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EDITORIAL

Good News, of Great Joy, for All the World. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great Joy, which shall be to all people. Luke. 2:10.

A very unusual declaration is this, indeed: That there could be Good News of Great Joy, for all people. It is very common for some people to receive good news over which they rejoice, news which many other people, perhaps many of their neighbors or relatives would not be interested in at all.

But here are tidings over which not only all people of the world rejoice, but also, the heavenly host rejoiced, and praised God, saying Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth Peace, good will toward men.

Yes: Joy to all people, was very unusual. We don't read of anything like it, any other time. The reason for this universal rejoicing, the inspired writer tells us, is because a child is born: But, why should all the world rejoice at the birth of a child? It is a very common thing for children to be born, and very often not many, perhaps no one, not even the parents, rejoice over the little stranger's birth.

The unusual rejoicing, is the result of the birth of a very unusual child; there never was, and never will be another born like that child: But why should we, and all the world rejoice over the birth of Mary's child? It is quite natural for normal, loving parents to rejoice over their own children, while perhaps they do not rejoice over the birth of their neighbor's children.

But, wait a minute, let us examine those good tidings again, how does it read? "Unto YOU is born this day in the city of David". And Isaiah the good prophet hundreds of years before this child was born, put in his claim, and said, it's unto US a child is born. Oh: that makes a difference. It is our child, and the angels were rejoicing over the birth of our child. When the angel said, Unto YOU, the ancient prophet said unto US. Those angels did not need that child as we need him for a Saviour, for they never fell.

And when we sing salvation's story, angels fold their wings, for they can never know the joy that our salvation brings". And yet, He saith, "let all the angels of God worship Him."

That unique child, became the Son, that Isaiah said was given unto US as an expression of the Father's love, to redeem the lost guilty race of man. Yes, that child became our Saviour, for that was our great need. Sometimes at this season of the year, gifts are be-

stowed which are not needed, but how much more joy and happiness that gift brings when it fills a long felt need! And how happy the donor feels when the recipient says "Just what I needed."

Yes, the great need of this poor old sin wrecked, war ridden, suffering world, is a Saviour. We think that we need many other things, money, pleasure, popularity, but, our greatest need is a Saviour. And there is only one Saviour, and that one is Jesus. For there is no other name given under heaven among men, whereby we can be saved. "Jesus, that name high over all, in earth, and sea and sky; before whom men and angels fall, and devils flee and fly."

And yet, there are millions of souls, still in heathen lands for whom Christ died who have never heard of Jesus our Saviour. Who is to blame? "Lord is it I?" Jesus said "Go ye into all the world and make disciples of all nations."

And now great numbers of church members, professing to love Jesus and to follow him will spend their money on unnecessary things, this Christmas season; things that they can do without.

Money wasted, that would send the gospel to the great hosts in heathen darkness, which would be the means of saving some, perhaps many souls, for whom Christ died. Friends, how can we spend our money on vain, useless things, while Jesus gave His all, and died to save men, when we know that vast numbers have never heard the gospel. Let us tell the good news of great joy with our money. And we too will rejoice, with Great Joy. "Money talks."

A REQUEST FOR PRAYER

By the Editor

I exhort therefore that first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men; For kings and all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour. I Tim. 2:1-2-3.

Doubtless, all of our readers are convinced by this time that our poor old world is in a very serious condition. The universal, moral disease, called sin, has broken out again among the nations, in the form of war, like an incurable running ulcer sore. Our economic doctors, those in authority, as kings, rulers and statesmen, have thrown into the vortex of this open sore, many thousands of young men, whose lives have been sacrificed, and the hearts of thousands of fathers, mothers, wives and children, are left broken and bleeding. And yet, no remedy has been found, war still rages. And now, with the use of modern weapons, such as bombs of various kinds and the rapid and enormous increase of the so-called Reds, (Communists) avowed enemies of the Cross of Christ, Christian civilization seems to be in a very grave danger.

Those in authority seem to be doing their utmost to find a way to stop this awful waste of human life, and property, and yet, the terrible carnage goes on. We don't know how much those representatives of the various nations, pray, or look to God for help, we don't hear anything about them calling on God for guidance.

But we would like to take this opportunity to ask all readers of the King's Highway to try the apostle Paul's way, as recommended in the foregoing scripture—heading of this appeal. "I exhort First of all, supplications,

prayers, intercessions, etc., be made for kings and all that are in authority. Let all Christians begin now, to fast and pray, for God to have mercy on us all, and help those innocent ones who are suffering because of war.

Pray for those in authority, that God will so guide them in their council meetings, that they will find a way to bring this war to a peaceful end.

If statesmen and men of the world can't do it, who knows whether God might hear the prayers of His people. He has made great promises to His people if they pray and believe. Hear what He says:

"If My people who are called by My name shall humble themselves, pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, forgive their sin, and heal their land." II Chron. 7-14. "The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous and His ears are open unto their cry." Psa. 34:15. "He heareth the cry of the afflicted."

And Paul said, This (kind of praying) is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. Jas. 5:16. I know that God punished His chosen people anciently for their sin and disobedience, by allowing their enemies, who were worse than they, to make war on them overcome, and take them captive and make slaves of them. You say, God won't allow communists, these atheistic hordes to overcome our so-called Christian nations. Well! we hope not, but, He did it before when His people disobeyed Him, sinned and grieved His Holy Spirit; and these so-called Christian nations, have become very wicked.

See what they are doing in the accursed liquor traffic alone: Increasing the manufacture and sale every year, until now millions of dollars worth of good grain, which would feed all the starving in the famine stricken countries in the world, is made into drink which is the cause of all kinds of sin and misery—and damns men's soul and body. Think you, God will overlook this horrible sin? We better pray.

—H. S. DOW.

NEW CHURCH AT PROSPECT HARBOUR, MAINE

On Sunday, Nov. 5th, a Reformed Baptist Church was organized at Prospect Harbour, Maine, by the Superintendent, Rev. B. C. Cochrane, assisted by Revs. J. A. Moses and Bruce Bridgeo, and Lic. Ruth Harding. The organization climaxed a week of special services at Prospect Harbour with Rev. and Mrs. Cochrane as special workers. This special campaign was arranged by Rev. J. A. Moses. Attendance and interest throughout the campaign, Oct. 22nd—Nov. 5th, was very good, with people coming from nearby Winter and Birch Harbour and Corea, and also from Beals and Jonesport. The pastor and people of our Beals and Jonesport Churches gave wonderful support to the campaign. Some of the people who had planned to unite with this new church on the day of its organization were unable to be present because of illness, so the charter was kept open until they could be given the right hand of fellowship. Nine people constitute the charter membership of this new church with a number of others planning to unite in the near future. Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Moses will pastor this new church. Services during the winter months will be held in the Birch Harbour Baptist Church. Pray for this new band of people "whose hearts God has touched." B. C. C.