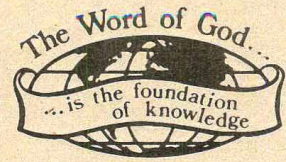


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Once again Ambassador to be full four-year college — GOD'S College!

PASADENA — I think you ought to know how Ambassador College came to be founded and what is back of it. Now we are getting things back on the track. Everything had gotten off the track. This college was started for a definite purpose, and it was started to be God's college.

To understand you have to go back to the very beginning. Too many of us want to look at the picture as it is today and we get all muddled up because we don't know what led to it. We don't know what came before and so our thinking gets muddled.

Angels on earth

You have to go back to the fact that there had been angels on the earth — a super archangel Lucifer, a cherub, was placed on the throne to rule with the government of God. Now they were put here to finish the creation of the earth. God creates everything in duality and in dual stages. First the main basis of the earth was created, and it was all perfect. But it was not finished. There was more to be added yet and God intended those angels to work in the materials on this earth.

Now they had to have team work. They had worked together, so God gave them His government to govern them in His way. And His way is based on love. Now love is first to God, in realizing that He is our maker, He is the supreme power, that He is the great giver, that He is one who first loved us and wants everything that is good for us. And therefore we must obey Him because He only wants what is good for us, and He knows better than we do what is good for us. So we must obey, we must worship Him and no other because that is for our good, not just for His good.

God's government rejected

Then this Lucifer rejected

God's government and turned the opposite way — the way of vanity, exalting himself instead of God, the way of hostility against God, resentment, embitterment, feeling that God had not given him a square deal — and he began to work on his angels and to tell them that God is holding the whole universe and He's only given us this little earth. God hasn't been fair and so we had better get jealous, we'd better get envious and get into a spirit of competition, strife, rebellion — instead of construction and adding and being part of the creation.

Well, they were entirely disqualified and chaos came to this earth. Chaos came to the entire universe.

There is no evidence in the Bible or otherwise that there ever was any life put on those other planets. Our moon is the same way. When they got there they found it . . . was in a state that would not contain life.

These angels flubbed it. They were tried and found wanting. And now God has set out to reproduce Himself — that is, He created man in His own image. But He created man out of matter

These comments were excerpted from a forum given by Herbert W. Armstrong to the Ambassador College faculty and student body Sept. 19.

so if we start off and make the mistake that these angels did and go the wrong way, we can repent and God can grant us repentance and God can bring us back.

Jesus Christ was the Word who was with God, has always existed. He was not the son of God. He was without father, without mother, without beginning of days or end of life. He has always existed. Your mind can't quite grasp that — don't try. I don't care whether you are a freshman student or whether you are seasoned ministers from the field. You can't grasp that. No mind can. Always we think that there had to be a time when it began. There was a time when matter began, when there was no matter, and then a time when God produced matter.

First man created

God created the first man. But the first man had to undergo a test.

He had the potential of becoming the king over the earth and replacing the discredited Lucifer. God talked to him first as He had talked to Lucifer and the angels first before He sent them there. God had explained all about His law, about His way and how love and giving and outgoing and producing . . . is the right way and not the incoming way of just greed and vanity and lust and envy, jealousy, competition, strife, hate, revenge, all that sort of thing. That is what Lucifer and the angels turned to.

Now there were two trees in the Garden of Eden . . . I think the trees were literally there, but that doesn't make any difference, they represented something — they were symbolic. And the Tree of Life was symbolic of Adam receiving the Holy Spirit of God, which would have impregnated him as a begotten Son of God. And then in due time God would have changed him from matter into spirit and from mortality into immortality and everlasting life.

He could not take of the Tree of Life until after he had come to know about what the angels had done and had rejected that way and turned to God's way. He had

to qualify by overcoming Satan. When Jesus Christ (the second Adam) came, He couldn't just start out because He Himself was holy, He had to meet and overcome and conquer Satan. And He did. And if we are ever going to rule with Him in this time now, we have to overcome Satan, to sit with Him on His throne.

