

REFLECTIONS
FROM LIFE

By R. B. M.

When it comes to changing the meaning of certain passages of the scriptures, or selecting certain passages for the purpose of bolstering up our "isms and isms", we want to put a stop to it. The Rev. 22:19, reads something like this: "And if any man shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things written which are written in this book."

Seems pretty clear to us, and a child can understand this if he wishes. It is those who are trying to change God's plan and promises who can't understand. They do not wish to understand, and wouldn't admit it if they did.

We have many people in America who are looking forward to spending eternity in heaven, who very obviously deny the "Virgin Birth." This is just a cooked-up idea of their own. They have no foundation for such a belief.

Jesus Christ, the Son of a Living God, came into this world to seek and to save, and according to the scriptures, it is His blood that makes us free. If you can't accept God the Son, how do you hope to be saved? In Acts 4:12 we read: "Neither is there salvation in any other; (meaning Jesus) for there is none other name under heaven, given among men, whereby we must be saved."

It is God's plan, and we accept it. The true God — God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, enters harmoniously in the God-head. If you deny God the Son, why not God the Father or God the Holy Spirit?

You may not understand the immaculate conception, but if you believe in God you should have enough faith in Him to take His word for this. Seems quite ruthless for mortal man to dispute the word of a just and living God.

Back in the old Bible we learn of the blood offering—usually a sheep without spot or blemish. This seems to have been sufficient at that time, though Jehovah God, from time to time told the followers that in due time he would send His own offering into the sin-cursed world, and that His blood would be sufficient to atone for all sin forever and forever.

God went so far as to tell people, through his prophets, just how His offering would appear—how he would be lifted up, "even as the serpent in the wilderness was lifted up." These things we know, and we have no desire to change God's plan of Salvation. Jesus was lifted up—up on the cross where His spilled blood paid the ransom price for your sin and mine.

We can't save ourselves any



MYSTERY—Premiere Josef Stalin, seated left, attends the 19th Congress of the Communist Party in this picture released by an official news agency in October 1952. Georgi Malenkov is speaking. The mystery surrounding Stalin's health was heightened upon receipt of the picture. Studied, it was found to be an apparent paste-up job. Arrows point out the alleged superimposition, a darker-shaded strip running from top to bottom and encompassing Stalin.

easier than we can lift ourselves by our boot straps. Just can't be done no matter how much we may desire to be saved. God made a plan, and if we are going to be saved we will of necessity have to be saved God's way.

What is the plan of God? John 3:16 tells us that "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

If we understand these simple words it means that our first duty is to "believe." And if we believe it is quite natural that we will "love" the one who so greatly befriended us. He paid all our debts and set us free. His atoning blood washed us free of sin, and we were reconciled to God.

Nothing wrong with this plan, and it is so simple a child can understand.

The trouble with man is that he has a desire to care for his own needs. He doesn't feel that he needs God's help and therefore refuses the precious gift of salvation. It is his for the asking, for Jesus Christ paid the purchase price of Calvary tree. But we feel so self-sufficient that it is beneath our dignity to "become as a little child" again, yet the Master says this is necessary if we are to inherit eternal life.

Why argue with God? Why dispute His word, and why refuse to accept His son? Just as well deny the Father, as punishment will be the same. Jesus on more than one occasion mentioned the fact that He and His Father were one.

A God that was capable of creating the heavens and the earth is capable of creating a son. This He has done and while the world has been slow to accept Him as a redeemer, it merely magnifies man's weakness and in no way does it detract from the power of God.

And when you accept this Son as your personal Saviour, you are a new man with new ideals. Love will fill your heart, and you will be contrite in Spirit. You will have the urge and desire to repent of your sin, and ask to be forgiven. Then you will want to shout and sing praises—you have believed, repented, loved and have been saved. You have inherited eternal life, and so far as this writer is concerned it is permanent. Jesus



GRIM INTERVIEW—First Secy. of the Russian Embassy in Washington, Michael Smirnovsky, grimly bites his lips as he talks to a newsman at the Embassy following news of the critical illness of Premier Josef Stalin.

tells us that what His Father has given him he cannot lose, but will raise us the last day.

This does not denote that we will have attained the state of sinless perfection, it does not mean that we will never commit

of life without separating us from His love and grace. Yes, we will be punished, but right here on earth. That is where God the Holy Spirit enters our lives. This is the comforter who will be with and in us at all times, guiding us through our conscience, to keep on the straight and narrow path.

