partners openly admit that their economic union, "Euromart," is only the beginning of something greater—a *political* union. "Political propaganda must be carried out cleverly and the unification of Europe *must not appear as an enterprise holding out particular attraction for German interests.* . . . Germany's problem is this: to gain an economically dominating and politically influential position from within. Force of gravity and the logic of development will later on allow us to automatically grow into the role of leadership."

Since she possesses the soundest economy on the Continent, other nations united with her in Euromart are beginning to whistle to Germany's tune.

The vast resources of Africa are absolutely essential to such a European powerhouse, whose own resources, depleted by centuries of warfare, are now insufficient. This Madrid circular letter

The sadness on this child's face vividly illustrates the starvation and human misery stemming from the Congo crisis.

Wide World Photo





Wide World Photo

Injured Africans receiving attention after a clash with Congo Forces.

continued, "For its industrial development Germany requires—much more than in the past—raw materials, sources of energy and a market with strong purchasing power. All this it can attain only in a *unified* Europe and through the simultaneous development of Africa in a *common European undertaking*."

Eurafrican Bloc American-bought

Almost unbelievably, the Germans are being given, in a silver-spooned fashion, a united Europe—something they've tried vainly in two wars to attain. West European unity and European development of Africa are the very cornerstones of American foreign policy. U.S. dollars are to be sent to Africa to assist German-dominated Europe in developing that backward continent.

The U.S., solidly pushing a unified European development of Africa, is steadily making Europe the richest continent on earth. Already, the nations joined together in the West European Common Market comprise the world's fastest-growing trading area—*far surpassing* the annual growth of the United States and the Communist bloc! It is time we begin to see the reality of this fast-forming, German-led Third Power Bloc!

By availing themselves of the already-developed resources of other Western European nations in Africa, the Germans, in the name of a United Europe, are out to carve a new economic empire. That this is the official policy of the Bonn government is shown by the following statement made by West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, on

May 20, 1950, reported in the *Rheinischer Merkur*: "Germany has again become a factor with whom others will have to reckon in international affairs. . . . There is also a long-range *economic goal: the colonization of Africa.* . . . If we Europeans [in a united effort] colonize Africa, we create at the same time a supplier of raw materials for Europe which will be of the greatest importance."

German Influence Prophesied

We are warned to watch world conditions (Luke 21:36), and especially to watch *Germany*. God says He is going to use the German nation—called "Assyria" in the Bible—as His instrument in punishing a rebellious, sin-laden
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How to Get and Hold a Good JOB!

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you do *well*, you usually ENJOY doing. And when thinking in terms of a life profession, that's *mighty important*.

Get Help and Advice

When you are ready to seek a permanent job, *don't be ashamed to ask for advice and help!*

The human element is a very large one in the employment practices of many businesses. Remember that in many cases this works for good. People usually work better together when they know and understand each other.

So—*as long as you earnestly intend to be a CREDIT to yourself and your loved ones on this permanent job*—do NOT be ashamed to ask a friend or relative employed in the field of your interest to give you any help or advice that he can in finding a suitable position. In many cases, they will be more than glad for the opportunity to render you this help—*especially if they know that you have diligently prepared yourself for work in their field.*

Often, this asking of advice and help will save you countless hours of looking for employment. It may save you weeks of fruitless interviews with tired employment officials to whom you are just another name and face in a long line. In any case, wise counsel from some sympathetic friend or relative already experienced in your prospective field of employment may help you avoid many

pitfalls in finding the *right* job with the *right* company—and in holding that job once you have got it.

The wisest man who ever lived was inspired to write: "Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established" (Prov. 15:22).

So get plenty of good advice from people of *intelligence* and *experience*. THINK before you go "job hunting"!

Renew old acquaintances and make new friends of people in your prospective field of employment. Get ideas from them—*develop useful contacts*. Before trying for a particular job, look over the general labor and employment picture in your area. Read the national news magazines and see what they have to say about prospects in the different industries and in what part of the country they are best. Read *several* of the local newspapers and their comments on the employment picture as well as reading the particular want-ad columns.

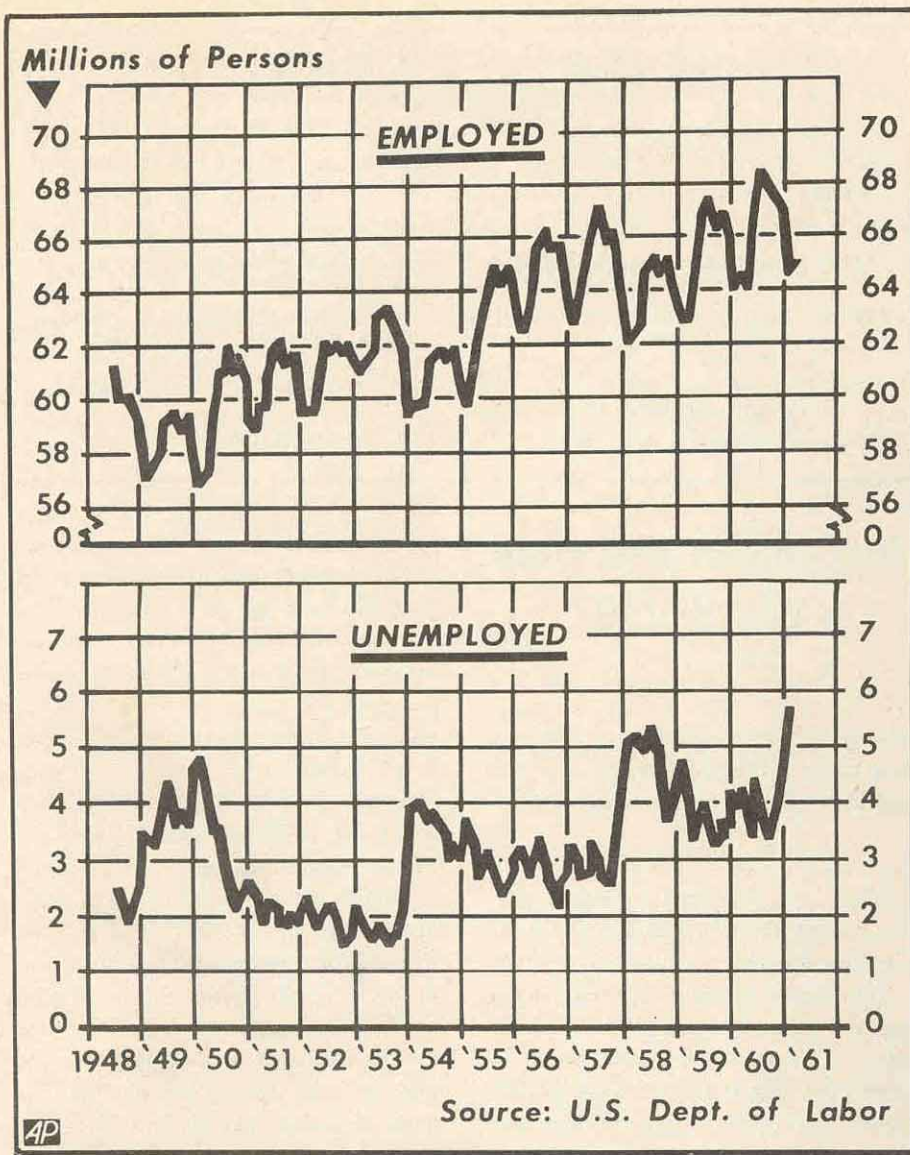
With proper preparation, training, thought and advice, you should be able to try for a *good job*—not just "any" job.

Go the "Extra Mile"

As you seek employment, be *zealous* and *enthusiastic* in making each contact. If you have analyzed yourself and are really INTERESTED in a particular field of employment, *demonstrate that interest in the way you go after a job!*

When you approach a prospective employer, be sure to *put your best foot forward!*

Realize that this man should be a *friend* of yours and that you may share



Labor Department charts show trends in employment and unemployment. Notice that unemployment has skyrocketed during the past year.

many happy hours in association with him and others in his business in the future. So put a genuine *smile* on your face! As you go, *dress well*—dress appropriately—for the particular type of employment which you are seeking. Don't look dowdy, run-down or indifferent. Show a real **ZEAL** in getting the job. Let him know you are ready to **WORK HARD!**

But in all of this, *be sincere*. Don't try to "put it over" on anyone! But on the other hand don't be afraid to show your sincere interest in the type of work for which you are applying, and in getting and working at the job in question.

When talking with a prospective employer, *be positive!* Don't say: "I guess you wouldn't have any opening for me,

would you?" That's negative!

Rather, tell him: "I am sure you can find an opening for me because I have prepared long and hard for this type of work. I am ready to do my utmost to produce as much as possible for you and the company. I like this kind of work, and I am prepared to go 'all out' in making a success on this job!"

Remember that your *interest*—your *friendliness*—your **PERSONALITY** may in some cases count as much in getting the job as your actual training and ability. So feel your best—be alert—and do go "all out" to get a job!

Then, be **SURE** you apply this next principle!

Don't be a **LAZY** job hunter! Make a "job" out of getting a job!

What do I mean by this?

I mean that you start out actually hunting a particular job, that you should *get up EARLY* in the morning—*every morning*—and start out either arranging interviews or pounding the pavement *early* every single morning and **DON'T QUIT UNTIL CLOSING TIME!**

Either plan to eat in a restaurant on the way, or take a sack lunch along with you so that you can *keep at it* throughout the entire eight- or nine-hour "work day" which you should put in *diligently looking for employment*.

Don't waste time! Don't sit and brood at home and feel sorry for yourself! Get out and **HUSTLE!**

THINK!

Remember that if you are seeking a higher type of employment, you may need to write letters ahead of time to arrange interviews. You may need to make telephone calls for this purpose. Remember that you can make fifteen or twenty telephone calls for every visit to different business establishments! *Keep at it. Don't give up!*

Best of all, if you are ready to trust and **OBEY** God, then *pray for His help in getting a job*. The Christ of your Bible promised: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and *all these things* [material needs] *shall be added unto you*" (Mat. 6:33).

Do *your part* in this. Obey God's Commandments. Follow *His ways*. Then pray *earnestly* and ask Him in **FAITH** for His promised help in finding employment.

The answer will be **CERTAIN** to come!

How to Hold Your Job

Once you get a permanent type of job, how can you be sure of holding it in the uncertain years ahead?

First of all, you should heed the advice already given earlier in this article to *prepare* yourself by *special training and education* for the type of job which just "anyone" cannot fill. Be sure you **DO** this! The Creator God has given you a mind. *Use it—develop it*—and keep growing in your abilities and skills in your chosen field. The more difficult you are to replace, the less likely you are to lose your job!

Don't just prepare *until* you get the job. **GROW** on the job—*keep on study-*

ing and developing in skills, abilities and a deep *understanding* of the problems that might come up in your profession or industry.

Think ahead. Anticipate *new trends* within your field. Subscribe to a *trade journal* or professional magazine to keep you abreast of the growing developments within your field of employment.

Be co-operative and zealous on the job. Be *alert* to please your foreman or boss by doing the job *his way*—after all, that is his responsibility. Show your willingness to go *beyond* what is required of you on the job, and to work extra hours if necessary to complete a certain job your employer wishes done.

Remember that *good personal relations* on the job is one of the best forms of employment insurance yet invented! Do not be a flatterer or a hypocrite in any sense, but try to show *love* and *concern* and *co-operation* toward your employer, your foreman, and your fellow employees in every way possible. This is more IMPORTANT than you might realize!

