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## BAPTISM

Gervas A. Carey.

The New Testament contains very clear accounts of two distinct baptisms. The first is with water as practiced by John the Baptist and continued by the disciples. The second is with the Holy Spirit as foretold by John the Baptist and Jesus. This baptism with the Holy Spirit was inaugurated on the day of Pentecost and received on succeeding occasions, some of which will be cited later.

Divers washings have been associated with rites or purifications under the Mosaic law. But John the Baptist apparently introduced a new or at least a modified ceremony in connection with what has been designated the baptism of John. Later references to water baptism as the baptism of John supports that conclusion. See Matt. 21:25; Luke 7:29; Acts 18:25 and 19:3.

Numerous references indicate that these two baptisms were entirely distinct, as in fact as the persons of John the Baptist and Jesus. In Matthew 5:11 John is quoted, I indeed baptize you in (margin, with) water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you in (margin with) the Holy Spirit and in fire. Prior to his ascension Jesus addressed his disciples as recorded in Acts 1:5, For John indeed baptized with water but ye shall be baptized in (margin with) the Holy Spirit not many days hence. It was on the day of Pentecost that this promise received its fulfillment. Acts 19:1-7 relates the reception of the baptism with the Holy Spirit by twelve disciples at Ephesus who had previously known only the baptism of John. Earlier, in Acts 10:44-48, a group of Gentiles received the baptism with the Holy Spirit prior to their baptism with water.

In view of the foregoing distinctions it seems strange to a Friend that the great commission of Jesus as recorded in Matthew 28:19 should be interpreted by so large a part of the Christian Churches as embodying a command to perpetuate John's baptism with water. To us it appears clear that as Jesus was greater than John so was His baptism with the Holy Spirit greater than John's baptism with water. The great commission does not indicate explicitly which baptism is meant. It appears reasonable however, to assume as a matter of course that Jesus would expect His own disciples to perpetuate His spiritual work and His spiritual baptism together rather than His spiritual work in connection with the outward baptism of His lesser forerunner.

But someone will suggest, you must admit that Jesus was baptized with water. That is true. He was also presented in the temple circumcised, and trained in the law as a faithful Jew. John the Baptist remonstrated when Jesus came to be baptized with water stating that he, John, had need to be baptized of Jesus. Jesus replied Suffer it now: for

thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness, Matt. 3:15.

We believe that Jesus fulfilled the righteousness of the law and brought to us a righteousness apart from the law through faith. We reckon therefore that a man is justified by faith apart from the works of the law. Rom. 3:28. Read entire chapter.

That the early Jewish Christians continued to practice water baptism after Pentecost is no more to be wondered at than that they continued to attend the Jewish feasts and otherwise to conform to the Mosaic ritual. It required a generation for the Christian Church to realize its complete separation from organized Judaism.

Friends believe, however, that the New Testament contains no command of Jesus or of the apostles which indicates that it was ever intended that the ceremony of water baptism should be continued in the Church. The absence of any detailed instruction as to method is significant here. Those churches which have continued the ceremony have never been able to agree upon the method of its administration.

Jesus did not practice water baptism personally. John 4:2. Paul apparently refers to and depreciates water baptism in the declaration, For Christ sent me not to baptize but to preach the gospel. I. Cor. 1:17. Read verses 10-17.

We believe that Jesus did command and expect the Church to experience and teach His baptism with the Holy Spirit. Such was the import of His discourse with the disciples following the Last Supper. John 14, 15, 16. He later commanded the disciples to await this baptism, Acts 1:4-5, as a qualification for service. Acts 1:8. The assembled disciples received this baptism with the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, Acts 2, and later went forth to teach and direct in the reception of the same on the part of other believers. Acts 8:14-17; 10:34-48; 19:1-7.

Paul's statement in Ephesians 4:4-6 limits baptisms to one. The acceptance of Christ's baptism with the Holy Spirit thus leaves no place for John's baptism with water. This confirms the Friends' insistence upon the pure spirituality of the Christian life which is realized through faith in Jesus Christ alone without dependence on or aid from any outward forms or ceremonies whatsoever.

## TEN YEARS AGO

Bell G. Badley

Star reports a new member in the cradle roll, Elsie Lorene, who recently arrived at the home of John and Agnes Davis. (We suppose the little lady is celebrating her tenth birthday now.)

Marion says, Blaine and Nellie Bronner were pleasantly surprised on Thanksgiving night by a donation shower. We only wish Blaine and Nellie were close enough to be showered again.)

Quilcene—J. Sawyer Fox writes a stirring appeal for Christian workers in and about Quilcene. (We are of the

opinion that ten years has not supplied the need.)