We can't accept Christianity in degrees. We are either saved or lost. Very recently we heard an address made by a very fine, and we believe Christian gentleman, Most of his remarks were excellent, and we greatly enjoyed the address. Yet this man mentioned that maybe we should not ask people if they are Christian, but rather ask how much Christian they are. If they have been born again—been saved by grace through faith, they are Christians. If not, they are lost. "By their fruits ye shall know them", and a born again Christian will bear some fruit, that at times it may be so little that the world never knows much about it. They are still Christians

we feel, but are not enjoying their salvation as much as others who are more active workers.

Of course by now you are probably suspecting us of being a Baptist of some variety, and you may be right. However, it is more necessary to be a Christian than a Baptist, Methodist or what have you, and we do claim to be a Christian.

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Map Action To Cut Importation Of Foreign Oil

Texas oil independents responded to the 1953 import schedules released by importing companies at the February 18 state-wide hearing of the Texas Railroad Commission with a promise "to take positive and definite steps to halt the flow of surplus oil from the foreign concessions of these few companies."

importing companies, in the face of their public avowals to supplement, but not supplant domestic production, now are proposing actually to increase the quantity of oil and products they are bringing in from their more profitable foreign holdings."

Payne cited testimony of importers operating in oil-short California to the effect that they "are not interested in considering the Texas surplus to meet California requirements under any conditions. It is clear that these companies approve all too heartily of the present arrangement by which Texas absorbs world surpluses while other states and foreign properties produce at capacity."

oil to the point that drilling is further retarded here, every citizen of Texas will be injured, as pointed out this week by the Texas Senate through a resolution. Not only are such excessive imports injurious to the thousands of producers and royalty owners upon whose industry activity our national security rests, but they are depriving our state government of needed funds and the school children of money which comes from taxes on Texas oil production."

Payne called for an immediate 250,000 barrel per day reduction in imports, declaring that failure of importers to take this action voluntarily would necessitate appeal for help outside the industry. He said TIPRO would decide that course at its annual meeting in San Antonio March 30 and 31.



POSSIBLE SUCCESSORS—These are the three men listed as possible successors to Premier Josef Stalin should the Soviet leader die from a cerebral hemorrhage which struck him March 4. Left to right: Laurenki Beria, Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov, and Georgi Malenkov.

"We must take positive and definite steps to halt the excessive flow of surplus foreign oil whether we do so before the Railroad Commission, the Texas Legislature, the United States Congress, or the bar of public opinion."

"Texas is not willing to continue to curtail her production simply to provide a profitable outlet for the foreign concessions of these few companies. The people of the United States cannot tolerate the destruction of a vital defense arm just to serve the temporary financial interests of these importers."

He said importers made it clear at the hearing that "it was simply a case of Texas be damned if it suits our pocketbooks to unload our foreign surpluses here."

Americans Need To Be Taught About Country

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J. — Dr. David D. Denker, director of American civilization program at Rutgers University, would help insure world peace by educating Americans about America.

Dr. Denker said his program of teaching a better understanding of American heritage is a "secret

weapon" for peace because most Americans are largely unaware of the social growth of their own nation. By the same token, he said, foreign students "bring baggage of misconceptions and prejudices about America to these shores."

"It seems to me," he said, "that the America is someone who does not know who he is, while the European is someone convinced he knows who the American is."

Getting The Bird

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STRICKEN—Soviet Premier Josef Stalin, top, stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage March 4, is unconscious and near death in his apartment in Moscow. Perhaps one of Stalin's favorite photographs is this one showing him with Nicolai Lenin, bottom left, founder of the Soviet State. The photo was made in Corki in 1922 two years before Lenin's death.

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BY THE CARTON

NEWS FROM OLDEN

Among those who were in Abilene Saturday night to see the "Globe Trotters" were Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Everett, Freddie Rouch, and Thelma Edwards.

Mrs. Annie Wilkerson received word last week that her grandson, Daniel Howell of Breckenridge had undergone a tonsillectomy in a Mineral Wells hospital.

Mrs. Lou Crank is here visiting

in the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Dafforn.

Dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Holt, were Bob Rigidon of ACC, Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brock of Eastland.

