



The Good News of
**TOMORROW'S
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Here's Good News—
The World Will *NOT* End This Way!

Personal from



Why this Work Is Unique!

HOW GRATEFUL we should be, that God has seen to it in all ages that HIS TRUTH *could not be erased* from human accessibility!

Ever since the time of Christ there have been organized conspiracies to destroy the Bible.

Jesus Christ started God's Church in 31 A. D. And in 33 A. D. the Great Conspiracy got under way to organize and build the GREAT FALSE CHURCH — Satan's church! The Great Conspiracy sought to destroy the true Church of God, and to blot out the Word of God, by *counterfeit* doctrines. They appropriated the NAME of Christ, and called themselves "Christian" — then presented a *false* Christ and a *false* "Christianity."

No religion had ever before offered the forgiveness of sins until Christ died to pay the sinners' penalty. As a palliate for guilty consciences, the Satan-influenced conspirators early seized on "the blood of Christ," deciding that "grace" would be a wonderful selling point to make their pagan religion universal.

But REPENTANCE from sin — turning *away* from sin — which means OBEDIENCE to God's Law — that was something quite different. They well *knew* the natural mind of man is *hostile* to the idea of obedience to God, and is not subject to the Law of God (Rom. 8:7).

So they "did away with" God's Law. They substituted "penance" for repentance. They perverted the true Gospel of Christ in a manner to make it utterly ineffective. And THE WHOLE WORLD has been misled and deceived!

During the Middle Dark Ages, every organized attempt was made to DESTROY the Bible itself. But God saw to it that His Word was preserved. Finally, after

the invention of printing, copies of the Bible became accessible to the public.

A few early Protestant ministers began searching for TRUTH. They were buried so deeply in the mire of false teachings, palmed off as "Christianity," that they could not emerge from the morass of confusion at once — or during their lifetime. Each of these religious leaders did recognize and grasp a few rays of light shining here and there through the darkness. But it is ten times more difficult to UNlearn error, once believed, than to learn a *new* truth. So each of these men retained perhaps half or more of the error. Each added a certain amount of NEW erroneous doctrine of his own. Thus a hodgepodge of denominations arose.

Certain Protestant scholars, during the latter part of the 18th century and through the 19th, devoted lifetimes to producing various works, more or less scholarly, to assist in Bible study and understanding. These were the exhaustive concordances, the lexicons or Greek-English and Hebrew-English dictionaries, the marginal reference systems in the printed Bibles, the religious encyclopedias, the Bible dictionaries, and the commentaries.

Most of these men were scholarly enough — but their minds still were largely blinded to spiritual truth. They had been taught false doctrines from childhood and blindly assumed them to be true.

Nevertheless, these exhaustive works and Bible helps were making it gradually possible, for those who would be willing, to come to more truth, more rapidly — and at the same time the more rapidly to dispel error. The real TRUTH was becoming too nearly revealed — Satan became disturbed, then stirred to action.

He introduced German rationalism and the theory of Evolution into modern education. Also after the Dark Ages, he began removing his brakes against

acquisition of scientific and technological knowledge. To pervert this latter, Satan mixed it with German rationalism in educational institutions. The new learning became rapidly materialistic. It became agnostic, then more and more atheistic. It began to be considered "old-fashioned" to believe in God. Now "higher criticism" of the Bible gushed forth like an avalanche. Men began sitting in judgment of GOD — began CRITICIZING GOD.

As we developed through the 20th century, this "new" rationalism gradually found its way into the religious seminaries where future ministers were being taught. Students entering seminaries had already encountered the new supposed "rational" knowledge. It appealed to intellectual VANITY. It was the fashion of the day. Men wanted to BELONG. They wanted to CONFORM. So they floated along on the atheistic tidal wave.

This latter is the process that was getting started in real earnest when God brought me to a study of His Word, nearly forty-five years ago. The Bible helps had not been "modernized" as yet. They were still on the shelves of the public libraries, and available in secondhand book stores.

I started my study in an effort to *refute* a Biblical truth the big denominations had lost. My determined motive was to prove these denominations were RIGHT. But in the BIBLE *itself*, and checking with all these "helps" besides, many of which had even then deliberately distorted the facts on this subject, the TRUTH reluctantly emerged. I was faced with an uncomfortable decision. I didn't want to accept it. To do so meant some DOING. It meant being a DOER of God's Law — not a "hearer" only.