A recent news dispatch revealed this startling finding of a business psychology expert: "Nine out of ten workers who will be fired this year will lose their jobs because they can't adjust to the job situation and to the personality traits of bosses or fellow workers. Only ten per cent will be fired because they can't do the tasks required by the job."

So realize that your *personality* and *friendliness* and *co-operation* on the job will count for a great deal in your ability to hold a good job during trying economic circumstances in our nation. *Take heed!*

Only ONE Guarantee

During the trying years ahead, there's only ONE true guarantee of being able to get and hold a good job!

What is it? Are you willing to honestly *face it* and *do something about it* when it is revealed?

Most of you readers of The PLAIN TRUTH know that the inspired *prophecies* of your Bible foretell a soon-coming time of national PUNISHMENT on America and the British Commonwealth because of our national *sins* and *rebellion against God's Laws*. A very definite and obvious part of this time of com-

ing national calamity will be the most *terrible* DEPRESSION in our national histories!

It is not the purpose of this article to prove the *reality* of these prophecies. For we have one or more articles *every issue* in The PLAIN TRUTH describing in detail what is CERTAIN to happen to America and Britain *within the next fifteen years!* You certainly can *prove this* if you want to.

But in this article, it is the FACT of this coming national depression—as well as our already demonstrated current recession—that we are considering.

In view of this, your only true *guarantee* of a job and physical sustenance in the years ahead is Almighty GOD! Your personal contact with the true God, and His *definite* and real *intervention* to help you physically and financially is a factor you need to seriously consider.

As we have already seen, you should seek Him—His *Kingdom*—His *righteousness* above all else. You should study His WORD—the Holy Bible, and live by it!

Through the power of God's Spirit, you should *live by* the Ten Commandments as a *way of life!* Remember what God says: "He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him" (I John 2:4).

You *cannot* know the true God, and He *will not* know or recognize or help you unless you OBEY Him!

Another factor is *personal PRAYER* on your knees to Almighty God. Speaking of why we don't have many blessings, God says: "You lust, and have not: you kill, and desire to have, and cannot attain: you fight and war, *yet you have not, because you ask not!*" (James 4:2). You must learn to know God as your *Father*. You need to *talk to Him*—*walk with Him*—begin to study His Word and *think as He thinks*.

As you yield to live *His way*—He will begin to BLESS you—physically and financially as well as spiritually. As you *yield and obey*, He will *bear* and ANSWER your prayers for help: "And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, *because we KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS*, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight" (I John 3:22).

And now one final "key" to true financial security that *thousands* of you have probably been overlooking!

Vital "Key" to Financial Security

This key is as *definite*, as *real*, as *provable* as any other principle or command in your entire Bible! This key is God's eternal LAW of *tithing*.

This law is *real* because Almighty GOD *made it* and *sustains it!* It is as real and certain as the law of gravity!

You need to understand and *obey it* for *your own good!*

In a prophecy for *our day*—for modern Britain and America—God says: "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, wherein have we robbed thee? In TITHES and OFFERINGS. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation" (Mal. 3:8-9).

This prophecy definitely is talking to YOU and to America and Britain as a whole! God says we are STEALING from our very Maker if we withhold the tithes and offerings which He has commanded!

But if we *obey* this law, notice what Almighty God promises: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing,

HOW YOUR PLAIN TRUTH SUBSCRIPTION HAS BEEN PAID

So many ask: "HOW does it happen that I find my subscription price for The PLAIN TRUTH has already been paid? HOW can you publish such a high class magazine without advertising revenue?"

The answer is as simple as it is astonishing! It is a paradox. Christ's Gospel cannot be sold like merchandise. You cannot buy salvation. Yet it does cost money to publish Christ's TRUTH and mail it to all continents on earth. It does have to be *paid for!* This is Christ's work. We solve this problem Christ's WAY!

Jesus said, "This Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached (and published—Mark 13:10) in all the world for a witness unto all nations" (Mar. 24:14) *at this time*, just before the end of this age. A PRICE *must be paid* for the magazine, the broadcast, the Correspondence Course, or other literature. But HOW? Christ forbids us to *sell* it to those who receive it: "Freely ye have received," said Jesus to His disciples who He was sending to proclaim His Gospel, "freely GIVE!" "It is more blessed," He said, "to GIVE than to receive."

God's WAY is the way of LOVE—and that is the way of *giving*. God expects every child of His to *give* free-will offerings and to *tithe*, as His means of paying the costs of carrying His Gospel to *others*. We, therefore, simply trust our Lord Jesus Christ to lay it on the minds and hearts of His followers to give generously, thus paying the cost of putting the precious Gospel TRUTH in the hands of *others*. Yet it must go *only* to those who *ask for it for themselves!* Each must, for himself, *subscribe*—and his subscription has thus already been paid.

Thus the living dynamic Christ Himself enables us to broadcast, world-wide, without ever asking for contributions over the air; to enroll many thousands in the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course with full tuition cost *already paid!*; to send your PLAIN TRUTH on an *already paid* basis. God's way is GOOD!



Airline maintenance workers line up to file claims for unemployment compensation. These people were victims of a strike by others.

that there shall not be room enough to receive it" (verse 10).

Here is a *written promise of physical and financial BLESSING* if we obey God's law of tithing!

This prophecy and warning is contained in the very same chapter in which God shows His *unchangeable* nature: "For I am the Lord, *I change not*; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed" (verse 6).

No, God's law of tithing has not been "done away" as some would like to claim. Rather, our *disobedience* to that law is one of the reasons for the national PUNISHMENT and CURSE which is beginning to break the pride of the military, financial, and industrial power of Britain and America *right now, today!* It is HAPPENING!

But just what is a "tithe"? some ask.

The word "tithe" is merely an old English expression meaning a *tenth*. In Bible terminology, it is the *first TENTH* of your income.

The principle of this law was understood even before God made His covenant with physical Israel. For Abraham gave "tithes" to Melchizedek, God's representative, long before the nation of Israel ever came into being (Gen. 14:

20). Later, God gave the law of tithing to the physical nation of Israel. "And all the *tithe* of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord . . . and concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock, even of whatsoever passeth under the rod the *tenth* shall be holy unto the Lord" (Lev. 27: 30, 32).

God designated that this full *tenth* of the national income be given to His representatives in that age, the Levitical priests. "And, behold, I have given the children of Levi all the *tenth* in Israel for an inheritance, for their service which they serve . . ." (Num. 18:21).

Under the New Testament, the disposition of the tithe was changed so that it now goes to the spiritual priesthood of Jesus Christ rather than the physical priesthood of Levi (Heb. 7:12).

And, in very plain language, *Jesus Christ taught tithing!* Notice carefully Jesus' words: "Woe unto you, scribes and pharisees, hypocrites! For ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and NOT to leave the other [being faithful in TITH-

ING] *undone*" (Matthew 23:23).

Yes, under the *New Testament*, Jesus Christ said you should NOT fail to observe God's law of tithing! You are going to SUFFER in the end if you do!

On the other hand, if you *obey* God in this particular way, God directly promises that He will BLESS you in this particular way! And scores of letters pour into the headquarters of God's work here in Pasadena testifying to this very fact! For a full explanation of God's law of tithing and its benefits, write immediately for Mr. Armstrong's free booklet, "*Ending Your Financial Worries.*"

So if you believe in God, *you had better believe in TITHING!* If you want His help in the trying financial circumstances of the years ahead, do *your part* in paying the *first tenth* of your income—plus generous offerings as God makes possible—to His representatives.

And, I want to say very frankly and in love, that you should be sure you are definitely paying your tithe to *God's* representative—not an impostor who is failing to preach His truth! If you have proved that Mr. Armstrong and his associates are actually DOING the very work prophesied by Jesus Christ in Matthew 24:14 and other places, you should send your tithe to the source from which you are being fed spiritual TRUTH. "He that hath ears to hear, let him hear."

And so—for *guaranteed financial security*—be sure that you do *your part* in EVERY way to get and hold a good job. Analyze yourself. Prepare and plan for the right kind of job. Get wise counsel and help from those who are truly interested in your welfare.

Go the "extra mile" in finding a job and really *work at it!* Put your best foot forward, show that you mean business in doing the job well.

When you do get a job, keep GROWING on the job—studying—becoming a man *very difficult to replace*. Remember the *human element*—and develop good personal relations with your fellow workers and employer.

Then, as Jesus Christ said, fail NOT to render to your Maker His *first tenth* of your income, and *generous offerings* beside!

Then, you will be assured of the ONLY *real financial security* possible in the difficult years that lie ahead.

The JOYFUL Way of Giving Birth!

Why is childbearing considered such a painful, torturous ordeal by many women? Shouldn't it be the moment of supreme JOY for a young mother?

by Garner Ted Armstrong

PART 6

IN THE last two installments of this series, we discussed the right mental ATTITUDE toward parenthood and childbirth and the correct *physical preparation* of the expectant young mother. We have seen that parenthood is a tremendous BLESSING!

The God-ordained process of re-creating ourselves is something that should be looked forward to with expectant JOY by every young married couple. They should plan for it together—talk it over often—and make it the happy event which our Creator intended that it should be.

But what about the very *moment of birth*? Where should it be? How can you properly plan for it?

A Vital Question

Here is a vital question which must be answered by every expectant couple: *How and where* is your baby to be born?

Surprisingly enough, many couples give little, if any, thought to this all-important question. Perhaps it is merely environmental pressure, the experience of others, and the commonly accepted practice of today that leads the average young couple to assume they will simply contact an obstetrician at pregnancy, go to the hospital to have the baby, and come home after a few days with a newly born child.

However, there is now available sufficient information from many documented sources to indicate this might not, under every circumstance, be the wisest choice! *Is it always* necessary to go to the hospital for childbirth? Here are some surprising facts!

Cruelty in Maternity Wards

Millions of women were electrified

by a series of startling articles appearing in the *Ladies' Home Journal* concerning the practices of *some* hospitals in the United States. The article did not question that the *overwhelming majority* of both obstetricians and maternity hospitals resent unethical and cruel practices fully as much as the victimized mothers. However, the *facts* were starkly evident, and attested to by dozens of doctors, nurses, and mothers who had had horrifying personal experience, that there truly ARE, in many instances, *literal atrocities* committed in *some* maternity wards. Let us hope this national attention called to such malpractices has since resulted in a complete reform of the "tortures that go on in modern delivery rooms."

The series of articles which gained such national aplomb were precipitated by a letter published in the mail column of the *Journal* in November, 1957. The letter read as follows:

Chicago, Illinois

Dear Editor:

"I feel compelled to write you this letter asking you to investigate the tortures that go on in modern delivery rooms.

"When I first started in my profession, I thought it would be wonderful to help bring a new life into this world. I was and am still shocked at the manner in which a mother-to-be is rushed into the delivery room and strapped down with cuffs around her arms and legs and steel clamps over her shoulders and chest.

"At one hospital I know of, it is common practice to take the mother right into the delivery room as soon as she is 'prepared.' Often she is strapped in the lithotomy position, with knees pulled far apart, for as long as eight hours. On one occasion, an obstetrician informed the nurses on duty that he was going to dinner and that they should slow up things. The young mother was taken into the delivery room and strapped down hand and foot with her legs tied together.

"I have seen doctors who have charming examination table manners show traces of sadism in the delivery room. One I know does cutting and suturing operations without anesthetic because he al-

most lost a patient from an overdose some years ago. He has nurses use a mask to stifle the patient's outcry.

