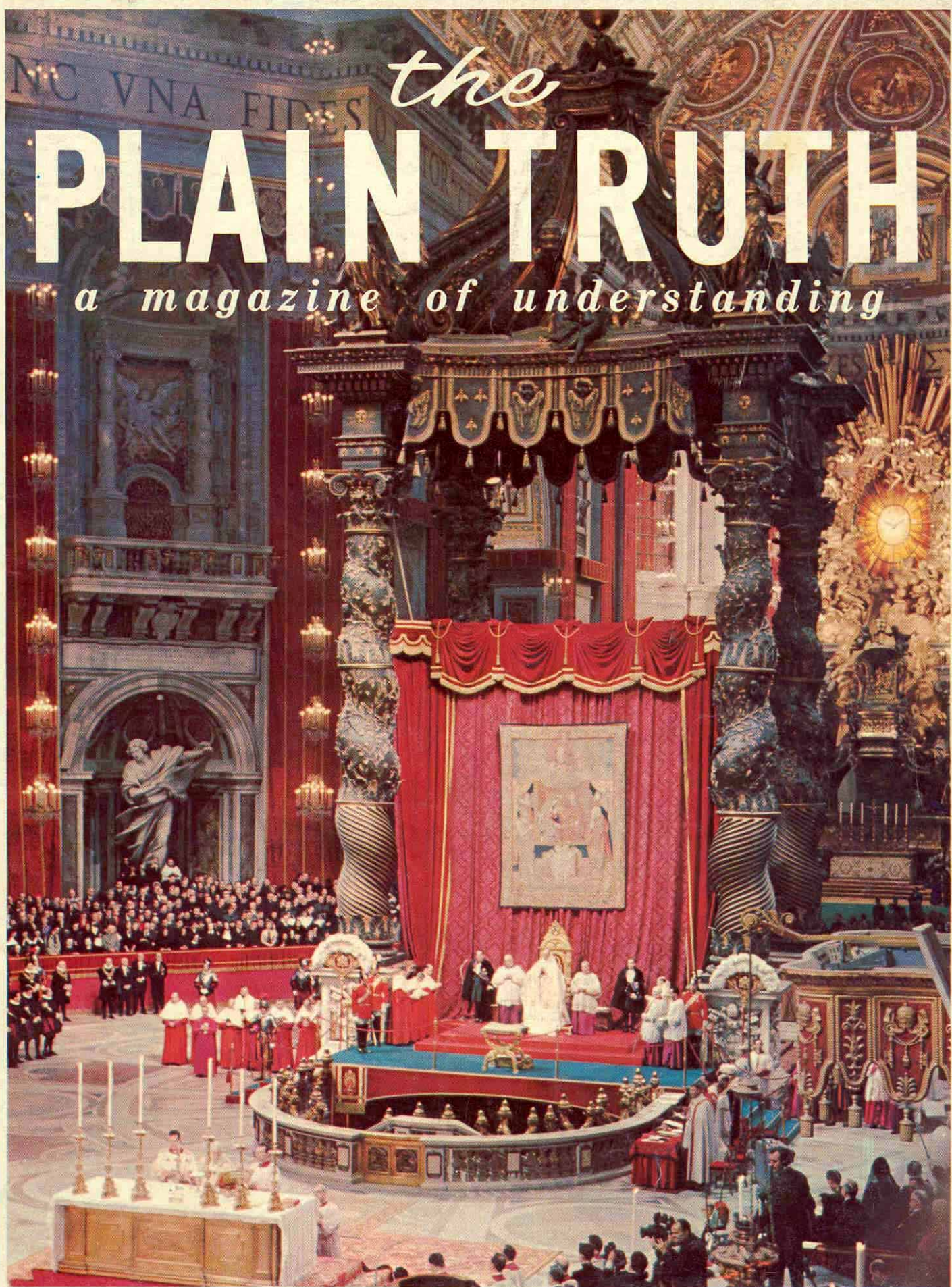


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What our READERS SAY

Hiroshima

"Just a short note to let you know how great the August PLAIN TRUTH is. [It] has really opened some eyes to the horror of nuclear war. We the readers need more articles such as this one. The new cover is tremendous."

Donald E. M., Houston, Texas

"I just received my PLAIN TRUTH today. I just read the article on Hiroshima. This is about the most stirring article I have read in *The PLAIN TRUTH* yet. I hadn't even realized that anything this terrible had ever happened. I had heard about Hiroshima and the bomb, but I just never had thought of it in a way as real as this article made it. I must thank you for putting this article in *The PLAIN TRUTH*, as it woke me up to the facts. Another article that was really needed was the one on Christian manhood. I truly enjoyed this article and would love to see one telling the women to be more feminine. Well, I just think the August PLAIN TRUTH is truly the best issue yet, of the best magazine in print."

A. J. S., Pisgah, Alabama

"Your article on the A-bomb dropped during World War II was really an eye-opener to what an atomic bomb can do. I never realized that it could be like that and never comprehended it that way about such damage on mankind. That article is certainly an eye-opener. Everyone should read it."

James W. S., Birmingham,
Alabama

From Around the World

"*The PLAIN TRUTH* is a wonderful magazine and I am delighted in digesting its contents time and again. . . . So far I have received two issues, and am eagerly looking forward for the next issue. I wish I was at Pasadena to tell Mr. Armstrong and his associates how happy I feel in reading the useful articles which they write and publish

for the readers at large. I know this is only a wishful thinking, for I am already past 72."

P. John E., Kumbanad, Kerala,
India

"My most sincere thanks for sending me each month your magazine, for which I wait impatiently. Everything I read in it is fascinating, and a constant source of knowledge. It's a magazine I don't tire of reading, and from which I always profit each time I reread it."

Man, Montreuil, France

"As a Pan American Airlines crew member, I listen to your program in all parts of the world. Whenever I'm in an airport at the right time, I always pull out my PLAIN TRUTH radio schedule and check for the nearest station and time schedule of your broadcast and tune in on my transistor radio. Last week I heard you in Barbados at 9:30 a.m. I'm ever eager to hear your broadcast and never tire of it. It sort of lifts me a little higher than my jets do and they only go to 41,000 feet."

Hector de la F., Coral Gables,
Florida

How Did You Guess?

"How did you guess I didn't read the 'Space' booklet?"

Don't answer that. I got it mixed up with the other booklets; to be honest, I hadn't read the last one you sent. Thanks for reminding me when I read my letter in *The PLAIN TRUTH*. I found [the booklet]."

Ollie M. S., Stockton, California

"The August PLAIN TRUTH came yesterday. . . . Looking at the pictures—if one will stop and think—it's quite enough to hold one 'spellbound.' Having an open mind one doesn't have to read very far into any one of the articles to know it's all true. Will we ever learn? *A great big 'No, we won't.'* Not until we are forced to. That is

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Personal from the Editor

LAST MONTH, I found inspiration for my talk with you in an article appearing in the preceding number. This month I am going to repeat the procedure.

This time it is David Jon Hill's shocking article written in Hiroshima, Japan. Mr. Hill was on the scene, twenty years after the dropping of the first atomic bomb. He was shaken, deeply *moved*, by the frightening realization of the unbelievable brain-chilling disaster that *ended* World War II.

Mr. Hill realized that the *next* nuclear war, with the *smallest* hydrogen bomb a *thousand times* more devastating, will wreak a thousand times more havoc. He did not pull his punches. He wrote a blood-curdling description. He wanted our readers to BE WARNED—and TO HEED!

The world has sunk into a complacent, indifferent slumber. The world is getting used to violence and war and threats of war. The world has been drugged by a new and unprecedented prosperity—especially in the United States, Britain, Europe and Japan. The world is too busy enjoying this newfound prosperity, basking in the comfortable sunshine of luxury, to be much concerned about the on-coming NUCLEAR World War III that *WILL*, unless prevented by Almighty God, simply erase human life from this planet! *And in less than ten more years!*

Soft words and pretty speeches do not arouse people out of this pleasant dream. It takes a *jolt!* Mr. Hill's article was intended to jar people out of lethargy. And then, when we *do* attempt to warn our readers with words strong enough to arouse, I anticipate letters saying: "Cancel my subscription! That article frightened me." Yes, IF YOU ARE TO CONTINUE TO LIVE, you *need* to be frightened—enough to take the *action* that will SAVE YOUR LIFE!

But, you say, what can I do? Well, there is something you *must* do IF you

are to escape the agonies and probable terrifying death, of the coming prophesied Great Tribulation!

Your Bible says our cities are to be *destroyed!* We know now that destruction will come from hydrogen bombs and other new means of mass destruction—a thousand times more devastating than the atom bomb that destroyed Hiroshima. This alone, says your GOD, will kill a third of our people. But famine and disease epidemics will already have taken a preceding third!

YET YOU CAN ESCAPE ALL THIS!

That is what we are trying to make our readers understand!

God Almighty *will* intervene. He *will* prevent entire cosmocide! But He *will not* intervene to stop the carnage *until* man has come to the very end of his rope! So long as man thinks he can save himself, without God, the Eternal will let him go on trying. God will not intervene until man's last hope is gone. God will never allow man to accuse Him, saying: "Your intervention was unnecessary and tyrannical! We could have saved ourselves if you had not used your arbitrary God-power to intervene."

God's final last-minute intervention will FOLLOW—*not prevent*—this Great Tribulation that will be World War III.

But, I repeat, YOU CAN ESCAPE ALL THIS!

It is only those who *will not* heed who must go through its agony. And remember—God is not going to CAUSE it! MAN HIMSELF will bring it on. But God *will* protect His own from it!

Jesus' young students—His disciples—came to Him privately and asked *when* the end of the world would come, and what would be the sign of His return IN POWER to rule all the earth, in peace.

These things, Jesus replied, must come first: a false "Christian" religion, whose ministers would falsely claim to be Christ's ministers, coming in His

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OUR COVER

Vatican Council II in session. Pope Paul and leading prelates are dwarfed beneath the baldachinum—a dome-like canopy of the altar. Designed by Bernini for Pope Urban VIII, it is decorated near the top with bees and blazing suns (symbols anciently used in the Babylonian mysteries). The four pillars appear as giant serpents partially covered by tree branches. A gigantic blazing sun, right background, hovers over high altar. Scarlet, blue and ruby red (purple in Greek) adorn cardinals and stage.

name, deceiving the MANY. Then wars, climaxing finally into world wars; then famines and disease epidemics and increasing earthquakes. *Just before* the end, He said, *His* true Gospel of God's Kingdom would be preached in all the world—not to convert the world, but "for a witness"—AND THEN, He said, shall the END of this world come!

All these things already have occurred—except that we are now in a recess during the world wars—between World Wars II and III; and that we have so far had only the first forerunners of the famine and disease epidemics and earthquakes. These shall—in the next five to seven years—increase greatly.

And, although Christ's own Gospel of the Kingdom of God *has been going out* since 1934, through this very magazine and *The WORLD TOMORROW* broadcast, it is just now fast approaching the climactic world-shaking POWER that evidently is implied by the prophecy.

Then what?

"Then," continued Jesus, "shall be GREAT TRIBULATION," a time of violence, destruction and death greater than anything that ever was, or ever shall be! Jeremiah foretold it (Jeremiah 30). He identified the nations primarily affected. It will be those whom God caused to be named after Jacob—or Israel—the nations descended from the two sons of Joseph. And those are the United States and the British Commonwealth peoples of the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. (See the free booklet, *U. S. and British Commonwealth in Prophecy*.)

Ezekiel foretells it (chapter 5:12 and 6:6). Moses described it (Deut. 28—especially verses 20-24, 32-34, and 49-50; also Leviticus 26, especially verses 16-20). Already these prophecies are *beginning* to be carried out. Already the "pride of BRITAIN's power" (Lev. 26:19) has been broken. The former world's number one *greatest* world power has been reduced to a second-rate power. And the "PRIDE" of America's power is already broken. Even little Castro does not fear when America speaks.

The "Great Tribulation" is to be primarily on the United States and the British peoples! Events leading to it

VATICAN COUNCIL II BEGINS FOURTH SESSION

WHAT may well be this century's most significant conclave will commence in Rome this month. It is the fourth session of the second Vatican Council.

This momentous conclave is being overlooked by almost all news sources. The eyes of the world are, instead, focused on the limited brush-fire wars in Vietnam and in Kashmir. But the significance of what is occurring behind Rome's Vatican walls is going unnoticed. Few realize that the Vatican is destined to have far greater impact on world history in the next ten years than it has ever had in its long history!

Confronting the Council are the vital problems of Church Unity, the definition and relationship of Divine Revelation to Tradition, the relationship of the Church to the World, and the touchy matter of birth control. Pope Paul had demanded that the bishops act on these matters, and speak clearly and authoritatively to the world.

The Pope himself is speaking out on other fronts. To appear as the "Pope of Peace" he has openly condemned the "barbarous" use of atomic bombs by the U. S. in World War II. At the same time Vatican sources acknowledged the inevitable need to stockpile atomic armaments as the only means of national survival in the present struggle between East and West. In early October he will address the U.N. on world peace.

For years *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine foretold the Vatican's sudden rise to world influence which would occur after World War II. Few took notice. Now all the world is witnessing the prominence of the Catholic Church in world affairs. But this is only the beginning.

What the world is witnessing is only the commencement of a long cherished Roman dream to re-unite Europe as the defender of Christian—more specifically, Catholic—civilization, and from that European base to bring the world under Vatican authority. How it will be temporarily accomplished would astound the world if it knew!

are smouldering under cover now, gradually gaining momentum. Perhaps another five or six years—perhaps seven (we do not set dates)—and then, suddenly the WORLD WILL EXPLODE into *nuclear* World War III.

But let me tell you, *I* do not expect to be here in its path when it strikes! And YOU need not be one of its multiple-millions of victims!

Jesus Christ gave the warning (Matthew 24, Mark 13, Luke 21). And when He said, in Luke's version of His warning: "WATCH YE therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to ESCAPE ALL THESE THINGS that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man" (at His coming—Luke 21:36), He was giving you and me a PROMISE of divine protection from these very things He had been describing—*IF* we *do* watch world events AS PROPHESED, and remain obedient and continually in contact with God through prayer.

There is another promise of miraculous protection from this Great Tribulation. It is in the third chapter of

Revelation. Beginning verse 7 is a description of how the living Christ would OPEN A DOOR by which His Gospel may go out to all the world as a witness and a warning. That is the very Work being carried on through *The WORLD TOMORROW* broadcast and *The PLAIN TRUTH* and related literature. In verse 10 is Christ's PROMISE that *because* we have been faithful WITH HIS WORD, He will also keep us from "the hour of temptation." But the marginal reading—the correct translation from the original Greek—is "*trial*" or "Great Tribulation."

These events are REAL!

This world is hurling itself rapidly to the grand-smash CLIMAX of world trouble. Crime, violence, lawlessness, disrespect for authority, are increasing at a RAPID RATE!

God help us not to treat this warning lightly.

Take heed and read the further promise of PROTECTION not only through the Great Tribulation, but also the PLAGUES of the "Day of the LORD" to follow, in the 91st Psalm.

What REALLY Caused the Los Angeles Race Riots?