Rex—A Christmas program was given Sunday evening by the Sunday school, and a liberal offering taken to help the children in Bible lands. (It would be just like Rex to do the same thing over again.)

Rosedale—Mr. William Cammack and family are spending their furlough with the Ralph Cammack family after twelve years in British East Africa. (We wonder if their work is extending into twenty-two years.)

Scotts Mills—A good service was held and an offering taken amounting to \$261.00 to pay return fare of Agnes Glenn to Japan. (That would be a sum to tax Scotts Mills even today.)

First Church, Portland—Clarkson Hinshaw, our new yearly meeting superintendent, and wife were the guests at a reception given in their honor. About 300 attended. (We would like to see the Hinshaws again and hear one of Clarkson's inspiring sermons.)

Second Church, Portland—We are glad to have Martha Isler with us again, after several months in Wisconsin. (Everyone would be glad to see Martha Isler — although that isn't her name now—back in Oregon.)

South Salem—Our society joined with others to provide some Christmas "eats" for the poor of the city. (That bit of news could easily be repeated, we suspect.)

Springbrook — Springbrook is slowly coming back to life after the shock of being snowed under and then freezing. (Poor Springbrook; it makes us shiver, even ten years later.)

Highland--Hubert Armstrong is spending his Christmas vacation in Salem. (We wonder where Hubert Armstrong is spending his vacation this year. He must have been just a lad of—oh, well, we won't say how young, ten years ago.)

## TITHING

### STEWARDSHIP SERMONS

1. "Each generation makes some transforming discovery in God's Book; what is 'Stewardship' but God's Word for this generation?"
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4. "When a man gets rich, God gets a partner or the man loses his soul."
5. "Not how much of my money must I give to God, but how much need I use for myself."
6. "Give, not from the top of your purse, but from the bottom of your heart."
7. "The kingdom of God can never be established by raising money; but it can never be extended without raising money."

8. "To have is to owe, not to own."  
—United Stewardship Council

## MISSIONARY

Rosa Allen

We shall endeavor by Christ's help to make the Missionary department a real blessing. Expect to give some items for bulletin boards and other helpful and interesting material. We want to inspire every one with a spirit of missionary zeal that will cause the missionary department of our Endeavor societies to make progress in every way.

When we ask the missionaries "what is the greatest need on your field?" they all answer, "Prayer—more prayer. O that the people at home would pray more." We trust that every Endeavorer may help to meet this great need by spending some time in prayer daily for the missionaries and the missionary work.

Once more we have celebrated the birthday of the Greatest Missionary—Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As we think of the great sacrifice He made, does it not inspire us anew to attempt great things for Him?

I read a very interesting article in the December number of "The Harvester," which is given in part here: One of the missionaries writes, "We had just returned from Sunday school when some one came to the door asking if we could accompany the body of a little three-year-old to the cemetery. As soon as we had eaten dinner, Helen Kersey with some of her school girls went to the tiny house. Tenderly the girls bore the little form down the street to the cemetery. By the open grave Gospel songs were sung and prayer offered. Oh, how appreciative was the poor father."

Pray for the editor of this department, that God's will may be worked out in this line of His work.

## Better Meetings

Christian Endeavor Topics.

By BELL G. BADLEY.

In order to help the Endeavorers to raise the standard of their meetings the coming year, we will offer suggestions in this column for "Better Meetings." The three major improvements we desire, as you know by this time, are Better Meetings, Increase in Tithing, and Greater Interest in Missions. That is the aim of the C. E. of Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends for 1930.

The helps we will be able to offer may be in the form of programs, spiritual chats, as we had in the Quiet Hour last year, or whatever may come to our hand to use. Send in ideas if you have them. You will find my address among the editors. Maybe some successful plan you have carried out, will be of value to a sister society. Thank you.

January 12th, 1930

Topic—How Can Nations Practice the Golden Rule? Matt. 7:12; 20:20-8. First have three five minute talks—

1st. How Nations Have Not Practiced the Golden Rule.

2nd. What Has Been Done by Pres. Hoover and Colonel Lindbergh to Promote Golden Rule Principles.

3rd. How Missionary Work Will Carry the Gospel of the Golden Rule.

Have a short debate: Resolved, That Missions Have a Greater Tendency to Create a Golden Rule Spirit Than Business Enterprises. (Those on the negative side remember the strife brought about by denominationalism.)

Here are some references to pass around:

Jesus believed it. Luke 6:38.  
Abraham tried it. Gen. 13:5-13.  
The Old Principle. Prov. 20:14.  
Fairness. Prov. 11:1.

It was lack of the Golden Rule on both sides that caused the disastrous coal strike in England in 1926. There was nothing but suspicion and hatred, which Christ's rule would have averted.

January 19th, 1930

Topic—Shall We Abolish or Expand Missions? Why? Matt. 28:18-20; Acts 1:8.