"Great strides have been made in maternal care, but some doctors still say, 'Tie them down so they won't give us any trouble.' I know that thousands of women are expertly and considerately treated during childbirth for every one that endures cruel treatment, but that one is too many. You of the *JOURNAL* have long been a champion of women's rights. I feel that an exposé of this type of medical practice would go a long way in aiding child-bearing women."

REGISTERED NURSE

At the end of this pitious letter the Editors added the following comment:

"We occasionally hear of discourteous, inconsiderate, or, as in this case, downright inhumane treatment of young mothers and others in hospitals. We hopefully assume it is extremely rare. Would other readers care to report? ED." (*Ladies' Home Journal*, Mail Column, Nov. 1957).

The *Journal* stated in its first article in the series:

"Few full-length articles have elicited such a flood of letters from *Journal* readers. Many relate childbirth experiences which are so shocking the *Journal* editors feel, after consulting leading obstetricians, that national attention should be focused on such conditions wherever they exist in order that they may be ended—" (*Ladies' Home Journal*, May, 1958).

The *Journal* "hopefully" assumed such cruelties were extremely rare! However, the avalanche of mail they received certainly proved otherwise.

Obviously, due to lack of space, it will be impossible for us to reprint the complete testimony of such cruelties here. However, a few of the most striking letters should serve to illustrate the true seriousness of such practices. One woman, from Elkhart, Indiana, said so many women, especially first mothers, who are frightened to start out with, received such brutal inconsiderate treatment that the whole thing is a horrible nightmare. She said:

"They give you drugs, whether you want them or not, strap you down like an animal. Many times the doctor feels too

much time is being taken up and he either forces the baby with forceps or slows things up. I know, because the former happened in my own case. Please, can't something be done?" (p. 44, *Ladies' Home Journal*, May, 1958).

The first charge made by many indignant mothers was of the "common practice to take the mother right into the delivery room as soon as she is 'prepared.' Often she is strapped in the lithotomy position, with the knees pulled far apart, for as long as eight hours." This practice was attested to by the *Ladies' Home Journal*, in reprinting letters which were received from women in all walks of life, from various points in the United States. Another major charge was that obstetricians have informed the nurses on duty that they are going to dinner, or some other "logical" reason for being late, and that the nurse should "slow up things." The *Journal* carefully noted this particular charge—that babies are *held back* from being born in order to suit the doctor's convenience—drew *few denials* from nurses and doctors. Obviously, there were voices lifted on both sides—and obviously again, those lifted in defense of the practices of hospitals were those in the hospitals themselves. The *Journal* reported:

"Fully half of our mother correspondents wrote us that they had endured the ordeal of having their babies artificially held back from birth because the doctor was not on hand" (*Ladies' Home Journal*, p. 153, May, 1958).

One woman from Georgia reported:

"I was strapped on the delivery table. My doctor had not arrived and the nurses held my legs together. I was helpless and at their mercy. They held my baby back until the doctor came into the room. She was born while he was washing his hands."

Another from Wisconsin said:

"One of my babies lowered before the nurses were expecting her (I was just put on the delivery table with no attendants). When the nurse finally examined me she called for another nurse to call a doctor immediately while she strapped my legs together and gave me ether to hold the baby until the doctor arrived. The doctor had to come eight miles, and by the time he arrived and prepared for the delivery it was a miracle the baby was still alive."

Said one letter from Phoenix, Arizona: "The granddaughter of a neighbor is hopelessly brain-injured because nurses tied the mother's legs together to slow down the birth until the doctor arrived."

A similarly heart-wrenching story appeared in the December, 1958 issue of the *Ladies' Home Journal* on p. 158. Excerpts from a rather lengthy letter said:

"Danny is the victim of a delayed delivery. He suffered a brain injury from lack of oxygen at birth. Now, nine long years later, we are learning to accept the results of imprudent, thoughtlessly administered anesthetic while nurses waited for a doctor who took too long to come. . . .

"I still cringe when I remember the night Danny was born. At 10:30, a nurse told me that my baby had 'crowned' and that he had black hair. . . . I was given anesthesia. The time of delivery on the birth record is 2:30 a.m. . . .

"From my heart, I appeal to all parents: The responsibility for careful delivery of your unborn child rests on you. Request, and if necessary, demand, the best attention obtainable. Let us not produce more children who, for the sake of a few hours' convenience, must travel through life with a part of their mind unresponsive."

As has previously been stated, a basic *sound-minded* approach to the modern problems surrounding childbirth, a *mutual* understanding on the part of husband and wife, and *careful preparation* for the *method* of birth and the *place* where the baby is to be born are of utmost importance. Certainly the parents wish to avoid having the mother take the *possible risk* of being treated like an animal in a slaughterhouse, rather than a woman going through the supreme physical and emotional experience of her life.

What Some Doctors Say

As a result of the veritable landslide of letters from indignant mothers and parents of malformed, demented children, various answers were given by those in the medical profession. Dr. Herman N. Bundesen, President, Board of Health, Chicago, Ill., said:

"We do not believe that mothers should be strapped to the delivery table, except as is necessary to keep the patient from contaminating the sterile area. Further, we do not believe that the mother's legs should be strapped together to keep the baby from delivering, nor do we believe that general anesthesia should be used to prevent the patient from delivery. . . .

Dr. John Whitridge, Jr., Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Johns Hopkins University wrote:

"Services of nurse-midwives have been accepted readily by hundreds of mothers who came into the Johns Hopkins Hospital expecting originally to be delivered by a physician. The fact that these

mothers received highly personalized service from a group of sympathetic, competent young women has made the nurse-midwife more than acceptable to the mothers. . . . Do not overlook the fact that the cornerstone of the program is that under nurse-midwives, women in labor are constantly attended and are never left alone.

"I can think of no addition to our present system that could do more to promote high quality obstetric care than for physicians to begin employing nurse-midwives."

It must be emphasized here that by no means is a blanket charge against the practices of all hospitals and doctors being made. However, let it again be *clearly understood* and strongly *emphasized* that there truly are *hundreds* of horrifying, brutal, *inhumane* ATROCITIES committed in *SOME* maternity wards in our nation. This startlingly clear fact, echoing from the outraged cries of thousands of mothers, is too poignant, too striking to be left unnoticed, or merely "dismissed" by official-sounding arguments to the contrary!

Obviously, the American Medical Association, any medical organization, or, for that matter, *any* doctor in his right mind would be nearing abject insanity to condone such practices. Notwithstanding, the unalterable *fact* remains that such practices *DO OCCUR*. Perhaps the chances *YOU* will enter such a maternity ward are slim. The question to you is: *No matter HOW SLIM the chance—IF there is a perfectly safe, medically advisable ALTERNATIVE—do you wish to TAKE the chance?*

Dr. Nicholas J. Eastman, whose works have already been quoted wrote:

"Medical students, interns and nurses should note especially the morale of women in labor is sometimes shattered by careless remarks. Thus comments outside the rooms of patients are often overheard to their discomposure. Laughter in the environs of the patient, about some entirely different matter, is inevitably interpreted by the patient in the light that it is she who is being laughed at. For some 15 years the famous lines of Oliver Wendell Holmes have had a prominent place on the wall of the doctor's office on our delivery floor. Medical students and interns would do well to memorize these words and take them to heart:

"The woman about to become a mother, or with her newborn infant upon her bosom, should be the object of trembling care and sympathy, wherever she bears her tender burden or stretches her aching limbs. God forbid that a member of the profession to which she trusts her life, doubly precious at that period, should hazard it negligently, unadvisedly or selfishly" (*Ladies' Home Journal* p. 45, May, 1958).

Notwithstanding the obvious humanitarian intent of such laudatory words, it is time to seriously challenge the statement, "a member of the profession to which she trusts her life." Herein, perhaps, lies one of the bases of the whole question of childbirth. *In whose hands are you placing your life?* If you wish to take *your* life, and the life of your unborn *child* and place them in the hands of other human beings, behind locked doors, where your husband is *denied access*, then—it is your life, and you are free to do with it as you choose. On the other hand, you are free to request—even DEMAND—the kind of treatment and consideration that should be yours in childbirth.

How Childbirth Can Be a Joy

Since the doctors and hospital staffs themselves admittedly WANT to make motherhood a truly happy and reassuring experience, it should be obvious that many of them are *perfectly ready to alter* some of their heretofore unchallenged practices.

Along with the many letters flooding into the offices of *Ladies' Home Journal* reporting the cruelties and torments suffered through negligent, indifferent doctors and nurses came other letters with an urgent appeal to make childbirth a real *joy* for mothers. Said a former teacher, from Detroit, Michigan: "Just let a few husbands into the delivery rooms and let them watch what goes on there. That's all it will take—they'll change it!"

A Registered Nurse from Urbana, Illinois, said:

"Recently I had the most delightful time giving birth to a son with the aid of natural childbirth. My husband was allowed to be with me during labor and was made to feel a part of the whole process."

Said a woman from Marietta, Ga.:

"If I have another baby, I would rather have my husband with me than any specialist. A loving husband's hand in yours is by far the best sedative in the world."

One woman, who had been through childbirth several times, wrote:

"I had one of the best doctors in the city of Buffalo. Pain? Yes. My legs strapped up? Yes. Drugs? Yes. Pain is necessary. I was always glad for the hard pains because then I knew the end was nearing. My legs were elevated only at the last minute while repair work

was being done" (*Ladies' Home Journal*, p. 135, Dec., 1958).

The *Journal* reported the sixth baby of this particular woman was an entirely different story. The woman was rushed from her house late one night while her husband was away, leaving the children in the care of a neighbor. Because of hemorrhaging, she was rushed to the nearest hospital. After arriving, and too late to change it, she learned that her own doctor refused to deliver patients in this particular hospital. She soon found one of the reasons why. It was only after much bleeding that she could get the nurses to call her husband, so that she might plan with him for the care of the children. She says:

"I saw him about two minutes. In the other hospitals he was allowed to stay until I was ready to deliver. I didn't see him again that night, nor all the next day. I was alone with strangers, not one person there that I could trust. It came time for delivery. I had had five, so I knew. I begged the nurses to call the doctor. They told me to shut up, and one of them snapped that I was giving her a headache.

"Finally they looked, and at that late minute began to rush telephone calls to the doctor, who had gone golfing. I felt like a trapped animal—thank God it was not my first baby. They put an ether cone over my nose and forced my legs together amid shouts of 'bear down' and 'don't bear down' which were ridiculous at the stage which I had reached. I did not hear the baby's first cry—there is no moment in a woman's life more rewarding than that. I have been furious ever since. . . ." (*Ladies' Home Journal*, p. 135, Dec., '58).

Here, a woman whose husband was, by most hospitals, allowed to be with her, *up to the time of delivery*, was even denied *this privilege* at the birth of her sixth child! This woman was experienced—she had been through it many times before—she was not a high-strung, innocent "first timer" who was not familiar with hospital procedures, and was going to give the nurses and doctor a difficult time. Rather, she was a mature woman, giving birth for the sixth time (surely somewhat of a rarity in this modern generation) and knew, through personal experience, the phases of birth. Her testimony, therefore, carries considerable weight.

Should the Husband Be Present?

From all sides come the pitious cries of mothers to let their husbands stay with them, not *up to* the birth—but throughout the entire experience!

One woman who wrote to the *Journal* said:

"I was strapped to the delivery table on Saturday morning and lay there until I was delivered on Sunday afternoon; with the exception of a period early Sunday morning when they needed the delivery table for an unexpected birth. When I slipped my hand from the strap to wipe sweat from my face (this was in July) I was severely reprimanded by the nurse. If it had not been for a kind old lady who used to be a midwife in Germany, I doubt if I would have come out sane. . . . For thirty-six hours my husband didn't know whether I was living or dead. I would have given anything if I could just have held his hand" (*Ladies' Home Journal*, p. 159, Dec., 1958).