Satan is still here

Now after Christ comes Satan will be put away and it will be an altogether new ball game. You've got to remember it is different now. Satan is still here. God left Satan there because Adam had to overcome that. He had to be aware of that way and turn from it and turn to the way of God.

Satan was very clever so he got to Adam through his wife Eve. So when Eve reached out and took to herself the knowledge of good and evil — that is determining what is right and what is wrong. That is God's prerogative. They took a prerogative of God, to make themselves God. Satan's idea was to kick God out and to replace God.

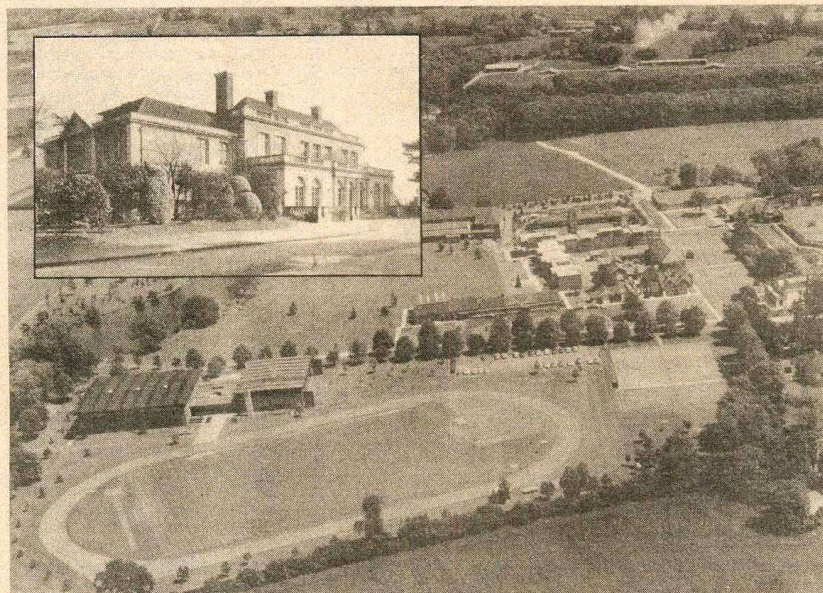
Adam then followed Eve. Adam said, in effect: "God, I will decide for myself what is right and wrong. I'm not going to listen to you telling me what to do and what not to do. Your way is the way of love. Your law — that is the way of right. I'm going to reject that way and decide for myself what is right."

God then, in effect, said, "Adam, you have made the decision for yourself and for the family that will come from you [which means the whole world; we have all come out of Adam]." And He said, "Therefore, you have decided, and I am sentencing you to 6,000 years of being cut off from me."

Only few called now

Now get that because that is important. God says: "I am cutting the world off from me, but I am going to dip into that world and I'm going to call some few that I need for special performance to provide and build ahead for my Kingdom, which is going to follow after this 6,000 years. But I am only going to call because I have some special performance that I want them to perform."

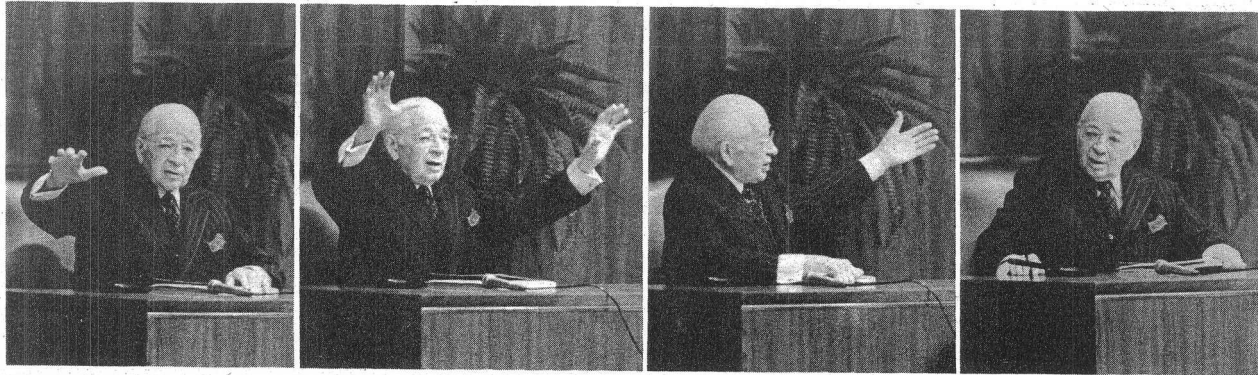
It isn't a case that just anybody can be saved who wants to. Jesus (See ONCE AGAIN, page 3)