"KILL 'EM! KILL 'EM!" they screamed, and kill they did until 37 lay dead and property damage ran into the millions of dollars in Los Angeles last August 12 through 17. BUT WHY? Officials accuse each other. Negroes accuse police. It is time you know the REAL CAUSE of race riots and what prophecy says about the great riots of the future.

by Garner Ted Armstrong

I COULDN'T believe it, at first. It sounded incredible, in the New Stanley Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya, on Jomo Kenyatta Boulevard, to be reading of *race riots*—IN LOS ANGELES!

Suddenly the blood and violence was not only in Vietnam, or some remote corner of the earth—but in Los Angeles, a city priding itself on its relations between various racial groups.

Back in Los Angeles two days later, an uneasy quiet lay over the city. Traffic was measurably less, downtown shoppers thinned down to a trickle. The first night in my own bed, in Pasadena, two gunshots exploded from a racing car in the street right outside. I began to think I would have been much safer back in Kenya, scene of the bloody Mau Mau uprisings only a few years ago.

What Happened?

WHY did thousands of Los Angeles Negroes riot—why did they beat innocent bystanders into pitiful, maimed, human wrecks? Why did they kill, burn, steal?

Everyone was asking the same questions.

It had been more like a real war than a mere riot. Out at sea, ships' crews wondered about the dull orange glow hanging over Los Angeles skies, while hundreds of residents, still unaware of what had happened during the earlier stages of the outburst, puzzled over the staccato crack and pop of machine-gun fire.

Fires leveled whole blocks. Astonished L.A. residents saw looters in the act of carrying their plunder to their homes, over live TV. Some Negroes were observed dragging chairs, sofas, lamps down the street. When they became tired, they simply sat on the chairs, then picked them up and started off again.

One small boy, his face stained with tears, explained why he was crying. Looking around the shattered glass, the raging mobs, and the burning buildings with bitterness, he explained. He said, "Every time I steal a radio, somebody bigger'n me comes along an' takes it away from me!"

Marauding bands of Negroes ranged far and wide, shooting at white drivers or pedestrians. In widely scattered areas all over Los Angeles suburbs, shops were smashed, looted, and some burned.

Gun sales soared. In one picture, LIFE magazine published a view of gun buyers inside a Pasadena gun shop, standing behind a rack of cheap military rifles (some selling for as low as \$12.00). We here at Ambassador College recognized the shop. It is one of several ancient residence buildings which had been moved from Los Angeles to Pasadena in the years of the Harbor Freeway development.

After the initial shock of the riots, an uneasy week of general quiet, sparked by isolated incidents of violence and highlighted by official accusations took place.

Everyone had an opinion. Citizens argued. Officials carped, accused, complained.

The newspapers asked WHY? No one seemed to know.

The Riot Begins

Admittedly, the rioting began when white policemen made an arrest.

Out of all the screams of police brutality came these salient facts.

Two white California highway patrol officers had spotted a dangerously weaving car at about 7:45 p.m., Wednesday, August 11. They gave chase, halted the car after six blocks, and arrested the Negro driver, Marquette Frye, near his home in Watts. From the home came Frye's mother, berating her boy for being drunk.

Some 25 Negroes gathered—Frye grew bolder. One of the arresting officers, Lee Minikus, quoted Frye as saying, "You're not going to take me to jail. You're going to have to take me the hard way!" The crowd grew. Minikus and his partner radioed for help, and Minikus drew his revolver.

Minikus said later that Frye, emboldened by the crowd, and obviously making the best of the off-balance, beleaguered patrolmen, jumped in front of Minikus, yelling, "Go ahead, KILL me!"

Finally, a back-up officer arrived, holding the muttering crowd at bay until the highway patrol officers hustled

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UPI, Wide World Photos



Looters stealing merchandise during Los Angeles riot. Even children were involved.

UPI Photo



UPI Photo

Above, fires rage out of control. Hundreds of buildings were damaged and destroyed by vandals.

Wide World Photos



Photo Report on the Los Angeles Riot

America's worst Negro riot recently ravaged Los Angeles. Thousands of hysterical rioters, sparked by a hard core of criminals and juvenile delinquents, turned south Los Angeles into a battle-scarred shambles. They surged through the streets of their own neighborhoods in an orgy of stealing. Stores were pillaged and looted. Buildings were set on fire. Cars were overturned in a frenzy of uncontrolled hate. Even small children and the elderly took part.

Negro woman curses and shouts at police during Watts-area riot in Los Angeles.

Wide World Photo



Frye, his brother (who tried to interfere with the arresting officers, and was charged with battery, and interfering with officers) and his mother off to jail.

Frye at first pled guilty to drunken driving.

But back in Watts, the surly crowd ranted and raved among themselves. Some insisted Frye had been beaten and kicked. The crowd grew. Each newcomer heard an enlarged and angrier version of the alleged "police brutality!"

Soon, the crowd, numbering over 1,500, began throwing rocks at passing cars, and into store windows. Motorists found themselves bombarded with chunks of concrete, bricks, nuts, bolts, boards, rocks, even chunks of asphalt torn from roadways.

More than 100 helmeted police were dispatched to the area, with orders not to use tear gas on the mobs.

Police used clubs in an attempt to disperse the rioters.

In angry retaliation, the berserk crowds struck out at vehicles, overturning them, setting them afire. By dawn, 34 arrests had been made, and 16 civilians and 19 police had been injured.

Through the next day, clusters of Negroes milled about from corner to corner. Said one young boy, "Anyone with any sense will stay out of here tonight. We're really going to show those cops."

That night the rioters had swelled to 7,000 or more. Molotov cocktails (bottles filled with gasoline, with rag wick, and hurled as a fire grenade), apparently brewed and stockpiled during the day, were flung into stores, into a church, into and under automobiles. White drivers were dragged from their cars and beaten—one man so badly his eye was hanging out of its socket.

Each time an unsuspecting car entered the area, the word spread, "Here comes whitey! GET him!" (Incidentally, these were the exact words of the sub-headlines of newspapers in east Africa).

900 policemen, deputy sheriffs, and highway patrolmen could not contain the violence. Everyone was drinking—

even little 8- or 9-year-old children.

Famous Negro comedian, Dick Gregory (who has also had much to say, and has written a fair amount concerning many of the abuses endured by Negroes in the civil rights struggles, including his autobiography called "Nigger") entered the riot area. He asked police if he could try to quiet the mob. Handed a bull horn (an electronic megaphone) Gregory spoke only a few words when a sniper's bullet smacked into his leg.

By the next morning, whole sections had been barricaded against the police. The mob turned to looting. Stores were ransacked—and as soon as they were empty, set to the torch.

A Negro newsman in the area reported the words of one of the riot leaders.

The rioter, a graduate with a degree in biochemistry, was busily carting out cases of vodka from a liquor store. He said, "I'm a fanatic for riots; I just love them. I've participated in two in Detroit, but they were far, far better than this one. In Detroit, blood flowed in the streets." He looked happily at huge orange flames billowing from a large supermarket and said, "Oh man, look at that! Isn't that wonderful? Isn't it pretty? Oh man, just look at it!"

By the time Mayor Yorty of Los Angeles approved Police Chief Parker's request to call in the national guard, more than 150 square blocks were involved in the massive orgy of beating, shooting, looting and burning.

Up to this time, there had been no deaths.

But just before 9:00 p.m., Friday, one of the Deputy Sheriffs at the scene was shot in the stomach by looters he was trying to disperse. Then police opened fire.

Through Friday night and Saturday, the wild melee continued. Looters stripped stores, setting more than 1,000 separate buildings afire, 300 of them major. At least 200 buildings had been burned to the ground, and along one four-block long area, not one building was left standing.

It was worse than Vietnam, according to battle-hardened veterans.

By Saturday night, wild rifle and pistol fire fights erupted in scattered

areas. One Negro sniper took up position directly across from L.A.'s 77th Street police station. As he shot at policemen and soldiers below, he was spotted by a national Guardsman who turned, and shot him through the head. After being fired upon by pistols and rifles, another Guard unit scattered a band of rioters with machine-gun fire.

Negroes were killed looting stores, attempting to crash police barricades, or shot from the rooftop sniper's positions they had taken up.

Meanwhile, roaming bands of rioters ranged throughout the sprawling metropolis—sporadic shots were heard as far north as Pasadena, and from Long Beach to Van Nuys. Elsewhere in the city, sporting goods stores did record business, as Negroes and whites alike lined up into the streets trying to purchase weapons.

Said one sporting goods' owner, "They're buying every kind of weapon—guns, knives, bows and arrows, even slingshots."

Governor Brown hurried home from Europe. President Johnson said, "I urge every person in a position of leadership to make every effort to restore order in Los Angeles."

The Federal Government finally arranged, by transferring an additional 6,000 Guardsmen from northern California, to swell the number of Guardsmen on the scene to a full 10,000. In addition, 840 U.S. Marines were ordered into Los Angeles from a Marine Corps Reserve Unit.

Finally, it was all over.

Many sections of South Los Angeles were reminiscent of European cities after World War II bomber blitzes. Glass, piles of debris, charred timbers, chunks of concrete, shell cases littered the streets.

The empty hulks of burned buildings stared sightlessly down streets devoid of life—with blackened automobiles overturned here and there.

The final toll in lives and property read like battle reports from past history. Hundreds of businesses gone. More than 30 dead. Dozens injured, many seriously, many maimed for life.

Then began the period of accusa-

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Are We ALONE in the Universe?

Is this earth unique? Is there life on other planets? Mariner IV's photos give testimony to a story so big, so awesome that even the scientists and astronomers with all their technology are unable to comprehend. Read the shocking truth in this article.

by Albert J. Portune

FAR OUT in the vast, foreign void of outer space—over a HUNDRED MILLION MILES FROM EARTH—a tiny, silvery speck neared the end of a fantastic 325-MILLION-MILE JOURNEY.

Back on earth hundreds of scientists and technicians hunched anxiously over their unbelievable complex of computers, meters and sensitive instruments. Giant dish-shaped antennae—poised spaceward—seemed to strain—listening!

Then it came!

The incredibly faint radio signals, homing in from 135 MILLION MILES away. Carrying, perhaps, the most unprecedented technical information ever sought for by man—*actual photographs* of the PLANET MARS.

What Scientists Saw

As the moments ticked by, then stretched into hours, days and weeks, the picture story slowly and graphically unfolded. The speculation of centuries, the questions and theories of astronomers and space scientists inexorably became fact. *The planet Mars* is a lonely pock-marked wasteland—A DEAD PLANET, covered with craters and scars—UNINHABITED.

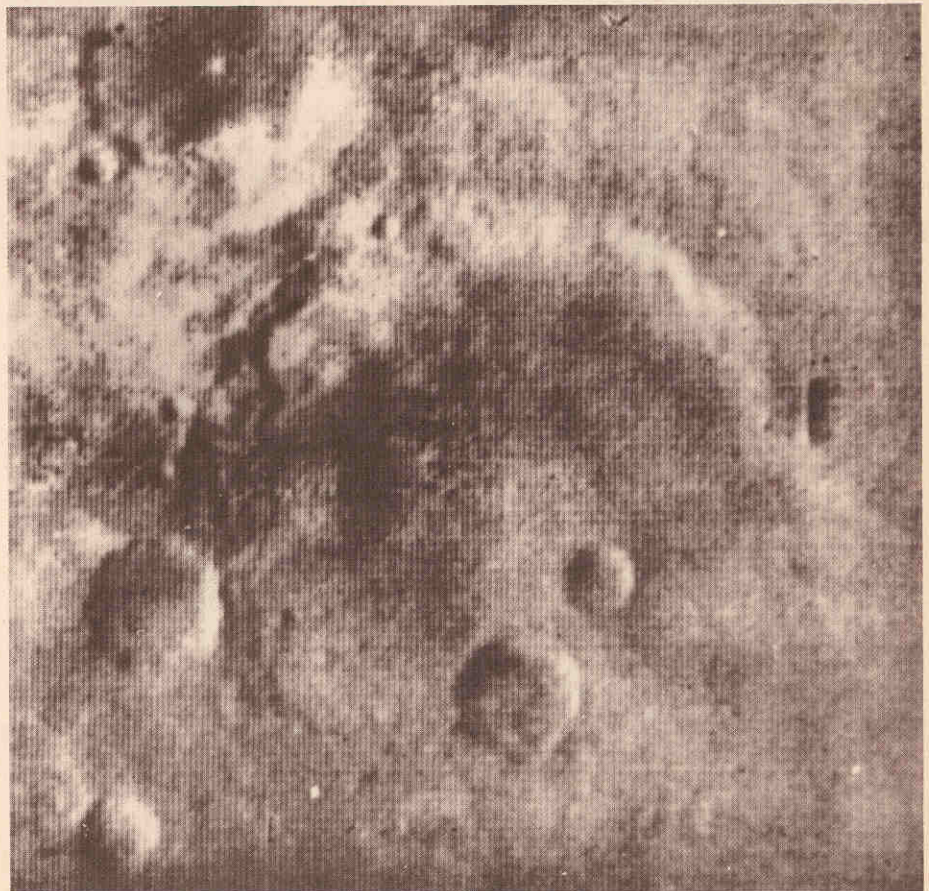
Scientists, in viewing these graphic photographs, described the planet as a *vast wasteland* covered—like the lunar surface—with craters, they claimed, up to 5 billion years old. The mounting

evidence seems to conclude that our earth is unique among the other planets of our solar system and that life such as we know it here on earth may exist NOWHERE ELSE.

President Johnson, who followed the space probe with acute interest and who

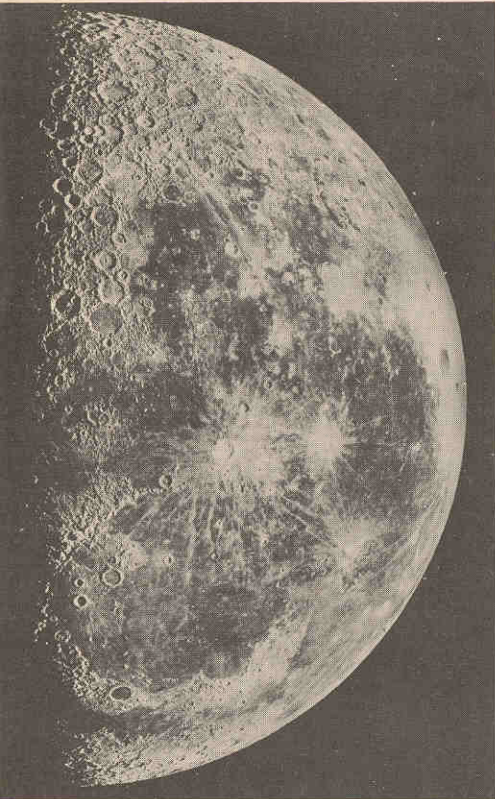
personally examined the Mars photos, stated recently: "It just may be that life as we know it with its *humanity* is more unique than many have thought."

As graphic as these photographs taken by Mariner IV may be—as startling and conclusive as may have



Wide World Photo

Contrary to hopes and expectations of many scientists, Mariner IV photos reveal Mars is a vast, dead wasteland.