And *why shouldn't* husband and wife share this experience together? Think of it! It is God who has made them "male and female" and who said "they twain shall become *one flesh!*" Surely, at the supreme moment of hearing the first cry of a newly born infant, a reproduction from *their own bodies*—a new member of their family, bearing their name, with their appearance, their abilities, their inherent talents, and as a result of the careful planning, the studying, all the expectancy and mutual sharing of one of life's most wonderful experiences—is it not understandable that they should *want* to share it together?

There may be very few, and rare cases where the wife actually does not *want* the husband to be present, or where the husband feels so inadequate that he may truly be a "bother" and perhaps, through emotional and mental maladjustment, could, conceivably, be a barrier to proper procedure. However, it is the serious and studied opinion of the author that such husbands are in the rare *minority*, rather than the average!

So, to summarize, husband and wife should plan to be *together* at the birth of their child. They should *study* the details of childbirth from some of the books recommended. They should either plan to have their baby delivered *at home*, or in a small hospital or clinic where they are assured of *co-operative* help and attention in sharing one of the supreme moments of their lives *together*.

Next month's installment will present further information on this vital subject of having and rearing *healthy children*. Be sure to read it!

The TRUTH about THE NEW ENGLISH BIBLE

Not since 1611 has there been a translation like this one. It is not just another revision, but a completely new rendition of the New Testament. How authoritative is it? How accurate? Is it totally free from doctrinal bias, as its translators claim? Here are the surprising answers!

by Herman L. Hoeh

IT IS time to pull aside the curtain that shrouds THE NEW ENGLISH BIBLE. Who are its translators?

Why did they adopt a *theory* of translation, not previously used in any of the revisions of the King James Version?

Why was the Catholic Church excluded from its translation committees?

Is the Greek text which the scholars translated really authoritative?

The facts are surprising!

Let us peer momentarily behind the scene. Here is a short sketch of the facts underlying this new rendition of the Bible.

How It Began

Rolling back the calendar to October 1946, we find delegates of leading Protestant denominations meeting in Great Britain to discuss a fresh translation of the Bible into modern English. Methodists, Baptists, Congregationalists were there. So were the Church of England and the Church of Scotland. The Catholic Church was not invited—for special reasons to be noticed shortly.

The proposed new translation of the Bible under consideration by the delegates was not to be merely another revision of the Authorized Version of 1611. It was to be a totally new translation into modern English. Nothing like it has been attempted in the last 350 years!

It was, in a sense, to be a *new interpretation* of the Bible into English!

The delegates decided they were through with producing the characteristic features of the original Greek language of the New Testament. Something *new* was needed. They decided upon a *new* theory of translation. Here is how the translators were to proceed.

The translators appointed to the Joint

Committee were enjoined to *interpret* Greek constructions and idioms into meaningful contemporary English expressions. The rendering was to be a free-flowing meaning-for-meaning comparison—not the traditional phrase-by-phrase *translation*. Such a momentous decision admittedly opens up the danger of doctrinal interpretation to possibility.

Why Catholics Left Out

Any free-flowing translation admittedly chances to be a doctrinal interpretation *rather than an accurate translation*. It will either be clearer, more understandable than any previous translation into English (which in many cases it is), or—and here is the GRAVE DANGER—it will be a joint denominational interpretation, not the truth of Scripture.

And *this is the real reason the Roman Catholic Church was excluded* from the translation committees!

The selected Protestant denominations behind the NEB well knew that Roman Catholics would interpret, rather than translate, certain difficult verses in the New Testament to their own favor. So they felt it wiser to allow the Catholics their own version of the Bible in English. *This left the participating Protestant denominations free to INTERPRET difficult passages of the Bible into modern English as they saw fit!*

Notice the candid admission of this fact by the Joint Committee, found in the "Introduction" to THE NEW ENGLISH BIBLE:

"We have conceived our task to be that of *understanding the original* as precisely as we could (*using all available aids*), and then saying again in our own native idiom what *we believed* the author to be saying in his. We have found that in practice this frequently

compelled us to make decisions where the older method of translation allowed a comfortable ambiguity. In such places we have been aware that we take a risk, but we have thought it our duty to take the risk rather than remain on the fence." (Italics ours.)

The question is, did the translators have accessible all the means necessary for understanding the original Greek? What kind of men did the translation? Granted, they were learned men—but were they *spiritually competent* to do such a momentous work?

They admittedly interpreted into modern English what *they believed* the Bible writers wrote. Can we be sure that they actually understood what the Bible really says? In other words, could the NEB really be a true and accurate translation since its authors did not agree among themselves as to what the Bible teaches?

Able Scholars

There can be no doubt that the members of the Joint Committee were competent, conscientious, thoroughly trained scholars. They were men dedicated to their work, men who earnestly sought to understand the meaning of the Greek expressions used in the New Testament. That their knowledge of the Greek language is of the very highest repute is clearly demonstrated from the fact that the new translation was published in cooperation with the University Presses of Oxford and Cambridge. No higher recommendation could be given to THE NEW ENGLISH BIBLE.

As an illustration of the accuracy and the care with which the leading Bishops and Professors of Great Britain did their work, we might turn in their Bible

to a few random verses and observe the surprising clarity of the new translation. For example, John 15:20, last half: "As they persecuted me," Jesus warns His disciples, "they will persecute you; *they will follow your teaching as little as they have followed mine.*"

The Greek could hardly be expressed in clearer, modern English!

What Jesus said is exactly true, even in today's half-agnostic professing Christian world with its competing denominations! Now notice the force of the English expression in verse 24: "If I," said Jesus about the Jews on that last Passover, "had not worked among them *and accomplished what no other man has done*, they would not be guilty of sin."

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Compare these verses in John 15 with the King James Version and notice the clarity, the force and meaning of the modern English in the NEB.

And how many have ever really grasped the meaning of Romans 14:1 from the archaic English of the King James Version? Here is the new rendition of this verse in the NEB: "If a man is weak in his faith you must accept him *without attempting to settle doubtful points.*" Now read the KJV.

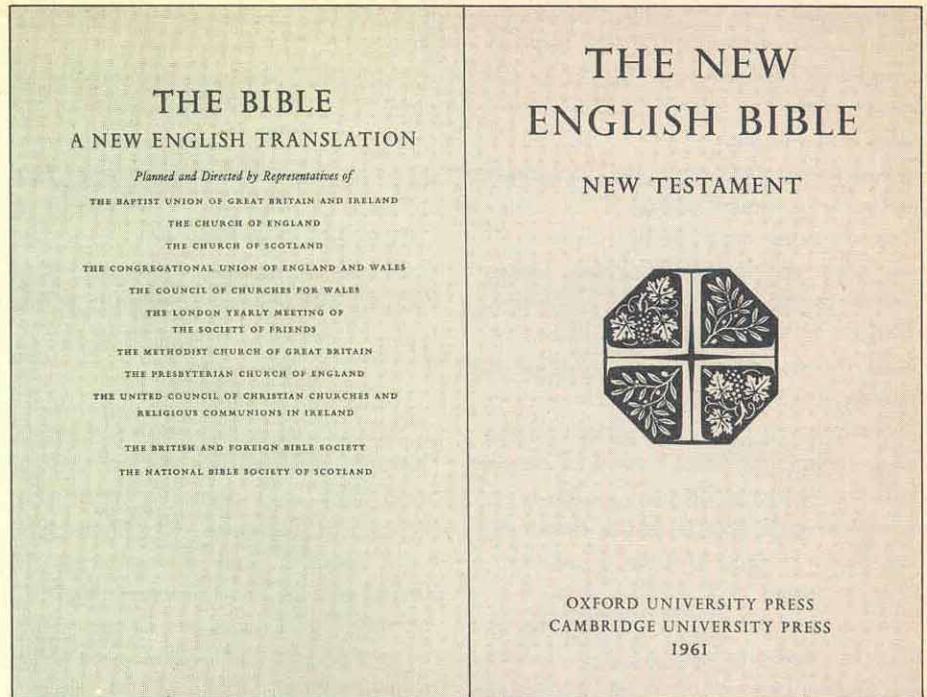
But all the scholarly competence in the world will not keep learned men from committing grave blunders even when the original Greek is absolutely clear.

It was not that the learned Bishops and Professors wanted to misinterpret the Scriptures! Not at all! These conscientious men just could not understand the TRUTH of the Scripture! They took for granted the assumptions they had been taught in school and in the theological seminaries!

Lacked Spiritual Understanding

There are two absolutely essential prerequisites for accurately translating the Bible. One is a thorough understanding of the idioms and usages of the Hebrew and Greek languages and of the English. This technical knowledge the translators possessed.

But this is only one prerequisite. It is not enough to be thoroughly trained in rhetoric, in Greek, in semantics, in



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English expression. What is needed most of all these men lacked! *They did not have SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING!* They just did not grasp the spiritual significance of the Book they were attempting to translate!

Here is why—from their own translation of I Corinthians 2:14, "A man who is unspiritual REFUSES what belongs to the Spirit of God; it is folly to him; HE CANNOT GRASP IT, because it needs to be judged in the light of the Spirit. A man gifted with the Spirit can judge the worth of everything . . ."

Observe the meaning of this verse. The natural human being—the *unspiritual* man—refuses by nature the truth of God. It is folly to him. HE CANNOT GRASP IT no matter how many college degrees he may have after his name. Spiritual knowledge is not accessible to the natural man without the gift of the Holy Spirit to make the truth of God clear. To the ordinary mind, truth often seems error, and error appears to be true.

But how does one receive the gift of God's Spirit and why did these great churchmen and professors lack it?

The Lost Key to Understanding

Why have the theologians and other

learned men been unable to understand and to agree upon divine truth?

Why do they contradict each other? Why are they so in doubt about even the fundamentals of life—why man is on earth—and what is the ultimate purpose of human existence?

The answer is they have lost the key to understanding. They have not been imbued with the Spirit of God. They are not conforming to the only condition by which they could receive the Holy Spirit and understand God's Mind. Notice their own translation of Acts 5:32. Here is the key to their spiritual ignorance. "And we are witnesses to all this, and so is the Holy Spirit given by God TO THOSE WHO ARE OBEDIENT TO HIM."

The Holy Spirit is given to those who surrender their own wills to God—to those who are obedient to God. The theologians of this world simply do not want to obey God. They do not do what God commands! They have followed traditions of men instead of the Word of God.

They refuse to obey the *Law of God*. That is why they lack spiritual understanding. "A good understanding have all they that do his commandments," wrote the Psalmist (Psa. 111:10). "Through Thy precepts I get under-

standing," wrote David in Psalm 119: 104. And in verse 130 he was inspired to write: "The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple."

The theologians reject God's precepts and His commandments. They claim they are done away, or out of date, or only for the Jews! They are doing exactly as did the Jews in Christ's day. Notice it in the NEB translation of Mark 7:7-8: "Their worship of me is in vain, for they teach as doctrines the commandments of men. You neglect the commandment of God, in order to maintain the tradition of men." And verse 9: "How well you set aside the commandment of God in order to maintain your tradition!"

Jesus said this to the *theologians* of His day. And the same thing is true of the theologians today! They purposely set aside the truth in order to follow the traditions of their ancestors. When translating the Bible they very carefully examine the technical meaning of the Greek and use extreme caution in choosing just the right English expression. But when they are confronted with truths which they do not believe, they suddenly become careless in rendering the original inspired Greek into English.

