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"Two Works of Grace"

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"In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness." Zechariah 13:1. Good morning, friends. I am glad to be coming your way again. For the next few moments we hope you will stay tuned to this station as we present a short gospel message.

Notice this verse--"in that day there shall be a fountain opened..." Do you know what kind of a fountain that is? It is not describing the geysers that spring up in the Yellowstone National Park ever so often. It has no reference to "old faithful" which many of you have no doubt seen. However, this is a very faithful fountain. It is the fountain which Jesus opened when he shed his blood on the cross of calvary. This fountain is the one which washes away the sins of the world. It is for sin and for uncleanness.

Here is a verse which describes the plan of salvation in a very short and positive declaration: "And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood," Rev. 1:5. I like that. The good thing about it is that everyone is welcome. Doesn't it give you a feeling of satisfaction when you walk up to a house where you are going to visit some friends and see the mat on the steps or the porch which says: "welcome"? Then listen to this invitation from Rev. 22:17--"And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

That is what I call without discrimi-

nation. But there is one requirement--you must come. You are not forbidden, but it is up to each one to come of their own free will.

But speaking of this fountain, here is another verse to bear this out: "But if we walk in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." 1 John 1:7.

Here is what happens when we plunge into this fountain of life. We are justified from our sins and evil ways. That's a comforting thought. Listen: "Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him." That verse is found in Romans 5:9. Perhaps you have heard the expression "I am saved". That is what it means--That you are a child

of God and have been born again into the family of God. Your sins are not held against you any longer. They are taken away.

What could bring greater assurance than to know the past is under the blood? Isaiah puts it this way: "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." That is when a soul really finds peace and not until then. "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:" Romans 5:1. To have the load of condemnation lifted makes us happy. Listen: "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." Romans 8:1.

This is really what folks are seeking for and don't seem to know how to get there. Jesus said: "Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the Kingdom of heaven." Matt. 18:3 But this isn't all. There is another work of grace known as sanctification. It is a cleansing and filling with the Holy Spirit. "Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate." Heb. 13:12 Our salvation is not fully complete until we have been purged of all inbred sin and wholly sanctified. The first cleansing takes away all sins committed. The second cleansing purifies our hearts and cleanses our nature. The Lord is not pleased for his people to stop short of this experience. 1 Thess. 4:3 says, "For this is the will of God, even your sanctification," So we know it is the will of God.

The first cleansing is applied to the sin-

ner. Such scriptures as James 4:8 bring this out--"Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded." Or Romans 4:5--"But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness." Jesus told some of those in his day "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Luke 13:3.

But this second definite work of grace is for the believers. It requires a presenting of our bodies as a living sacrifice wholly acceptable unto the Lord. Now, I believe the disciples were saved right while Jesus was with them. Listen to this scripture in John, chapter 17 beginning with verse 16: "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth."

Jesus also said: "Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit." John 15:2.

Here is another one I like so well: "Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow." Psa. 51:6-7.

Dear ones, there are many more scriptures teaching so plainly that there are two works of grace. But may I ask you as Paul asked some of the disciples of Ephesus: "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?"

Let us pray: Our Father, we are glad for the coming of the Holy Ghost into

our lives, giving power over the world. Bless all the listeners of the broadcast. May each of them also find the power in God to overcome the world and live a saved and sanctified life. Make us all as lights shining in the world. We ask it in Jesus name. Amen.

Thank you so much for a few moments of your time. We hope you have enjoyed the word of the Lord. If so we would be most happy to hear from you. Or if we may be of some spiritual help be sure to let us know. Address your letter to The Mission Trail, Guthrie, Oklahoma.

One dear brother whom I remember so well in the days of my childhood, would testify to the experience of sanctification in this way. He would liken justification to a pasture where stock would be feeding. The pasture wasn't too large and the stock would just stay there and graze it off--the grass, until it was down to the ground. Then there was a gate leading out into a big field full of clover waist high. If one would only lift up their heads and go on into the pasture awaiting them there would be plenty. That was sanctification. Then the brother would leap and shout. Dear ones, it is for you. Let us go on into the deeper things of God.

MY PRECIOUS SECRET

I've a secret in my bosom
That the world can never know,
In each trial reassuring,
As the moments onward go.
Only those who do His will
Can its priceless value tell.

Round me sweep the waves of sorrow,
And their surgings press the soul;
With this secret still before me,
Tempests rise and billows roll.

Secret of undying love
Lift my heart to worlds above.