Read Mark 16:15 and the question is settled. Who would dare to change the order of a King?

Read or have read some letters from our missionaries. This stimulates interest in foreign missions. Write to Grace Hadley, 229 East Thirty-fifth Street, Portland, Oregon, for letters from Carrie Wood. She is back in India now and sending interesting accounts. Maybe some one has a personal letter from R. Esther Smith in exchange for a letter from Carol and Doris Tamplin. Spread the accounts around. Our interests can expand.

When a diver is at work at the bottom of the sea, others are engaged in pumping air to him. We should supply our missionaries with a generous living, so that their minds need not be fretted with fears of dire poverty. They should be able to put their whole attention on the work before them.

Have your members read a list of the discouraging features of missions. We have no right to close our eyes to the fact that there is a dark side to the picture. But even with the discouraging element we must still enlarge our Mission stations.

January 26th, 1930

Topic—What Is Our Church Planning This Year? Acts 2:41-47; 13:1-3.

Has your church a motto for 1930? Let the Endeavorers find a suitable one and present it to the pastor for consideration. If it meets with approval, adopt it for the year.

After all, our plan is the plan of centuries—the salvation of souls. We might consider means to bring about the desire of our hearts along this line.

Bible references on the Church—  
The Call of Jesus. Acts 22:6-16.  
The Body of Christ. Eph. 1:15-23.  
Upholder of Truth. I. Tim. 3:14-16.  
The First Victory. Acts 2:37-47.  
The Final Triumph. Rev. 21:1-7.

Some things for our Church to plan to accomplish—

1. A larger attendance.
2. A more loyal service.
3. Bigger and better prayer meetings.
4. A real Spirit led revival.

February 2nd, 1930

Topic—How May Endeavorers Crusade With Christ? Rom. 12:1-9.

Begin the service with some good, rousing, inspiring songs. "True hearted, whole hearted," etc., and "Onward, Christian Soldiers."

Those who would Crusade with Christ must be ready—

- To follow—John 21:20-22.
- To serve—John 12:26.
- To imitate—John 14:12-14.
- To overcome—Rev. 3:21.
- To help—Matt. 8:14-15.

It begins with unselfishness. J. R. Martin said: "A selfish Christian is a contradiction of terms." Those who crusade with Christ cannot live a life of ease. We may not be a St. Paul or a Livingston, but we can give our all and do our own best.

We consecrate ourselves and confess Him before men. We study Christ, and Fellowship with His people if we would prepare for a crusade.

If we crusade with Christ we must exalt His Blood, and also the Bible.

## Aunt Cora's Column

BUILDING FOR ETERNITY.

"I just saw a terrible sight," Bob said, throwing his cap onto a chair and sinking into another one. "You know that new unit they have been building at the cracker factory. It just collapsed."

"That beautiful tower!" Betty exclaimed. "Whatever was the matter?"

"I don't know exactly, but they were saying that the plans called for six steel rods at the corners and the architect only put in three. Several workmen were killed in the crash," Bob said with a shudder. "The building was almost completed and an employee had turned the water into that big tank at the top of the building. The tank was only about two-thirds full when the structure collapsed."

"Doesn't it seem terrible?" Betty said. "It looked fine on the outside."

"Yes," Aunt Cora remarked. "But the trouble was within. Did you ever think that you are building a tower now? Some day you will be in the midst of life. Your endurance, your success, will be determined by the way you prepare for life now. How about the steel rods?"

"What do you mean, Aunt Cora?" Bob asked.

"What are some of the steel rods every boy and girl should put into their lives? I would say the steel rod of health for one thing. I saw today a far more pitiable sight than that collapsed building. I was visiting Tom Moore. I'll never forget the picture of him lying there on his cot with a pile of cigarette stumps in a saucer near by. He has tuberculosis, you know, and has just been operated on for appendicitis. His health is gone, his manhood is gone and life is

slowly slipping away. Did you ever think that health and manhood are almost synonymous terms?"

"Then, there is the steel rod of honesty. I want to tell you, Bob, that I surely was proud of you during the last ball game with Studer High School. When you slid into home under that cloud of dust and the umpire called you safe, it was a brave thing to do to tell them you were out. Although it cost your school the game, your character did not suffer. The steel rod of honesty is built into your life by little daily acts of honesty. There is no other way."

"The steel rod of purity. I would place next. We must fight for purity. Purity of thought, purity of deed and purity of heart are the marks of a splendid man or woman."

"I can think of many other rods," Aunt Cora continued. "Industry, goodwill, good-sportmanship and uprightness; but be sure to take in close conference the Great Carpenter of Galilee. He is the Master Builder. With Him as your contractor, you can build a life that is beautiful and strong and pure. A life that will stand."

