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GOD'S OWNERSHIP!

Some say that they would pay tithes but the obligation to do so ceased at the beginning of the gospel dispensation. They may be honest in making such statements, but I am certain they are laboring under a false impression. To prove that such is the case I will present evidence from the Bible, and to make it plain, will submit the following propositions:

(1) Tithe paying was practiced under the Melchisedek priesthood by Abraham, Gen. 14: 20, Heb. 7: 1, 2. We are now living under the same priesthood, "Whither the forerunner is for us intered, even Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec," Heb. 6: 20.

(2) We are Abraham's children "If ye be Christ's then are ye Abraham's seed and heirs according to the promise." Gal. 3: 29, "Jesus saith unto them if ye were Abraham's children ye would do the works of Abraham." John 8: 39. It is logical then to believe that since Abraham paid tithe, they that are his children should pay tithe.

(3) He paid tithe under the Abrahamic covenant, and we are living under the same covenant. "The covenant that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect," Gal. 3:17. Paul is speaking of the Abrahamic cavenant, and you will notice that Christ confirmed that covenant. In Heb. 9:16, 17 it is plainly stated that the covenant, or testament, is not in force while the testator liveth, so then the death of Christ, gave force to the Abrahamic covenant. The death of Christ scaled the new covenant, and Paul plainly states that Christ confirmed the Abrahamic convenant. Hence, the conculsion is inevitable, that the Abrahamic covenant and the new, or gospel, covenant are identical. And we find that under this same covenant. Abraham paid tithe.

That the Lord requires the payment of lithes under the new covenant I will prove by quoting Matt. 23, 23, "Ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy and faith: these ought ye to have done and not to leave the other undone." The Lord commends the payment of tithes, "these things ought ye to have done." He endorses tithe paying as in accordance with the will of God, and in harmony with the principles of the new covenant, which he was placing before the people.

In 1st Cor. 9: 13 14 Paul says "Do ye not know that they

which minister about holy things live of the things of the temple, and they which wait at the altar are partakers of the alter? Even so bath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel." In the temple the priests lived of the tithe of the people and even so, (i. e. In like manner,) bath God ordained that they which preach the gospel should live. As the priest in the temple lived of the tithe of the people, even so liath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the tithe of the people.

Brethren, bring all your tithe into the store-house that there may be meat (plenty) in the Lord's house to support those who are preaching the gospel in this Conference. He has promised to bless you in so doing, and to curse you if you rob Him of the tithe, Mal. 3: 8-11. May the Lord impress you to come to the help of the Lord in this matter. Oh, that we may be faithful in rendering to the Lord that which is His, because in a little way from this the everlasting gospel will close; and our means, then, cannot be used to forward this cause that we all so dearly love. Why not be faithful stewards now and lay up treasure in heaven where moth and rust doth not corrupt and where thieves do not break through and steal.

E. T. R.

THE BEREAN READING CIRCLE.

The plan for the Berean Reading Circle work is thus set forth in a private letter from Sister Plummer: The committee appointed to plan for this work considered the question quite carefully, deciding finally to combine with the field studies a series of lessons along the line of health principles. The first of these studies will consist of a few lessons on what might very appropriately be called "Good Samaritan" topics. Those already chosen are as follows: Who is thy neighbor? Thy neighbor as Thyself. Hosptality. The True Motive in Service. Acceptable Service. Illustrated. Feeding the Hungry. God-given opportunisties. Bear Ye One Another's Burdens-How? Rewards of Service. No one text-book will be used in the study of this list of subjects, but the lessons will be published in the form of an article in the Review, with suitable questions upon the article. About the first of the New Year the regular study will begin. The text-book is by Dr. Kellogg, and is now in process of preparation. The book will contain a general outline of the principles of healthful living and rational treatment, taking up the subjects from a Bible stand-point with numerous Bible foot-notes. Full announcements giving the title of the book, price, etc., will be given later.