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Early speculation that the moon might be inhabited was long ago dispelled by telescopes which revealed it to be a scarred, dead relic.

been their testimony—scientists have MISSED the true significance behind them.

Is the earth unique? Are we alone in this solar system? Is there other life?

Mars is only PART of the story! Scientists have been given a look at something *fantastic*. Yet, they have seen only a pinpoint of a story so graphic and startling that it is beyond their ability to comprehend. They have viewed mute testimony of something so BIG, SO AWESOME in scope that with all their instruments and technology they have thus far not begun to comprehend its meaning.

That story has *already* been written. The facts have already been recorded, yet go unnoticed and ignored in today's frantic quest for knowledge.

You can know and understand! Read the awe-inspiring truth here in this article.

Historic Speculation

For centuries man has looked up into the heavens and wondered. When the

first telescopes revealed that the pinpricks of light in the night sky were actually suns, planets and moons, speculation began—are there *other* heavenly bodies with LIFE on them?

Primitive telescopes and early astronomers found our sun mothered nine planets—held captive by her giant gravitational attraction. Each whirled around her in elliptical orbits. Since life flourished so abundantly on earth, why not on neighboring planets?

Early speculators even thought life might exist on the *moon*. In the year 1835 the scientific world was electrified by claims of Sir John Frederick Herschel that he had seen in his revolutionary new telescope living creatures—animals and even human beings on the lunar surface. His claims were later found to be a colossal hoax—but the speculation has continued.

The passing years with more accurate and powerful telescopes have given scientists and astronomers more diversified knowledge of our solar system with its nine planets—Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto.

Mercury, a tiny planet 3,000 miles in diameter, is so near the sun no possible life could exist. The giant planets, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune—all over 30,000 miles in diameter compared to the earth's 8,000-mile diameter—are seemingly too distant from the sun to sustain life of any type. Most distant Pluto, apparently a tiny planet over 3 BILLION miles from the sun, certainly could not sustain life.

The only remaining prospects for the existence of life were Venus and Mars!

Venus is slightly nearer the sun than Earth and only slightly smaller, with a diameter of 7,600 miles. However, telescopic analysis reveals Venus to have a dense atmosphere of noxious gases, principally ammonia. Thus, Venus appeared also to be incompatible to life.

Until recently no telescope had penetrated its dense cloud cover. Just this year, however, the California Institute of Technology observatory in Pasadena succeeded in penetrating the cloud layer of Venus and further substantiated early conclusions: "The planet's landscape is dry and permeable—like

sand or porous rock—and it's too hot to support life as we know it. Temperatures on Venus' surface range from 675 degrees Fahrenheit at the equator to 300 degrees at the poles." (Pasadena *Independent*, August 6, 1965.)

Life on Mars?

Thus, the planet Mars remained!

Telescopic scrutiny seemed to reveal interesting possibilities. Mars is smaller than earth—4,200 miles in diameter—and 140 million miles from the sun compared to the Earth's 93 million distance. At times the planet Mars has *seemed* to reveal canals or possible waterways which changed in appearance with some type of seasonal change. Polar caps of ice seemed to form and dissipate. Dark and light patches appeared to come and go with the "seasons." These indications gave credence to speculation that life presently exists or once had existed on Mars.

With the coming of modern rocketry and space "know-how" the means to FIND OUT the answers to these speculations became available.

Mariner IV

On November 28, 1964, after three previous technique-learning, fact-finding probes, Mariner IV began its historic journey. Launched by the now-famous Atlas-Agena rocket vehicle, Mariner IV contained a fantastic orientation of space instruments in its 575-pound payload.

After leaving Earth's atmosphere, Mariner IV extended its four purple-hued panel blades to the intense light of the sun in outer space—its 28 THOUSAND solar cells transforming the heat of the sun into electrical energy to activate the 31 THOUSAND electrical components aboard. Among those components was the "eye" of Mariner—its six-inch Vidicon tube peering through a built-in telescopic lens and aimed at the Martian landscape.

Three hundred million miles and two hundred twenty-eight days later Mariner IV—in position near the mysterious planet—was activated by its computer brain and by backup signals sent from earth. On July 14, 1965, the

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Can It Really Happen AGAIN?

Here is an on-the-spot report from our Senior Editor. We Americans and British need to realize that a potential Frankenstein Monster is rearing up in Central Europe.

by Roderick C. Meredith

Munich, Germany

I HAVE just returned from Dachau. Here, preserved now as a museum, stands one of the grim reminders of what Germany was like *just twenty years ago!*

Historically, twenty years is not a very long time.

There are thousands still living who personally remember the activities in and around Hitler's concentration camp at Dachau. Some, no doubt, remember the appearance and smell of the thick yellow smoke from the chimney of the crematorium. For when yellow smoke poured forth, guards and inmates knew that some "special" victims were being burned in Hitler's ovens.

When long-time camp inmates were burned, the smoke was always thin and green. But "outsiders" were usually still well nourished and contained an average quantity of meats and fats. Thus the difference in the smoke.

Nobody Knew About It?

An amazing thing about Dachau. Nearly everyone who lived nearby—in the old city of Dachau, in nearby Munich, Augsburg, and other centers—they all plead *ignorance*. They say they didn't know about it. Or, if they admit to that, they claim they had no real idea what was going on there.

Yet, there is plenty of documented proof that it took literally *millions* of German soldiers, workers, truck drivers, railroad men and supplies to service, maintain and guard Hitler's concentration camps. For even at Dachau today are maps and diagrams indicating some

thirty-two subsidiary camps to Dachau alone! And this pattern of major concentration camps—each with its "cluster" of subsidiaries—covered the length and breadth of Nazi-occupied Europe.

Millions of hapless men and women were interned in well *over one thousand* of these camps!

And they were all a big secret?

To some, perhaps. But as the truth comes out it becomes apparent that most intelligent Germans knew of these camps. Before the war was over, they had a pretty good general idea of what was going on in them. They knew they could have found out more.

But they were afraid. And having learned early to implicitly follow and



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Mr. Meredith entering a Dachau prison house while gathering information contained in this first-hand report.

obey their leaders—they didn't ask too many questions or make many protests.

Some heroic individuals did, of course. But they were quickly silenced—often, permanently.

Could It Happen Again?

Our PLAIN TRUTH photographer hired a free-lance pilot to fly him over Munich and Dachau so he could take some aerial photographs. The young man had just recently finished his tour of duty with the new West German Air Force.

He was hard and cynical about the Nazi era—and about the future as well.

When asked about Dachau still being a museum, he blurted out: "That always *was* a museum!" Then he laughed a wild, weird, embarrassed laugh.

Then, sobering, he announced: "We'd better forget about that."

Yes, they *want to forget* the unpleasant past. They would like to pretend that it was all a dream.

Yet, at the same time, many a German is obviously *proud* of many things Hitler and the Nazis did.

"Hitler built that building," they will proudly announce. "Things were not so bad under Hitler."

"Hitler gave us jobs and a sense of purpose," others join in. "Why, he even gave us the autobahns."

A taxi driver in Berlin, in a moment of excitement, blurted out: "All we need is Hitler for eight days and there'd be no more wall in Berlin!"

Then: "I feel definitely there *will* be another war and *next time Germany isn't going to lose!*"

An untypical comment, you say?

Certainly most of our popular news media have emphasized the growth of German democracy and the German people's present detestation of war.

This is, for the present, partly right.

But it is only "partly" right, and Germany's tomorrow will be with us all too soon!

For nearly every reputable journalist acknowledges that democracy is still only an "experiment" in Germany. It has not yet been tried by uprising or war—or by depression and hunger. In his authoritative book, *Inside Europe*

Today, John Gunther points out that if a severe depression set in "almost anything might happen" in West Germany.

How Deep Is Democracy in West Germany?

"We'll never learn democracy, not in fifty years! Only when the entire old generation is gone maybe the younger ones can gradually learn it."

The above comment was not voiced by an illiterate German or a malcontent, but by the head of the technical job section in a Düsseldorf employment agency.

He continued: "There is something in our systems which is incompatible with democracy."

Nonsense, you say. Everyone can

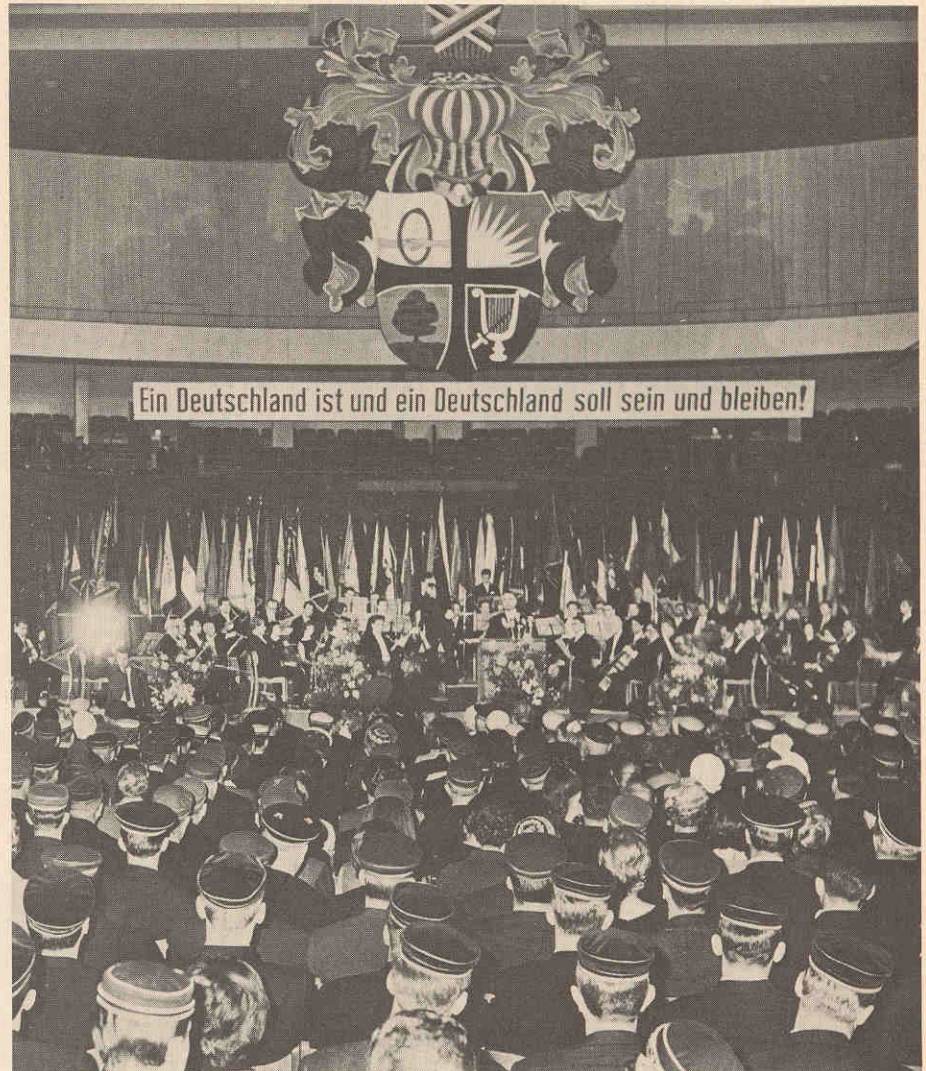
learn and benefit from democracy and when they get a chance to they'll love it.

Perhaps.

But when you talk to the common man here in Germany—when you learn not only what he thinks but how he feels and reacts—you get a different impression than you might have had before. For the average German admires and responds to a "strong man" type of leader. Emotionally, he longs for this.

A recent poll in Germany disclosed the fact that millions of Germans would like a strong national leader. Not like Hitler, they said, but along the line of the German kaisers.

One German businessman described



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Restless Germans commemorate the 150th anniversary of the nationalistic Student Corps in the "Deutschlandhalle" in Berlin. The sign declared to 5000 participants: "Germany is one and Germany will be one and shall remain!" Germany's famed Professor Dr. Helmut Thielicke spoke on "The Ruin and the Rebirth of Ideals."

his reaction to Willy Brandt, mayor of West Berlin and a candidate for Chancellor of West Germany: "Talk, talk, talk, talk, that's all he'll ever do with the Russians."

Then: "With Hitler we got ACTION!"

If you could see the excitement in the eyes and faces of the men making these statements, if you could feel the surge of spontaneous enthusiasm at such moments as these, you would KNOW that democracy is only "skin deep" in Germany today. For prophecies of the Bible definitely show that Germany is *once again* going to rally around a "strong man." But *this time* as part of a *United States of Europe*. The nucleus of that prophesied union has already taken shape—in the form of the Common Market.

Germany Revisited

This was my third trip to Germany. It revealed to me, firsthand, the fantastic growth in the wealth, prosperity and industrial capacity of West Germany.

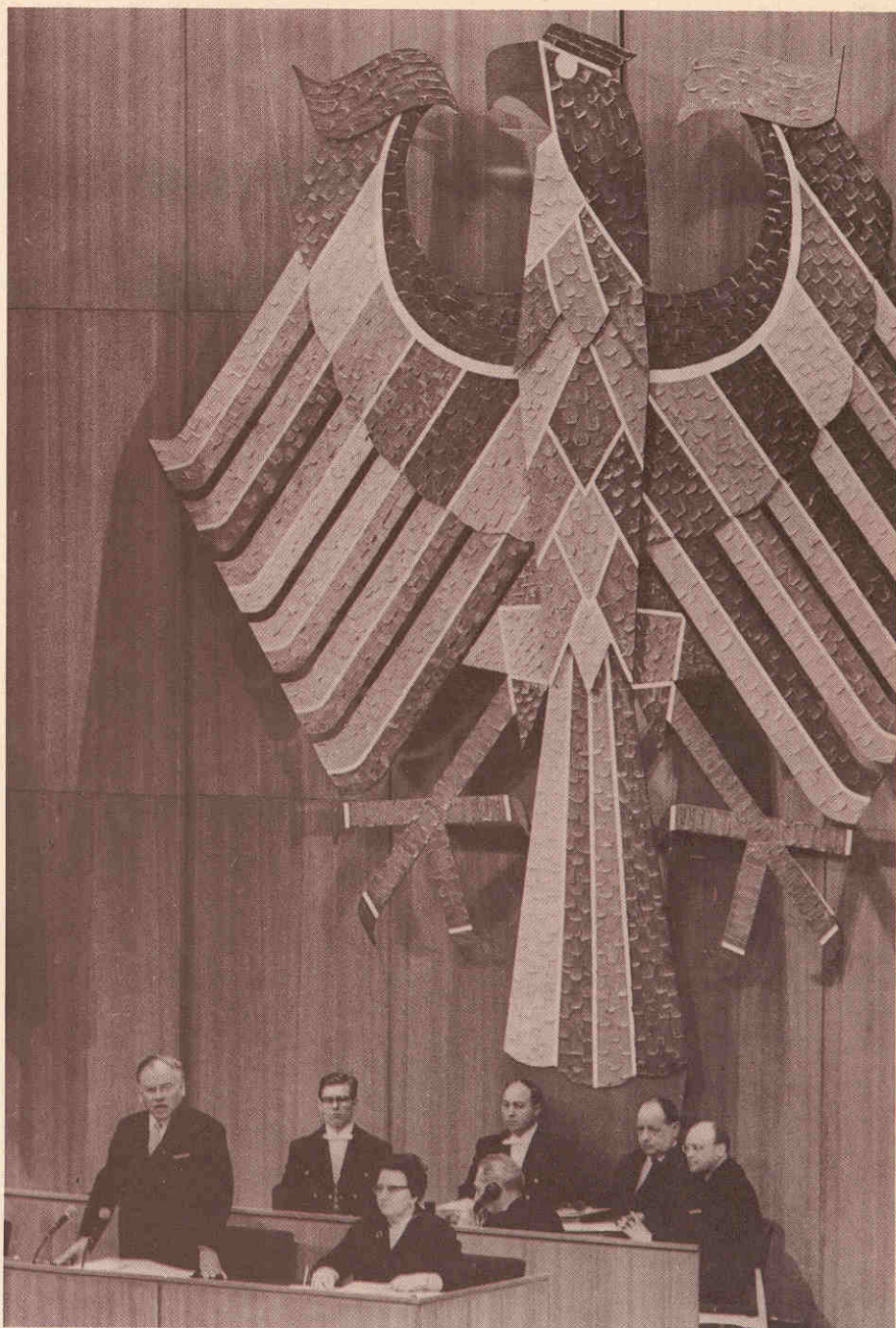
On my first trip, in 1954, the Germans were just beginning to come out from under the ravages of war. Industrial growth was evident then—but the people's standard of living lagged far behind those of the U. S. and Britain. And piles of rubble from bombed-out buildings were still apparent almost everywhere.