And that DOING meant persecution, probably the ridicule of former friends and business acquaintances. But to reject it meant to be deliberately dishonest. It meant to *knowingly* disobey GOD — and I had come to see what the consequences would be!

It was not easy, but I made the surrender to God. I told Him that this meant the END of my life for myself — or in the world and among business associates. It meant utter isolation from them and the former life. This I realized. It meant *giving up* my life as I had lived it and planned to live it.

So I then and there made a covenant with God — not a BARGAIN — just a covenant in which I GAVE my life over to GOD. If He could use it, I told Him He could have it. I meant it!

Now I am human, and I have my share of human nature, which I have *tried* to fight. I have cried out to God to fight it for me and through me. Yet it has, inevitably, asserted itself and caught me off guard a number of times.

Being human I have, at times, just as everyone who ever lived has done, allowed this human nature for the moment to snatch this life out of God's hands and reappropriate it for its own interest or desires. But — once awakened to what had been done — this has been repented of.

I *did mean it*, when I GAVE my life, literally, and in unconditional SURRENDER to GOD! I have tried to leave it in His hands. I haven't done a perfect job, but GOD has done a perfect WORK in spite of human frailty.

But, I can reflect back on two or three contemporary experiences of other men.

One young man had made quite a splash in the ministry. He started out accepting the sponsorship and backing of human religious organizations. To be free of narrow sectarian bias he reasoned he should remain interdenominational. But this did not increase freedom to declare God's TRUTH, but, on the contrary, further restricted it! He soon found that he was limited, in what he was free to preach, to those few doctrines which *all* of these sponsoring, but differing, denominations approved.

God has shown me that when a man sets out to answer God's call to serve HIM, he must rely on God *alone*. If he relies on MEN, he must serve MEN — not God!

Somehow, God brought about circumstances in my own life so that I have been forced always to rely on Him *alone*.

When I was first ordained, I accepted a very small salary from what I then believed to be God's true Church. But envious and scheming ministers, influential near the top, demanded that I preach and act contrary to the plain truth of God's Word. I guess God saw to it that my salary then was *so small* that it was not too great a temptation to give it up. I did give it up, and promised God then and there that henceforth I would trust Him alone, in faith, to supply the financial need.

And God did. Tithes and freewill offerings seemed at once to replace the amount of salary I had relinquished.

But gradually God increased the amount, that His Work might grow. A few months after my wife and I

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What Kind of FAITH Is Required For SALVATION?

Do you know millions who actually believe in Jesus Christ have no salvation at all . . . because they trust in the wrong kind of Faith?

by Herbert W. Armstrong

NO SUBJECT pertaining to Christian salvation is more generally misunderstood than that of *saving* FAITH!

Just "BELIEVE on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved," is the popular teaching today. And that statement is absolutely true — if you understand what kind of BELIEVING is required!

Unfortunately millions are being deceived — led to trust in a faith that will never save one single soul — by a very popular and very false teaching.

It is customary to quote only a PART of the scriptures on this subject — reading a false meaning into them — and thus by subtle *half-truths*, popular teachings shackle most of Christendom to spiritual blindness and deceptions.

Do These Scriptures Contradict?

God does not usually reveal *all* the truth respecting a particular subject in any one passage alone. "Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? . . . Precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little and there a little" (Isa. 28:9-10). To understand any general subject in the Bible, it is necessary to view *all* the scriptural

evidence touching that particular subject. And we cannot read *our* inherited or desired meaning into any particular passage; for "no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation" (II Peter 1:20), but each passage is interpreted by, and in the light of, *other texts*.

For example. It is quite popular to quote Romans 3:20: "Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight," and from this passage alone assume that salvation comes by faith, in *disobedience to God's Law!* Those who thus interpret this passage never tell you that in Romans 2:13 the same Apostle Paul was inspired to write: "Not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the *DOERS of the law shall be justified.*"

Is there contradiction here? If the one scripture is intended to reveal that we do not have to make an effort to obey God's Law to be justified and then saved — but that we are *saved* by faith *without obedience to God's Law* — then, indeed, God contradicts Himself in His Word! And if you wish to make Romans 3:20 say that, you must consistently acknowledge there is contradiction in the Scriptures, and if this be true, you have no basis for your faith!