The first lesson of the regular Reading Circle course will be on the field, and will be studied during the week of October 6-12, and throughout the year the field studies will be the lesson for the week in each month which ends on the second Sabbath of the month. The text-book for the field studies is the Missionary Magazine, and each family should be provided with this journal, in order to follow the studies. The first of the Good Samaritan series will be studied during the week of October 13-19. This lesson will be published in the Reading Circle Department of the Review, with suitable questions. The subjects considered in the Reading Circle will be made the leading thought in the Young People's meetings. A series of simple studies on the subjects mentioned above will be prepared, and printed in the Instructor, with brief supplementary helps. By thus uniting the studies for the Young People's meetings with the home study as carried on by the Reading Circle, all members of the family will be drawn together, and their interests united in this important branch of the Lord's work.

LET ALL TAKE NOTICE.

I wish to call the attention of the brethren and sisters throughout the Kansas Conference to the fact that we have formed a legal corporation in order to further the interests of the third angel's message throughout our state. I especially request that all who receive this copy of the Worker place it on file, among their valuable papers, so they will have the full, legal name of the corporation, as in making out papers a mistake of even one word may cause serious difficulty. The following is the corporate name: "The Kansas S. D. A. Conference Association." Their principal place of bussness is Topeka, Shawnee Co, state of Kansas, and at present, all legal papers should be sent to the Treasurer of the Kansas Conference, T. J. Eagle, 821 W. 5th. st. Topeka, Kansas.

The corporation was formed so that we might hold church and school property within our own state without troubling any corporation outside of our own borders in such matters, and it was formed in order that persons desiring to deed any property to the Conference, might do so; and also that we might receive bequests and legacies. I do not doubt but that there are scores in the state of Kansas who should be making their wills, so that in the case of their demise it would not be lost to the cause of God. The Testimonics plainly tell us that such things should not be put off until the last moment, but that we should attend to the making of our wills when we have the full exercise of our reasoning powers.

Please remember that in the future, all church and school property should be deeded to the "State Association" rather than to the "General Conference Association." I wish to say right in this connection, brethren, that it is always safe to deed your church and school property to the cause, but it is not safe to deed it to private individuals, and I would advise the brethren, in the state of Kansas never to build church or school house on land where the deed of said land is held by a private individual. I have known instances where churches have been built on land held by private individuals and the individuals have died or apostatized, and the property was lost to the cause of God. The Lord desires that we should be wise in these matters, and I see no reason why the children of light should not be as wise, in this generation, as the children of the world.

E. T. R.

RESIGNATION.

TOPERA, KANS., Sept. 20, 1901. Eld. E. T. Russell, Pres. Kansas S. D. A. Conference, Topeka, Kans.

DEAR BROTHER: I hereby tender my resignation as Secretary and Treasurer of the Kansas Tract Society, having been asked to take a similar position with the Oklahoma Tract Society. I also tender my resignation as a member of the Kansas S. D. A. Conference Association.

R. M. ROCKEY.

DON'T GO SECURITY.

The scriptures speak plainly against going security for debts, as the following texts will show,—"Be not thou one of them that strike hands, or of them that are securities for debts. If thou hast nothing to pay, why should he take away the bed from under thee." Prov. 22: 26,27. "He that is surely for a stranger shall smart for it: and he that hateth suretyship is sure," Prov. 11: 15. "A man void of understanding striketh hands and becometh surety in the presence of his friend," Prov. 17: 18.

As a people looking for the coming of the Saviour, we need to be very cautious about obligating ourselves to be responsible for the debts of others, and we should be careful not to contract debts ourselves. The means we have is not our own. It belongs to God. "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein," Ps. 24: 1. We could not please satan better than to have our property swept away so that it could not be used to assist in the third angel's message; and it will please him to have us be responsible for the debts of others. Brethren, it is safe to practice what is taught in God's word. Shall we not be wise in these matters?