In 1960, I visited Germany again. This time I could see hundreds of Germans driving their own cars. The people were better dressed. The rubble was gone. Things were looking up.

This time, however, the results of Germany's growth and prosperity were far more dramatically evident!

Gliding swiftly into Düsseldorf on the crack Trans-European Express, I was immediately impressed by the burgeoning Ruhr. There was industrial activity everywhere. For West German industry has literally mushroomed to the extent that hundreds of thousands of foreign workers have had to be brought into the country. Jobs are now opening up at a faster rate than they can get foreign workers to fill them.

Imagine!



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German docility is wearing off! The recent session of the West German Bundestag met in the Congress Hall, Berlin, over strenuous Russian protests. In his opening speech, Bundestag President Dr. Eugen Gerstenmaier gave notice: "The right of the German Bundestag to meet in Berlin is untouchable."

At a time when America is worried about its millions of unemployed, the vigorous German industry is scouring all of Europe for workers! In overall wealth and productivity as a nation, the U. S. is, of course, still far ahead of West Germany. But the above and many other related facts present a picture we HAD BETTER NOT TAKE LIGHTLY!

As a matter of fact, recent statistics prove that—in world trade—West Ger-

many is *second only to the United States!* And when you put West Germany together with its five Common Market partners—plus four more which Bible prophecy says WILL BE ADDED—you come up with an industrial GIANT which will literally dwarf even the *United States of America!*

The new German prosperity is everywhere evident. From Düsseldorf and Cologne in the north, to Munich in the



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A scene in the Munich Transportation Fair of 1965. Dynamic German industrial leadership is capturing one world market after another.

south, I found that the Germans were prospering even more, it seemed, than the British and French who helped defeat them—and the amazing strength of the deutsche mark in world trade bears daily testimony to this grim reality!

The average German worker's wage is still not much greater than that of the Englishman or the Frenchman. But all evidence shows that it is definitely on the way! For even the "obedient" spirit of the German worker cannot be taxed too long by the wealthy German industrialists.

One especially outstanding feature of Germany's new wealth is the beautiful and luxurious picture presented in the window displays of the fine stores and shops. My wife and I agreed that we had never seen anything to surpass it in London, New York, Chicago or even Beverly Hills!

This is not an isolated case, but is the general rule in hundreds of fine stores and shops throughout West Germany. Obviously, where luxury goods are on display to this extent, SOMEONE is

around who is able to buy them!

Before it is done, this wave of prosperity is destined to climb to even

greater heights than it has now attained—or than was even envisioned under Hitler's Third Reich.

Men, Steel and Machines

While in the Ruhr, our PLAIN TRUTH photographer and I had the opportunity of a private guided tour through the giant Mannesman steel plant at Duisburg. This is the largest tubular steel plant on earth.

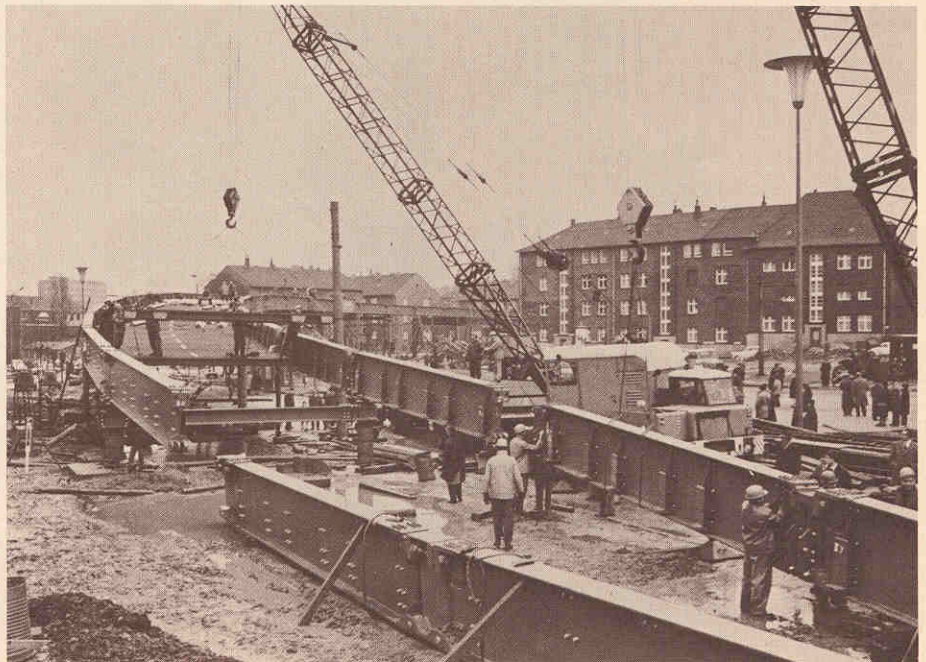
Our tour was eye-opening.

We saw huge, red-hot steel slabs moving down a conveyor to be beaten and crushed into shape by a giant machine. Then they were moved on to have the edges trimmed, then through a massive cutter to cut them into sections. And on to be further processed, measured and cooled.

This huge plant alone employs over 12,500 people. It occupies eight square kilometers of land—the size of a small city. And it is operating twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

Next, we went to a giant sheet steel plant where IBM cards operate electronically controlled equipment. For most German steel plants have the *very latest* automatic equipment. This, we

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Wide World Photo

Germans get things done! This 787-foot, two-lane "fly-over" bridge—complete with white divider line and protective railing—was constructed over one of Germany's most crowded intersections in less than 36 hours continuous work!

Will You EVER Get Out of Debt?

The debt of private citizens in the U. S. alone is now more than the combined private debt of mankind throughout history! Where will it end? You need to learn how to handle your personal finances now. You need to learn how to get out of debt—and how to stay out of debt!

by Ronald Kelly

IF YOU are an average American, Englishman or Australian the chances are you are *right now* in DEBT! You are *making payments* on your home, your furniture, automobile, your clothing, even your household appliances—and *maybe even* COMMON household items.

CREDIT BUYING has made a modern world of luxury possible.

But Is It THAT Good?

At the same time millions are being spent on credit buying, tens of thousands are declaring bankruptcy. They simply can't meet the *payments*. They have *over-obligated* themselves to the so-called "necessities." "Necessities" which more often than not are *luxuries*. And luxuries these families COULD NOT BEGIN TO AFFORD!

How about you?

Are you in debt?

Do you have more bills coming in than you are able to pay? The chances are YOU DO!

If you don't, you are indeed *blessed and fortunate*. Because most people are so DEEP *in debt* they cannot see over the top—they are *sinking fast!*

In fact, more than 300 families (that's *families*, not individuals!) file for BANKRUPTCY every single *day* of the year—well over 100,000 families a year!

Do you know the AVERAGE American family now spends *two full months' sal-*

ary every single year for INSTALLMENT buying?

The Average Life

Let's look at the average family for a moment. *Anything* your heart desires can be purchased *on credit*. A young couple gets married. The chances are the *first thing* they do is go over their heads in debt.

They purchase their automobile on a *three-year*, drive-it-now-and-pay-as-you-go plan. Probably the car is *worn out*

at the end of those three years—*another car* must then be purchased. It will also be paid for in three years. On and on it goes, so that most families are making and *will be* making CAR PAYMENTS THE REST OF THEIR LIVES. According to the latest information more than two-thirds of all the cars purchased are purchased on *time-payment* plans.

The gasoline used in automobiles today is probably purchased with a CREDIT CARD. There are now over 50



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If their credit cards were taken away, fewer shoppers would enter the stores. The whole problem of poverty in the low income group would change.

million gasoline credit cards in circulation. These credit card owners are charging more than FOUR BILLION DOLLARS a year for gasoline and related products on gasoline company credit cards. Automobile repairs and parts are made *on time payments*. New tires, when needed, are conveniently purchased *on time*. Even CAR WASHES now can be put on your credit card and paid for later.

This same young couple probably has bought a home on either a twenty- or thirty-year payment plan. They probably don't realize the interest alone on their house can run up to the total value of the home. A 20 thousand dollar house ends up costing over twelve thousand dollars in interest when paid for in a period of 20 years and over 20 thousand dollars in interest rates over a 30-year period. The home costs more than half again—and usually up to two times — as much as its original purchase price. Americans have over 175 billion dollars in home mortgages on the books.

After purchasing their home, they rush down to the furniture store where they purchase a houseful of new furniture. This will be paid for *during the next two years*.

About this time the young couple find that they are expecting their first child. The day finally arrives and with *great joy* they welcome the new arrival. A few days later the DOCTOR AND HOSPITAL BILLS come in the mail. If all has gone well, the total doctor and hospital bill for childbirth will run between 300 and 500 dollars. So here we go again. The young couple simply shrug their shoulders and say, "Let's pay the doctor \$15 a month and the hospital \$10 a month."

It's a sad state of affairs when the "average" family can not even call its *own child* theirs until after he is one or two years old.

More Credit Available

It doesn't end there! In fact the home, furniture, automobile, and even paying for the baby on *installment* basis is JUST THE BEGINNING.

You haven't heard anything yet!

First the baby's clothing is purchased

from the department store — all with the handy-dandy, super-duper, all-purpose *credit card* of course! It's so much easier to make one convenient monthly payment — at least that's what the ad said! The small interest charge of one and one-half per cent a month doesn't sound like much. But we'll see later just *how much* it REALLY is.

Airplane and bus fare, dining out in restaurants, motel rooms — all can be put on the credit card.

The washing machine (needed to wash the baby's clothes), the dryer, the dishwasher, the hi-fi set, the new color TV, the carpeting for the house, even the tooth paste and hair oil can be purchased ON CREDIT!

It's almost to the point that everything money can buy can be bought on a 30-day plan, a one-year plan, a two-year, three-year, 15-year, 20-year or even a 30-year plan.

As one leading magazine put it recently, it is possible to purchase *so much ON CREDIT* that you will *die* before it is paid out in full and leave the bill FOR YOUR GRANDCHILDREN TO PAY!

All of this is *to the delight* of the department stores, automobile dealers, bank and finance companies, and a host of RELATED BUSINESSES. It is so bad in most stores that every sales clerk is taught to ask every customer, no matter how large or how small the purchase, "WILL THIS BE CASH OR CHARGE?" You've all heard it so many times you might not even be aware sales clerks didn't always ask that question.

In fact, many stores give bonuses to the employees who can influence the most people to *open charge accounts* at their store. Some businesses have even gone *so far* that they *will not take cash* for their merchandise — you have to buy it on credit or it isn't for sale.

That's how much money there is in credit and time-payment buying.

How It All Got Started

It might surprise you to know it's a very old American custom to buy on credit. In fact, it goes back to the very foundation of our country. It even goes back *much* further than that.

In his book *Buy Now And Pay Later*, author Hillel Black shows just

how much of a problem this public debt menace is becoming.

On page 6 of this most revealing book, Mr. Black states, "Being in debt is not new. The Babylonians, the Egyptians, the Celts and the Romans among other civilizations, extended credit. Even the Puritans on the *Mayflower* bought passage on an INSTALLMENT PLAN."

Most Americans probably are *not aware* that our FOUNDING FATHERS started to the "new world" on money BORROWED to be paid back later.

As Mr. Black mentioned, that was certainly not the first use of credit — that goes back to the very ancient times. But when the settlement of the new world was made and when our country was first settled, it was settled by people IN DEBT.

Naturally, the *worst* was yet to come. Mr. Black further stated, also on page 6 of *Buy Now and Pay Later*, "However, in mid-century America, as a result of the consumer-credit explosion, the *total private debt is certainly greater than the combined private debt of man throughout history*. Never have so many owed so much. Never has so much profit been made out of the debt itself. To conceive of how much credit costs the American consumer, one need just estimate the interest and finance charges. According to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, it came to about \$15 billion on all kinds of consumer debt in 1960. Roughly \$7.5 billion of this sum went to pay the interest and finance charges on consumer credit. The remainder was the interest on mortgage debt. It is more than twice as much as the total expenditures of the Federal Government from the administration of George Washington through the first term of Woodrow Wilson."

Little could our pioneering forefathers *realize* what would happen in the rise to prosperity in the greatest single nation which has ever existed.

But here we are living in a world of fantastic push-button luxury — and much of it IS STILL BEING PAID FOR month by month, check by check, patiently hoping that all this glittering little world we each live in will someday be our very own.



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Ultra-modern, convenient appliances are a blessing only when they are within your budget. But don't be afraid to buy the less elaborate model.

But at the present rate, it probably never will be! The average man will continue to go deeper and deeper and deeper and deeper in debt in the years just ahead.

What About You?

The chances are you are an average American—or Australian, South African, or Englishman (if you are a reader of *The PLAIN TRUTH* in those respective countries). And the chances are to one extent or another you have been caught in the *swirling vortex of CREDIT BUYING!*

But where has it brought you?

The same average man probably lives in fear of the world closing in some day. After a few months of paying for the car, the TV, or the hi-fi set—it gets pretty old and the desire to purchase more soon overwhelms the urge to pay off all your old debts first.

And as mentioned earlier in the article, more than 100,000 families a year go broke—completely bankrupt—be-

cause they can't meet their time payments.