Again, Ephesians 2:8-9: "By grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: *not of works*, lest any man should boast." But those who quote this text so freely to teach the doctrine of "no works," never tell you that the same inspired Scriptures say also:

"What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man *say* he hath faith, *and have not works?* can faith save him? . . . Even so FAITH, *if it hath not works*, IS DEAD, being alone . . . I will show thee *my* faith BY my works. Thou BELIEVEST that there is one God; thou doest well: *the devils also believe, AND tremble.* But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith *without works* IS DEAD?" (James 2:14-20.)

There is no contradiction here!

Rather, by putting all the scriptures on the subject of "Saving Faith" together, we learn that there are TWO KINDS of faith. And the kind so blindly trusted in by the majority of this day is nothing but a DEAD faith — and a DEAD faith *never will save one soul!* Notice James 2:20: "Faith *without works* is DEAD" — just a DEAD faith.

James continues: "Was not Abraham our father JUSTIFIED by *works*, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar? Seest

thou how FAITH wrought *with his works*, and BY WORKS was faith made perfect? . . . You see then how that BY WORKS A MAN IS JUSTIFIED, and not by faith only" (James 2:21-24). Then are we saved by works *instead* of faith? No, NEVER! We are saved by FAITH! But faith functions *with our works* and BY WORKS OUR FAITH IS MADE PERFECT! That is LIVING FAITH!

Why do we even *need* salvation? Because we have SINNED, and the penalty of sin is DEATH!

But *how* have we sinned? What is sin, anyhow? "Sin is the transgression of THE LAW," is God's answer (I John 3:4).

"Yes," answers the victim of modern fables, "but we are not under the law today, but UNDER GRACE!" Why certainly! "What then?" asks the inspired Paul, "shall we SIN [transgress the LAW], because we are not under the law, but under grace?" And Paul's answer is, "GOD FORBID" (Rom. 6:15.) And again, "Shall we continue in SIN [transgressing the law], that grace may abound? GOD FORBID! How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?" (Romans 6:1-2.)

The law has a penalty — DEATH. It claims the life of the one who transgresses it. The law has power to take the life of the transgressor. It therefore is more powerful than the sinner — and is OVER the sinner, holding a claim on his life. It is the SINNER who is UNDER the law. But when the sinner REPENTS of his transgression, and accepts the sacrifice of Christ as payment of the *penalty* of the Law, then he is PARDONED — UNDER GRACE — the law no longer stands OVER him, claiming his life. Those who are still sinning are still UNDER the law! And those who, through repentance, obedience and FAITH have turned from disobedience and are, through faith, KEEPING the Law, are the *only* ones who are UNDER GRACE!

God's Spiritual Mirror

Let us understand it! "By the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight." No, certainly not! That scripture is 100% true, and there is no contradiction! You cannot be jus-

tified BY the deeds of the Law — not at all!

WHY? The last half of this same verse gives the answer — why do most preachers never quote it? "For by the law is the KNOWLEDGE of sin" (Rom. 3:20). THAT'S WHY!

The purpose of the Law is not to forgive, to justify, to wash away, to cleanse. Only THE BLOOD OF CHRIST can do that! The purpose of the Law is to tell us what sin is — to define it, to REVEAL it — so we can quit it. Sin is the transgression of the Law — that's what sin is.

All women ought to understand this. In every woman's handbag is a little mirror. She knows what it is for. Every little while she takes out this mirror and steals a glance at her face. Sometimes it reveals a speck of dirt. And we might truthfully say, "by the use of these mirrors are no dirty faces washed clean." You women understand what we mean! But do you throw your mirrors away because *by them* your faces are not washed? Of course not — what a silly question it seems, when applied to a MATERIAL case! And if we ask you WHY your faces are not washed clean by your mirrors, you answer: "Because by the mirror comes the KNOWLEDGE OF THE DIRT."

God's LAW is His spiritual mirror. We look into it, and see the dirt on our hearts! But by looking at the Law, or keeping it, no dirt is WASHED from our hearts — only Christ's BLOOD can do that. By the Law comes the KNOWLEDGE OF SIN!

Listen to James explain it! "But be ye DOERS OF the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect LAW of liberty, *and continueth therein*, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a DOER of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed" (James 1:22-25).

Is It Possible to Keep the Law?

