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### JEALOUSY AND ENVY.--NO. 2.

JEALOUSY caused the trouble between Jacob and Esau. It cast Joseph into the pit, and set Saul in a rage against David. How graphically the Bible puts it when it says: "Saul eyed David." It seems to take possession of the eyes, and makes them flash and burn like two port-holes of hell. "Saul eyed David," as much as to say, You little upstart, how dare you attempt anything great? I will grind you under my heel. I will teach those women to sing some other song than "Saul has slain thousands, and David his ten thousands." Envy and jealousy let loose the dogs of suspicion, and miuds that love the sport join in hunting down the fair fame of Christ's ambassadors. An unjust insinuation is started, a conjecture is set afloat, and it gathers strength as it passes from one to another of those who would desire it to be true. These evil reports are received with great satisfaction by some who have been reproofed for sins or grave defects of character. They smarted under the reproof, but did not reform. Now their consciences are eased; they learn that the reprover can not be trusted,—somebody has circulated a damaging report, somebody has brought an accusation. They leave the distasteful work of caring for their own souls and repenting of their own sins, and climb up onto the seat of judgment that they may condemn another.

Remember that envy dwells more on small defects of character than on great forces. In all trades and professions, and all circles of society, needs to be heard what God says in regard to envy and jealousy, which although not

the same thing, are twins: "Envy (is the) rottenness of the bones." "Where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work." "Jealousy is the rage of a man." If you desire to know how much jealousy there is yet to be extirpated, ask master builders what they think of other master builders' work, merchants what their opinion is of other merchants, etc. So long as men and women in any department of life keep down and have to struggle hard, they are praised faintly, and the remark is, "Oh, yes; he is a good, clever sort of a fellow." "She is a tolerably nice kind of a woman." But let a person climb up to prominence, and off goes his head by social or commercial decapitation.

Reader, if this evil passion is in your soul, cry mightily unto God that it may be expelled.

N. C. BERGERSEN.

### THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

THE observance of the week of prayer is founded on God's promises to united prayer. The history of God's people in the past, and the experiences of these last days wonderfully confirm these promises and urgently bid us to "Come boldly unto the throne of grace," and not to forsake "the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is." Notice carefully the promise to united prayer: "Again I say unto you, that if two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of My Father who is in heaven; for where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them." Matt. 18:19, 20. The union our Lord requires is far more than a simple agreement as to what is desired. The Pharisees and Sadducees were agreed in their desire to put Jesus to death, but there was no love between them. The unity which God requires comes from minds being actuated by a common spirit. We must have this spirit of fellowship to find acceptance

with God. If "thy brother hath ought against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar (be it a gift, prayer, or a song), and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, then come and offer thy gift." Matt. 5:23, 24. Oneness of heart, as well as of object, is what Jesus insists on in His promise to united prayer.

This condition also includes the external manifestation of unity shown by God's people *coming together* to seek His blessing. Men show this in business, political, and social affairs. They multiply names to petitions and assemble in mass meetings when they wish to create an influence on some question; and when the religious desire of the heart is earnest and deep enough the people of God will show it by meeting to pray and talk over His blessings. The Bible abounds in illustrations encouraging believers to unite in prayer. In Heb. 10:19-25 is set before us the door through which we may boldly enter, pleading the sacrifice of Christ, the "new and living way" opened for us into the presence of God. The prayer of Nehemiah and the people, Neh. 9:1-38, marks the beginning of a great revival after the return from Babylonish captivity. Acts 1:14; 2:46, and 4:24-31, are excellent examples of the united prayer of faith before and after Pentecost.

The early history of S. D. Adventists and of the advent message is a marvelous commentary on the efficacy of persistent, united prayer. The pioneers in this movement toiled, sacrificed, and prayed in a way which puts many to shame to-day. May reader and writer get a new grip on the almost lost truth that there is power in prayer. "O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of years." The past experiences of the church should stimulate the church now to great activity, and to persistent, united prayer to God.

L. F. STARR.

"ENDEAVOR as much as you can to keep company with people above you."

## THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

THE week of prayer to be held December 20-27 should be of greater importance than any former occasion of the kind ever observed by this denomination; and it should prove a very great blessing to us. We never needed a week of prayer more than we do now. We need the help and blessing it is intended to bring to us, and the great wide world, which God has sent us to save, needs at once the blessing and salvation of this message. Never in our history have the barriers been so entirely removed, and the call so urgently sounded, as to-day. There is scarcely a nation that we do not have very definite knowledge about, and to which we could not readily go with this message if we had the workers and the means. During the coming season of prayer one of the chief burdens of our people should be that God would show us how to answer the calls that are coming to us from all parts of the world. If our people would give themselves up to fervent prayer in behalf of the evangelization of the world, we would see the beginning of a new order of things. We should have volunteers for foreign lands as never before.

Is it not a remarkable thing that the Lord has gone before us and so prepared all lands for this truth that calls are coming to us from all of them for help? A few years ago we had to pioneer new fields, and secure a foothold by hard labor. No one knew of us, and no call came to us except the mute appeals of countries in darkness. Now fields are ready for us, and most earnest pleadings come to us for help. What does this mean? Why is the world laid at our feet? This is a marvelous thing, and it should stir our hearts. It is a fulfillment of the promises made in Isa. 60. We should sense most keenly and vividly the importance of the present opportunities and what this week of prayer may be to us. It should lead to a great spiritual awakening, to a revival and a reformation; it should lead those who are discouraged to renew their hold upon God; it should lead those who are worldly to renew their consecration to God; it should lead many of our brethren and sisters of talent to devote their lives more entirely to the work of God; and it should be the means of leading our people who are enjoying such great financial prosperity to make a proper return to God for the blessings He is bestowing upon them.

The coming week of prayer should

be a season of consecration to God and of earnest prayer in behalf of the extension of this cause. Clear sighted, enthusiastic, sturdy service in gospel evangelization is what is needed to-day. Can not this week of prayer be made to arouse our people on this point and give them new views of this great problem? If all could receive a revelation regarding the great field to be worked, the preparation that has been made for our work to be readily accomplished, and the facilities and talents within our denomination for doing the work, a mighty forward movement would set in from the impulse of the people themselves. Then the great body of the people would by one mighty uprising give its service and its means to this great work. The time has come to put aside our doubts and fears, and to engage in this work with a determination that shall win. The message that we preach is from God, and according to that message the world must be warned in our day, and the end must come. "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come."

The earnest calls from whitened fields to-day are only the bugle call of the Captain of our salvation to arise and plant the standard of this truth in all lands, as a witness unto all nations, that the end may come.

A. G. DANIELLS.

## THANK OFFERINGS.

It is possible that every earthly wish may be gratified, and yet man pass on as did the ungrateful lepers who were healed of their obnoxious disease. God has given the Holy Spirit to enlighten, renew, and sanctify the soul, and this should call forth thanksgiving and praise from every human heart. "Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine?" Let us remember the great giver of all our blessings. We are fed and clothed, and sustained in life by Him, and should we not educate ourselves and our children to respond with gratitude to our heavenly Father, by gifts and offerings for the support of His cause? Let us, during the week of prayer, remember the following from "Spiritual Gifts," Vol. 1, p. 179: "I saw Satan and his angels consulting together. He bade his angels go and lay their snares especially for those who were looking for Christ's second appearing, and who were keeping all God's commandments. Satan told his angels that the churches

were all asleep. He would increase his power and lying wonders, and he could hold them. But the sect of Sabbath-keepers we hate. They are continually working against us, and taking from us our subjects, to keep that hated law of God. Go, make the possessors of lands and money drunk with cares. If you can make them place their affections upon these things, we have them yet. They may profess what they please, only make them care more for money than the success of Christ's kingdom, or the spread of the truths we hate. Present the world to them in its most attractive light, that they may love and idolize it. We must keep all the means in our ranks we can. The more means they have, the more will they injure our kingdom by getting our subjects. And as they appoint meetings in different places, then we are in danger. Be very vigilant then. Cause all the distraction you can. Destroy love for each other. Discourage and dishearten their ministers, for we hate them."