You are going to have to see where it is heading and learn that it has to *end* somewhere and you will have to discipline yourself to **MAKE YOURSELF DO WHAT IS BEST.**

Probably the greatest reason for marital squabbles outside of sexual difficulties is the handling of money in the family. The husband, more often than not, can't even keep up with his own spending—much less the amount of money his wife spends unknown to him. Countless arguments result—hundreds of times a day a divorce procedure is begun on the grounds of "incompatibility." All this means is that—if not for sex—someone, somewhere, could not or would not learn the real basic principles of money earnings and **MONEY SPENDING.**

How You Can Begin to Solve Your Money Problems

While this flurry of consumer credit buying is going on—let's stop to ask a moment—where has God been all this time?

Are there any laws and principles from the Bible telling us how to handle our money?

Undoubtedly the "average man" does not think so.

Most people wouldn't know where to turn in the Bible to find out if all this credit buying is good or not! Most people would laugh if anyone even suggested searching the scriptures to find how to run a family and handle money matters.

You've probably heard Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong say on *The WORLD TOMORROW* broadcast, "There is not one single facet of life the Bible does not touch upon and, in principle, tell you how to do." Your personal finances certainly are included—there is a great deal *in the Bible* about money matters.

So, the place to start straightening out the financial problem is **THE WORD OF GOD.**

Go to the source.

Begin at the beginning.

The apostle John in the very last years of his life was inspired to write

in III John 2, "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth." It is God's desire above all things that we have brimful, jam-packed, abundant lives—lives abounding with good health and the prosperity to enjoy that health.

Christ said that one of the very reasons He came was ". . . that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly" (John 10:10).

And I'll guarantee you will not have a happy, abundant, prosperous life if you are up to your ears in debt. You need to find a way to this prosperity and abundant living.

Put God First

The very first law of financial happiness and **PROSPERITY** is to *put God first*. Don't turn to Him in a last minute—last ditch—effort and desperate plea to save yourself from disaster. Find out **NOW** what you should do!

Of course, if you are already halfway down the road to financial collapse and ruin, the only thing you have left to do is **TRY IT GOD'S WAY.**

But if you are a newly married couple—or if your debts have not piled up beyond reason—you also need to learn what to do to avert a future disaster in your financial life.

Whether you are now under deep financial obligations, or if you have already gone bankrupt, or if you are just getting started in a life of earning money and providing for a family, **YOU NEED TO SEEK GOD'S WAY FIRST AND FOREMOST.**

Most people never stop to think the very soil they till, the factory where they work, the home where they live, in reality all belong **TO GOD!** It never enters the mind of the common man on the street that the paycheck he receives weekly *belongs totally to God.*

God gives us the land, the water, the minerals, the natural resources that make our jobs possible. He gives us food to eat, air to breathe and water to drink so we can work at our jobs. The Universe, the earth, the natural resources, the land, yes even the very buildings of your town or city belong **TO THE**

ALMIGHTY CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH.

In that sense of the word, nothing we do or have really belongs to us. It all belongs to God.

But God is the GENEROUS GOD. He has not demanded we give all to Him. In fact, He has not taken one bit of it for Himself. He has given it all to man. Man can work the land, till the soil, and use this earth *any way he chooses or sees fit*. God gave LAWS whereby men should do all this, but He has never forced human beings to do it the right way. He leaves that up to the individual.

In Deuteronomy 30:19, God gives us a choice, "I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you *life and death, blessing and cursing*: therefore CHOOSE LIFE, that both thou and thy seed may live."

There are two ways to go.

One leads only to curses—sickness and FINANCIAL DISASTER.

The other choice is DO IT GOD'S WAY. The way which will result in life as life is intended to be lived. And that includes MONETARY BLESSINGS.

The question remains—do you want to do it God's way?

Obviously if someone is going broke—if someone is standing on the very brink of collapse—he is spending more money than he has coming in. A \$70-a-week factory worker cannot live in the same way a \$300-a-week executive does. He would go broke the very first week he tried to live that way. And the \$300-a-week executive cannot spend money on the same scale that the \$100,000-a-year corporation president does.

No matter what salary you make, you have control of how you spend it.

One of the most frequent problems that comes to my office is that of *financing and budgeting*. Far too often people come to seek counsel and advice TOO LATE. Many of you can learn to properly budget your income now and save the ultimate collapse which over 100,000 families will face in the coming year.

God's Ten Percent

Nearly everybody receives a wage or salary or monetary income for his labor.

Whether a common laborer, clerk, blue-collar or white-collar worker, businessman or banker, we all receive money for our effort.

The reason so many are failing is that they have *never been taught* THE RIGHT WAY. God gives the answer *very plainly* in Malachi 3:8-9. "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? *IN TITHES AND OFFERINGS*. You are cursed with a curse: for you have robbed me, even THIS WHOLE NATION."

Remember, God owns the land—it's all His! Yet in this one verse He tells you and me that we can have 90 percent of all the increase we can make from the land or in our jobs. Think of it—a God so generous He gives us 90 percent of all the earth will produce.

But He is careful to point out that the ten percent (that's what the word *tithe* means) which belongs to Him must faithfully be paid to Him *for His use*—it cannot be used for our own spending. But because people have *not known that*, the whole nation—yes, the whole world—is under A FINANCIAL CURSE.

And just look around you to see whether or not that scripture is literally being fulfilled TODAY. This is not the writing of an old, archaic, out-dated, funny-looking old man who called himself a prophet.

This is up to the minute. This is sound and stable *financial counselling*.

Counselling which, if followed, will produce abundance and PROSPERITY.

Notice the very next verse of Malachi 3—verse 10, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and PROVE ME now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I WILL NOT OPEN THE WINDOWS OF HEAVEN, and pour you out a blessing, *that there shall not be room enough to receive it.*"

That's God's promise TO YOU.

And He challenges you to PROVE IT.

After all, what does the average person have to lose? So many are headed deeper into debt one way or another—so why not give it a try? See if it works.

In the June issue of *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine, you read the comments of quite a number of readers of

the magazine and listeners of *The WORLD TOMORROW* program who had put tithing into practice and found that it *actually worked*.

God will do the exact same thing for you. He will see that things GO BETTER FOR YOU. Thousands upon thousands are finding that out.

Tithing Teaches Budgeting

But of course there is more to it than just sitting down and watching God cause money to grow on trees in your back yard. I've not yet heard God has done that—and I'm sure He won't. But He will bless you—if you will diligently apply His laws.

God said, "The laborer is worthy of his hire." He did not say the man who sits around will get rich.

If you begin to pay God His tithes, God will *begin* to add to you AS HE SEES FIT. But you must learn to CONTROL your income. The chances are God will not raise your salary from \$70 a week to \$300 a week the very first month you begin to tithe.

You must first learn to handle your \$70 a week well. The very fact that God takes a percentage—ten percent—is a good example of how you should handle your pay check.

The first thing you do when you receive your check is to pay God the ten percent which is His in the first place. Of course, the government has probably already taken its share out before you ever see your check.

Remember God's tithes come out of the total increase, not on the after-the-taxes amount.

Yet God has let you have a full 90 percent of your income to use as you see fit. That 90 percent becomes *your responsibility* to handle. It may not make sense to you now—and you probably will not be able to put it down on paper—but when you begin to tithe properly, God will see to it PERSONALLY that *your 90 percent* will go FURTHER than the *entire 100 percent* used to. And that's a fact!

Follow These Basic Rules

If you have carefully read the article up to this point, and if you are willing to handle your finances God's way, you have the right starting point.



H. Armstrong Roberts Photo

A ready cash reserve is a rare sight because most people do not properly manage the money they earn.

How you control your after-taxes and after-tithes income now becomes a matter of budget discipline and wisdom!

There are rules you must follow if you want to be financially successful. Since living conditions are so different from one part of the country to the next—and very different in one nation from what they might be in another nation—it is very difficult to properly advise *exactly* what each of you should do in your own family life. But there are basic rules and hints which apply to all people everywhere.

Probably the first need you will face will be that of *housing*. You will either rent or buy a home. Then you will have to buy furniture for that home. After you have moved into the home, you must provide food and clothing for your family. After those things, the

basic day-to-day necessities and a few luxury items are placed last on the list.

The first and foremost rule of family financing and planning is NEVER SPEND MORE THAN YOU CAN AFFORD TO SPEND FOR ANY ONE GIVEN ITEM.

Follow that basic "rule of thumb" and you will never be in debt above what you can afford to pay.

Almost any book or article you read on family budgeting will tell you that you should plan to spend about 20 percent of your income for housing. Never plan to spend more than 25 percent of your income for home mortgage payments or for monthly rent payments.

That means if you make an average salary of about \$100 a week, you would plan to spend not more than between \$80 and \$100 a month for your housing. And where possible, this

should include most of the utility payments and the bulk of the furniture needs. Of course, the more money or income a family has the more they will be able to allot for the utility and furniture in addition to the basic rent payment.

After housing costs you will have to consider the food or grocery allotment. That will generally average about 20 percent of your income. That also means around \$80 to \$100 a month for our "average family."

Of course this amount will vary from family to family, and a lot depends on where the family lives. Food is cheaper in many areas than it is in others. You adapt the particular percentage to your own local conditions—but know how much groceries cost and know how to properly spend your money for food. This particular responsibility becomes the burden of the wife. A wise and cautious shopper who buys the best quality foods at the best possible prices can be a real asset in family budgeting.

The amount of money you set aside for clothing will vary from month to month and from year to year. But everyone has to wear clothes—and clothes cost money. Some families can get by on six to twelve percent of their salary for clothing. Others may have to spend as much as 20 percent or more during certain periods of time. Control your desire to buy new clothing according to what your income and budget will allow.

At this point, let me add that a department store credit card can *ruin you* if you are NOT CAREFUL. It is possible to buy so many clothes on time-payment plans that it seems like you'll never get them paid for—and many of them will be completely worn out before they are paid for. Only buy your clothes on time if you know you can afford to make the payments, and if you know the clothes are going to last long enough to be beneficial if purchased on a time-payment plan.

After the three basic necessities—food, shelter, clothing, you will probably have to take care of your transportation needs. That will be in the form of a car payment, a lease payment if you lease your car, and the gas and oil and

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RADIO LOG

"The WORLD TOMORROW"

MAJOR STATIONS— Heard over wide areas

East

- WHN—New York—1050 on dial, 9:00 a.m. Sun.
- *WWVA—Wheeling, W. Va.—1170 on dial, 98.7 FM, 10:30 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. Sun., 5 a.m. & 8:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri. (E.S.T.)
- WNAC—Boston—680 on dial, 98.5 FM (WRKO-FM), 8:30 p.m. Sun.
- WIBG—Philadelphia—990 on dial, 94.1 FM, 12:30 p.m. Sun.
- *WLKW—Providence, R.I.—990 on dial, 6:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- WPTF—Raleigh, N.C.—680 on dial, 94.7 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 10:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

Central States

- WLAC—Nashville—1510 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 7 p.m. daily and 5 a.m. Mon. thru Sat. (C.S.T.)
- WSM—Nashville—650 on dial, 9 p.m. Sun., 12 a.m. Mon. thru Fri., 1 a.m. Sun. (C.S.T.)
- WCKY—Cincinnati—1530 on dial, 7:00 and 9:30 p.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat., 12:05 a.m., Tues. thru Sun. (E.S.T.)
- WJJD—Chicago—1160 on dial, 104.3 FM, 11:00 a.m. Sun.
- KSTP—Minneapolis-St. Paul—1500 on dial, 8:00 a.m. Sun., 5:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- KCMO—Kansas City—810 on dial, 7:30 p.m. Sun., 8:15 p.m. and 5 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- KXEL—Waterloo, Ia.—1540 on dial, 8 p.m. Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- *KXEN—St. Louis—1010 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 12 noon Mon. thru Fri., after football on Sat.

South

- KRLD—Dallas—1080 on dial, 92.5 FM, 8:15 p.m. daily, or before or after baseball.
- KTRH—Houston—740 on dial, 101.1 FM, 8:00 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- *WOAI—San Antonio, Texas—1200 on dial, 7:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat., Sun. time to be announced.
- KWKH—Shreveport—1130 on dial, 94.5 FM, 10:30 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. Sun., 1:00 and 8:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., or following baseball, 11:30 a.m. and 11:30 p.m. Sat.
- WNOE—New Orleans—1060 on dial, 9:30 a.m. Sun.

*Asterisk indicates new station or time change.

KAAY—Little Rock—1090 on dial, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. daily.

WGUN—Atlanta—1010 on dial, 4 p.m. Sun., 11 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

WMOO—Mobile—1550 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 7:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

WINQ—Tampa—1010 on dial, 12:00 noon Mon. thru Fri., 12:10 p.m. Sat. and Sun.

KRMG—Tulsa—740 on dial, 10:00 a.m. Sun.

XEG—1050 on dial, 8:30 p.m. daily. (C.S.T.)

Mountain States

KOA—Denver—850 on dial, 9:30 a.m. Sun.

*KSWS—Roswell, N. Mex.—1020 on dial, 6:30 p.m. daily. (Starts Oct. 1.)

XELO—800 on dial, 8 p.m. (M.S.T.) 9 p.m. (C.S.T.) daily.

West Coast

KIRO—Seattle—710 on dial, 100.7 FM, 10:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat., 5:30 a.m. Tues. thru Sat.

KGBS—Los Angeles—1020 on dial, 10 p.m. Sun., 5:45 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KRAK—Sacramento—1140 on dial, 8 p.m. daily.

XERB—Lower Calif.—1090 on dial, 7 p.m. daily, 9:30 a.m. Mon. thru Fri.

LEADING LOCAL-AREA STATIONS

East

WJRZ—Newark, N.J.—970 on dial, 11:00 p.m. Sun., 10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

WBMD—Baltimore—750 on dial, 12:30 p.m. daily.

WPIT—Pittsburgh—730 on dial, 101.5 FM, 7:00 a.m. daily.

WHP—Harrisburg, Pa.—580 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.

WJAC—Johnstown, Pa.—850 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.

WCHS—Charleston, W. Va.—580 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.

WCYB—Bristol, Va.—690 on dial, 12:30 p.m. daily.

WWNC—Asheville, N.C.—570 on dial, 4:00 p.m. Sun., 3:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

WWOL—Buffalo, N.Y.—1120 on dial, 10:00 a.m. Sun., 5:00 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 4:00 p.m. Sat.

WBET—Brockton, Mass.—1460 on dial, 7:05 p.m. daily.

WWNH—Rochester, N.H.—930 on dial, 9:05 a.m. Sun., 7:05 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

WDEV—Waterbury, Vt.—550 on dial, 8:00 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

WPOR—Portland, Maine—1490 on dial, 9:00 a.m. Sun.

WCOU—Lewiston, Maine—1240 on dial, 9:30 p.m. Sun.

WAAB—Worcester, Mass.—1440 on dial, 107.3 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun.

WMAS—Springfield, Mass.—1450 on dial, 94.7 FM, 8:30 p.m. Sun.

WEIM—Fitchburg, Mass.—1280 on dial, 8:30 p.m. Sun.

WNLC—New London, Conn.—1490 on dial, 8:30 p.m. Sun.

Central

WSPD—Toledo, Ohio—1370 on dial, 101.5 FM, 9:00 p.m. Sun., 9:05 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

WDOK—Cleveland, Ohio—1260 on dial—10:00 p.m. daily.

