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"LIFT UP YOUR EYES, AND LOOK ON THE FIELDS; FOR THEY ARE WHITE ALREADY TO HARVEST." — JOHN 4:35

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"With His Stripes We Are Healed"

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. . . A very cheerful greeting, friends, to all who are listening to the Mission Trail Broadcast. I am certainly happy to be coming your way again with a gospel message for your encouragement. I have been impressed recently with the need of getting hold of the promises of God and presenting them to you in regard to our physical healing. There are so many which are sick and afflicted who need to be healed. But first let me point out that healing is a part of the gospel. It is included in the atonement which Christ made when he suffered on the cross just the same as our salvation.

Listen to this prophecy which was made concerning Christ by the prophet Isaiah about 540 years before the coming of the Saviour. "He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed."

Now it does not seem hard for one to get hold of the promises of God for their salvation, for it is generally accepted that Christ made the atonement for our sins and through the shedding of his blood we are set free to become a child of God.

However, there seems to be a real problem for a child of God to grasp the fact that his physical healing is provided

also in the atonement. Just as Christ suffered for our sins we see here that "with his stripes we are healed". In Him is not only salvation but provision is also made for our entire being which includes the physical needs of our bodies. How often do we see the need of healing for the Lord's children.

Really, we might say that healing is the children's bread. This truth is brought out by Jesus when he spoke to the Canaanite woman whose daughter was grievously vexed with a devil. Here was a combination of a physical and a spiritual problem. Satan had really taken hold of the daughter and this affected her physical wellbeing likewise. In other words, she was unable to do as a normal child would do. When the Canaanite woman came for healing, Jesus said, "It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs."

Well that certainly would be a hard saying for one who was seeking healing, wouldn't it? From the words of Jesus

himself we see that healing is an important thing for the children of God. Rather than be denied, this Canaanite woman said, "Truth, Lord; yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table." That brought the results. "Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour."

To receive healing we must believe that God is able and willing to heal us. Listen to what Jesus asked the blind men who were in need of healing. "And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this? They said unto him Yea, Lord." Matthew 9:28.

Now it is just as important to have faith for healing as it is for salvation. I am not endeavoring to point out whose fault it is if one is not healed, but I am trying to show how important it is that we have faith in the atonement of Christ. Listen again to what Jesus said, "According to your faith be it unto you." Verse 29. So they were healed that day, but they were healed on the strength of their faith in the power of the Saviour to do it.

Now here is another promise that would be well for us to consider. In John the 15th chapter and verse 7 we find, "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." You see this means that a person is really a child of God and is obeying his word. God has promised to hear us if we obey his Word.

Well, one might say, Doesn't God hear the prayer of sinners? I would say

yes, if it is a penitent sinner and one who was turning from his evil ways to serve God. But otherwise God is under no obligation to hear the prayer of a sinner. Listen to the 31st verse from the 9th chapter of John. "Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth."

We see the difference in this one verse between a sinner's prayer and one who worships God and does his will. It says, "Him he heareth." Now over and over again we are reminded in the scriptures that God will and does hear the prayers of his people.

Listen to this 12th verse from the 3rd chapter of I Peter. "For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil." And again in I John 3:21 we find these words, "Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God."

Friends, there are many other scriptures that I could refer you to showing how God hears the prayers of his people, but I hope that these few thoughts will help you to first search your heart and see if there is any reason which you know lingering there which might hinder God from working in you a miracle. Then if you find something which needs removing, ask the Lord to cleanse it out and make you able to claim his promises. If nothing is found standing in the way, then lay hold upon these promises; claim them for your own; believe that God is able and willing and ready to fulfill his word in your behalf.

The verse of song which we sometimes sing would be appropriate here.

It says, "I can, I will, I do believe that Jesus saves me now." Accept your healing in the same manner. In the 5th chapter of James and verse 13 we find these words, "Is any among you afflicted, let him pray." So as you pray believe that God hears that prayer. We are also instructed that one should call for the elders of the church and let them pray over him anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord.