Fadelife's transient dream of splendor,
Let my soul in Him confide;
For I know no hand can sever
If this secret in me 'bide.
Keep my heart and I shall be,
"Thine through all eternity."

Here is a song "Thank God I Am Free".
The singers are Bob Forbes, Terry Allen, Tony Samons and Delmar Wilkins. Until we meet again this is Willie Murphey saying God bless and keep you and a very cheerful goodbye!

Correspondence

From Tex.: "I always enjoy the Mission Trail and wish I could get the broadcast. Sometimes I feel discouraged and blue, and the Mission Trail comes and it has the very things in it I need to cheer me on my way. I sure enjoyed the part of the meeting I got to be in. So good to hear the good singing and sermons and it's wonderful to see the good old saints of God again, and be there where we can worship together and praise the good Lord for being so good to us. As Sister Ruth said the Lord is good to us and I love him so... We had 11 in our Sunday School this morning. We need your prayers. They are talking about selling the Church of Christ building here to be moved and building them a better one. Pray if it can be the will of God we could have help--someone else interested in a church house here, and the Lord will supply the means that we can get the building... Pray the Lord to send laborers in this vineyard. May the Lord bless you all in the work for the Lord... You all go lots of places. Come see us too--let you preach in my front room."
--Sister Nellie Lovell

From Ark.: "I am happy in the Lord like the good old hymn--happy in the saviour. Another year has come and gone and can we look back and see anything we have done. I feel like I could have done more and I want to do more in '73. I just pray that the Lord will lead and guide me every day. I haven't written in a long time but I think about God's people often and I want the Mission Trail to keep coming my way. It's a real blessing to me. We still don't have a pastor but Bro. Roberts is coming every 2 weeks and preaches for us. We are so thankful for that. Randel and DeLoris left for Kansas. They felt the Lord was leading them. We sure miss them. There are not very many of us, but we have good services. Sis. Adams brought us a good lesson last evening on strength so you all pray for us as we do you all. I have a very urgent request for prayer."

--Sis. Johnnie West

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From Ill.: "Please keep me on your mailing list. I do enjoy reading the little paper as I live alone. It means a lot to me to read of others in the paper and how the Lord is helping them. Do pray for me."--Mrs. Clarence Gentry

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From Mo.: "Greetings in the dear name of Jesus the one that loved us and gave himself for us. Trust this finds all of you encouraged in the Lord. We are still pressing on in the service of the Master...I have decided to give up my broadcast. I felt like it cost too much for the short time I was on the air. It would have been sixteen dollars per week. But I still have a desire to work for the Lord and to do what little I can for him. I desire your prayers that I be faithful to the Lord and to souls. I want to draw nearer him each day and in that way I believe I can be a blessing to souls..." --Bro. T. V. McMillian

From Fla.: "Greetings of Christian love to each of you in precious name of our dear Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is everything to us. I'm so glad I've learned to trust him precious savior father friend, and I know that he is with me, will be with me to the end, if I only keep humble and obedient to his word and I have no other determination. ...I need your earnest prayers that my faith in him fail me not...continue sending the Mission Trail to me...I am thankful and appreciate reading it when it comes. I usually sit right down and read it all. Keep up the good work. You have our prayers for the success of same. Christian love to all the readers,"

--Sis. M. B. Savage

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From Mo.: "Dear Brother and Sister Willie Murphey, we have had a real cold winter here with lots of snow until the first of last week. It was zero weather, but the sun shone most of every day and is shining today, Monday the fifteenth. I trust you are all well and happy in the Lord. I am real well except a few colds. I will be eighty-two years old 25 of next Sept, do my own washing and I made a trip to Sumner, Washington last Sept. and enjoyed every minute of the whole trip...I enjoy the paper so much,"

--Sister Naomi E. Anno

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Chetopa, Kansas: "Dear Mission Trail, I heard your group sing a song on the radio some time ago entitled "The Way-worn Traveler." Would you send me a copy of it? My father used to sing that song when I was a little girl. So please send it if you can. I should like to help you financially but am not able just now. Thanks any way even if you can't send the song. May the Lord bless your efforts to help give the gospel in song and word. I am 81 years old and not very well. Please pray for me."