ENGLISH CAMPUS SOLD — Bricket Wood, a campus of Ambassador College until its closure in 1974, has been sold. Herbert W. Armstrong and Stanley R. Rader announced in Tucson, Ariz., Sept. 30. The two million pounds received from the sale is more than the property is carried for on the books, according to Mr. Rader, the Work's treasurer. Memorial Hall, inset, comprised the entirety of the campus when it was opened in 1960.

IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

As a follow-up to the "Treasurer's Report" in the Sept. 25 edition, *The Good News* will present a consolidated balance sheet for the Worldwide Church of God and Ambassador College in the next issue, scheduled for Nov. 6.



FOUNDER'S FORUM — Herbert W. Armstrong, founder of Ambassador College, addresses the combined faculty and student body of Ambassador in the colleges' Recital Hall Sept. 19. In the forum Mr. Armstrong announced plans and policies for building a four-year college-level program. [Photos by Scott Ashley]

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Christ came 4,000 years later saying, "No man can come to me except the Father who has sent me, draw him."

You know, the churches have a song "Whosoever Will, May Come." Did you ever see that in the Bible? Well, it's in there. But it's only in one place and that is the fourth verse from the last verse in the whole Bible in the 22nd chapter of Revelation, speaking of a time to come when Satan will be here no more, when God will be calling everybody. But that is not true today. Whosoever will cannot come unless God calls him. They just simply can't. I have wondered why people who come to hear the truth and they hear the truth and they don't get it. They can't get it. Their minds are blinded.

The spirit in man

God made man with a spirit. He made man out of matter. He put animals out of matter. He put a

brain in man. He put a brain in animals. But you take the brain out of animals, especially the larger animals who have brains about the size of a man, like, for example, an elephant or a whale or a dolphin. If you take them out and look at them physically they are exactly the same with such a slight difference — well, maybe 1 or 2 or 3 percent difference — but when man has a mind with maybe a few thousand percent greater output, you can't account for that on physical grounds. You have to account for it by the fact that there is a nonphysical component in with the human brain that does not exist in the animal brain. And that nonphysical human component is a spirit.

There was one spirit put in man. But man needed another spirit — the Holy Spirit of God — that was on the Tree of Life. But when Adam chose the other tree God sent him out and shut him up from the Tree of Life lest he go back and take of it and live forever. In other

words, he and his family after him are shut off lest they go back and take of it and in their sins, live forever. Now the angels have to live forever. They are perverted. They are in outer darkness. They are in a condition of hopeless despair, of frustration and they will be for ever and ever. Now they knew that, they knew they were immortal and when they made that decision it was all on them and there is no way they can be changed. Spirit does not change.

Creation not complete

Again, I say, God creates in dual stages. When He created angels their creation was not complete until character had been decided, and that had to come from experience and by their own decision. God showed them the right way but they had to decide whether to go that way. But He had equipped them with minds to reason, to think and to decide whether they wanted to go that way or to think of other ways. And that is what they made the mistake of doing. And nobody is responsible for that except themselves.

Man was shut off from the Holy Spirit of God. Now here is the important point that comes down to Ambassador College. That one spirit in man imparts the power of intellect to the brain. The spirit does not see; it does not hear. It does not receive knowledge of itself.

The brain sees through the eye. The brain hears through the ear. And that is all physical and the only thing you can see is the physical. The only thing you can hear are physical vibrations or sounds. The only thing you can smell, taste or feel are physical things. Spirit is something you can't. They say matter is anything that occupies space and has weight. Spirit does not and it is invisible to our eyes. Without the Spirit of God, man could not know anything of the things of God. He was cut off from spiritual knowledge. In other words, he was only half there. His creation was only half complete.