They simply cannot grasp the fact that the Bible means what it plainly says. They fool themselves into thinking it means something else.

Here are some pointed examples of mistranslations that cannot be excused on the basis of ignorance of Greek. These learned men knew better. Yet notice how the inspired Greek has been corrupted in THE NEW ENGLISH BIBLE.

Examples of Mistranslation

Everyone has heard of Jesus' so-called "sermon on the mount." It was addressed to His disciples, not to the world. In it Jesus said in plain English in the KJV: "Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" (Mat. 5:3). *To be poor in spirit* means, in more modern English, *to be humble, to be empty of pride and vanity*. One who is "poor in spirit" is not filled with self-importance.

Yet the NEB renders this verse: "How blest are those *who know that*

they are poor; for the kingdom of Heaven is theirs."

Nonsense! Jesus is not talking of physical poverty. Millions in China and India and Africa know that they are poor—and they are not blessed. They are cursed with poverty! They have no knowledge of the Kingdom of Heaven. They are in spiritual ignorance! God wishes above all else, physically speaking, that we may be prosperous and in health (III John 1 and 2).

Notice yet another grave mistake!

The translators of the NEB preach about Jesus, but they do not believe Him. They talk about His Person, but they refuse to accept His Testimony! Now consider their mistranslation of Revelation 12:17. The true church is composed of "those who keep God's commandments and"—reads the NEB—"maintain *their testimony* to Jesus." This is not a translation. It is a flagrant misinterpretation! The inspired Greek says no such thing. It plainly reads: "and maintain *the testimony* of Jesus Christ"—Jesus' own testimony of what He heard from the Father, not our testimony about Him. But the world does not want Jesus' testimony—His gospel of the Kingdom of God, destined to rule all nations and to put down all error!

The Protestant denominations taking part in the NEB project take for granted that one does not have to obey God. All one has to do is "to work up enough faith to believe on Jesus"

—as many word it! So they mistranslate Galatians 2:16 to fit their own doctrinal bias: "But we know that no man is ever justified by doing what the law demands, but only through faith in Christ Jesus; so we too have put our faith in Jesus Christ, in order that we might be justified through this faith. . . ."

The rendering makes it appear that our faith in Christ is all that is required for salvation. The translators tried to make it appear that one does not have to obey God. Now turn to the KJV which is far more accurate even though written in older English: "Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law"—the physical works involved in offering the rituals of Moses—"but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed *in* Jesus Christ"—that is our part—"that we might be justified"—forgiven of sin—"by *the faith of Christ*. . . ."

Notice it again! We first believe in Christ as the Messiah; then Jesus Christ places His faith in us—the same living obedient faith He had—so that we may keep His Word. For only "the doers of the law"—the spiritual Law of God—"shall be justified" (Romans 2:13). God will not forgive you if you continue to sin. "But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid" (Galatians 2:17). After we first believe in Jesus, which reconciles us to God and justifies our guilty past, we need the faith of Christ planted in us by the Holy Spirit as a supernatural gift in order to keep the law of God so we will not continue to sin. Our human faith is insufficient to keep God's law. Your natural faith is too weak to obey God and trust Him implicitly. Christ will not continue to justify you from sin if you continue to break His law. That is why you need to receive the *faith of Jesus Christ*, implanted into your mind by the Holy Spirit, which enables you to grow in obedience. Then if you commit any sin, God will forgive you. But He will not forgive those who continue in sin, claiming that their faith alone is sufficient to "save" them.

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JOHN 21

The Final Conflict

when you are old you will stretch out your arms, and a stranger will bind you fast, and carry you where you have no wish to go.' He said this to indicate the manner of death by which Peter was to glorify God. Then he added, 'Follow me.'

Peter looked round, and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following—the one who at supper had leaned back close to him to ask the question, 'Lord, who is it that will betray you?' When he caught sight of him, Peter asked, 'Lord, what will happen to him?' Jesus said, 'If it should be my will that he wait until I come, what is it to you? Follow me.'

That saying of Jesus became current in the brotherhood, and was taken to mean that that disciple would not die. But in fact Jesus did not say that he would not die; he only said, 'If it should be my will that he wait until I come, what is it to you?'

It is this same disciple who attests what has here been written. It is in fact he who wrote it, and we know that his testimony is true.

There is much else that Jesus did. If it were all to be recorded in detail, I suppose the whole world would not hold the books that would be written.

[JOHN 7. 53-8. 11]

*An Incident in the Temple**

AND THEY WENT each to his home, and Jesus to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared again in the temple, and all the people gathered round him. He had taken his seat and was engaged in teaching them when the doctors of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman detected in adultery. Making her stand out in the middle they said to him, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of adultery. In the Law Moses has laid down that such women are to be stoned. What do you say about it?' They put the question as a test, hoping to frame a charge against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. When they continued to press their question he sat up straight and said, 'That one of you who is faultless shall throw the first stone.' Then once again he bent down and wrote on the ground. When they heard what he said, one by one they went away,^a the eldest first; and Jesus was left alone, with the woman still standing there. Jesus again sat up and^b said to the woman, 'Where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir', she said. Jesus replied, 'No more do I. You may go; do not sin again.'

* This passage, which in the most widely received editions of the New Testament is printed in the text of John, 7. 53-8. 11, has no fixed place in our ancient witnesses. Some of them do not contain it at all. Some place it after Luke 21. 38, others after John 7. 36, or 7. 52, or 21. 24.
[a] Some witnesses insert convicted by their conscience. [b] Some witnesses insert seeing no one but the woman.

Notice that in the NEB the account of the adulterous woman has been removed from its proper position in John 8 to the end of the book. The Greek text of the NEB is admittedly fallible. Read the close of this article for the proof of which is the true original inspired Greek text of the New Testament.

that it is a very accurate translation until it encounters the question of obedience to God. Then it suddenly becomes a FALSE interpretation—a wretched series of errors. It confuses the spiritual Law of God, the Ten Commandments, with the temporary law of Moses imposed on Israel to teach them the need of a coming Saviour and the habit of obedience. In every possible way the translators have attempted to impugn God's spiritual law. They do not want to obey it!

In every passage where the KJV uses "works of the law"—meaning the physical rituals of Moses—the NEB mistranslates it by "obedience to the law" or "keeping the law"—or some such flagrant interpretation!

Neither are they willing to accept Christ's only sign that He is the Messiah! Take the events surrounding the crucifixion, death and burial of Jesus Christ

as proof! Observe how they have misunderstood the plain Greek!

Twisting the Scriptures

Turn first to John 19:41-42 in the Authorized Version. Here is what we read: "Now in the place where he (Jesus) was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulchre, . . . There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation day; for the sepulchre was nigh at hand." John elsewhere designated the time as the "preparation of the passover" (John 19:14).

How did the NEB translators render these verses? "Now at the place where he had been crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb . . . There, because the tomb was near at hand and it was the eve of the Jewish Sabbath, they laid Jesus." This is an utterly flagrant rendering! It is not even

a translation! Only a gross misinterpretation!

The original Greek nowhere has the words "Jewish Sabbath." These theologians had to cover up for their "Good Friday-Easter Sunday" fable. They had to change the Greek to suit their tradition. They hate God's Law. And the day He set aside they want to stigmatize as "Jewish"!

It was not the "Jewish Sabbath." The Sabbath is not Jewish! The Sabbath was made when man was made—2300 years before Judah, the first Jew, was born (Genesis 2:1-3). Further, it was the Jews' preparation for their passover, as John himself wrote! But the translators chose to ignore this. They made it appear that the Jews' passover fell on the weekly sabbath in the year of the crucifixion—when history plainly proves it did not. You can have the proof as to which day of the week the crucifixion

occurred and when the Passover fell that year. Write for our free article entitled "The Crucifixion Was NOT on Good Friday." You will be astounded at the plain facts of history most theologians "cannot grasp" (I Cor. 2:14).

Doctrinal Bias Proved

Next, turn to Luke 23:53-56. Here is another shocking example of misinterpretation, instead of sound translation.

Having wrapped the body of Jesus, Joseph of Arimathaea laid it in his own tomb (verse 53). THE NEW ENGLISH BIBLE then reads: "It was Friday, and the Sabbath was about to begin."

It was NOT a Friday! The Greek says no such thing! Luke wrote: "It was the Preparation"—just as John wrote. The translators did not translate the Greek—they attempted to interpret it according to their human reasoning and their inherited traditions!

Continue reading the next two verses from the NEB: "The women who had accompanied him from Galilee followed; they took note of the tomb and observed how his body was laid. Then they went home and prepared spices and perfumes; and on the Sabbath they rested in obedience to the commandment" (verses 55-56, NEB). Consider what this rendering is made to say. Joseph had to rush to bury the body of Jesus. The eve of a Sabbath was about to begin. The women saw all that Joseph did. Then they returned home. While at home they prepared spices and perfumes for Jesus' body. All of this work supposedly occurred that same evening—after which they rested on "the Sabbath in obedience to the commandment"! Such an interpretation is utterly impossible. The women would not have had time to return home to purchase spices and to do all this preparatory work before sunset that Sabbath eve, because—by their own admission—the Sabbath was about to begin while Jesus was being buried and the women watched!

Moreover, Mark 16:1 clearly proves that *the women did not buy their ointments until after that Sabbath which followed the crucifixion*. Obviously there were two Sabbaths that week, with a work day between! The original inspired Greek of Luke 23:53-56 proves

it. Notice the use of the words "a" and "the" to distinguish the two Sabbaths—one an annual one (Thursday), the other a weekly one. Here is what Luke was inspired to write: "That day was a preparation and a Sabbath was about to begin . . . Then they (the women) went home and prepared spices and perfumes, and rested *the* Sabbath according to the commandment"—a different Sabbath altogether.

All these verses are clearly explained in Mr. Armstrong's booklet "The Resurrection Was NOT on Sunday." Write for it immediately if you have not already done so.

All these mistranslations are not due to Greek originals different from those used by the translators of the King James Version. Every one of these errors is explicitly due to the practice of interpreting the Greek into English, instead of translating it faithfully.

But this does not mean that in many other places the Greek text used in the NEB was the same as used by the translators of the King James Version.

The Underlying Greek Text

Why does THE NEW ENGLISH BIBLE leave out so many verses and phrases found in the King James Version? Is it authoritative? By what authority have they departed from the vast majority of Greek manuscripts?

In most instances the NEB follows the eclectic text used in the Revised Standard Version published a few years ago. The translators of the NEB admit they were not sure if their text was like the original inspired by God through the apostles!

Their own confession of the weakness of their text is to be found in the "Introduction" to the NEB. Here is what they say about the unstable form of the text they used for translation:

"The problem of forming a text as near as possible to the vanished autographs now appears less simple than it did to our predecessors. There is not at the present any critical text which would command . . . general acceptance . . . Nor has the time come, in the judgment of competent scholars, to construct such a text, since new material constantly comes to light, and the debate continues. The present translators

therefore could do no other than consider variant readings on their merits, and, having weighed the evidence for themselves, select for translation in each passage the reading which to the best of their judgment seemed most likely to represent what the author wrote . . . The translators are well aware that their judgment is at best provisional . . ."

Why are these competent men so doubtful of their own text?

The answer is that they have been deluded by German rationalism and higher criticism! They have taken for granted that God is too feeble to preserve His Word. They have assumed that Jesus lied when He promised that His words would not perish. I have personally attended meetings of the leading theologians of our time in which they admitted that they believed Jesus failed to keep His Word.

