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EDITORIAL

GOD HEALS TODAY

It was Sunday morning. My meditations were interrupted by the penetrating notes of the telephone bell. The voice was that of a troubled father whose baby girl was seriously ill in hospital. The doctor had called from the hospital informing the anxious parents that baby was in a critical condition. If they wished to see her they should come at once.

I drove to the hospital with the father. We met the doctor just inside and he was grave. He told the father the baby was very sick. "You had best go see her" he said. The serious expression and the sympathetic tone indicated that there was little hope.

Climbing the stairs we entered the room to find the little girl very ill indeed. A fever of 106° was burning in her system and she was gasping and struggling for breath. My heart was pained with the heart of the father as we watched the child turn and toss in her bed. The childish eyes seemed to plead for help and sympathy and we quickly turned to prayer. Bowing together we asked the heavenly Father to have compassion and if it were according to His good will touch the little body and give healing. Speedily divine power dispensed the requested aid and the fever began to subside. Before we left the hospital there was sufficient change to encourage our faith and lighten our hearts.

In the midst of Sunday duties I received a quiet but convincing assurance that baby would recover. The Spirit seemed to reveal most clearly that the great Physician was attending the case and would restore the child to health and return it to the praying parents.

The father was absent from the Sunday evening service but was waiting at the door of the church when we came out. The baby who seemed to be improving through the day, had suffered an ill turn and was worse than ever. Her temperature had risen to an unbelievable 108.2°, the highest recording in the history of the hospital. The doctor thought he must be mistaken when he read the thermometer and called the nurse to verify the reading. Yes, it was 108.2°! The professional diagnosis pronounced the case hopeless; if the baby lived two hours it would be a miracle. Driving to the hospital with the father, after hearing of the change and the crisis, something swept over me that filled my soul with glad-

ness. It was the consciousness that in such an hour as this there was a source of help. "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills . . . my help cometh from the Lord." The doctor's word was not final, the case was not hopeless. God was there and He was able. The parents had told the doctor earlier in the day that they had placed the matter in the hands of the Lord and were confident of His ability to heal.

We hastened to the bedside of the baby, and for the second time in twelve hours we bowed over her in prayer. This time we uttered no word to be heard of man but breathed our earnest petition to God. Deep called to deep as our souls cried out to the Almighty.

Again the miraculous occurred, only this time the miracle was greater. It had to be. Almost immediately the baby showed signs of improvement, and, though we were at her bedside but a short time, her nurse was giving her nourishment before we left. In the home of the parents we bowed in prayer and once more committed the little life to the Father's tender care. What blessed trust! The next morning the hospital reported the baby's temperature 102 degrees. It continued to drop until in a few days it was normal. Now, months later, the little girl is well and strong, a living example of God's power and goodness.

The Great Physician now is near. God heals today. When medical skill is insufficient and human help is inadequate, "hope thou in God." "Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him . . . and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise Him up."

EDITORIAL GLEANINGS

WHEN EYES ARE OPENED

Miracles are not always necessary when we think they are. We are confronted by some staggering need, and we see no way of deliverance unless God works a miracle. We cry out to him for the miracle, and it does not come. But when Hagar, alone with her boy in the wilderness, had spent the water in her bottle, and death by thirst stared them in the face, she did not even ask God for a miracle but only that she might not see her boy die. Then she put him down "under one of the shrubs" and went "a good way off." God spoke to her, assured her that he knew, and loved, and cared; and there followed a remarkable thing: "And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water" (Gen. 21:19). God did not work a miracle and create a well of water there; it had been there all the time. All God needed to do, according to the inspired record, was to open the eyes of the despairing mother. Then she saw what had been hers all the time! God's people today sometimes fear they are dying of thirst. But they have Christ, and therefore they have the "well of water springing up into everlasting life" (John 4:14). The Samaritan woman was blind to this well of water that was by her side all the while; she saw, and drank, only after her eyes were opened. Are we ready to have God open our eyes to all that is ours in Christ? Let us pray daily "that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God" (I. Cor. 2:12).—Editor, Sunday School Times.

HOLINESS AND REVIVALS

There is no question but that many are not enduring sound doctrine and the preaching of holiness these days; and, consequently, we wonder if the tendency among the ministry is not to decline from strong preaching along

the lines of entire sanctification, and to decry the lamentable conditions that are prevailing over the face of the earth. Did not God instruct the fire-baptized prophet to preach holiness until there was none to preach to? Is it not our duty as well as privilege to preach "holiness to the Lord," whether they will hear or whether they will forbear? "He left not Himself without witness." Acts 14:17. History has verified this fact. When one Church has finally proven itself unfaithful in the propagation of holiness, God has raised up another to witness to the truth. Some of the more recent holiness churches to which God has placed the torch of full salvation, are letting their light burn dimly. Some, we fear, are going out. It is high time to re-fuel our lamps, pour on the oil, and once again blaze out in flaming hearts and lips, the message of the Cross, of Pentecost, and the early Church. May the brief messages of these dear men that warned in the yesterdays, stir your heart and mine to declare from the house tops with clarion certainty, the message of God's holiness. Though it be despised and rejected by the masses, a few will catch the vision and thirst after righteousness. "It is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful."—I. Cor. 4:2—Editor, Immanuel Missionary.

OF NO REPUTATION

It has been the marvel in all generations since the beginning of the Christian era, how that a small group of people lacking in education and experience could make such an impression on the world as did the disciples of Jesus Christ. They had no credentials, no one in authority would recommend them. In fact, the rulers did all they could to silence them by threatenings and imprisonment.

The only one of that early church who ever possessed papers of authority was the apostle Paul. But his letters of introduction were given him to persecute the Christian church. After he became a follower of the lowly Nazarene, he found himself without reputation, knowing only that bonds and imprisonment awaited him wherever he went.

When a person adopts a radical course and turns his back on the opinions of this world, he soon finds himself set aside by those who wield an influence in this world. To be termed a nondescript religious sect, or a band of religious fanatics, places people in a most unfavorable position. The one who carefully guards his religious standing in the eyes of those about him dare not become identified with that which is under reproach.

When the average man organizes for the spread of his particular belief, he considers natural ability and education as the chief assets. It is expected that those who occupy a position of importance in this world have high qualifications and better still have a few college degrees to append to their name. Then when they are assigned to positions of responsibility, they will have no trouble securing the endorsement of prominent people.

Man can only credit you with what you are able to master of what he teaches. The more you learn of the wisdom of this world, the higher you will be rated in the eyes of men. The worldly-minded man does not know that God can endow a person who will forsake human ambitions with a power above that which can be humanly devised. We admit that the man who has a well-rounded-out education has many advantages over his unlearned associates, but unless he can bring it into subjec-