Dual stage

Man's creation is in a dual stage. Adam was the first stage of that creation — the physical

stage. It is the material for God to build the second stage, which is the spiritual stage. The first Adam cut himself off from the Holy Spirit of God and the result is that man has quite a great mind, but it is confined to the physical and the material. It is cut off from the spiritual — and so our greatest minds get to thinking — but here is a creation and they have had to think: How come? How did this creation get here without the preexistence of a Creator who designed it and who produced it? So they came up with the theory of

evolution. Now that shuts God out.

Higher education is based 100 percent on the carnality of that one spirit that is only half there and it cuts the greatest knowledge of spiritual things and the things of God. I have said a few times that the greatest minds and the highest educated people on earth are the most ignorant. And that is true because their education is all confined to the physical, and being that they misconstrue so many things, and it is so filled with error (See FULL FOUR-YEAR, page 5)

Letters TO THE EDITOR

Changes in 'GN'

I am amazed at the changes that have been made in the last four or five issues of *The Good News*. The meat in the paper has quadrupled, and that is a very satisfying progress to me.

In the Aug. 28 issue I was amazed at the amount of writing that Mr. Herbert Armstrong published. At his age God truly is giving him strength to carry on. Between *The Plain Truth* and *The Good News* he works hard enough for a man half his age.

Roy M. Manley
Bonanza, Ore.

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I wanted to write and thank you for the articles on healing. They are wonderful — the best one is the fourth for me. I realized I had lost faith over the last year . . .

I have had so many trials this year . . . but these articles have really helped. Thank you again and keep them coming.

Mrs. Sherman Tindell
Poplar Grove, Ark.

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The Good News continues to be manna from headquarters . . . chock full of down-to-earth, inspirational and purposeful material.

Through your determined leadership, it becomes easy to identify with God's Work.

Obviously, Mrs. Ramona Armstrong makes much of your work possible . . . as depicted in the recent *Good News* photos.

Halvor A. Halvorsen
Fallsburg, N.Y.

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We have just read your article in the Aug. 28 issue of *The Good News* headed, "What You May Not Know."

We would like to let you know that far from having God's truth watered down, we are in fact receiving very inspiring and uplifting sermons from the ministers, Mr. Robin Jones and Mr. David Silcox. We attend the Maidstone, England, church and since these ministers have been with us we feel that we are going from strength to strength. We would like you to know that we are behind you and the men who assist you, 100 percent.

Don and Linda Holdstock
Kent, England

I especially enjoyed the article about Stanley Rader in *The Good News*.

I knew very little about him or how he came to be your assistant. I pray for him now, which I hadn't done much of before. Just knowing more about him and how important his job is to you and how his life was changed by your example really touched me. We hope to learn more about him and the top-ranking ministers also.

Sherry Callender
Minden, La.

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Thanks for the continuing instruction and correction.

I can only say amen to the recent *Good News* article on gossip. The Bible is very plain on the subject and is also very clear on who the "accuser of the brethren" is.

May God continue to strengthen and guide you as you exhort us back to the "faith once delivered."

Stanley Daniels
Jersey City, N.J.

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Could you please relate to Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong how very much I appreciate the new format of *The Good News* newspaper. I use it as my Bible study material. What wisdom and understanding God has given Mr. Herbert Armstrong! Yes, he is God's anointed — there is no doubt in my mind. I am doing my very best in helping to hold up his hands and am behind him 100 percent.

Edith E. Wilson
Hope Mills, N.C.

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Thank you for the new look and contents of *The Good News*. It is filling a gap that has been present since the former *Good News* and *Tomorrow's World* magazines were discontinued.

David Venhuizen
Anoka, Minn.

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I received *The Good News* for August just a few days ago and read it through from cover to cover as fast as I could get at it. I want to thank you many times over for the articles you and your staff publish in the paper. It seemed as though everything was written just for me. Since you are back and the Church is getting back on the track, I have received so many spiritual blessings that I just know God is very pleased.