They have put the authority of the Higher Critics from the schools of Germany in place of the authority of God. Having assumed that the unproved theories of these men have greater weight than Jesus' words, they have rummaged through the trash heaps and monasteries of Egypt and elsewhere for discarded old manuscripts of the New Testament. They have found a few hundred of these REJECTED MANUSCRIPTS and, because they are old, they have decided to elevate them to a higher position than the thousands of reliable Greek manuscripts carefully preserved in the Greek world. The translators of the NEB have rejected 95% of known Greek manuscripts which form the basic text of the King James Version. They used instead the variant corrupt manuscripts and fragments which amount to no more than 5% of the total!

What they have not been willing to recognize is that the Greeks have been given the authority to preserve the New Testament in Greek, just as the Jews have the Old Testament in Hebrew. Modern critics—conservatives and liberals alike—have rejected the authority of God vested in the Greek world. The Greeks repudiated the 5% of manuscripts which were corrupted through the influence of the Roman Church at the end of the first century. The later copies of those corrupt manuscripts are

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The Bible Story

CHAPTER THIRTY-ONE

THE TABERNACLE BUILT

by Basil Wolverton

MOSSES told the people after he returned from atop Sinai that God had given him plans for a tabernacle. "Every detail of how the tabernacle should be built, I have with me," Moses explained. "Think how great an opportunity you are being given to show God your thanks for not blotting you out because of your sins."

"God has ordered us to build this tabernacle," Moses said to the crowd. "He will be pleased with us if we give generously and willingly of our materials, wealth, skills and labor. Every one can have a part in doing something for our Creator."

Shouts of "What can we do?" and "Just how can we help?" came from all parts of the vast congregation.

Moses answered by telling them that all who were willing and able should bring in gold, silver, brass, cloth dyes, fine linen, goats' hair, red rams' skins, seal's skins, acacia wood, oil, spices, incense and precious stones.

"There is also a need for willing workers who are skilled in carpentry, metal work, weaving, carving and all the crafts and arts necessary to build and decorate the tabernacle and everything connected with it." (Exodus 35:4-19.)

Moses didn't beg the people for anything. He simply told them what was required. The huge crowd broke up, and the Israelites returned to their tents.

"Do you really expect the people to come and offer all those things you mentioned?" Aaron asked Moses a short while after the crowd had melted away.

"You heard them shouting out to ask what they could do," Moses replied. "That seemed to be a good sign that they are willing to do what is right. But by now I shouldn't be surprised at anything they do."

Aaron knew that Moses was thinking of the golden calf, and he suddenly felt a little uncomfortable. But just at that moment one of Moses' officers shouted in to report that the tent was being surrounded by a growing crowd. Moses and Aaron leaped up and moved quickly toward the tent entrance.

"I trust that this isn't a mob to protest against giving materials for the tabernacle," Aaron murmured.

Emerging from the tent, Moses and Aaron looked out upon an increasing throng of Israelites holding various objects of all shapes and sizes.

Israelites Bring Many Valuable Offerings

"These people say they have come to give gifts for the tabernacle," an officer explained to Moses and Aaron. "What shall we do?" (Verses 20-29.)

"Assign men of good character to receive the gifts at once," Moses answered. "Summon skilled men to immediately set up tents and enclosures in which to store these things."

Moses smilingly gazed at the people eagerly swarming toward his tent with their offerings.

"I told you I shouldn't be surprised at anything they do," he said to Aaron. "Perhaps I was wrong. What surprises me now is that they have so quickly and earnestly responded to my requests."

For the next several days thousands of people came to give the things for which Moses had asked. Because the camps were spread out for several miles, it was far into the night when some of the gift-bearers arrived. They also wove diligently on their looms to produce the beautiful fabrics that were needed, and they brought daily that which had been finished. So generous were the people that more than enough was brought for the building of the Tabernacle.

Moses was pleased at this great display of zeal, unselfishness and ambition by so many of the people. It was plain to him that thousands of them were anxious to make up for their past sins. Still too fresh in their minds were the unpleasant memories of their wantonly prancing before the golden calf. But most of the people who came to give simply had a sincere desire to help because they realized that this was a wonderful opportunity to be of service to God.

There were also many craftsmen, laborers, craftswomen and maidservants who fervently came to offer their services. (Exodus 36:1-3.)

God had already told Moses on Mt. Sinai whom to choose to head this task of making the tabernacle, and Moses had already proclaimed to the people that Bezaleel, a grandson of Hur from the tribe of Judah, would be in charge. Bezaleel's assistant

was to be Aholiab of the tribe of Dan.

Israelites Work Industriously

These two men of good character, highly skilled in all the crafts of building and decoration, in teaching their helpers, and possessing good judgment and wisdom in the arts of material design and production. Moses had passed on to them the detailed instructions for building the tabernacle. (Exodus 35:30-35.)

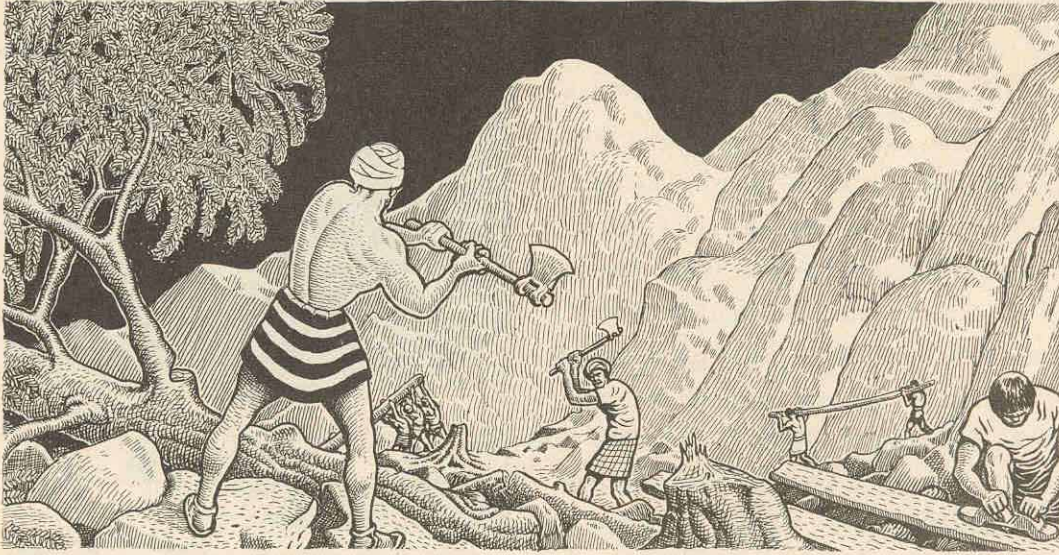
Knowing how much material was necessary, Bezaleel realized that more than enough had been brought in. Even so, the people kept on coming with more. Bezaleel spoke to Moses, who quickly made it known that nothing more should be given. But there were some who had put off giving their share, and who rushed their offerings in too late to be accepted. They were like so many of us who mean to do what is right, but postpone doing it until it is too late.

Bezaleel and Aholiab lost no time in teaching those who needed instructions and assigning craftsmen and laborers to their various tasks. Soon everyone was busily and happily working. Carpenters started hewing boards out of the acacia logs and planks that had been brought in. Metal workers melted down or pounded out the metals. Weavers and seamstresses worked on cloth. Gem cutters planned how to use the precious stones.

However, the area around Moses' tent couldn't exactly be described as a beehive of activity. Workers weren't rushing



Some of the materials given by the Israelites for the tabernacle were from Egyptian army equipment washed ashore from the Red Sea.



A few of the Israelites went into the mountains to get acacia wood for the tabernacle.

feverishly about. Work on the tabernacle was something that couldn't be rushed. It required great care and skill, for everything that went into this project was to be made as close to perfection as human hands could make it. The men and women were very careful to perform superior workmanship in making God's tabernacle and its furnishings.

Bezaleel and Aholiab did much of the work themselves—especially on such objects as the chest that was to contain the two tables of stone on which the The Commandments are written, the altar on which sacrifices were to be made and the priests' garments. (Exodus 37, 38, 39.)

Even though the workers applied themselves ambitiously, it required about six months to build the tabernacle. That was because there was a need for so much intricate and detailed workmanship.

Tabernacle Richly Decorated

During that time, nearly fifteen tons of gold, silver and brass were used. The total cost of the tabernacle and the outer court, measured in terms of present American money, was over a million dollars. This represented only a small part of the wealth of the Israelites, which shows that the Egyptians must have given very liberally to them when the Israelites left Egypt a year previously. However, much of the wealth was picked up along the Red Sea gulf after part of Pharaoh's army and equipment had been washed up on the shore.

Among the last things to be made were the special clothes to be worn by Aaron and his sons in their service as priests at the tabernacle.

As each item was finished, it was brought to Moses for his inspection and approval. Much time was required for him to carefully examine all workmanship in every detail. When he finally finished, he was satisfied that everything had been made strictly according to God's instructions.

He called all the workers together and praised them for the excellent services they had performed, and asked God's blessing on them. (Exodus 39:43.)

Moses reminded them that God, who is perfect, is always pleased when men strive toward perfection in anything that is truly worthwhile, whether it is material, physical or spiritual. It is something to remember every time we put our minds and hands to a task. We are living in times when increasing numbers of people are trying to get more and give less. That is exactly the opposite of what pleases God. He likes things of high quality, and therefore we should put our best efforts into anything we set out to do.

By the time the tabernacle was finished, the Israelites had been gone a whole year from Egypt. God told Moses to get the tabernacle set up and ready for use on the first day of the second year of their journey from Egypt. (Exodus 40:1-4, 17.)

Just to the west of Moses' tent (the one in which he lived—not the distant one in which he talked with God) was an open area in the center of the camps of the twelve tribes. It was there that workmen erected the tabernacle. (Numbers 1:50-54; 3:38.)

An Enclosure for the Tabernacle

To give privacy to the priests who would preside there, a long curtain of fine linen was strung on brass posts about ten feet high. The posts were held firm by cords and tent pins. This fence enclosed an area about two hundred feet long and one hundred feet wide. The space between the tabernacle and the fence was called the court of the tabernacle. (Exodus 27:9-19 and 38:9-20.)

On the east end of the court an opening was left in the fence. It was the only gateway into the court. The altar was placed just beyond the opening. This special altar was about six feet high and about ten feet square. Every board in it was hewn from acacia trees that grew in the Mt. Sinai area, and every board was covered with brass. It was hollow inside. (Exodus 27:8.) Then it was filled so that the wood wouldn't catch on fire. (Exodus 20:24.) Wood and offerings were to be placed on the dirt altar. Ashes would be removed daily (Leviticus 6:8-13) with shovels and pans made for that purpose.

Like everything else, the altar was made to be carried. There were strong brass

rings on the corners of a brass grate that encircled the lower half of the altar. The boards of the altar rested on a narrow rim of the grate. (Ex. 27:4-5). Through these rings long poles were to be inserted for lifting the altar from the dirt filling and for conveying the altar whenever the Israelites were directed to move their camps. (Exodus 38:1-7.)

Between the tabernacle and the altar was a huge brass bowl called the laver. This was always to be full of water in which the priests were to wash their hands and feet before going about their duties at the altar. (Exodus 30:17-21.)

The tabernacle was put up in the west section of the court. It was about sixty feet long, twenty feet wide and with walls twenty feet high. The three walls were built of gold-covered acacia boards set on bases of silver. The front end was open except for a curtain. To keep out the rain, dew and strong sunlight, a heavy curtain of seals' skins was stretched over the top and the walls of the tabernacle. Underneath this heavy curtain were lighter curtains of rams' skins, goat hair and linen. The linen curtain could be seen from the inside of the tabernacle. It was made of fancy figured cloth in bright colors. As for the floor, there was no need of building one, inasmuch as level ground would serve as such wherever the tabernacle would be set up. (Exodus 26:1-25; 36:8-34.)