N. C. BERGERSEN.

THERE will no soul appear in the judgment that will be able to give a satisfactory excuse for being lost. On the contrary, every one who has carried out the promptings of that divine life which dwells within him will be saved, and will help to swell the multitude that shall finally stand around the great white throne.—*David Paulson.*

## FIELD REPORTS.

## DISTRICT NO. 3.

ELD. L. F. TRUBEY and the writer have been visiting among the churches in District No. 3. Our hearts were made to rejoice as the Lord moved upon our people to put away sin and to consecrate themselves to Him for service. We expect to see quite a number from this district attend the canvassers' school and prepare themselves to engage in the good work of getting our books into the hands of the people.

J. W. CROUSE.

## DISTRICT NO. 2.

We are thankful that we can report success in District No. 2. Our director, Bro. Ed Swap, reports good meetings and a good interest. We hope that every family will engage in this glorious work this winter, either canvassing or distributing tracts and papers. We are thankful to learn of the

many Scandinavian papers distributed. One sister took "Object Lessons" along, and one day she took three orders. What a grand thing it is to get the blessed truth before the people.

Now, brethren and sisters, we hope that you will follow up the work with the Scandinavian papers and get many subscriptions. The papers are published weekly and cost only \$1.00 a year. If you desire sample copies drop a card to the Iowa Tract Society and they will be sent free of charge. There is a wonderful blessing in working for the salvation of precious souls.

E. G. OLSEN.

**OBITUARY.**

STARR.—Died, at Lewis, Iowa, Nov. 20, 1902, little Everett, son of Martin and Isabella Starr, aged 3 months and 1 day.

His sudden death was a sad stroke to the parents. Words of comfort were spoken from Isa. 40:11; Jer. 31:15, by the writer. He sleeps, but without pang or pain. How blessed is the Christian's hope! Soon family ties which have been severed by death will be reunited.

L. F. STARR.

**THE BOOK WORK.**

Don't forget to make preparations to attend the canvassers' school, and also to make donations for the support of the school. We have already received donations for this purpose as follows: A. J. Stiffler, one barrel of apples; A. C. Stiffler, Anna Wilson, Silas Strite, Ole Haughsted, Tena Haughsted, L. J. Dietel, Artie Crouse, and two "friends," each \$1.00; S. W. Klinger, 50 cents.

J. W. CROUSE.

**CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 5, 1902.**

|                           | Hrs. | Ord. | Val.    | Helps  |
|---------------------------|------|------|---------|--------|
| <b>DESIRE OF AGES.</b>    |      |      |         |        |
| Karie Tillman.....        | 10   | 2    | \$ 7.75 |        |
| <b>MARVEL OF NATIONS.</b> |      |      |         |        |
| F. L. Smith.....          | 7    | 3    | \$ 4.00 | \$ .75 |
| <b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>     |      |      |         |        |
| Mrs. Henry Rorholm.....   | 9    | 13   | \$ 7.10 |        |
| Minnie Hahn.....          | 21   | 8    | 4.25    |        |
| *Mrs. E. A. Seeley.....   | 47   |      | 14.50   |        |

**DELIVERIES.**

|                         | Books. | Value. | Helps. | Lost. |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| Mrs. Henry Rorholm..... | 5      | \$2.75 |        |       |

**SUMMARY.**

|                          |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| No. of agents.....       | 5         |
| " " orders.....          | 73        |
| Value of ".....          | \$ 27.00  |
| " " helps sold.....      | 11 \$ .75 |
| Total value.....         | \$ 38.35  |
| Value of deliveries..... | \$ 2.75   |

\*Two weeks.

**THE SANITARIUM.**

CONDUCTED BY EMMA A. PERRINE, M. D.

**SOME HELPFUL HINTS.**

THOSE who have thin blood or poor circulation are likely to be troubled with cold hands and feet. A good remedy for cold feet is the use of the alternate hot and cold foot bath,—hot, thirty seconds; cold, two to ten seconds; with five or six changes. The general health should be built up by the use of good foods, proper exercise in the open air, etc., to correct the condition of the blood. For the hands, use the same treatment as for the feet.