Mrs. Norbert Schlegelmilch
Neillsville, Wis.

FORUM

WITH STANLEY R. RADER

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students back?"

I would suggest that if you feel that there is an interest for students going there, if you think it is important, that you communicate that to Mr. [Raymond] McNair, who is the deputy chancellor, and let that be known, because they would be happy to have a contingent of people from Ambassador. They never had any group of people that worked as well, who contributed as much as what the Ambassador College people did, and they have told that to everybody. If we had a contingent of people next summer . . . it wouldn't have to be the 100 students we were sending over at our high-water mark, but I would say it would be very nice to send over some students. I know I would fully support it for whatever that is worth. I know Mr. Armstrong would also.

Do you have any ideas on how the Work plans to reach people in a number of nations where the conventional media can't readily reach them?

Well, we're hoping that we will do a better job of distributing the materials that we do have. We have strengthened the entire International Division, in my opinion, have brought it far more under the direct responsibility of the Church on one hand and tied in directly with my office on the other. Mr. Cole administers the overall program — the ministry and the publications from Pasadena — and I coordinate it with him from the financial standpoint. We think therefore we're going to give it more attention rather than less, and we hope to reach it with our *Plain Truth*, with our printed material.

We have some very good young people who have come up and have been reassigned from various offices around the world. We have outstanding men in various parts of the world now, and I think we can improve that.

Radio, you know, is limited around the world and so is television. There just isn't that much nonstate-controlled or state-owned radio and television and where they do have it, it isn't that efficient. But we will be beefing up our effort and getting the word out.

We're pretty well known in all the countries of the world now, and we have no trouble getting registered in any of the places we have. We have no trouble sending in a minister and I think that may be the approach — getting our material out, getting a minister in place or one who visits two or three countries and the like.

Mr. Rader . . . I've heard several times in the past few weeks about the college maybe going back to a four-year institution. Also, will Mr. Armstrong conduct campaigns in this country, perhaps minicampaigns?

I think Mr. Armstrong answered your first question in a student forum. He said he has started the college program all over again. He has started with the first-year class, and so next there will be two classes and then three classes and so forth.

As far as minicampaigns in this country are concerned, he will make appearances around the country, but I think they will probably be of two types — one will be appearances before combined congregations of churches. He's already visited the Big Sandy [Tex.] and the Phoenix [Ariz.] area, and he's talking now about moving with our very wonderful TV department that is able to get out there and go wherever he wants to go and make the best of the worst conditions and turn out a good product.

Then he intends to continue with the AICF [Ambassador International Cultural Foundation] activities, which will produce a series of events around the country that will give him and others an opportunity to go into the area to speak to the civic leaders, to also speak to church congregations at the same time and to ministers. It worked very well in Milwaukee [Wis.] just before he became ill and several others have taken place in New York and in Florida and Pennsylvania.

Well, I hope it has been of some help and I hope it's relieved the anxieties and at least let you know that we do want to try to communicate with you effectively, to learn what you think about matters. Don't take my suggestion about the suggestion box lightly. I think it's important. We have a lot of good people and they have a lot of good ideas. If we don't hear from them that's just a very valuable resource going to waste. I have always stated that in this Work we have basically four kinds of resources and in order to get this Work done we have to really utilize those resources properly and as fully as we can. And those are our financial resources, our material resources (our Auditorium, our buildings, things that exist), our human resources (which I don't think we are taking advantage of, that is why I mentioned a suggestion box), and last, but perhaps more in importance, our spiritual resources. Those are four major areas of resources for the Work and if we learn to really work together and maximize the utilization of those resources — in every effort, I think — we'll be more successful at doing what we are doing.

Full four-year college

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and with false hypotheses that they don't realize it themselves, but in their egotism they think they are highly educated.

God said, "You go build your own system of education, you go and build your own governments, you go and build your own religions and formulate your own [out of your imagination] gods." And that is what man has done. He said, "Go and devise and build your own civilization." That is what you and I are living in and, consequently, these people know more than others in this physical, material realm so it goes to their heads, and they think they are really the intelligencia and they are the great.