Here then is that promise of all promises to lay hold upon. This is found in James 5:15. "And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him."

Friends, I'm glad that the promises of God include salvation and healing and everything necessary for our welfare right here in this world. I hope that each of you may be encouraged to search your hearts, and if there's anything in it that would stand in the way, get it out of the way. Remove it and look to the Lord to fulfill his promises in your behalf. I would like to pray right now. Let us pray.

Our gracious Father,

We are in the midst of those who are afflicted all around us. We pray that you would help us as your people to be able to grasp the promise of faith and to claim the word of God for the healing of their bodies to thy glory, and surely we will give the praise unto thee for ever through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Now may I remind you that this message has been brought your way today by THE MISSION TRAIL of Guthrie, Oklahoma. We are trusting in God by faith to move upon the hearts of those

who hear his voice and supply the needs of the broadcast and the printing of his word as we send it forth each week to those who are interested. If we may be a help to you, be sure to let us know. Address your letter to THE MISSION TRAIL, Guthrie, Oklahoma.

Here now is a song, "The Son Hath Made me Free". The singers are Lynn and Alma Carver, Arnett and Genevieve Carver.

Friends, it has been a pleasure to bring you this message today. We still accept the Word of God as our rule of faith, our hope of Heaven, and also we accept the promises of it for the healing of those who are sick and in need. If you have a need or a problem, we'd be glad if you'd write us and let us know about it, and let us include you in our prayers, and we trust that your faith will reach out and grasp the promises of God for yourself.

Be with us again next Sunday at this same time on this same station for another broadcast of The Mission Trail. If you would like a printed copy free of charge, be sure to let us know when you write. Now until we meet again this is Willie Murphey saying may God's richest blessings be with each of you and a very cheerful good-bye!

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"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes. . ." Isa. 61:1-3

Testimonies

From Arkansas: ". . . I trust that you are all well and enjoying the blessings of the Lord. He has been good to us here in Arkansas. I wouldn't like to think of trying to get along without His providence, and I am thankful for many things." --Ethel Worrall

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From Oregon: ". . . I can report victory in the Lord. He is so good to me. I want your prayers that God will touch my body for arthritis in my knees so I can walk better for the Lord's service. I know by experience He still heals, and I also know that it's for God's people. He said when He went away that greater works would follow. He prayed for everyone of his children that they would be taken care of in every way--that included me! . . . God bless you all." --Sis. O. K. Myers

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From Louisiana: "Just a few lines to let you know I enjoy the service on radio more than words can express as I don't have a way to attend service like I want to and this is food for my soul every Sunday a. m. . . . Please pray for my unsaved loved ones that none will be lost and the saved will keep prepared for eternal life. Love and prayers," --Mrs. John Robertson

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From Oregon: "Dear Ones, I greet you in Jesus dear name. I can report victory in my soul and do thank the Lord for what He did for my body. I fell at Jefferson, Oregon, Sun., May 5, just before night service and hurt my right knee and broke a rib on that side. The saints prayed for me in night service and then after service I was anointed and prayed for, and the Lord surely has touched it. It's a little tender yet but pains very little. Thank the Lord, He is so good to me. . . ." --Emma Busch

From Arkansas: "Good morning, dear Bro. and Sis. Willie Murphey and all who help in the gospel work, Yes, I too enjoy The Mission Trail paper and after I read it I pass it on to others. I want it to do all the good it can. Oh, the Lord is so very dear to me. His love and blessings are great and many. Last night I awoke and my right foot was so cold and such awful cramps and pain. I called on the Lord for help, but it continued for awhile. I sat on the side of my bed, prayed and rebuked it all in the name of the Lord, claimed the victory in the name of Jesus and thank God it all was taken away. Oh, what a mighty and wonderful God we serve. How we ought to love and trust him. It will soon be 55 years since I gave my heart, soul and body to him, and it all is in his keeping yet, and my firm decision is to always trust in him and his power to keep my all. He has been my only hope and confidence in the many trials, in sickness, and in deaths. His rod and staff they comfort me. Praise his great name for ever! I want my life here to be a witness to glorify his great name."