WBCK—Battle Creek, Mich.—930 on dial, 12:30 p.m. Sat. and Sun., 7:00 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

*WJBK—Detroit, Mich.—1500 on dial, 5:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

WSLR—Akron, Ohio—1350 on dial, 7:00 p.m. daily.

WJW—Cleveland, Ohio—850 on dial, 104.1 FM, 10 a.m. Sun.

WBRJ—Marietta, Ohio—910 on dial, 12:30 p.m. daily.

WOW—Omaha, Nebr.—590 on dial, 8:25 p.m. Sun.

KRVN—Lexington, Nebr.—1010 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 3:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

WNAX—Yankton, S. Dak.—570 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.

WEAW—Chicago—1330 on dial, 105.1 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun. (also 8:00 p.m. Sun., FM) 8:00 a.m. Mon. thru Fri., 7:30 a.m. Sat. AM and 7:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat. FM.

WAAP—Peoria—1350 on dial, 6:30 p.m. daily.

*WITY—Danville, Ill.—980 on dial, 7:00 p.m. daily.

WIBC—Indianapolis—1070 on dial, 10:30 p.m. Sun.

KBHS—Hot Springs, Ark.—590 on dial, 12:00 noon Sun., 6:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KFVS—Cape Girardeau, Mo.—960 on dial, 9:15 a.m. Sun., 6:15 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KWTO—Springfield, Mo.—560 on dial, 7:00 p.m. daily.

KFDI—Wichita, Kans.—1070 on dial, 10:00 a.m. Sun., 11:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KFH—Wichita, Kans.—1330 on dial, 100.3 FM, 9:30 a.m., Sun., 6:30 p.m. daily.

KGGF—Coffeyville, Kans.—690 on dial, 6:00 p.m. daily

WMT—Cedar Rapids—600 on dial, 11:30 a.m. Sun.

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KQRS—Minneapolis—1440 on dial, 92.5 FM, 10:00 a.m. Sun., 7:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

WEBC—Duluth, Minn.—560 on dial, 7:00 p.m. daily.

WMIL—Milwaukee, Wis.—1290 on dial, 95.7 FM, 4:30 p.m. Sun., 7:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KFYR—Bismarck, N. Dak.—550 on dial, 7 p.m. daily.

South

KCTA—Corpus Christi, Tex.—1030 on dial, 2 p.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 4:30 p.m. Sat.

KCUL—Ft. Worth—1540 on dial, 1:00 p.m. Sun., 12:00 noon Mon. thru Sat.

WBAP—Fort Worth, Tex.—570 on dial, 8:00 p.m. daily.

KEES—Gladewater, Tex.—1430 on dial, 12:30 p.m. daily.

KMAC—San Antonio—630 on dial, 9:00 a.m. Sun., 7:15 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KTBC—Austin—590 on dial, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KTLU—Rusk, Tex.—1580 on dial, 1:00 p.m. Sun.

*KGNC—Amarillo—710 on dial, 9:00 p.m. daily, or following baseball.

KFMJ—Tulsa—1050 on dial, 12:30 p.m. daily.

KBYE—Okla. City—890 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KWAM—Memphis—990 on dial, 10:00 a.m. Sun., 11:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

WSHO—New Orleans—800 on dial, 12:00 noon daily.

WDEF—Chattanooga, Tenn.—1370 on dial, 92.3 FM, 8:00 p.m. daily.

WAKE—Atlanta—1340 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun.

*WBRC—Birmingham, Ala.—960 on dial, 106.9 FM, 7:30 p.m. daily, except 10:30 p.m. Sat.

WYDE—Birmingham, Ala.—850 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun.

WMEN—Tallahassee—1330 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 8:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

WMIE—Miami, Fla.—1140 on dial, 8:30 a.m. Sun., 12 noon Mon. thru Sat.

WZOK—Jacksonville, Fla.—1320 on dial, 12:30 p.m. daily.

WKYX—Paducah, Ky.—570 on dial, 93.3 FM, 6:30 p.m. daily.

Mountain States

KPHO—Phoenix—910 on dial, 6:35 p.m. daily.

KLZ—Denver—560 on dial, 106.7 FM, 7:30 p.m. daily.

KCPX—Salt Lake City—1320 on dial, 98.7 FM, 7 p.m. daily.

KIDO—Boise, Idaho—630 on dial, 7:05 p.m. daily.

KMON—Great Falls, Mont.—560 on dial, 8:00 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

West Coast

KHQ—Spokane—590 on dial, 7:05 p.m. daily, or after baseball.

KVI—Seattle—570 on dial, 8 a.m. Sun.

KBLE—Seattle—1050 on dial, 12 noon daily.

KMO—Tacoma, Wash.—1360 on dial, 8:30 p.m. daily.

KWJJ—Portland—1080 on dial, 10 p.m. Sun., 9 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KEX—Portland—1190 on dial, 8:30 a.m. Sun.

KGAY—Salem—1430 on dial, 9:00 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KUGN—Eugene—590 on dial 7 p.m. daily.

KUMA—Pendleton, Ore.—1290 on dial, 6:30 p.m. daily.

KYJC—Medford, Ore.—1230 on dial, 6:30 p.m. daily.

KAGO—Klamath Falls, Ore.—1150 on dial, 6:30 p.m. daily.

KSAY—San Francisco—1010 on dial, 8:30 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KFRC—San Francisco—610 on dial, 106.1 FM, 8:30 a.m. Sun.

KFAX—San Francisco—1100 on dial, 10:00 a.m. and 10:45 p.m. Sun., 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 4:15 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KFIV—Modesto, Calif.—1360 on dial, 6:00 p.m. daily.

KNGS—Hanford, Calif.—620 on dial, 10:00 a.m. Sun., 6:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KGEE—Bakersfield—1230 on dial, 8:30 a.m. Sun., 8:00 p.m., or before or after baseball, Mon. thru Sat.

KDB—Santa Barbara, Calif.—1490 on dial, 93.7 FM, 6:30 p.m. daily.

KUDU—Ventura, Calif.—1590 on dial, 95.1 FM, 8:00 p.m. daily.

KRKD—Los Angeles—1150 on dial, 96.3 FM, 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sun., 6:15 a.m. and 7 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KTYM—Inglewood, Calif.—1460 on dial, 12:00 noon Mon. thru Fri.

*KFOX—Long Beach, Calif.—1280 on dial, 102.3 FM, 8:30 p.m. daily.

KACE—San Bernardino-Riverside—1570 on dial, 92.7 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 7:05 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KOGO—San Diego—600 on dial, 8:30 p.m. Sun.

In Spanish—

KALI—Los Angeles, Calif.—1430 on dial, 4:45 p.m. Sun.

Alaska & Hawaii

KFQD—Anchorage, Alaska—730 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.

KULA—Honolulu, Hawaii—690 on dial, 6:00 p.m. daily.

CANADA

VOCM—St. John's, Nfld.—590 on dial, 6:30 p.m. Sun., 7:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

*CJCH—Halifax, N.S.—920 on dial, 10:00 p.m. Sun., 9:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

CFBC—St. John, N.B.—930 on dial, 8:00 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

CKCW—Moncton, N.B.—1220 on dial, 5:30 p.m. Sun., 6:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

CFMB—Montreal, Que.—1410 on dial, 1:30 p.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

CKOY—Ottawa, Ont.—1310 on dial, 5:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

CJET—Smith Falls, Ont.—630 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.

CKFH—Toronto, Ont.—1430 on dial, 10:00 p.m. Sun., 6:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

CKLB—Oshawa, Ont.—1350 on dial, 9:05 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 10:30 p.m. Sat. and Sun.

CHIQ—Hamilton, Ont.—1280 on dial, 8:00 p.m. Sun., 7:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

*CKLW—Windsor, Ont.—800 on dial, 7:00 p.m. Sun.

CKSO—Sudbury, Ont.—790 on dial, 6:30 p.m. Sun., 8:00 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 7:30 p.m. Sat.

CJLX—Fort William, Ont.—800 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.

CKY—Winnipeg, Man.—580 on dial, 10 p.m. Sun., 6:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

CKDM—Dauphin, Man.—730 on dial, 6:30 p.m. daily.

CJNB—North Battleford, Sask.—1050 on dial, 2:30 p.m. daily, 6:30 p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

CKRM—Regina, Sask.—980 on dial, 8:30 p.m. daily.

CJGX—Yorkton, Sask.—940 on dial, 9:00 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

CKXL—Calgary, Alta.—1140 on dial, 10:00 p.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

CJVI—Victoria, B.C.—900 on dial, 6:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

CKLG—Vancouver, B.C.—730 on dial, 7:00 a.m. Sun., 6:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

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CKPG—Prince George, B.C.—550 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

*CKOV—Kelowna, B.C.—630 on dial, 9:00 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat., or after football.

*CFBV—Smithers, B.C.—1230 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.

In French—

CFMB—Montreal—1410 kc., 5 p.m., Sat. and Sun.

CKJL—St. Jerome, Que.—900 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun.

EUROPE

In English—

RADIO LUXEMBOURG—208 metres (1439 kc.) medium wave and 49 metres (6090 kc.) short wave—7:00 p.m. Mon. and Tues., B.S.T.

RADIO LONDON—266 metres (1120 kc.) medium wave, 8:00 p.m. daily.

RADIO CAROLINE NORTH—199 metres (1500 kc.) medium wave, 8:00 p.m. daily.

In French—

*RADIO LUXEMBOURG—1293 metres—5:40 a.m., Mon., 5:25 a.m. Tues., Thurs. and Fri.

EUROPE NO. ONE—Felsberg en Sarre, Germany—182 kc. (1647 m.)—6:00 a.m. Sun., 5:45 a.m. Wed. and Sat.

In German—

RADIO LUXEMBOURG—49 metres (6090 kc.) shortwave and 208 metres (1439 kc.) medium wave—6:05 a.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon., 5:15 a.m. Tues., 5:15 a.m. Fri.

ASIA

RADIO TAIWAN (FORMOSA)

"The 3rd Network, B.C.C."—

BED23 Taichung 1380 kc.;

BED55 Taipei 960 kc.;

BED78 Tainan City 1540 kc.;

BED79 Kaohsiung 1220 kc.;

BED82 Chiayi 1460 kc.—

18:00 T.S.T., Wed. and Fri.

RADIO OKINAWA—KSBK—880 kc. Sundays: 12:06 noon.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS:

DZAQ, Manila—620 kc.—8:30 p.m. daily.

DXAW, Davao City—640 kc.—9:00 p.m. Sunday.

DYCB, Cebu City—570 kc.—9:30 p.m. Friday.

DYKR, Kalibo—1480 kc., 8:00 p.m. daily, except Tues. at 7:00 p.m.

DZAL, Legaspi City—1230 kc., 8:00 p.m. daily.

DZLT, Lucena City—1240 kc., 9:00 a.m. daily

DZRB, Naga City—750 kc., 9:00 p.m. Sun.

DZRI, Dagupan City—1040 kc.—9:00 p.m. Sun.

RADIO GUAM—KUAM—610 kc., 6:00 p.m. daily.

AFRICA

RADIO LOURENCO MARQUES, MOZAMBIQUE—3301 kc., 92 metres and 4925 kc., 60 metres—10:00 p.m. Mon., Wed., and Sat., 10:30 p.m. Tues., Thur., and Fri.

RADIO UFAC, ELIZABETHVILLE—OQ2AD—4980 kc. (60 m.)—6:30 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.

WNBS—Lagos—602 kc.—8:30 p.m. daily.

WNBS—Ibadan—656 kc., 3380 kc., 6185 kc. and 9500 kc.—8:30 p.m. daily.

AUSTRALIA

2KY—Sydney, NSW—1020 kc.—10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs.; 10:45 p.m. Fri.; 11 p.m. Sat.

2AY—Albury, NSW—1490 kc.—9:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

2GF—Grafton, NSW—1210 kc.—10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

2GN—Goulburn, NSW—1380 kc.—9:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

*2GZ—Orange, NSW—990 kc.—8:45 p.m. Sun., 9:05 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

*2HD—Newcastle, NSW—1140 kc.—10:30 p.m. Sun.; 9:00 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

2KA—Katoomba, NSW—780 kc.—10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

2LM—Lismore, NSW—900 kc.—8:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

3AW—Melbourne, Vic.—1280 kc.—10:30 p.m. Sun.

3BO—Bendigo, Vic.—960 kc.—9:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

*3KZ—Melbourne, Vic.—1180 kc.—10:30 p.m. Sun.; 10:45 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

3MA—Mildura, Vic.—1470 kc.—3:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.; 10:00 p.m. Sat.

3TR—Sale, Vic.—1240 kc.—9:30 p.m. Sun. thru Thurs., 8:30 p.m. Fri.

*3XY—Melbourne, Vic.—1420 kc.—10:30 p.m. Sun., 10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

4AK—Oakey, Qld.—1220 kc.—9:30 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs.; 10:30 p.m. Fri.

4BK—Brisbane, Qld.—1300 kc.—9:30 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs.; 10:30 p.m. Fri.

DZGH, Sorsogon—1480 kc., 8:00 p.m. daily.

4CA—Cairns, Qld.—1010 kc.—10:00 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.

4IP—Ipswich, Qld.—1010 kc.—9:30 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.

4KQ—Brisbane, Qld.—690 kc.—10:30 p.m. Sun.

4WK—Warwick, Qld.—880 kc.—10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

*4TO—Townsville, Qld.—780 kc.—9:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

6KG—Kalgoorlie, WA—980 kc.—10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

6PM—Perth, WA—1000 kc.—10:00 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

6AM—Northam, WA—860 kc.—10:00 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

7AD—Devonport, Tas.—900 kc.—8:30 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.

7BU—Burnie, Tas.—560 kc.—9:30 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.

7HT—Hobart, Tas.—1080 kc.—7:30 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.

7LA—Launceston, Tas.—1100 kc.—10:10 p.m. Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

7SD—Scottsdale, Tas.—540 kc.—9:00 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.

LATIN AMERICA

In English—

RADIO BARBADOS—Black Rock, Barbados—795 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 9:30 a.m. Mon. thru Fri., 11:00 a.m. Sat.

RADIO REDIFFUSION—Bridgetown, Barbados, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 10:30 a.m. Mon. thru Fri., 9:30 a.m. Sat.

RADIO AMERICA—Lima, Peru—1010 kc.—5:15 p.m. Saturdays.

HOC21, Panama City—1115 kc.;

HP5A, Panama City—11170 kc.;

HOK, Colon, Panama—640 kc.;

HP5K, Colon, Panama—6005 kc.—

7:00 p.m., Sundays.

In French—

4VBM—Port au Prince, Haiti—1430 kc., 7:45 p.m. Wed.

4VCM—Port au Prince, Haiti—6165 kc., 7:45 p.m. Wed.

RADIO CARAIBES—St. Lucia, West Indies—840 kc.—6:45 a.m., Mon. and Tues.

In Spanish—

RADIO LA CRONICA—Lima, Peru—1320 kc.—7:00 p.m. Sun.

RADIO COMUNEROS—Asuncion, Paraguay—970 kc.—8:30 p.m. Thursdays.