--Mrs. Carrie L. Freed

From Colo.: "I just want to say that I am still saved and living for the Lord trusting him both soul and body. On Dec. 28 I was walking down the street and stepped on some smooth ice that was covered with fresh snow. I slipped and fell breaking my right arm just above my wrist. My arm is in a cast now but is not healing very fast on account of my old age--79, but I am looking to the Lord for help as he said he would never leave us nor forsake us. I desire the prayers of the dear saints not only for my arm but also for my other afflictions" --Bro. Frank Kutra

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From Calif.: "Greetings of love to all in the precious name of Jesus. May his glorious blessings be yours now and forevermore. I thank God for his love and mercies to all. It is so true when he said he would never leave us or forsake us. This has been so real to me while passing through the greatest trial of my life so far. It was the loss of my youngest son. He was so dear to me and called away so suddenly--heart failure December 29, 1972...the last talk I had with him was over phone. He was well and felt fine. The last words he said to me was I love you mamma. I pray for you every night...I can say my loss is his eternal gain and I truly thank God for this...I thank each one for their sympathy and prayers."

--Rebecca Roberts

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From Calif.: "...hope this letter finds you still encouraged to live on for the Lord. I don't write too often because I have to get someone to write for me, but if I don't show it in writing I'll do my best to put it in action. I want you to continue to send the Mission Trail to me. I enjoy it very much. Continue to remember me in your prayers and I will do likewise for you,"

--Sis. Lessie Davenport

From La.: "Trust you are well and able to be busy for the Lord. I know it keeps you busy, especially since you have lost some help...So happy we did get to see you and Sis. Frances the little while we were there, and see where the Mission Trail is printed. We enjoy reading them. That was a wonderful letter or testimony you read Sun. a.m. in the radio message. I'm anxious to get the paper and read it again. Thank the Lord for that brother's salvation. So happy for his family. Laverne has had a real problem with her heart. Had quite a spell a week ago Monday and some time after that, --said she tho't her end was very near, but the Lord has blessed and with quietness and rest, is much better...My! how time is flying by. Here January is more than half gone, and spring will be here soon. Believe it or not, we had about 2 1/2 or 3 inches of snow last Thursday nite. Every thing was so pretty and white especially after the sun came out. We've had several nice beautiful days since then..." --Myrtis and Angus Flynn

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From Mo.: "We hope you all are well and enjoying the blessings of the Lord. We are encouraged to press on in the Holy Way. There is no promise to those that draw back. We always want to be on the upward way, as the song No. 257 says Onward upward is the watchword till the King of saints we see, then before his throne in Glory we shall reign eternally, and as Paul says in Philipians 3:14--I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ," --Farmer & Ellen Wilson

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From W. Va.: "Trust all are well in the Lord. We are doing just fine. The Lord has blessed our little congregation at Green Bank. We don't have a minister but are praying for one."

--Karen Lambert

From Okla.: "I hope you a happy new year. Hope you are still encouraged to live for the dear Lord and enjoying the best of health. I am encouraged to live for the dear Lord. I am still trusting him for soul and body. Pray much for me. I am praying for you."

--Sister Mary May

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From Mo.: "Greetings in Jesus dear name, the one who is so good to us... the testimonies of other saints does our hearts good. We wanted to attend some of the assembly meeting but we went home for two weeks, came back home and took the flu. I guess the children all had it. When I was there I got it... am better now... Pray for me... I want to be what the Lord would have me to be for him." --Bro. and Sis. Boulden

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From Va.: "Greetings in the precious name of Jesus. He is so dear to me. Please send me the Mission Trail. I am sending a little offering to use as you see fit. Please pray for me and my family. I enjoy reading the Mission Trail. I am kind of isolated from the saints and the paper is food for my soul. With Christian love,"

--Barbara Wagner

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"I am still saved and encouraged. Thank the dear Lord and thanks for the Mission Trail."

--Sis. Earnestine Myles

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From Calif.: "I thank the Lord for sparing me to see another new year. I'm sure glad to be saved in these evil times... The messages, poems, testimonies etc. of the Mission Trail sure have been inspiring and encouraging to me. I am sending a little donation to help out with that work. May the good Lord continue to bless you with the work there. Pray for us. We are praying for you." --Geneva Pierro

From Okla.: "...I am trusting in the dear Lord for both soul and body. I am on the alter for Jesus Christ... You all pray for me as I pray for you all... if it wasn't for the Lord I don't know what I would do... may God's blessing continue to rest upon you all and guide you all on in the path of right."