Yours in the blessed hope of the soon coming of Jesus Christ. E. T. R.

READ THIS.

"Those who withhold from the treasury of God, and hoard their means for their children, endanger the spiritual interests of their children. They place their property, which is a stumbling-block to themselves, in the pathway of their children, that they may stumble over it to perdition. Many are making a great mistake in regard to the things of this life. They economize, withholding from themselves and others the good they might receive from a right use of the means which God has lent them, and become selfish and avaricious. They neglect their spiritual interests and become dwarfs in religious growth, all for the sake of accumulating wealth which they cannot use. They leave their property to their children, and nine times out of ten it is even a greater curse to their heirs than it has been to themselves. Children, relying upon the property of their parents, often fall to make a success of this life, and generally utterly fail to secure the life to come. The very best legacy which parents can leave their children is a knowledge of useful labor, and the example of a life characterized by disinterested benevolence. By such a life they show the true value of money, that it is only to be appreciated for the good that it will accomplish in relieving their own wants and the necessities of others, and in advancing the cause of God." Test, Vol. 3, p. 399.

The new pamphlet, "Miracles and Delusions," by Filder A. O. Tait, has just reached us. It deals with Spriritualism, Christian Science and other latter-day delusions and has been carefully prepared with the view of helping those who may yet be helped out of the darkness of these errors. It is certainly a thing which our people will be able to use to good advantage everywhere: It sells at 15 cent. There will be a cloth edition at 50 cent. Send us your order for some of these.

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THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES comes to its subscribers at \$1.50 per year. The subscription price of Good Health is \$1. a year. We are authorized to offer both of the journals to new subscribers for the very low sum of \$1.75 for one year. This is for new subscribers, only, and in sending us your subscription, you should state that you are a new subscriber.

QUESTIONS ON TESTIMONIES ON SABBATH SCHOOL WORK.

(October Study, pages 35-40.)

Subject—Responsibilities of Parents and Teachers. First Week.

- To what purpose should the efforts of both parents and teachers be directed? (Consider the value of cooperation between parents and teachers).
- What three things are needed by the teachers of both primary and advanced classes? How may these be obtained?
- 3. How may the teacher's work be marred?
- 4. What is the proper relation of home work to the church and S. S. work?
- 5. In what respect have many parents been lacking?
- Study carefully the instruction given from the pillar of cloud, which relates to the study of parents.

Second Week-Teach Modesty and Humility,

- How should the instruction given to IsraelitIsh parents be regarded?
- What are the marked characteristics of the children of this day? How are these traits sometimes fostered by parents and teachers?
- 3. What lessons should be taught children at home and in the school?
- 4. In what respect did Israel fail in their duty to their children?
- 5. How far-reaching were the results of that failure?
- 6. What hindered the masses of the people from accepting the Saviour at HIs first advent?
- 7. What parallel is there in this between the present and the past?

Third Week-How to Teach.

- 1. What kind of words should the teacher use?
- 2. What else are essential besides good methods?
- 3. Why did the Great Teacher assume human nature?
- Compare Christ's methods of teaching with that of the scribes.
- 5. What kind of teaching is needed in the Sabbath-school?

Fourth Week-Review.

- 1. The need of co-operation between parents and teachers.
- 2. The true relation of the home to the church.
- 3. Methods of overcoming evil traits of children.
- 4. Results of a failure in the training of children.
- 5. Necessity of simplicity in methods of teaching.
- 6 The example of the Great Teacher.

CHURCH SCHOOLS.

It is indeed interesting to note the enthusiasm with which our brethren and sisters are taking hold of the church school work. Several encouraging reports have been received from schools already at work. At Portis a school-room was prepared by partitioning off a portion of the church and furnishing with chairs for seats and tables for desks. Their school commenced the 10 th of September, with an enrollment of twelve pupils and Sister Ida Shafer as *eacher. She reports the children doing good work.