"But," argues the "no-law" deceiver, "no man can keep the Commandments.

It is not humanly possible. Since FAITH has come, we keep no law — faith has made it VOID."

Thus even "Satan himself is transformed into an angel of LIGHT. Therefore it is no great thing if HIS MINISTERS also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness — for such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of CHRIST" (II Cor. 11:13-15).

"Do we then make void the law through faith?" comes the question in inspired Scripture — and the answer: "GOD FORBID: yea, we ESTABLISH THE LAW" (Rom. 3:31.)

Yes, faith *establishes* the Law! By keeping it, is faith made PERFECT!

Yet, *can* we keep the Commandments? Is it possible? Satan's "no-law" deceivers say NO! What is the PLAIN TRUTH?

A man came to Jesus and asked how to be saved. The Saviour Himself replied, "If thou wilt enter into life, KEEP THE COMMANDMENTS" (Matt. 19:17). "When his disciples heard it, they were exceedingly amazed, saying, Who then can be saved? But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but *with God all things are possible*" (verses 25-26).

There is Christ's own answer! With men it is impossible — utterly impossible to really KEEP His Commandments. But — here's the blessed truth — WITH GOD, it is possible, even to keep His Commandments. Do you begin to see? IT TAKES FAITH — faith in the power of GOD! And, just as your own diligent effort coupled with faith makes faith perfect, so faith coupled with your effort makes PERFECT OBEDIENCE! The two go hand in hand. And you cannot have the one without the other!

A LIVING FAITH — the only kind that will SAVE — is an *active* faith — one that TRUSTS GOD to make it possible to OBEY HIM — to live the true Christian life — to KEEP His blessed Commandments!

Think! Could a just God command men to do what is IMPOSSIBLE to do? Or can we conceive of Jesus as a smart-

aleck young man who knew more than His FATHER, and who did away with His Father's COMMANDMENTS? How absurd! Yet this is the popular conception today!

The Law Is Eternal

God's Law is not a horrible monster! Just and right laws are a terror only to the criminal — they are made to PROTECT the good! God's Law is PERFECT (Psalm 19:7); it is a SPIRITUAL Law (Rom. 7:14), HOLY, and just, and good (Rom. 7:12). ALL His commandments are SURE, and stand fast FOREVER AND EVER (Psalm 111:7-8). Don't you believe it, when men tell you differently!

God's Law is, simply, LOVE! It is the perfect way of life. Every particle of human suffering, unhappiness, misery and death has come solely from its transgression! It was given to make man HAPPY, and is the *only* philosophy of life that can do so! It came from a God of LOVE, and LOVE is the *fulfilling of the Law* (Rom. 13:10).

But not YOUR own natural love! It requires "the love of GOD . . . shed abroad in our hearts BY THE HOLY GHOST" (Rom. 5:5). God has, and will give you, the love that will fulfill His Law. And so it *is* possible through FAITH, and the GIFT of God's Holy Spirit, for man to keep His Commandments! And whoever claims differently, God calls a plain LIAR (I John 2:4).

The true Commandment-keeper is forced to trust God to make obedience possible. And thus faith does not void, but *establishes* the Law! And to keep the Law requires FAITH!

A thrilling example of this eternal truth is recorded in the book of Daniel. Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, erected a great golden image.

"Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O people, nations, and languages, that at what time ye hear the sound of the [band] . . . ye fall down and worship the golden image" (Dan. 3:4-5). "And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace" (verse 6).

Set over the affairs of the province of Babylon were Daniel's three young Jew-

ish friends, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego. One of the Commandments of God's eternal spiritual Law forbids such worship of images.

Had *you* been in their place, what would YOU have done? Would you not have said, "Well, I *have* to bow down to this image — I have to do it or be killed!" And perhaps you would have excused yourself by reasoning thus: "I don't think God would be fair if He punished me for this, when He knows I am FORCED to do it. Anyway, He tells us to be subject to the power of the state!" Yes, it is easy to use reason to excuse disobedience to God. But God is not looking for chances to punish us — but rather for opportunities to SAVE us through faith — to save us from the folly of SIN and the sad consequence our own acts impose!

God's Law is intended to *protect* us from suffering. Whatever we sow we shall reap. It is not God who punishes us when we do wrong; it is merely our own acts rebounding like a boomerang!