RADIO SPORT—CXA19—Montevideo, Uruguay—11835 kc.—2:00 p.m. Wednesday.

RADIO CARVE—CX16, 850 kc., and CXA13, 6156 kc.—Montevideo, Uruguay—3:30 p.m., Saturdays.

Can It Really Happen Again?

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were officially told, is partly because of American help. American technicians are often sent to teach the Germans how to operate this most modern equipment. Interesting.

Especially interesting when you read that some five hundred German pilots are being trained in Arizona to fly the very latest jet planes. And that one hundred German technicians are being trained in Alabama to fire the latest rockets.

Another interesting point. While visiting the giant Mannesman plant, we saw huge piles of scrap iron. We were told that it was purchased from America to be reprocessed and made into steel again. Parts of old Fords and Chevies. American scrap iron bought by a foreign nation to be made into steel.

Do you remember Pearl Harbor?

If you're not old enough to remember, ask about it—and about the U. S. scrap iron sent to Japan before World War II.

What Prophecy Says

The facts and observations you have just read ought to make any open-minded person think deeply.

These facts, in a sense, speak for themselves. Yet they certainly do not present irrefutable proof of anything.

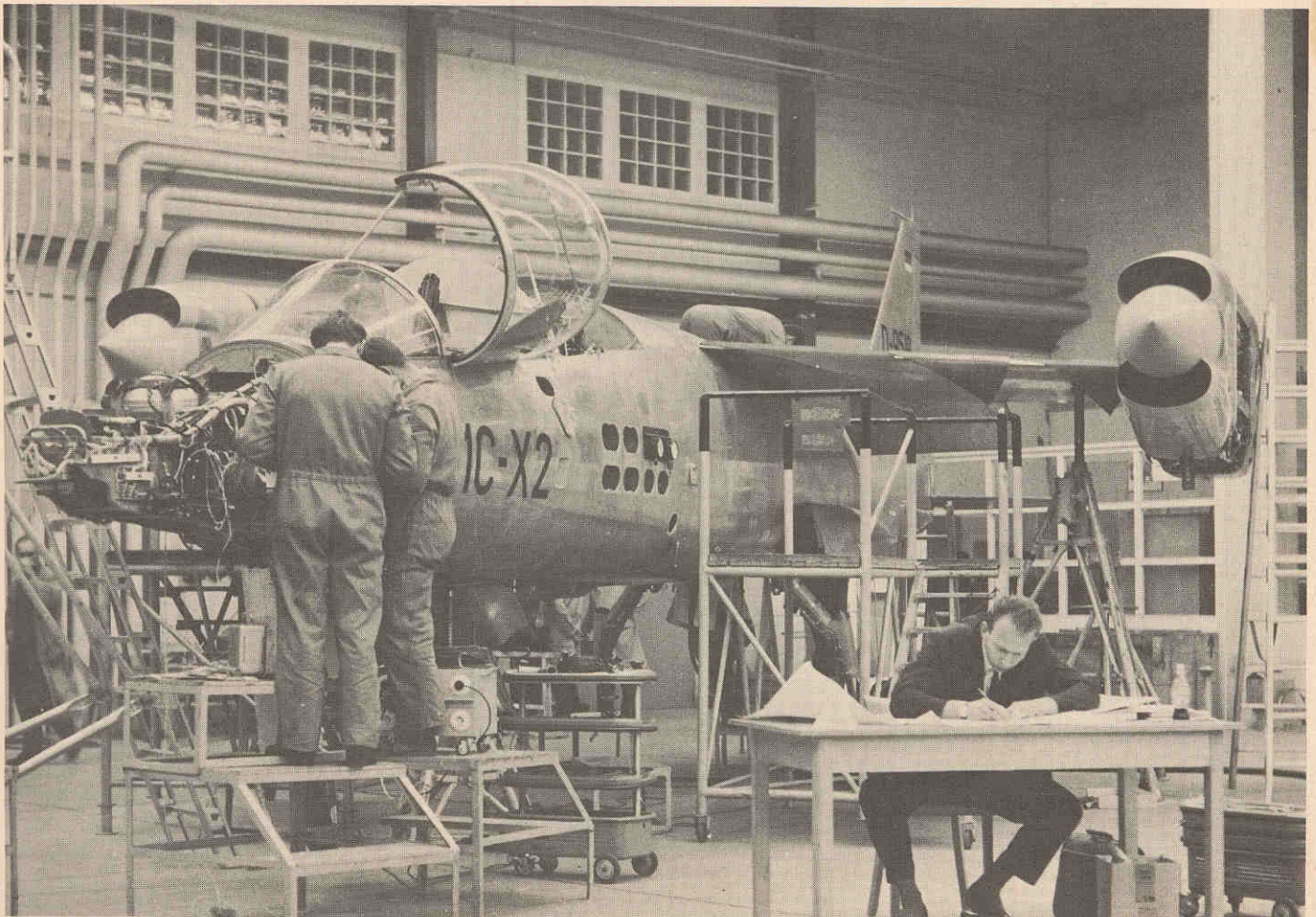
Even if they did, they would—human nature being what it is—be subject to "interpretation." Different interpretations, that is, by different people with different axes to grind.

But most people have forgotten the fact that there is a real God. That this God RULES over nations of men—

setting over them whom He will. That this God has set forth hundreds of definite and specific prophecies. That the absolute and literal fulfillment of these prophecies demonstrates that GOD IS THERE—that He is very much IN CONTROL over the nations of men!

For over thirty-one years *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine has shown you from Bible prophecy that Germany will dominate a coming United States of Europe. That this will ultimately include exactly ten nations—or definite groups of nations, such as the Benelux countries. That this union will constitute the final revival of the "Holy Roman Empire," and will be greatly influenced by a great false church.

With definite points of proof, we have shown that God is going to PUNISH Britain and America because of our mushrooming crimes and SINS. He is going to use a rearmed Germany, again headed by a Nazi-Fascist type dictator,



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Skilled German technicians work on second prototype of a vertical-take-off jet fighter, which has been flown by an American test pilot. German pilots are training in America to fly future models.

as His ROD of punishment to SPANK America, Britain and Canada.

This time, though, Germany will not be alone. She will be part of this final revival of the Roman system which is rapidly taking shape here in Europe!

As I complete this article in Zagreb, Yugoslavia, I have found that Austria and Yugoslavia are most interested in joining the Common Market. Also, Greece, Spain and Portugal are all applying for associate membership.

The prophesied ten nations will merge far more quickly than many of us dare realize!

If you have not yet read the basic

proof of these facts from Bible prophecy, then write immediately for our attractive booklets: *The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy* and *1975 in Prophecy*. These booklets are very attractively printed, illustrated, and are completely without charge to you.

Although America has been trying to buy Yugoslavia over to democracy, a professor there told me that the people are "very satisfied" with Socialism. Remember, Naziism is just a contraction of National Socialism—pretty close to what Tito is experimenting with today here in Yugoslavia!



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German army again gets battalion flags. Amid pomp and ceremony high officials of Germany and many other lands watch 319 standard-bearers, representing 319 battalions, receive flags to be taken to their various units—for the first time since World War II.

So democracy doesn't set too well here in this part of the world.

Again, remember the words of the German employment counsellor in Düsseldorf: "There is something in our systems which is almost *incompatible with democracy*."

There was very little democracy indeed at Dachau—where multiple thousands of conquered peoples were systematically worked to death, starved, beaten, tortured, humiliated, and who found their peace at last ascending up through the chimneys of Hitler's ovens.

Can it happen AGAIN? This time to the *British and American peoples?*

Bible prophecy says, unless our nations repent, it definitely WILL—and sooner than you probably think!

But God's Word reveals that the only way we can escape—the only way *you* and your loved ones can escape—is by heeding the "watchman" He has set over our nations (see Ezekiel 33:1-11).

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Jesus said, "This Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached (and published—Mark 13:10) in all the world for a witness unto all nations" (Mat. 24:14) *at this time*, just before the end of this age. A PRICE *must be paid* for the magazine, the broadcast, the Correspondence Course, or other literature. But HOW? Christ forbids us to *sell* it to those who receive it: "Freely ye have received," said Jesus to His disciples whom He was sending to proclaim His Gospel, "freely GIVE!" "It is *more blessed*," He said, "to GIVE than to receive."

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ASTROLOGY— Fact...or Superstition?

Do the stars and planets have a mysterious influence on human destiny? Is astrology Biblical? What does GOD say about modern-day astrology?

by William F. Dankenbring

"**S**TAR READING is plain buncombe," declared Dr. Harlow Shapley of the Harvard observatory. "The stars have as little influence on our daily lives as tea leaves."

And yet—according to latest estimates—astrology has about *eighteen million American devotees*—not to mention other millions in Britain. Besides, another thirty million read the astrological columns in daily newspapers or buy copies of the latest astrological magazines!

Why the boom in astrology?

Astrological Claims

One leading astrologer proudly claims, "Astrology is the key that opens the door to all Occult knowledge. It is the key that unlocks the mysteries of man's being; his why, whence and whither."

What is the TRUTH about astrology? Is it based on fact? Or is it superstition—a deliberate FRAUD to bilk millions of their hard-earned money?

Do the heavenly bodies really govern the lives and destinies of men and nations upon the earth? Does astrology predict man's character, his love life, business deals, marriages, farming, and even surgical operations?

Or is it, instead, a satanic deception foisted upon a gullible world? Is it a HOAX, conjured up by crackpots, cranks and bunco crooks? Where did astrology originate? What does the BIBLE have to say about it?

Make no mistake—the Bible does reveal its origin. It also reveals the ul-

timate FATE of astrology—and astrologers!

It's Big Business

Astrology in the United States is BIG BUSINESS! American astrologers gross more than \$250 million a year! Addicts of this philosophy include not merely the uneducated and ignorant. Everywhere housewives, businessmen, senators, presidents seek their advice.

In the United States, at least 100 movie stars consult their favorite astrologers before taking a new role. Even

stock market speculators look to the stargazers for prognostications!

Adolph Hitler had as many as *five* astrologers advising and counselling him. He sentenced one, Karl E. Kraft, to death in a concentration camp for giving "bad advice." Hitler's other stargazers were not able to foresee or predict the inglorious FALL of the Third Reich!

Perhaps one million Americans today could be called "hard-core cultists" who religiously *run their lives* by planetary timetables and star schedules. Some



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Many people trust their lives to foolish prognostications found in astrological publications! Even if astrologers had the constellations in the right positions, they do not have control over the course of life.

devotees will pay \$100 to consult their favorite astrologer!

According to one practitioner, the United States is undergoing an astrological RENAISSANCE! Some of the world's leading astrologers live and work in the United States, running astrological columns in 1000 newspapers with a combined circulation of over 40 million readers. *America has become a veritable twentieth-century BABYLON!*

But America is not alone. European countries have long had flourishing schools of the ancient cult of astrology. England, France, and Germany are centers of that pseudo-science. And Asia teems with multiple millions of star-struck superstitious stargazers!

In India almost every Hindu marriage is based on the horoscope. Candidates for political office judge their election chances by consulting the astrologers. In Sikkim—in the high Himalayas—astrologers are the strongest single political power.

Astrologers, diviners, witches and magicians sometimes have entertaining, but useless, powers. But they, like the Egyptian magicians who contended with Moses and Aaron of old, are powerless against life's problems (Ex. 8-9).

The Facts

First, consider these pertinent facts about astrology. The whole structure of astrology revolves around the "zodiac"—an arbitrarily arranged belt in the heavens 16 degrees broad. It includes the paths of the moon and the principal planets. It has as its middle line the sun's path—called the ecliptic. The zodiac, according to astrologers, has twelve divisions (or signs), each 30 degrees long, marked off eastward from the vernal equinox. The names of these divisions were originally the names of the constellations—groups of fixed stars—within them.

But no longer so! About 2000 years ago the artificial signs of the zodiac and the constellations coincided. Today the signs have separated about 30 degrees from their corresponding constellations. The sign of Aries, for instance, is *now* in the constellation of Pisces!

This means that the astrologers' horoscopes are OUT OF DATE!

But they seem either to be unaware of the fact—or they simply don't care. In casting their horoscopes, they imagine the sky is arranged as it was 2000 years ago!

Not only do astrologers use a false horo-



Dr. Robbing, left, denies reality of witchcraft at London's University College. Mrs. Sybil Leek, above, an admitted witch who attended his lecture, told newsmen: "There are at least 30 witches here to my knowledge."



scope, out-dated 2000 years, with the constellations placed in the wrong signs of the zodiac—but their predictions have, alas, usually failed miserably.

Several books on astrology declare that persons born under the sign of Libra—from September 24 to October 23—should have musical ability. However, the psychologist Farnsworth looked up the birthdates of 1498 musicians and found fewer were born under Libra than any other sign except Scorpius! Fact is, Libra and Scorpius were *tied for last place!* Astrologers could not have made a worse choice for musical talent than Libra!

Babylonian Origin

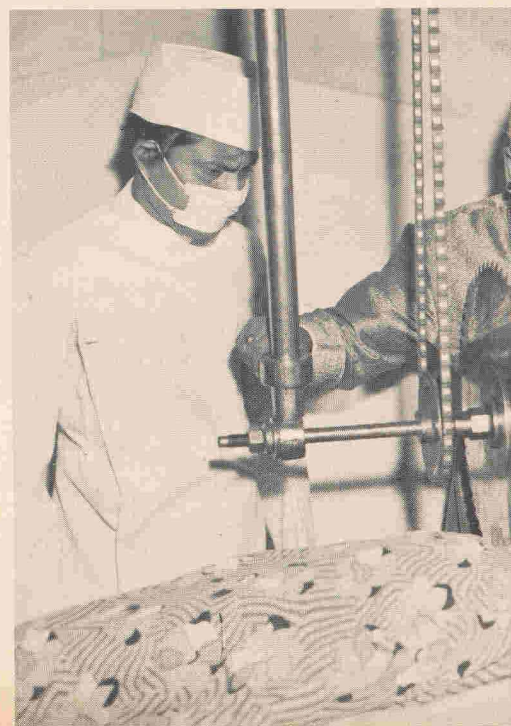
Where did astrology begin?

The worship of the stars is almost as old as man. Early astrologers identified the planets with their pagan gods. They believed the planets had powers similar in character to those powers attributed to the gods, whose names they bore. Thus the planet Mars was named after the pagan "god of war," and was believed to influence wars and struggles upon the earth. Mercury, the speediest planet in circling the sun,

Witchcraft & Companions

Witchcraft and magic fascinate the curious. Sometimes the claims of astrologers. But do not really solve problems and destinies.

Indian magician, Sorcar, appears to see his demonic source of his power in Scripture.





To the utter bafflement of scientific investigation, Joseph Dunninger, celebrated magician, calls for a coiled rope to rise off the ground into the open air in a public park in New York. Scripture condemns this kind of divination.

and Magic— of Astrology!

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was named after the pagan god "Mercury," the "messenger of the gods," the so-called fleetest of the gods, who had wings on his heels.

Today, perhaps astrologers do not claim the planets are gods, but they still attribute the same identical mystical influences to them! There is little difference!