A neat little room about sixteen feet square in Bro. Daily's dwelling house, in Salina, has been fitted up for a school room. The Salina public school commissioners have been repairing and reseating some of their school rooms and they kindly granted us the free use of as many of their old seats as we need. Sister Anna C. Anderson is teaching the school. She commenced work September 10, with twelve pupils enrolled, most of whom are children whose parents are not Sabbath-keepers. Who can tell the in-

fluence this school may have in bringing souls to love the Truth?

Sister Mamie Jones has been employed to teach the school at Cherryvale. Her work commenced September 16 with an enrollment of nineteen. There are six pupils in this school doing intermediate grade work: Four in the seventh grade, one in the eighth grade and one in the ninth grade. It is hoped that by another year we may have an intermediate school established for these grades.

Brother August Larson opened a school in the Ottawa Church September 16, with thirteen pupils in attendance. And we have understood that the Wellington school commenced September 30 with Sister Faye Eagle as teacher. So far as we have learned the schools are doing good work.

Surely the Lord is leading out in this work and it is good to follow where He leads. May the brethren and sisters remember this work when they approach the Throne of Grace.

> B. E. Huffman, Supt. of Church Schools.

SABBATH SCHOOL OFFICERS NOTICE.

We received a letter a few days ago from Sister Belle Emerson, Shorey, Kansas, enclosing an order for some supplies, and we believe she will pardon us for quoting from it the following:

"How I wish people would learn to order their supplies direct from the office, (of the Tract Society.) They seem to not learn that I have nothing to do with sending supplies."

This order asked that the supplies be sent so as to reach the customer by Sabbath. But by the time the order had gone the rounds, we certainly could not be blamed for being tardy in filling it.

It might perhaps, be well for us to say in this connection that we have nothing to do with the Sabbath school tithe or donations. They should be sent, with the reports to Sister Emerson as above.

EMMANUEL MISSIONARY COLLEGE.

Opens at Berrien Springs, Michigan, October 30. It is the purpose of this school to train men and women for missionary work. Being under the supervision of the General Conference, and working with the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, this object becomes in the highest degree possible of attainment. Excellent opportunities are offered in this institution for students who desire to enter any one of the following departments: Ministerial, Evangelistic, Canvassing, Christian Teaching, Preparatory Medical Missionary, Christian Business, and Musical.

The Calendar, an artistic pamphlet of sixty-five pages, setting forth in clear style the object and aims of the institution is free upon application. Address,

EMMANUEL MISSIONARY COLLEGE, Berrien Springs, Michigan.

CANVASSERS' INSTITUTE.

It has been decided to hold a canvassers' institute at Oswego from October 21 to November 10. All attending should bring bedding. The Tract Society and Conference have decided to offer a \$2.00 rate for the entire term, the same to cover board and lodging. Let there be a general rally, as all that desire to enter the canvassing work should be present, and also those that have been long in the work.

E. T. Russell.

WANTED.—Brother Albert Brown, Concordia, Kansas, would like to get a boy from 13 to 15 years of age to live with him this winter and do chores while attending school. Brother Brown is the father of one of our laborers, Brother B. W. Brown.

NEWS NOTES.

Brother Surber is enjoying a few days at his home in Cherryvale.

Christ's Object Lessons in Swedish; will be ready for delivery about January I.

Elder E. T. Russell and Brother B. E. Huffman spent last Sabbath in Ottawa.

Brother J. T. Eagle and wife are paying a week's visit to their old home near Yates Center.

The revised edition of Marvel of Nations is not yet ready for delivery, but will be in a few days.

The canvassers report in the Worker is our mailing list for papers to the canvassers. So be sure and send in your reports.

Elder R. W. Parmele conducted quarterly meeting at Ozawkie last Sabbath. He expects to conduct quarterly meeting in Kansas City next Sabbath, and organize a colored church there on Sunday.