During the winter months we are very apt to find some excuse for not taking the cold morning bath. But if we wish to keep feeling good and refreshed, we should not neglect taking this bath in some form. For the full blooded and robust person, a cold plunge in the bath tub is the most heroic; but for those who are more delicate, or whose blood is thin, a cold friction bath with a coarse towel or rough mitten is better, and for those who are just beginning to take the bath a cold hand or sponge bath is still milder. The morning bath should be taken very quickly and vigorously, and in a warm room. The time employed should not be more than two or three minutes, and when through the person should be warmer than when he began the treatment.

For a sore throat, gargle the throat with hot salt and water, take a five minute hot foot bath, and apply fomentations to the throat. Then go to bed with a cold compress around the throat and keep warm. The next morning an ordinary sore throat should be much better if not entirely well.

**NOTES.**

MISS CELIA KLOCK has returned from Cedar Rapids, where she was nursing.

SOME of our patients are anticipating visits from home friends during the holidays.

MEMBERS of the Sanitarium family were treated to a sleigh ride last Sunday evening by Messrs. Clarence Threlkeld and Wesley Beard.

RECENT arrivals at the Sanitarium are: Mrs. G. W. Countryman, of Birmingham; Mrs. Sarah Chaplin, of Blair, Nebraska; and Mrs. Edna Smith, of Libertyville.

**THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.**

CONDUCTED BY MRS. FLORA V. DORCAS.

**THE SEARCHLIGHT.**

ONE evening a crowd of people stood upon the wharf, waiting for the landing of an ocean steamer. Nearly all had friends on board, for whose arrival they had been anxiously looking. A cold wind was blowing, and all tried to protect themselves from it, without thought of how they might look with capes wrapped around the head, or handkerchiefs tied over the ears. It was dark, so why should they care? As the vessel drew near, there suddenly flashed from it a brilliant light, which was turned from side to side as the pilot searched the shore for the proper landing-place. A moment before we had been in perfect darkness, but instantly every one stood revealed in a light bright as that of the sun. Every one began to think, "How do I look?" and there was much merriment over the grotesque figures presented.

My mind turned to these words, "Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me, and know my thoughts; and see if there be any wicked way in me." Ps. 139:23, 24. When the eyes of the Lord are turned upon us in judgment, will there not be revealed many things which we now think are hidden? Shall we not then think, in shame and confusion, of defects of character which do not now seem very bad? Many of our actions which seem very good to ourselves and to others, look very different under the searching eyes of God. God looks at the heart. He sees the motives which lead to these actions. Teaching in the Sabbath-school is a good action, is it not? But do we all do this from the right motive? Do we accept this position only because we want to work for souls? If this is the case, we need not fear that God will not accept the work, and add His blessing to our efforts.

But is there no search-light which we can throw upon our own hearts, so that we may see them as they appear to the Lord? David says, "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." If we measure all our words and actions, and even our motives, by the Word of God, we shall know in what respects we fall short of the standard which He has set for His people. But we are not able of ourselves to rightly understand God's Word. Therefore, if we would not make mistakes and thus fail to measure correctly, we must pray as did David, "Open Thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of Thy law." Then we need never fear that the Search-light will make us ashamed when the Lord comes to "give every man as his work shall be."—*Sabbath School Worker.*

## Workers' Bulletin.

DES MOINES, IOWA, DEC. 16, 1902.

—“NEVER seem wiser, nor more learned, than the people you are with.”

—MRS. HONORA HOLLIDAY, of Coon Rapids, called at this Office last Tuesday while in the city trading.

—MR. AND MRS. PRESTON OFFILL, of Prairie City, were in Des Moines last Wednesday and called at this Office.

—BRO. G. S. CHAMBERS, who spent the summer in superintending the erection of some public buildings in South Dakota, returned home to Des Moines last week.

—THE address of Bro. and Sister Carl Jensen is 8 Highwood Road, Holloway Road, North London, England, instead of 8 Highway Road, as given in a recent number of the BULLETIN.

—MRS. N. C. McCONNELLEE, formerly of Winterset, Iowa, is now located at 222 E. Main St., San Antonio, Texas, where she can use late, clean copies of our periodicals in missionary work.

—READINGS for the week of prayer have been sent to the churches and companies, and also to all isolated Sabbath-keepers whose addresses we have. If any have been missed, let us know.