I knew we needed a different kind of college. I knew that the universities and colleges in this country had gone in to crass materialism, and naturally they had minds that could not be opened to the spiritual because they didn't have the Spirit of God.

A new start

Now this year, I have had to start all over with one freshman class, like we did in 1947 — one freshman class. Now we're going to teach you things that God revealed. And if God has not opened your mind to understand it, I can't help that. That's what we're going to teach and hope that it will make sense to you.

Now we're having to start all over again. God is back in this college. And it is not like other colleges. And the way of life on this college is different and going to be different.

We haven't been able to do it all at once. And some of you students have come in from high schools and from other places and you still want to go along with this world. You have come to a college that is not of this world and is not going to be of this world. And we're going to as far as possible enforce God's way in this college. Now we're not going to go down to the place where you have to get permission to go to the prayer room and someone keeps tab on how many minutes you spend in the prayer room, and where you have to get permission if you need to go

to the toilet. But this is going to be God's college. We've had to start it with the one freshman class only.

The only reason I needed a college is that here God had called me into His Work. And I was holding evangelistic campaigns up around in Oregon and Washington six nights a week and very often for six whole weeks in a campaign. And there were converts. And I baptized people. So I tried to form them into little churches, but there was no minister. And not one of those churches ever lasted past about six weeks. And most of them didn't last that long. And I came to see we had to have a school to train not only ministers, but also to have an educated personnel for all the administrative jobs that are coming along in a fast-growing Work that has now grown worldwide — a great worldwide Work.

Pioneer students

You are the pioneer students. And a whole lot of what goes on from here depends on how well you students do this year. If you still love the world, if you still love Satan's way, if you still want to go that way, you would probably get expelled before the year is out. And I mean business. On the other hand, we're not going to rule

before seniors. Then we added more.

I hope that next year we can add another class and you who are now freshmen will then be sophomores. The next year I hope we can add another freshman class and we'll have then three classes just like we started out. And I hope we go on till this is a four-year college once again. But it will be 100 percent God's college.

Additional courses needed

Now let me give you just a little outline of what I hope we will be able to have. We need a speech course and one in journalism. We need a course in home ec or domestic science. And we need a course in history, especially connected with biblical history and with the prophecies of the Bible. We need one in international relations.

Then we need one on practical psychology, but that's totally different from the psychology they're teaching in this world's universities.

Then I want a course on a survey of the arts. But that's looking at it from God's point of view and what are the arts in the world and how much of it is right in God's sight and what is not. Then we ought to have something on health, diet and nutrition.

I want to start a chorale once again and a music department. We had a fine music department

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with such an iron fist that we try to legislate character into you. You have to develop your own character.

Now then, here's what I want and what we will have unless you students want to go ahead in the wrong way.

Ambassador College started in 1947 with one class — the freshman class. In 1948, we added another freshman class but the freshman class of 1947 now became a sophomore class. The next year we added another freshman class. Now we had three. And the first students now became juniors. And then the next year they

and I worked with that music department all through these years. Then we need basics in business and law . . . and physical education. We don't have that this year. Foreign languages — I don't think we will go to the place of trying to have a major in Spanish or French or German, which will be the three languages that we probably shall teach, as we have in the past. We're coming to the place that we might even give consideration to Japanese too.

Outline for the future

Then natural science in an elementary way. I said I wanted science taught such as physics and geology and the basic sciences like that, as far as a layman ought to know to be a well-educated person. And something on family relations. Well, those are some of the courses that I am hoping to add. That is what I am outlining for the future.

Now you're on trial, just as man has been on trial, just as angels were, to see if the college can go on. You will have to be the backbone. If we're going to have a college next year, you have got to take the new freshmen in line and bring them our way instead of going out that other way. Ambassador College will never go Satan's way again, I promise you that.

Now I don't get to talk to you too often. I'm going to try to manage to get here for these forums once in a while this year. These forums were founded for something where I could talk to the students to try to keep this God's type of college. And I have done that.

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