But these three young Jews knew the truth — that we should OBEY GOD, rather than men, that through FAITH God makes it possible. When they firmly REFUSED to bow down to worship the king's image, Nebuchadnezzar in his rage and fury commanded they be brought before him (verse 13).

Listen to the quiet, trusting, unafraid answer of these lads. "O Nebuchadnezzar . . . our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace"! (Verses 16-18.)

Sometimes God *tries* our faith. He tried theirs. You might think He failed them, but He only permitted their faith to be tested.

"Then was Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed . . . therefore he spake, and commanded that they should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heated . . . Then these men were bound in their coats, their hosen, and their hats, and their other garments" — surely the God whom they trusted would have them released *now*? But no — there was no physical evidence whatever that God so much as heard! — "and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace"! (Verses 19-21.)

The furnace was so hot the flames leaped out and "slew those men that took up Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego." And they "fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace"!

God permitted them actually to be thrown in! Was He unmindful of those who trusted in Him to make possible the keeping of His Commandments? Not God!

The king looked into the furnace, and said, "Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of GOD"! (Verse 25.) So Nebuchadnezzar came near the mouth of the furnace and called to them.

"Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego, ye servants of the most high God, come forth, and come hither! Then Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego came forth of the midst of the fire. . . these men, upon whose bodies the fire had no power, nor was an hair of their head singed, neither were their coats changed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them. Then Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, who hath sent his angel, and DELIVERED his servants that TRUSTED IN HIM"! (Verses 26-28.)

THERE was an example of *living* FAITH — a faith that TRUSTED God to make it possible to live the way of His Law! Yes, WITH GOD, it is possible to keep all His Commandments — don't let any man deceive you to the contrary!

Can You Believe and Worship Christ in Vain?

When God's Word says, "BELIEVE on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved," it does not mean the DEAD faith now popularly taught! The common teachings of this day distort this to mean a mere belief in the FACTS of Christ's existence, His sacrifice, and His saving work. Just accept these FACTS, and accept HIM — without any obedience to God's Laws! But the demons believe these things — and they TREMBLE — but they are *not* thereby *saved*!

Christ was the Messenger of the New Covenant — a Messenger sent from God. You cannot BELIEVE on such a di-

vine Messenger unless you believe, and obey, the MESSAGE that He brought! "If thou wilt enter into LIFE," was His teaching, "KEEP THE COMMANDMENTS"!

"REPENT," said the inspired Peter, and "ye SHALL receive the gift of the Holy Ghost" (Acts 2:38). God gives His Holy Spirit only to them that OBEY HIM (Acts 5:32). And His Holy Spirit is the LOVE which God gives us to fulfill and to keep His Commandments! And it all comes BY FAITH!

Christ came to save us FROM, not in, our sins! To FREE us from the enslavement of sin and the unhappiness and wretchedness it brings — not to make us free to commit sin!

Is it possible to BELIEVE in Christ — to worship Him — in the customary manner of the day, *and yet be lost?* Christ Himself says, "YES!"

"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord! Lord! shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that DOETH the will of my Father which is in heaven," He said (Matt. 7:21).

Hear Him again!