—MRS. ALMA SIMONS, of New Hampton, assistant superintendent for Iowa of "The American Home Finding Association," was in Des Moines last Sunday. Sister Simons has just recently accepted present truth, and was here to get more acquainted with our people and their work.

—IF, after you renew for the BULLETIN, the date on the label is not changed within a short time, please call our attention to the fact. We correct the list each week, and if after a week or two proper credit is not given, you may know that there has been a mistake, and that you should notify us.

—As God's people arouse and take hold of His work with renewed activity, Satan stirs up his workers to redouble their diligence; and we begin to realize that soon it will be impossible for those who do not worship the beast to buy or sell. In Chicago the fact that the *Life Boat* is not a union paper is beginning to interfere with its sale; and here in Des Moines a tendency has set in to discriminate against non-union institutions in the matter of buying and selling.

—MONEY orders are received at this Office payable to the WORKERS' BULLETIN and to various individuals. Some of these put us to considerable inconvenience. The Iowa Tract Society publishes the BULLETIN, and orders for that paper as well as all other orders should be addressed to the Society. We will again specify where to send money. The church treasurer should receive only the tithes and should send them to the State treasurer, J. W. Dorcas, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines. All money paid on account, and all Sabbath school donations and other donations to the various missions and funds, should be sent to the Iowa Tract Society. Make all money orders payable to the Iowa Tract Society, and if part of the money is for "Object Lessons," be sure to mention it in your letter. Also send all orders for lesson pamphlets, books, papers, Sabbath-school supplies, etc., to the Society.

—IN a personal communication dated the 12th inst., Eld. T. H. Jeys states that they then had thirty-five students at the industrial school and were expecting six more to arrive yesterday. Last Tuesday Mr. Preston L. Lever, an attorney of Stuart, presented the school with a new Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, of which Bro. Jeys says, "This we much appreciate, you may be sure." We are glad to be able to report so favorably of the school.

—STUDENTS of the South Dakota industrial school, which is located at Elk Point, South Dakota, are to learn of the horrors of typesetting, the *Dakota Worker* having been moved from Sioux Falls to Elk Point. The printing office rightly conducted is one of the best of schools, but a person of experience should be in charge. With amateurs in both the editorial and mechanical departments, it becomes a most tedious process.

—BRO. AND SISTER KARIE TILLMAN, of Albia, lost an infant child last week. They only recently removed from Texas to Iowa, and Bro. Tillman was just entering the canvassing work when the sad blow came.

—ELD. J. H. KRAFT was called last week to Colorado, by the death of his brother, who was killed in a mine explosion.

—“WHEN individuals are talking about you, someone else is getting a rest.”

—WEEK OF PRAYER, December 20-27, 1902.

### PUSH THE "LIFE BOAT."

DR. DAVID PAULSON, editor of the *Life Boat*, has been making an effort to get that valuable little magazine into the hands of the soldiers of the United States army. This is another needy and much neglected field, and we hope the Doctor will receive the help necessary to enable him to accomplish this good work. The December number is one of the best ever issued, and should be sold in large quantities. Children can sell them readily, as well as those who are older. After the people have seen two or three copies many could be easily induced to subscribe. Send orders to this Office. Price 2 cents each in lots of ten or more.

### GOOD EXAMPLES.

ONE Iowa minister estimated what his share of "Object Lessons" would be if the conference laborers would divide the remainder of our quota among themselves. He then ordered the books, had them charged to his account, and now pays one-fourth of the bill at each quarterly audit, whether he has sold the books or not. A brother who thought he could not sell his books, offered fifty cents on each book to any one who would sell them. Another laborer sold the books, received the commission, and at once donated it to the college debt fund. Several have been quite successful in selling the book, one canvasser having sold one hundred and thirty-nine copies since camp-meeting. Next week we expect to make a statement of what has been done, and what remains to be done before the work is finished.

J. O. BEARD.

“In the grave where you consign the troubles of others, leave your own. If you have been unfortunate in life, keep it to yourself. Troubles grow larger by talking about them. Ever remember the admonition of Paul, 'Forgetting those things which are behind.'”

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