The tabernacle had two rooms. The first one, which was to be entered from the curtained east end, was about forty feet long and twenty feet wide. This gold-covered room, spoken of as the holy place, contained three important things: A gold-covered table on which were to be placed twelve loaves of bread to represent the food offerings of the twelve tribes of Israel, a golden lampstand with places for seven oil-fueled lamps and a golden altar on which incense was to be burned.

The second room was only half the size of the first room, or about twenty feet square. In this very sacred area, which was to be entered only by the high priest, only once a year, on the Day of Atonement, there was an object of great value. It was a wooden chest, covered with gold, called the ark of the covenant. This ark was about the size of a large trunk. It had a solid gold lid, called the mercy seat, on which were mounted two golden figures facing each other. Inside the chest were the two stone tablets on which were written the Ten Commandments. Aaron's rod was also kept there. Then there was a special container in which there was manna, holy anointing oil and other objects of special meaning. (Exodus 37:1-9; Heb. 9:3-8.)

This holy of holies, as the inner room was called, was the place designed by God in which His glorious Presence was to abide while He led the Israelites on their journey to Canaan.

The people were told when the tabernacle was to be set up, and a huge crowd formed to see what it would look like when all the many parts were put together. It

was a colorful and majestic sight to witness its erection. However, it wasn't possible to view the sacred rites that took place in ordaining the tabernacle, its contents and Aaron and his sons. The curtained fence around the court prevented the people from seeing inside.

Moses was the first to enter the court after workmen had set it up. He anointed the various articles and utensils in the court and the tabernacle. From that time on they were to be regarded as holy.

Moses then brought Aaron and Aaron's sons into the court. After they had washed their hands and feet in the laver, they put on the clothes they were to wear in their duties as priests. Moses anointed them with oil and they were ordained, by God's power, to be priests in the service of the tabernacle. This also meant that their following generations of men were also to be priests.

Everything was put in order in the tabernacle. Bread was placed on the table in the holy place. The seven lamps were lighted. Sweet incense was burned on the golden altar. A burnt offering and a meat offering were made at the large altar. (Exodus 40:17-33.)

The Israelites had become accustomed to seeing the cloud of God move from Mt. Sinai and descend on the tent where Moses went to meet God outside the camps. Many of them noticed that the cloud moved down off the mountain peak after Moses and Aaron and his sons had been inside the tabernacle for a little while. But this time the cloud didn't head for the tent outside the camps.

"Look at the cloud!" some cried out. "It's moving down this way!"

Moving directly toward the crowd around the tabernacle, the cloud appeared to be increasingly enormous. Most Israelites had never been so close to it before. They began to be aware of its beautiful, sparkling, silvery quality. It was like something glowing with strong, vibrant life.

When it floated slowly down over the tabernacle, some of the spectators became so upset at this nearness to God that they fled away to their tents. Most of the people just stood and stared in silent awe.

Moses, Aaron and his sons were in the court of the tabernacle when the gleaming cloud suddenly descended on them. They found themselves enveloped in a luminous vapor which imparted to them a wonderful feeling of peace and energy. Moses had experienced this feeling before because of his closeness to God. To the others it was something so awesome that they respectfully backed out of the court through the curtained entrance in the east fence.

Moses stood where he was, waiting to see if God meant to speak to him. But there was only silence while the cloud became thicker and brighter. Blinding rays of multi-

colored light burst from the tabernacle. Even with his hands over his closed eyes the brightness was too much for Moses. He groped his way toward the entrance and joined Aaron and Aaron's sons outside the court. (Exodus 40:34-35.)

Many of the people, on witnessing the strange, brilliant light in the cloud over the tabernacle, began to realize how wonderful and merciful their God was, and they thanked Him for coming to lead them instead of slaying them.

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ENGLISH BIBLE

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now the ones being discovered in the Middle East. They were later rejected in the Greek world and were left buried for 1500 years!

The critics refuse the reliable manuscripts because they are generally younger. But that is the very reason they are reliable. The true manuscripts *when worn out*, were always burned by Jews and Greeks, after careful new copies were made. The corrupt manuscripts were not so treated. They were merely discarded or used for fuel—as was the famous corrupt Sinaitic Manuscript, found by Tischendorf in the waste baskets of the Sinai Monastery. Yet this kind of manuscript is being honored today.

A Need to Restore Correct Greek Text

It is time we returned to the authority of the Greek text of the Greek world. It is found, with only slight variation, in the King James Version of the Bible. The textual errors in the King James Version are so slight that one article could cover them. We hope to do so in some future issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. But the textual deviations of the RSV and the NEB are so great that it would properly take a book to describe them and to restore the original.

Though in many places the RSV and THE NEW ENGLISH BIBLE are careful translations, they cannot be relied upon. They are lacking in authoritativeness. They are from an unsound eclectic text put together by critics from manuscripts that do not even agree among them-

selves. Witness the differences between the RSV and the NEB.

The only sound method of Bible study is to read the King James Version first. Then, if it is not clear, read these other modern renderings. They will often say the same thing in clearer, more modern English. But do not take for granted that they are right when they totally depart from the King James Version. They are most likely wrong—having been rendered from a faulty Greek reading found in the manuscripts circulated by the early apostate Roman Church!

The truth is plain. THE NEW ENGLISH BIBLE is not an authoritative translation. It is accurate and very readable in parts, but it is a frightful mixture of accuracy and error. It must be studied in conjunction with the King James Version. Then you can be sure what the Word of God reads.

CONGO CRISIS!

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United States and Great Britain.

Notice Isaiah 10:5-6: "O Assyrian, the rod of mine anger, and the staff in their hand"—their military power, which is being rapidly rejuvenated—"is mine indignation. I will send him against an hypocritical nation, and against the people of my wrath." Yes, we say we are Christians, we print "In God We Trust" on our money, but God says our pseudo-Christianity is hypocrisy. We are a hypocritical nation—and God is going to use Germany to punish us.

But this is not all that prophecy reveals!

Germany's bold plan for the creation of the new "Lebensraum" in Eur- africa is receiving support in West European circles *from an ecclesiastical source as well!* We have repeatedly written in the pages of the PLAIN TRUTH how your Bible prophesies that the coming "United States of Europe" will be a combined church-state system—a federation of *ten* nations (only six nations are in Euromart now) united by a common religious faith and cause.

Notice the proof of this from the secret Madrid circular letter: "The union will be predominantly Catholic and *will get fairly uniform instructions from the Vatican.* In this the Catholic Church follows the concept of the old HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE OF THE GERMAN NATION. . . . The Vatican will lend the *Europe-African project* its friendly assistance wherever it may become necessary."

Do you catch the significance of these startling words? Right now, as many of you have heard for years over The WORLD TOMORROW program, there is being resurrected the last revival of the Holy Roman Empire—an ecclesiastical-political union that is destined to become the greatest commercial power ever known in the world.

There is not space in this article to explain the many prophecies about what is now taking place underground in Europe. But you can have it all explained in our free article "WHO is the Beast?" It will surprise you!

Overcoming the Obstacle

Who stands in the way of the realization of this dream? The Anglo-Saxon

nations—Great Britain and the United States—with their long-standing political and economic sway over the massive continent, and the Communist bloc.

Germany now has the distinct advantage. Great Britain's prestige in Africa is deteriorating by the hour. By winning the sympathy of fervently anti-British native nationalists, the Germans hope to take over where the British and their American partners will be forced to leave off. These independent countries, shaking off British rule, desperately need development. Into this economic vacuum is stepping a German-led United Europe—a United Europe which, because of its political nature, Britain refuses to join. This penetration is already taking place *right now*, unknown to most people! Notice these following reports:

FRANKFURT, Dec. 8—"The *chief prize* in the upcoming struggle between 'six' (the German-dominated "Euro-mart") and 'outer seven' (the rival British-led combination) is the future business of the former colonies in Africa as they gain their independence and need financial and technical aid. German firms are assured of their share in French territories by virtue of their common market fund contribution. *German industry additionally has seized a foothold in most of Britain's African territories which have been awarded self-government*" (Los Angeles TIMES, December 9, 1959).

Now read this:

"Behind the Congo chaos, West Germany is moving nimbly to secure a commercial foothold in newly independent and prospectively free Africa. . . . Germany's biggest industrialists will wine and dine the Nigerians and the Kenyans. The sell will be soft and candle-lit. There is distaste here for any undignified wooing of the Africans. West Germany can afford this long view. Germany has been trading with Africa for 75 years, and the two-way total exceeded \$1,000,000,000 last year." (By Norman Lindhurst, *New York Post*, August 12, 1960.)

"How do the Germans hope to dominate Africa? They view with great concern the sudden stampede towards national independence among the black

people. . . . The Germans are convinced that time is running out fast"—they know they have to move quickly before the door is shut to all whites and utter anarchy makes a shambles of the continent. "During the past few years, they have tried to cultivate contacts with those black leaders who are willing to play ball with Germany. Some . . . young black students were brought to Germany. They have been indoctrinated with such stereotypes as Germany 'is not a colonial power,' Germany 'is also a victim of British power politics,' etc.

"There is, for example, the 'Bund of loyal Togolanders,' a native organization that wants a resumption of close relationships between Togoland and its former colonial master, Germany. 'Frequently, one is greeted in Togo by tribal chiefs and older men in flawless German,' reports the *Frankfurter Allgemeine* of May 14, 1960. . . . The Bonn Government assured Togo that Germany will give its former colony the largest possible aid for its further development."

(By noted international analyst, T. H. Tetens in *Prevent World War III*, Winter 1960-1961.)

"To illustrate how subtle this policy is advanced all over Africa," Mr. Tetens continues, "let us quote from a series of articles which appeared during September 1960 in the *Deutsche Zeitung*, the mouthpiece of German industry and banking. A German geopolitician . . . was invited as a luncheon guest by the Katanga Interior Minister, Godefroi Munongo. (Katanga is the southernmost province of the Congo.) The Minister . . . not only admires the Germans but, according to the interview reported in the *Deutsche Zeitung*, he plans to create new links with other pro-German African leaders which would seem to fit in with Germany's designs. The Minister of Finance, Kibwe, goes even further. Pointedly ignoring Belgium and other Western powers, Kibwe speaks of the Germans as the *future saviors of the Congo*."

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THE BIBLE ANSWERS

Short Questions

FROM OUR READERS

What does the Bible say about having instrumental music in church?

Many have concluded that the New Testament does not tell us to use instrumental music in Church, and that it is therefore wrong to sing in Church to the accompaniment of musical instruments.

Both these conclusions are in *total* error. They are not based upon the Bible, but upon human reason and an inadequate knowledge of scripture.

No one denies that God was praised to the accompaniment of instrumental music in the Old Testament Church. God does not change (Heb. 13:8; Mal. 3:6). He therefore still approves this type of musical praise in our worship of Him.

Remember, *all* scripture is given by inspiration and is profitable for instruction today. Since *no Scripture forbids* musical instruments in Church worship today, we must still follow the example

of David and of the Old Testament Church. Granted the Law of Moses is not in force today—but the Law of Moses had nothing to do with music! God *demand*s that we use musical instruments in praising Him: "Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet; praise Him with the psaltery and harp. Praise Him with the timbrel and the pipe [marginal reading]; praise Him with stringed instruments and organs" (Psalm 150:3-4).