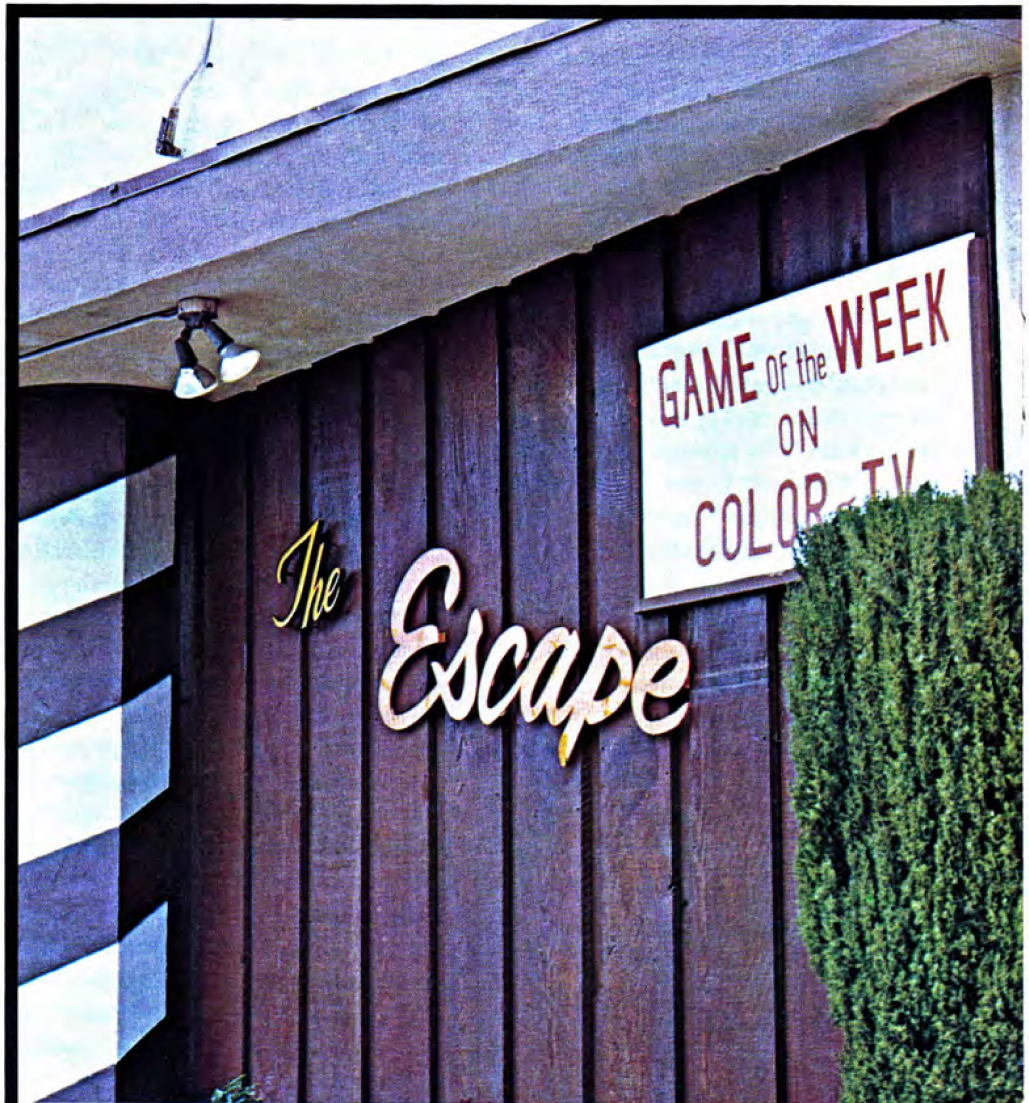
"Howbeit IN VAIN do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men"! (Mark 7:7-8.)

There it is! From Jesus' own lips! Such a dead faith — such worship — is IN VAIN! Those who trust in it, and in the men and denominations which teach it, ARE LOST! And the quicker we come to realize it, the better!

God's PURPOSE in salvation is to rescue men from SIN, and its resulting unhappiness, misery, and death! To REPENT of sin is the first step! Then the BLOOD OF CHRIST, upon acceptance and faith, cleanses of all past sins. And by FAITH we are kept from sin in the future. Thus the resulting righteousness is of FAITH — the righteousness *imparted from God*.

We are not justified BY THE LAW — we are justified by the blood of Jesus Christ! But this justification will be given only on condition that we REPENT of our transgressions of God's Law — and so it is, after all, only the DOERS of the Law that shall be JUSTIFIED (Rom. 2:13).

How plain, and how beautiful is God's TRUTH! □



ESCAPISM

has become the biggest social problem of our times!! With the future unthinkable, the present unacceptable, millions seek ESCAPE from the problems they can't face! And EVEN THIS was prophesied! See, in this article, what escapism is doing to the moral fiber of our peoples, and where God says it's leading.

by Garner Ted Armstrong

THE "4-F's" of our time are not just those unfit for military service; they're the frightened, fearful, futile and frustrated.

Said a syndicated columnist:

"Anyone who seeks to analyze and define this age in tangible terms is

likely to experience a sense of bafflement.

"It is an age of contradictions, of challenging paradoxes. In a time when men are seeking to explore the stars, they are finding it increasingly difficult to solve the problems which affect them on this planet. And in a period when

kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation [TRIBULATION], which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth"! (Rev. 3:10.)

THAT is the only *true* escape left to any human being!