Brother H. E. Kirk, of College View, Neb., was expected to arrive in Topeka last Monday with his family, to make this city their home, but owing to the sickness of their little girl their coming is temporarily postponed.

According to appointment a Harvest Ingathering was held at the Fellsburg church Sept. 29, 1901. Although the day was somewhat gloomy, on account of rain, a goodly number, including some not of our faith, was present to celebrate the occasion. The church was beautifully decorated from God's bountiful storehouse of nature and presented a lovely appearance. A morning and an afternoon session was held.

The programme was well arranged and quite interestingly and effectively carried. A paper was read by Brother I. C. Sultz on Christian Education, showing the importance of an early and thorough christian training. Brother H. E. Reeder gave a discourse on the Parable of the Sower. Beautiful and practical lessons were brought out. The "seed" was quite extensively dwelt upon, showing that it is our duty to sow the seed, which is the word, and expect God to give the increase. The writer presented a sketch of the rise and progress of our work, its condition at present and the needs of the cause in various parts of the field. A fine selection of songs was sung by the choir and little ones of the Sabbath School. There were also scripture

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Brother B. E. Huffman gave a stirring discourse in the Topeka church last night on the subject of church schools, Prof. C. C. Lewis will speak to-night on the same theme. See Bro. Huffman's report in another column.

pense of transportation.

recitations by the intermediate and primary Sabbath School scholars.

At the close of the services donations for the reedy fields were received by the Librarian, and nearly all brought an offering to the Lord. All felt that it was good to be there and that praise was due unto the Lord for his merciful kindness.

T. J. Weese.

BURLINGTON—The writer in connection with Elder F. W. Hiddleson and Bro. A. S. Bringle was left here to follow up the interest aroused by the camp-meeting. Later Bro. N. T. Sutton joined us.

From the first the people seemed interested in the subjects presented. When we reached the Sabbath question we had an audience of between four and five hundred people, who gave good attention to the word spoken. As a result of the meeting 17 adults have commenced the observance of the Sabbath. There were 5 Sabbath keepers living here before the meeting began, so that altogether there will be a company of 22 Sabbath keepers here. We have organized a Sabbath School of 37 members. Bro. N. T. Sutton will remain in this vicinity for some time to encourage the new ones and labor for those interested. I expect to leave here soon and begin a series of meetings with the Iola church. Brethren pray for us,

W. D. McLoy.

Since my last report I have visited the Kansas City church, where I spent several days. I see we are in need of workers there, as our people are scattered and need encouragement. Where work is started in a large city it is always best to continue workers in order to add to the work, and to strengthen that which remains. It is thought best for the good of both the colored and white work that a separate organization be affected in that city, in the near future. Sabbath and Sunday, Sept. 28 and 29, I was with the company at Lawrence. We had excellent meetings, and the brethren seemed to be encouraged,

E T. R.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSONS.

For the present quarter the S. S. Lessons will be on the parables of Jesus. They will be very interesting, very instructive and the beautiful lessons contained therein will be food for the hungering soul. In order to appreciate the lessons they should be well studied, and the book "Christ's Object Lessons" will be almost indispensable, as a text book, to assist the student to a better understanding of the word. "Christ's Object Lessons" can be obtained at this office for \$1.25 per copy. Address Kansas Tract So. iety, \$21 W. 5th St.

From a card received from Prof. C. C. Lewis, we are led to expect him to arrive in Topeka to-day. He will be at Emporia Oct. 15, and at Wichita October 16. He states that the Teacher's Manuel for which we have had orders on our pick for so long has grown to 200 pages and is being published in book form. He expects to have some copies with him when he arrives to-day. We will now be able to fill all orders for it promptly.

Our rebort of tithes and first day offerings is ready for the press, but was crowded out of this issue. It will appear in our next number.

REPORT OF COLPORTER WORK FOR TWO WEEKS, ENDING SEP. 28.

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