--Sister N. E. Adams

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From California: ". . . Greetings in Jesus precious name. I am thankful to be yet saved and pressing on up the King's highway although we meet with many tests and trials, but I am glad God counted me worthy to suffer. I thank all of you precious saints for your prayers. Bro. Willie, I am sending a little to keep the precious word traveling on. . . It's not very much, but I thank the Lord I can do a little. . . Christian love," --Zephyr Weldon

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Sis. Nancy Wagoner of West Virginia desires earnest prayer for herself and for her husband who has recently been sent overseas.

at press time

we understand:

We offer our sympathy to Sis. Rubye Quave in the passing of her daughter Theresa Quave who died recently. We sincerely hope that God will comfort the hearts of all the relatives and friends.

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Frances and I made a short trip to Shreveport last week to attend the funeral of my sister Lola Kelly on Tue. We were also privileged to be in services one night with the Shreveport saints. Bro. Ostis and Sis. Evelyn Wilson were there in revival meeting. On our return trip we spent one night with Bro. and Sis. Loftis of Prattsville, Arkansas. It was the same night many were killed by storms in that state. We are grateful for God's protection and care for us.

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Campmeeting is scheduled to begin in Jefferson, Oregon on June 21. Bro. Benson has assumed much of the responsibility in the building of new rest rooms, and the help of Bro. Doolittle has been much appreciated. In addition to their work one man has also been hired. More information on the meeting may be obtained from the pastor, Sister Beatrice Spaur, P. O. Box 254, Jefferson, Oregon 97352.

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"I have a request I would love for all the saints to pray about." --Ora Futch

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"Our prayers are with you that all your needs will be supplied and you can stay on the air a long time. You will never know the good these broadcasts will do. . . ." --Asa and Katie Gibson

From Kentucky: "To the Mission Trail family, Greetings of love in Jesus' dear name. We appreciate your work and labors of love in the Lord and enjoy the Mission Trail so much. We recently made a three-day visit to the congregation at Holly Hill, So. Carolina. I took along a number of Faith and Victory and Mission Trail papers with several tracts in each and gave them out along the way. God had burdened Bro. and Sister Fry from Okla. also to go to Holly Hill, and they arrived a few hours before we did. O, we all had a rejoicing time. We had service Friday night through Sunday night. The Lord surely did bless. Two were sweetly sanctified and one was saved.

"Preparations for the campmeeting are coming along fine. The brethren have put a new ceiling on the chapel and also made other improvements. Pray with us about this meeting. We want God to work and have His way in all things. . ." --Sister S. E. Abbott (NOTE: Holly Hill, South Carolina meeting begins Friday, June 7.)

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From Missouri: "While I wait I will write you a few lines. Tonight finds me still saved and with as deep a desire as ever in my life to live for Jesus and please Him whole heartedly. He has helped me so much though some days the fight is so hard as it seems the loss of my precious one is so hard to bear. . . We surely have appreciated every act and deed of love and kindness to us in this time of great loss, sorrow and need." --Evelyn Gibson



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For some it will come true: "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." Jer. 8:20. Let us hasten with the message which Jesus gave: "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls."

Broadcast Schedule

Listen for THE MISSION TRAIL weekly on one of the following stations:

RADIO STATION	LOCATION	DIAL SETTING	TIME
KXOW	Hot Springs, Ark.	1420 kc.	Sunday, 7:15 a.m.
KCLO	Leavenworth, Kans.	1410 kc.	Sunday, 3:00 p.m.
WFPR	Hammond, La.	1400 kc.	Sunday, 7:45 a.m.
KCKW	Jena, La.	1480 kc.	Sunday, 7:30 a.m.
KCIJ	Shreveport, La.	980 kc.	Sunday, 7:30 a.m.

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