Revelation 5:8 and 14:2-3 show us that God is praised in heaven with instrumental music. Some may want to argue that what is done in heaven today is not good!

Revelation 15:2-3 tells us that those to whom God gives immortality *in the future* will praise Him to the accompaniment of harps. And in Psalm 87:7 also, God tells us that when He writes (Please continue on page 32)

HOW The Plain Truth is Different

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It is human nature to love flattery. Why, then, do carnal-minded people slap *others* on the back? Well, that is vanity, too. The flatterer *knows* his friend likes this kind of applause. He also knows, probably, that his flattery is insincere and untrue. He can still "play God" and not devalue his own self-estimate by telling another how "great" he is, when in reality he knows it isn't true. But it does pay! It wins friends. Therefore flattery is *given*, as well as received, in VANITY!

Now since human nature resents authority, the approach of modern education is to discourage and avoid all attitude of AUTHORITY. That might be offensive to people who resent authority. So modern "science" induces the public to accept "science" as its messiah—as the final AUTHORITY—by avoiding all *appearance* of authority.

The scientist and the psychologist and the educator never speak dogmatically. To speak dogmatically, with authority—to deal in absolutes—is the very heresy of "science" and modern education. They deal in theories, postulates. They express ideas, opinions. They actually know little about the things they are talking about. But then, neither does the public. These men are supposed to be specialists. When a supposedly learned scientist comes out with a new theory of the "earth's shifting crust" he is speaking about something of which his public is totally ignorant. But it *wants* to appear "educated." So it grasps willingly at this specialist's "theory," accepting it as truth and him as an "authority."

Matter vs. Spirit

Now one more fact. The natural mind is capable of receiving knowledge, naturally, *only* through the five physical senses. But the eye can see *only matter*. The finger cannot feel spirit.

The carnal mind, therefore, is confined to the field of matter. With innate rebellion against God, the carnal mind, vain in its supposed intellectual powers, dismisses God from his speculations.

It is blandly assumed, in modern education and modern "science," that God does not exist. At least "science" and education know nothing of God. There is, of course, no devil. There are no angels. There is no spiritual realm.

What they do not know, *they don't know* that they don't know! In this case, I suppose ignorance, truly, is imagined BLISS! Has science proved the non-existence of spirit, or of spirit life—of angels, demons, of God? Oh, no, of course not. The tools of science are observation and measurement—and reason. These tools cannot perceive spirit or spirit beings. They cannot, by the same token, disprove their existence.

So it is merely ASSUMED, without any proof, that we are dealing solely with MATTER.

The Plain Truth articles, therefore, violate the very policy of the large-circulation popular magazines. We deal in *spiritual*, as well as material facts and truths—and the one is directly *connected with*, and *affected by*, the other. And we deal in revelation—the KNOWING that God is, that the Holy Bible, in its original writings, is HIS AUTHORITY REVELATION AND MESSAGE to mankind.

This is knowledge that is absolute. God speaks with AUTHORITY. He tells us to PROVE all things. We have PROVED the existence of the Supreme intelligent Creator GOD. We have PROVED the infallible inspiration of the Scriptures as the Word of God. Therefore, in *The Plain Truth*, we SPEAK WITH AUTHORITY, even as Jesus Christ spoke!

We dare to speak dogmatically. We speak of what we KNOW—not of our opinions, ideas, postulates, or speculations based on lack of facts.

The Post Article

Now let me show you what came flashing into my mind, as I glanced over this article in *The Post*.

The sub-head caption, appearing *over* the great-type headline asked whether the discoveries of modern science have, beyond disproving, reduced mankind to

a place of insignificance in "a vast expanse of mindless space."

The article was written by a British architect, Douglas Edison Harding. In an editor's note about the author, this explanation is made: He was raised as a Plymouth Brethren, which is an ultra-fundamentalist religious society. But as a student at University College, London, he apostatized from this religious belief. Since, he has devoted a large portion of his life to a field far from his profession, in an effort to *reconcile religion and science*. In 1952, says the editor's note, he published the fruits of "*his speculations*." The author's hope is that readers will be brought to an "equally unusual *point of view*."

Now here is an article written with the world's accepted approach. Here is an article of speculation highly acceptable to a great magazine. Here is an article that would *not* be acceptable to the editors of *The Plain Truth*.

Here, too, is an article by a man who, accepting so-called scientific teachings in college, set out to reconcile these teachings with "religion." He became disillusioned in regard to his boyhood fundamentalist teaching.

The Contrast

If I may be pardoned for so doing, and now telling you about it, I could not help comparing his experience of disillusionment with mine—and then, contrasting his effort at solution.

Most *Plain Truth* readers are already familiar with the challenge that shook me, in the year 1926. My wife had accepted a religious doctrine from the Bible I felt was "fanatic." It angered me into a concentrated study of the Bible to prove that my childhood "Quaker" rearing was not wrong. "All these churches," I argued, "cannot be wrong." I assumed, as most people do, that "all these churches"—meaning, to me, fundamentalist protestant churches—believed only what they received from The BIBLE—that the Holy Bible was their *source* of belief and sole AUTHORITY.

At the same time my vanity also was challenged by a sister-in-law who said I was ignorant because I had never studied evolution.

So I studied evolution. I read Spencer, Darwin, Huxley, Haekel, Lyle. I also

read Vogt and More, and modern exponents and critics (as of 1926 and 1927).

Like Mr. Harding, I became disillusioned. I could no longer accept the boyhood Sunday-school teachings. I was about to accept the modern "scientific" view.

But I did not, because these views and ideas and theories and postulates contradicted my "fundamentalist" upbringing, throw the Bible out the window—as apparently "scientists" have done.

I was in a challenge as to *what the Bible really did say*, as well. You see, I supposed my fundamentalist church teaching had come straight out of the Bible. But my wife had accepted a totally contrary doctrine—and *she claimed she got it straight out of the BIBLE!*

So, my experience of disillusionment about my fundamentalist religious upbringing was about the same as that of Mr. Harding.

But from here, our courses set out in OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS.

He, apparently, set out, by human reason, to compromise—to so adjust, *in his own thinking*, the human findings and conclusions of "science" with his religious teachings. He was willing to make each teaching give a little here, and bend a little there, until they might coincide. He did not, it appears (I do not of course have all the facts), make careful examination to see *whether* his religious beliefs came out of the Bible.

My Astonishment

In my case, I studied Genesis, and even the WHOLE BIBLE, along *with* evolution. I was astonished to find, for example, that in Romans 6:23 the Bible says: "For the wages (payment) of sin is DEATH." This is a direct contradiction of my previous religious belief. I had always been taught, as have most "Christians," that the penalty of sin is ETERNAL LIFE, not death. Just the OPPOSITE of the Bible teaching. I had been taught the payment was ETERNAL LIFE—in hell fire. A matter of *where*, not *what* or *whether* we are to be.

Next, this same verse says eternal life is THE GIFT OF GOD—*something we do not now have*, and to be received only

as God's GIFT, through Jesus Christ our Lord. But I had been taught just the opposite. Instead of being born mortal, with eternal life to be acquired only as a GIFT, I had been taught that I was already an "IMMORTAL SOUL."

I began to be disillusioned doubly. Not only did I find that my fundamentalist religious teaching was the opposite of "science"—I now found it was the opposite of the BIBLE! It was a shocking fact to learn that the church teachings of today are, in many, if not most, important respects, the *very opposite* of the teachings of Christ in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. Also that the Apostle Paul taught precisely the SAME GOSPEL as Christ! In other words, I discovered that all these churches *could be* wrong—they had strayed far from the PLAIN TRUTHS OF THE BIBLE!

So now I searched out PROOF of *whether God existed*. I found that proof. And it cannot be disproved! Next, I looked for PROOF as to whether the Bible can be PROVED to be the inspired revelation of that God. That evidence exists. I found it!

Having PROVED the existence of God—the infallibility of the Scriptures, as originally inspired and written, I had found absolute AUTHORITY. I had found the SOURCE and BASIS for faith. I found a whole new realm REVEALED—the spiritual realm—and *it made sense!* It explained heretofore unexplainable problems of matter. It was like finding the missing half or two-thirds of a jigsaw puzzle. Now the whole picture was complete—sharp and clear in perspective—plain and rational!

Now I found that BOTH "science" *in its theories and postulates*, and "religion" *as taught in churches*, were CONTRARY to the sole proved AUTHORITY—and therefore both in error.

From there on my goal was not to reconcile two errors into a new error of my own devising—but to let the Eternal God reveal to me HIS TRUTH, which is FACTUAL, and ABSOLUTE!

Of course, there was much more to this experience than that. I did not recognize it then, but subsequent events and developments now prove that GOD was dealing directly with me—calling me for a very special mission, actually

now well along in process of accomplishment.

But, having PROVED the truth, after being plunged against my own volitions into Christ's ministry, I began to speak CHRIST'S OWN MESSAGE.

He spoke with AUTHORITY.

Modern Scientists and Christ Contrasted

Suppose, when the man came to Jesus asking how he might receive eternal life, Jesus had answered like a modern teacher in a modern college or university? Could you IMAGINE Jesus Christ answering something like this: "Well, that is something about which we may not be sure. We know of no evidence there is such a thing as eternal life. Some scientists believe death ends all. The ancient Greeks believed we are immortal souls, already eternally alive. Now I have a *new* point of view. I have speculated a great deal on this subject, and it is my opinion that it is *possible*—though we cannot be sure—that it might come as a gift from God—IF God exists—and on condition that you repent and obey His basic law of life. That is just my idea."

Or, when the Sadducees came to trap Jesus with the question about the much-widowed woman, successively married to seven brothers. The Sadducees did not believe in any resurrection from the dead. They asked Jesus, "Therefore, in the resurrection, whose wife shall she be?"

The modern scientist or college professor certainly would have been in trouble on that one. But not Jesus Christ. He KNEW the TRUTH. He spoke dogmatically.

"Ye do err," he said, with AUTHORITY, "not knowing the Scriptures, nor the power of God. For in the resurrection, they neither marry, nor are given in marriage." (Mat. 22:23-30.)

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Short Questions

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up the people—that is, when He gives salvation—"As well the singers as the players on instruments shall be there. . . ."

Ephesians 5:19 tells us how to praise God in our worship today. The Greek word here translated "psalms" is *psalmos*, which means "to twitch or twang, that is, to play on a stringed instrument." See *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance* for the proof! This is a *direct command from Almighty God* to use musical instruments in Church services today!

LETTERS TO EDITOR

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Religion IS for the Educated

"Dear Mr. Armstrong:

"I am a student at a university, and very interested in what you have to say. As a general rule, whenever a religious program comes on the air, I change the station. One night I decided to give you a listen, and see if you were like most of the emotional religious fanatics. After

hearing you out, I was extremely pleased that I had. Everything you said made sense, and you supported your conclusions, unlike most people I have heard. I never once heard you fling generalizations around without giving the facts and details they were embedded in."

Louisiana

God's Way Pays

"Dear Mr. Armstrong:

"I work outdoors and since I've been tithing I've had more work this winter than any winter I've worked outdoors. I've been getting more work and good pay as a result."

Man, Point Pleasant, W. Va.

Broadcast Is Powerful

"Dear Mr. Armstrong:

"Tonight it was my good fortune to tune you in between 6:30 and 7:00 on KPHO. I usually turn to KPHO when driving home for they play some mighty fine music, but when I heard you and your style of delivery I must tell you it held me with you all the way, and I regretted it when sign-off time came around."

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