

in the afternoon so I told them it was too serious for me to tend but I would cleanse and dress it now and they should stay and see the Doctor. After a lot of talking, they saw it would be best so I made him as comfortable as I could and they sent word to the father. He was so upset at the thought of sending his little son away. I tried to encourage them by saying that Johanesi's two little sons had been three weeks in the hospital having treatment for a kidney condition and they had returned home well. Also that two other little boys had been taken out too and would be company for his child. I said "They will take good care of him" and he replied "It is very necessary that they do for we are very fond of him." The mother is a seeker but the father is a heathen. We do pray that God will help the little boy and also help the father to realize that he needs God.

The Doctor has taken out two sick people and sent them to Johannesburg for special operations. One is a baptized member and I believe the other is a seeker, in our church. I do pray that God will give them a good recovery. He has taken others to the Piet Retief hospital. It is all a great blessing and help to the people.

We were so grateful for a little taste of Beulah news in an air mail letter from Mrs. Keirstead and we trust that all the services were as good as she described.

May we all be able to say—

So we'll follow wherever He leadeth,
Let the path be dreary or bright;
For we've proved that our God can give comfort;
Our God can give songs in the night.

It's so good to know that wherever God leads we can safely follow and He will give the necessary help and comfort. Praise His name!

Yours, in His glad service,
G. M. KIERSTEAD.

GOD CAN WORK WONDERS IF HE CAN GET A SUITABLE MAN

By Lionel Fletcher

All great soul winners have been men and women of prayer. I have known nearly all the great evangelists of this generation, and many of the last. All were men of intense prayer.

One man moved my soul tremendously when I was a young unconverted journalist. He was staying with a Presbyterian minister, and I said, "I would like to see Mr. So and So." The minister spoke of him with awe in his voice and something wonderful in his face, and said, "I have never had such a man live in my house. I do not know when he sleeps. When I go to his room at night to see if he is comfortable, he is in prayer. I saw him go into the church early this morning and he has not been home for meals."

I found the church . . . I crept in lest I would disturb him. It was in the tropics of Australia. I found him divested of his coat and collar. He lay prostrate at the communion rail. I could hear the agony of his voice and the tears in his voice as he pleaded with God for that great gold mining city, that he might lead souls to God. He had been praying all night. And he had fasted and prayed all day.

I crept up to where he lay. I knelt by his prostrate form and put my hand on his shoulder and it was wet with sweat. He had never seen me before but he looked up for a moment

and said, "Pray with me, brother. I cannot live if this town does not turn to God." He had been there about three weeks without conversions . . . I knelt with him and prayed with him and he opened his heart to God and pleaded as I never heard a man plead. I went back to my office awed, humbled and trembling . . .

That night I went to the great church where he preached. No one knew he had no food all day and no sleep the night before. But when he rose in the church I heard several say, "What an unearthly light is on his face." It is true. He was a great Bible teacher, but not an evangelist. But that night as he preached, something happened, and the whole place broke beneath the power of God. This was the first great ingathering of souls I had ever witnessed.

GIVE ME THE ABILITY

Rev. E. E. Shelhamer

"For me to live is Christ" (Paul).

Some people have ability, but no adaptability. It is hard for them to adjust themselves to others. So I pray:

1. Lord, give me the ability to be agreeable with those who are disagreeable.
2. Give me the ability to concede that there may be truth on the other side.
3. Give me the ability to answer never a word when I am misunderstood.
4. Give me the ability to keep calm and quiet while under fire.
5. Give me the ability to forgive before the other party asks it.
6. Give me the ability to grow eternally tall while sitting in an obscure place.
7. Give me the ability to rejoice when I am set at naught.
8. Give me the ability not to answer an unkind letter inside of thirty days.
9. Give me the ability to show the right spirit when I am voted down.
10. Give me the ability to scorn enthronement at the expense of another's dethronement.
11. Give me the ability to feel little in proportion to my growth.
12. Give me the ability to shun a needless argument which might result in estrangement.
13. Give me the ability to avoid being queer and stingy in old age.
14. Give me the ability to love children though they be rude and noisy.
15. Give me the ability to wait for years, if need be, before being appreciated.
16. Give me the ability so to behave toward those of the opposite sex that later it will not bring up unpleasant memories should I meet the same parties.
17. Give me the ability to outwit Satan, so that in the end he will feel chagrined that he ever annoyed me. He meant my downfall, but only built me up; he taught me valuable lessons which I in turn passed on to others and thus fortified them against his assaults.
18. Give me the ability to get sweet out of bitter, light out of darkness, joy out of sorrow, riches out of poverty; to reign over others by letting them ride over me, and thus turn everything to my account and to the glory of God.
19. In short, give me the ability to reproduce the life of Christ, and live as He lived.

PENTECOST

By H. B. Sandine

Only a Holy Ghost revival in the Church of Christ can provide the leadership, atmosphere and power for a great revival of evangelism and missionary endeavor that should follow the cessation of this present global struggle. Thousands of Christians everywhere have been praying for such a Holy Ghost revival; and thousands of others are being aroused to pray. We need another Pentecost! Let every Christian who believes in the inspiration of the Bible as the Word of God, put aside all man-made theories, and accept God's Word as a divine guarantee that another Pentecost is not only possible but necessary to the carrying out of our Lord's Great Commission in our day and generation!

Driven to Prayer

"A revival will come," says Chas. Finney, "when the sinfulness of mankind grieves, humbles and distresses the Christians, and Christians will weep day and night over sinners instead of scolding them. Let Hell boil over and spew out as many devils as there are stones in the pavement, if it only drives Christians to God in prayer, they cannot hinder a revival.

"A revival will come when the Christians have a spirit of prayer for revival. A spirit of prayer is not merely many prayers and warm words, but is a state of continual desire and anxiety of mind for the salvation of sinners. Sometimes this burden becomes so great that the saints can neither eat, sleep nor live unless they see the salvation of sinners.

"A revival may be expected when the preaching and the various activities of the church are all aimed for the conversion of the sinners. A proper use of Biblical means always brings a revival. A revival may be expected when Christians confess their faults in a contrite spirit.

"When sinners are stupid and careless and sinking into hell unconcerned, it is time the Church should bestir themselves. It is as much the duty of the Church to awake as it is of the firemen to awake when a fire breaks out in the night in a great city.

"The Church ought to put out the fires of hell which are laying hold of the wicked! Sleep! Should the firemen sleep and let a whole city burn down? What would be thought of such firemen? And yet their guilt would not compare to saints who sleep while sinners around them are sinking stupidly into hell!"—Congregational Beacon.

REASON AND REVELATION

Two children were playing on a hillside, when they noticed that the hour was nearing sunset. One said wonderingly, "See how far the sun has gone! A little while ago it was right over that tree, and now it is low down in the sky."

"Only it isn't the sun that moves; it's the earth. You know; Father told us," answered the other.

The first one shook his head. The sun did move, for he had seen it; and the earth did not move, for he had been standing on it all the time. "I know what I see," he said triumphantly.

"And I believe Father," said his brother.

So mankind divides still—some accepting only what their senses reveal to them, the others believing the Word of God.—Christian Herald.