God says these approaching calamities are SURE. They really WILL happen! Blotting them out of our minds will *not* make them go away — but facing them squarely, *admitting* conditions *really are* "that bad," and seeking our Creator for His protection in the times ahead *will* save us from them!

Jeremiah was inspired to write, "Alas! for that day is great, so that NONE is like it [the SAME times of which Christ spoke]: it is even the time of *Jacob's* [Israel's] *trouble*; but he shall be saved *out of it*" (Jer. 30:7).

Those of us who *know* God's true plan, and who know He has given us a part in His own Work are NOT fearful of the future. We face the future with a feeling of *security*, of *confidence* and FAITH.

It's about time *you* faced reality squarely — and found out how *you* may escape! □

PERSONAL COUNSEL

Many hundreds have written asking if we have representatives in their areas to counsel with them personally — to answer their questions — and even to baptize in certain cases. The answer is yes, we do. As a service of our Adult Education Program, the Graduate School of Theology sends personal representatives into most communities of the United States and British Commonwealth and many parts of the world. These men are carefully trained under the sponsorship of The Graduate School of Theology which also publishes *Tomorrow's World*. Of course, *none* of these men will ever call on you unless they are invited. But, if you do have questions — or require personal counsel for any reason — feel free to write us and request a private appointment. We'd be happy to send our men to see you.

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began to trust God ALONE, the door of radio and the printing press opened. And this Work has since grown at a fantastic rate.

Soon after I started on the air, a man came to see me. He represented a group of businessmen. They wanted to team me with a well-known evangelist, and build a big new church. These men offered to supply the financial backing. But of course there were STRINGS attached — I was to be MUZZLED! I showed this man the front door as an exit from my home!

When Ambassador College was opened, in 1947, I faced opposition within and without.

Other men preaching over the air have founded colleges or seminaries. I know of one who started such an institution. He sought out men of reputation in the field of religious education to administer his institution and to staff its faculty. He himself, though its founder, did not actively head or manage it.

He relied on MEN — men of reputation, yes, but still they were *men*, and not GOD. He was a Fundamentalist. But as the years went by, the modernist "rationalism" crept in and soon dominated his institution.

I could not help thinking of this example, and the comparison — or contrast — with our experience at Ambassador College. Like this contemporary, I had to go out into the world of education to find administrators and faculty members. There simply were *none* who understood and believed the TRUTH as God had opened my eyes to see. I could not fill ALL the jobs of administration and instruction — I am not *many*, but only *one* man. But two things I could, and did, do. I kept myself as Chairman of the Board of Trustees, appointing as Board members *only* those who believed God's TRUTH, keeping the setting of all POLICIES in the hand of the Board. And second, I made myself the sole instructor in Bible and Theology for the first several years.

The men I appointed to top adminis-

trative and teaching offices were, of necessity, men trained in *this world's* education. And I had in mind a totally different approach to education. These men were sincere and honest, but they were unable to see what God had held up before my eyes. I found it necessary to remain in CONTROL, and to vigilantly combat every step tending to make our college a rubber stamp of this world's educational institutions.

In those early years God sent such young men, as pioneer students, as Herman Hoeh, Raymond Cole, my son Richard David, Raymond McNair, Roderick Meredith, Dr. C. Paul Meredith, and Kenneth Herrmann. I was able to steer their progress with close personal contact. Today Dr. Herman Hoeh is Vice President for Academic Affairs, Pasadena Campus. Dr. Roderick Meredith is Vice President for Student and Alumni Affairs and also Dean of the Graduate School of Theology. Mr. Herrmann is Registrar for our Pasadena campus. Today almost the entire faculty is Ambassador College trained — although several had done college work, or received degrees, in other institutions before coming.

But Ambassador College today could not be God's college if I had relied on MEN, instead of relying solely on GOD. At all times, GOD has been kept at the HEAD of these campuses, and of His WORK!

That is why this entire Work is *different* from anything else on the face of the earth in our time!

The moral for *you* is this: In *your* personal life — in all that you do — make GOD the HEAD of it, and RELY SOLELY AND ALTOGETHER ON HIM — and on HIM ALONE! Then it will be a success. Otherwise it will FAIL! Unless GOD builds the house, they labor in vain that build it! And whatever plant my heavenly Father has not planted shall be rooted up! □

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