"I learned these words of Channing awhile back and they fit in here," Bob said. "To live content with small means; to seek elegance rather than luxury, and refinement rather than fashion; to be worthy, not respectable; to study hard, think quietly, talk gently, act frankly; to bear all cheerfully, do all bravely, wait occasionally, hurry never; in a word, to let the spiritual grow up through the common."

"That's a big order," Betty sighed. "But remember, we have a big God," Aunt Cora smiled.

## Society Notes

SCOTTS MILLS

The December business meeting and social was held at the home of E. W. Coulson. At this time new officers were elected for the coming year.

Rev. Allen and family motored to Cottage Grove where they spent Thanksgiving with his mother.

Ruth Kellogg and Newton Allen, who are attending P. B. I., were home for the Thanksgiving vacation.

Joseph McCracken and family attended services in Newberg December 1.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brouger and Ira spent Thanksgiving day with their son, Harvey, in Clatskanie.

Our Society had adopted its budget for the coming year. We are planning on turning over a new leaf January 1st, 1930, and raise our Friendly Endeavor quota that month.

HIGHLAND

Our Christian Endeavor business meeting was held at the church November 29. At this time the following officers were elected for the coming six months: President, Ira Riggs; Vice President, Calvin Thomas; Secretary, Jessie Thomas; Asst. Secretary and Treasurer, Doris Gardner; Friendly Endeavor Reporter, Mary Turner; Organist, Jessie Thomas; Asst. Organist, Jean Gardner. Committee Chairmen: Lookout, Paul Edmundson; Prayer Meeting, Guy Turner; Social, Thelma

La Duke; Missionary, Ed. Rounds. Also five new members were received at this time.

Our pastor and wife, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Foster, made a trip to Idaho the week before Thanksgiving in the interests of the Evangelistic Board. They visited by auto the Friends' Meetings at Valley Mound, Star, Greenleaf and Boise. Also attended the sessions of Boise Valley Quarterly Meeting.

In the pastor's absence Elizabeth Haldy, pastor at Rosedale, had charge of the Sunday morning service and Earl Deane, the evening.

Jessie and Roscoe Plowman spent a few days visiting relatives and friends here at Thanksgiving time.

We are glad to have Helen Frazier with us again. For some time she has been working in Yakima, Washington.

Our pastor preached at Springbrook, December 15th, in the interests of the Evangelistic board, Bernard E. Mott supplying the pulpit in his absence.

Clifton Ross and family spent Thanksgiving with relatives at Tillamook.

TACOMA

Our C. E. monthly business meeting and social was held at the home of Mrs. L. A. Byrd Friday evening, December 13th. Tacoma C. E.'s find Friday, the 13th, a splendid time for a social in spite of the rain.

The social was in charge of the Music committee. They furnished entertainment with games in musical terms, after which refreshments were served.

We are looking forward to a series of revival meetings, starting January 12th, with Clio Brown, of Sherwood, Oregon, as evangelist. We ask an interest in your prayers.

The ladies of the church held a cooked food sale Saturday, January 14th, at the home of Mrs. Lottie Brown.

The pastor has organized a Harmonica Band among the boys of the church and now there is music in the air.

We are happy to announce we have a Junior Endeavor which is one month old and is progressing nicely with an attendance of about twenty-five. Life and interest are very distinctly manifested in the meetings.

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EDITORIAL COLUMN

If you have any questions referring to the matters of Quaker belief and practice, please send them to Rev. Gervas Carey at 2315 East Spruce Street, Seattle, Washington. He will be glad to answer those of general interest.

Take note of our new advertiser. I'm sure all of you will want to patronize Mr. McKibben.

Bell G. Badley's remembrances of ten years ago, found in issues of our paper at that time, cause us to remember that she edited "The Friendly Endeavor" in its pioneer days.

IN THE RED

Financially, 1929 has been a hard year for The Friendly Endeavor, for thus far the expenses have been greater than the receipts. However, if each society would yet pay its 1929 quota in full, the paper might break even for the year.

The paper can't stand another year in the red. If we want the paper we must pay the bills. There is still about \$38.00 to pay.

The 1930 quota will appear in the February issue

Table with columns: Society, Quota, Paid. Lists various societies and their respective financial contributions.

SUNSHINE

"Rejoice, and be exceeding glad." -Matt. 5-12.

Do not keep the shades down, let the sunshine that tints the flowers and paints pictures on the autumn hill-side shine into your private dwelling-place.

Do not draw the shades at the windows of your soul and shut out the sunshine of God's love—the sunshine with which He has tinted the ages with flowers of hope and filled history with worship; the sunshine with which He is even now ripening His harvest for the final reaping.

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