--Sis. Sarah F. Brown

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From Kansas: "God be with you this morning... Can you tell me where the man and family are that came to see me. Thanks be to God I am in better health. I owe it all to God my loving savior. I can't write very good, but God bless you and your family... Your friend in love and prayers,"

--Mrs. J. Smith

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From Ark.: "Greetings of love in Jesus dear name. He is a wonderful Saviour to me. I like this Psalms 28:7--"The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped; therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him."

--Sis. Lou Bray

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From Okla.: "I sure look forward to the Mission Trail. I love to set down and read it through. The Lord bless you all in this good work, that God's truth will still go marching on. I did enjoy the assembly meeting and meeting the saints of God again. The saints are so dear and precious. I was prayed for there for my body. I am better, but still need prayer. Pray for my unsaved son. Also my other dear children. Oh, we all have unsaved loved ones..."

--Sister Berniece Rumpfelt

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From Ill.: "I have a unspoken request I would like for all the saints to be agreed with me in prayer. It's something that is needful and I need help from the dear Lord about this." --Iva Boling

at press time

we understand:

HOLLY HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA camp meeting will begin this year on the first day of June and continue through June 10th. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting. For further information contact Bro. Hudson Crummie, R. 1, Box 42, Holly Hill S. C. 29059. Phone 803-496-5231 or Bro. Oneal Pratt, 496-5176.

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From S. Car.: "I thank God He let me live through the year of 1972. And now throughout this new year I am looking to Him to bless me...that by my life of Christian living I may be a light to others."

--Bro. Eddie Driggers

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Our heart felt sympathy goes to Bro. Lewis Williams, 2643 N. Spruce, Wichita, Kansas 67219, in the loss of his companion, Sister Jimmie Lee Williams. We had reported earlier that she had a stroke on January 14. This was incorrect for Sister Williams had suffered what seemed to be a number of strokes before this, but in it all she manifested her faith in God, even when she was unable to speak to those who administered to her. Bro. Woodrow Warren brought forth a wonderful message at her funeral January 20.

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Many thanks to all who showed their love and concern for us in the recent sickness and death of my dear wife, Sis. Jimmie Lee Williams. Your cards, letters, telegrams, offerings and also prayers are much appreciated.

--Bro. Lewis Williams.

2643 N. Spruce, Wichita, Kans. 67219

From Mo.: "I am so glad we have the scriptures and Holy Spirit to lead us into all truth. We miss our Loyd so much, but feel he has gone to be with the Lord. It's been so hard to give him up. He surely was a good man and we all feel he was ready to go. This has been so hard for Cassie. She needs all the saints prayers so please do remember her and the rest of us. We trust you all are well and the Lord is supplying your every need...I want to say we still want the Mission Trail paper as we enjoy reading it so much."

--Sis. Katie Gibson

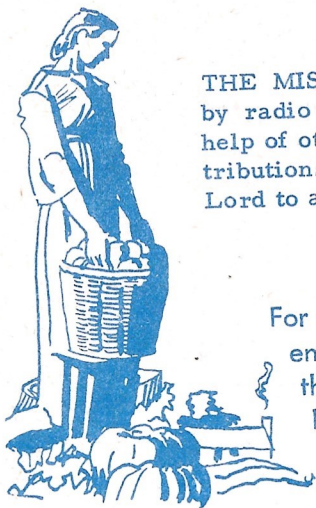
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A note of thanks and appreciation to the dear saints for your prayers and sympathy in the loss of my precious companion Loyd Wilson. All the many cards, phone calls and love shown in every way will never be forgotten and I pray God to bless each one. Continue praying for me. In Christian love,"

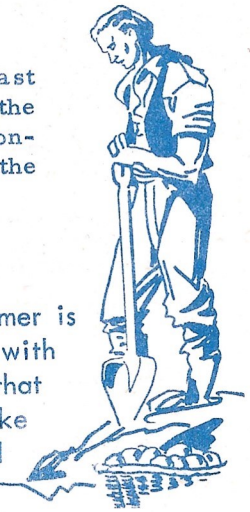
--Sis. Cassie Wilson, c/o Viola Weir, Gen. Del., Granby, Mo. 64844

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Another pioneer saint has quietly left his earthly labors to be with the Lord. Bro. Harry S. Jackson of Hammond, La. died peacefully on January 24th. He was 92 years of age. His wife, Sis. Emma Jackson preceded him in death July 2, 1971 at the age of 88. They had been married for more than 69 years. Remember their children, grand children and great grandchildren in this time of sorrow. One of the daughters is Sis. Lula Williamson, Box 1084, Hammond, La. 70401.



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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."

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