Mrs. C. U. Norton of Coleman, visited with Grandma Norton in the home of Mrs. C. C. Martin last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Jull of Ringling Star, visited her sister-in-law, Mrs. G. T. Nabors in the Dick Yielding home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Bryan and Billy, visited over the weekend with his mother, in Shamrock, and her mother in Cushing, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Holt and children of Abilene, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Holt here Sunday.

C-1, a-4 Mrs. Edith Colburn of Wichita Falls, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Colburn here Monday and Tuesday.

At the regular PTA meeting here last week, it was voted that the PTA sponsor a formal high school banquet at the Connellee Hotel in Eastland. The date will be set later. It was also voted to buy a water fountain for the concession room.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee McGuire left last Wednesday for San Angelo, where they go to visit their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Musgrove.

Gene Everts of Kentucky, visited relatives here over the weekend.

Visiting in the home of their parents over the weekend, were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Butler, of San Diego, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Carl Butler, Jr. and children of Bryan, Don Butler of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. James Snodgrass and family of Waco. Jimmy is here on a ten-day leave, and his wife will accompany him back to California. He has just returned from Japan.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hicklen have been called to Munday, Tex. because of the death of a niece, Mrs. Fred Broach, Jr.

Thermometer Gives Owner The Bird

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — John Webb installed an indoor-outdoor thermometer at his home and the

Community Night has been set for Friday night of this week, with Mr. and Mrs. Dee Cooper in charge.

Bobby Warren of Oklahoma met his mother, Mrs. Myrtle Warren in Midland last week, where they visited relatives. He accompanied her home before returning to his base in Savannah, Ga. Another son, Marvin of Kerrville has also been visiting his mother.

outdoor thermometer worked perfectly for several weeks. Then it began to register about 15 degrees higher than it should at night. The day readings continued to be accurate.

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set the date tonight. All parents of Ranger-High bandsters are asked to be present for the important session... A Ranger TV dealer told us the other day that video sets are being installed in the area at about the rate of one per day. He said he estimates there are about 200 TV sets in Ranger now. Most sets, he said, were sold during November and December... Joe Dennis, Times publisher who's been rascalin' with Old Man Flu, is better, according to members of his family. He should be back at his desk in a couple of days or so. But don't be surprised if it's sooner. Because Joe, like many other business men, finds it mighty hard to stay at home...

A Ranger woman the other day informed hubby: "Darling, I'm going out shopping and I'll be back in about fifteen dollars."

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REBELS—

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ponents an average of 64 points. As a result of their fine showing the Rebels will be one of the four Texas junior college teams to compete in a regional tournament sponsored by the National Junior College Athletic Association at Amarillo March 9, 10, 11. Winner of this tournament will be eligible to compete for the national junior college championship in a tournament to be held at Hutchinson, Kans., later in March.

All conference teams showed great improvement in the February stretch drive. Indications are that next year's race will see San Angelo and Tarleton State as outstanding contenders and the Schreiner Mountaineers and Ranger also on the up-grade. The Rebels should also field another fine team but most of the veterans

who carried them through this season are due to graduate this spring.

Pioneer Conference Basketball
Chart Final Season Standing

Team	W	L	PCT	PTS	OP
Arlington	17	5	.774	1605	1291
Schreiner	15	11	.578	1787	1837
San Angelo	8	12	.400	1279	1359
Ranger	4	12	.250	1019	1163
Tarleton	4	16	.200	1074	1379

Final Conference Standing

Team	W	L	PCT	PTS	OP
Arlington	3	0	1.000	607	454
San Angelo	5	3	.625	554	509
Schreiner	4	4	.500	499	509
Ranger	3	5	.375	456	573
Tarleton	0	8	.000	410	551

Last Week's Results

Team	W	L	PCT	PTS	OP
Ranger	59	59	.500	52	
Arlington State	72	59	.550	52	
Schreiner	78	59	.569	52	
Arlington State	105	59	.641	52	
Tarleton State	65	59	.521	52	

Leading Conference Scorers

Player	FG	FT	TP
Barney Aaron	184	415	
Kermit Allen	140	377	
Arlington	140	377	
David Anderson	125	351	
Ranger	125	351	
Mark McCann	128	335	
Schreiner	128	335	
Tom Milford	113	335	
San Angelo	113	335	

Leading Season Scorers

Player	FG	FT	TP
Barney Aaron	49	147	
Schreiner	49	147	
Kermit Allen	52	132	
Arlington	52	132	
Don Campbell	27	70	
Tarleton	27	70	

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