Astrology had its renewed beginnings soon after the universal deluge in Noah's time. When men began to repopulate the earth, the arch-apostate Nimrod arose and attempted to marshal all mankind under his personal dominion. Nimrod, the Bible reveals, "... began to be a mighty one in the earth" (Gen. 10:8). Moffatt has this verse, "Ethiopia produced Nimrod, the first man on earth to be a DESPOT." The beginning of his kingdom—or EMPIRE—was "Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar"—that is, the ancient land of **BABYLON!**

After the sudden death of Nimrod, his wife Semiramis attempted to hold his kingdom together by art and craft. She claimed Nimrod had been a god, instituted secret worship of him, and began the "Babylonian mysteries." Nimrod, she claimed, had gone to heaven and was represented by the constellation "Orion"—the "Hunter," for he had been a "mighty hunter before [or, against] the LORD; wherefore it is said, Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD" (Gen. 10:9).

Semiramis, his one-time wife, therefore claimed to be the "Queen of Heaven." This was the Babylonian ORIGIN of astrology!

From the time of Nimrod, the religion of Babylonian astrology grew and spread. Hundreds of years later it was still intricately involved in the religion of Babylonia! During the days of Nebuchadnezzar, the Babylonians were still fascinated by the study of the stars. When king Nebuchadnezzar was troubled by a dream, he commanded to call "... the magicians, and the ASTROLOGERS, and the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans, for to shew the king his dreams" (Dan. 2:2).

By this time the astrologers were able to predict eclipses. Their study of the heavens had become, in many ways, an exact science. But their speculative conclusions were utter nonsense. They thought they could foretell the future by their observations of the stars. Five planets were considered especially fateful regarding the destinies of men. The names of the five most important Chaldean gods were applied to those five stars.

By Roman times—long after the Roman Empire had superseded the Chaldean—astrology made its influence felt in Rome. Astrologers built up a strong practice there, and the Babylonian names for the stars were altered to suit Roman tastes. Thus the planet Marduk became Jupiter, Nabu became Mercury, Ishtar (the Babylonian name for Semiramis) was changed to Venus (the "Queen of Heaven").

A brief and concise description of the ancient Babylonian astrology and its origin is given in Langer's *Encyclopedia of World History*. We read: "When Babylon became a great metropolis and the capital of an empire, its god *Marduk* [another name or title for Nimrod, the chief pagan deity] acquired a new importance and, by being identified with Enlil and assuming his functions, such as the creation of the world, he became the supreme god of the pantheon and was later called *Bel*, Lord, a Semitic designation of Enlil [referred to throughout the Bible as **BAAL**, the sun-god]. The most characteristic and influential features of Babylonian religion, aside from its mythology, were the elaborate systems of magical practices [incantations] and the interpretation of omens, [divination], particularly the movements and position of the heavenly bodies [astrology], the actions of animals, and the characteristics of the liver of sacrificial victims" (page 26).

Notice! All these different practices were commonplace in ancient Babylonia! The Babylonians were noted for their magic, interpreting omens, sorcery, and astrology!

And the practice of astrology—the observance of the stars, believing they guide and influence human life—is



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Atop a roof 120 feet above streets in Johannesburg, South Africa. With same powers as ancient Egyptian magicians, American magician Kajar Bowen suspended girl in open air over sidewalk crowd of amazed onlookers. He passed his hoop over her body to prove absence of invisible mechanical support. Scientists have been unable to explain this feat, performed by demons.

still widely observed and highly regarded TODAY! Amazing!

But what difference does it make?

What God Says!

To human beings, it might not make any difference whatsoever. Some might think astrology is merely a "play toy." Nothing to worry about—nothing to be concerned about.

But it DOES make a difference—to GOD! Notice, now, what the Word of God has to say about the practice and observance of astrology and kindred cults!

God says, through the prophet Jeremiah: "Thus saith the LORD, *Learn NOT the way of the heathen*, and be not dismayed at the SIGNS OF HEAVEN; for the heathen are dismayed at them" (Jer. 10:2).

Astrologers regard—and become fearful of—the signs of the heavens. But God says we are NOT to follow their ways! But of the false gods, the gods of astrology, God says, "But they are *altogether* brutish and foolish: the stock is a *doctrine of vanities*" (v. 8). Foolishness and vanity—that is what God calls the worship of the stars!

Think for a moment! How utterly absurd it is to believe that chunks of rock, hardly visible millions of miles away, can exercise influence on human beings! How foolish to believe that

gaseous orbs, which are barely perceptible in the night sky, can alter human life, affect the destinies of nations, and determine whether a man should become a singer or a carpenter!

How insane!

What does Almighty God say about this absurd, satanic deception? "Take ye therefore good heed unto yourselves," God tells His people, ". . . lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the *sun*, and the *moon*, and the *STARS*, *even all the host of heaven*, shouldst be driven to worship them,

and serve them . . ." (Deut. 4:15, 19). God forbade such absurd, hideous idolatry!

Notice further! God commanded His people, "If there be found among you, within any of thy gates which the LORD thy God giveth thee, man or woman, that hath wrought wickedness in the sight of the LORD thy God, in transgressing His covenant, and hath gone and served other gods, and worshiped them, EITHER THE SUN, OR MOON, OR ANY OF THE HOST OF HEAVEN, which I have *not* commanded; And it be told thee, and thou hast heard of it, and enquired diligently, and, behold, *it be true*, and the thing certain, that such abomination is wrought in Israel: Then shalt thou bring forth that man or that woman, and shalt stone them with stones, till they die" (Deut. 17:2-5).

How seriously God regards these things! They are no "mere trifle" with Him!

God further commanded His people Israel, in ancient times, "When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt NOT LEARN to do after the abominations of those nations. There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times [astrologer], or an

enchanter, or a witch, or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. *For all that do these things are an abomination* unto the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee. Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God. For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto *observers of times* [astrologers], and unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so to do" (Deut. 18:9-14).

Almighty God, the TRUE Creator God of the entire UNIVERSE—the God who created and made the heavenly bodies, the stars and planets—unequivocally CONDEMNS the false worship of ASTROLOGY!

God condemns all the occult, mysterious rites of the ancient Babylonians and other heathen. God condemns divination, augury, sorcery, witchcraft, fortune-telling, palm-reading, consulting with mediums, and the other *pagan* practices which came out of Babylon—including the pretention to foretell future events by present occurrences, the prediction of great political or physical changes from the aspects of the planets, eclipses, motions of the clouds—that is, ASTROLOGY!

These pagan practices are outright abominations in God's sight! Looking to the stars and planets to understand the future, instead of to God's Holy and inspired Word—and letting the inert stars instead of God's law rule one's life—is putting the creation *before the Creator*.

Yet, ancient Israel fell into this idolatry. They rejected God's laws and statutes that bring peace, prosperity and happiness. They followed the way of the heathen round about them. "And they left all the commandments of the LORD their God, and made them molten images, even two calves, and made a grove, and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served Baal" (II Kings 17:16). For this reason God cast Israel out of their land and sent them forth into captivity. "Therefore the LORD was very angry with Israel, and removed them out of His sight: there was

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WHY

Germans Long for a Leader

A Queen's visit—new elections in September—troubles with DeGaulle over a United Europe. Germans ask: "Which way now?"

by Gerhard O. Marx

London, England

FRANCE'S President Charles de Gaulle has thrown a bombshell into German politics! No United Europe unless France dominates it!

And France, of course, *is* De Gaulle!

What De Gaulle Fears

Above all, De Gaulle fears a Union of Europe dominated by a re-armed Germany. De Gaulle perceives his final mission in life is to establish France as the leader of a New Europe.

To achieve that end he first sought to tie Germany to France in a close alliance. While aging Adenauer was German Chancellor, De Gaulle's plan worked well. Then German politics changed. Ludwig Erhard became Chancellor. The Germans talked back.

De Gaulle met the challenge head-on. As long as De Gaulle remains France, there will be no Union of Europe! The German-led political moves for a United Europe *now* were brought to a screeching halt.

The Germans, of course, saw beyond De Gaulle. The French president is, after all, not immortal. Better wait it out?—and ride the crest of prosperity in the meantime?

Many Germans think so. But others are clamoring for action. The visit of the British Queen and the hot German elections reveal how serious the issue is.

What Germans Are Thinking

On her recent tour of Germany, Queen Elizabeth II was hailed by millions of Germans. Everywhere *enthusiastic* crowds went out of their way to get a glimpse of the Queen of England.

Why such widespread acclamation? *Why* were the Germans so exuberant in their public ovation to this monarch?

In part because Queen Elizabeth is a charming woman with a highly pleasing personality. In part because the German government encouraged the masses to give her a big and warm welcome.

But the BIG reason why the Queen captivated the hearts of so many Germans is something else. Germans still have a strong *inclination* towards and a genuine *longing* for imperial splendour. Seeing the Queen in this election year reminded monarchy-inclined Germans of their own past glory, when they also had a Sovereign, a Monarch, a Kaiser, a Holy Roman Emperor reigning over them.

Almost half a century has passed since the Germans had a Kaiser ruling them. During this interim there was no imperial splendour they could acclaim. No royal Sovereign of their own to captivate their hearts during all this time. Only der Führer filled the gap. No German in this year's election satisfies the craving, and certainly De Gaulle cannot!

Consequently, when the Queen came to Germany, the Germans saw her as someone symbolic of their own past times of monarchical splendour. Not having a present monarch of their own, the Germans directed their royal affection upon the visiting Sovereign, Queen Elizabeth.

"The tears," wrote the Bonn correspondent of the London *Sunday Times*,

"which welled in many a good German's eye as he watched the Queen drive past were more often a nostalgic hankering after the 'good old days' of his own former monarchy, rather than an expression of affection for the British nation."

Interestingly enough, some German newspapers "claimed" the Sovereign of England during her 11-day stay as "Germany's own Queen."

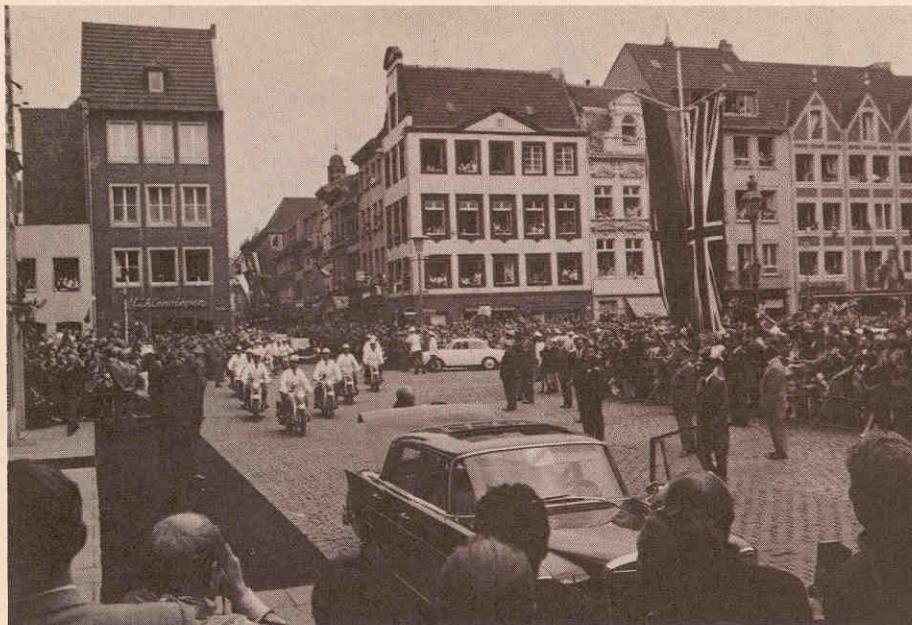
This German attitude led Swiss publicist Fritz Rene Allemann to ask: "Are there some secret monarchical tendencies in the hearts of West Germans?"

The answer to that question is an emphatic YES! Notice what Germans themselves say about their desire and yearning for monarchy—for imperial splendour—for a new Holy Roman Empire ruled by Germans.

The Germans Speak

Kristall, a well-read quarterly German magazine, analyses the fervency with which Germans greeted the Queen: "The Germans are preparing a triumphant reception for Queen Elizabeth. Their zeal betrays them—for in the heart of the second largest trading nation lives an unsatisfied longing for the splendour of the crown."

The magazine continues: "Almost half a century after the last Kaiser's departure into exile in Holland, there still lives in the hearts of many a German an *openly admitted longing* for such a crown." What is more surprising is that according to recent appraisals and interviews, *every third* German is today



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Queen Elizabeth's party arrives at Düsseldorf's Old City Hall, to the cheering of thousands. Germans' rousing welcome reveals a great yearning no longer lying dormant in the German nature.

either an active or passive monarchist.

All this the Germans themselves admit!

But you might ask, *so what?* What difference does it make whether Germans feel strongly about imperial splendour?

It's true that with most other nations, little harm could result from longing for and/or finally establishing a monarchial-type government.

But with Germans it is altogether different. German monarchs are never ordinary monarchs! Nor are her people ordinary people.

Weakness of German Character

Germans have always been characterized as being extremely patriotic, fond of discipline, ever ready for self-sacrifice, and constantly having a sense of duty about them.

These characteristics, of course, are not necessarily bad or dangerous in themselves. But when a German is patriotic, his patriotism often turns into outright chauvinism. Often his fondness for discipline develops into unquestioning submission and zeal for discipline. All too often the German's sense of duty is perverted by a power-hungry, vainglorious leader into the belief of fulfilling a *divine commission*.

In a recent survey, many German students let it be known that politics is too materialistic in present-day Germany. "Everyone is out for money," the younger generation of Germany complained. *What we lack*, they added, *are ideals* for which one can be enthusiastic!

And nothing would serve their purpose more than to see the establishment of an imperial and united Europe under German leadership. If *this* were to happen, their patriotism would soon turn into chauvinism. Their sense of duty into a fanatical belief that they were carrying out the directives of Providence.

That is the great danger!

Many people assume that Germany has learned her lesson now. Germans surely would never fanatically follow a "Führer" in this day and age?

But these people blithely forget that twice during the last 50 years Germans have given their wholehearted support to a strong leader—first to the Kaiser, who led them into World War I, and then to the Führer, who launched them into World War II.

How was all this possible in our enlightened 20th century?

Die Welt am Sonntag, a Hamburg paper, reports on the ease with which the German masses can unreservedly give



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Queen Elizabeth and her husband, Prince Philip, are presented to the exuberant Düsseldorf populace by the city's Mayor Willi Becker and wife.

their all to a man like Hitler. "Those who didn't witness the demoniacal influence of Hitler with their own eyes have no idea of his power over the people. The masses gave themselves to him like a woman who, after years of loyal marriage, suddenly leaves her husband and children and elopes with a stranger she has but met yesterday. Such sudden reactions occur more often than most people realize."

Germans have an inclination to give themselves over to whomever comes along with big promises—with big goals in which they themselves are to play a great and important part!

This vain streak was evidenced when General de Gaulle, as the future champion of Europe, came to Germany in 1962. "You are a great, yes, a great people," he told the shocked, but vain Germans. Needless to say, millions of Germans cheered him. Of that visit in 1962, British historian Rowse remarked: "After all, they haven't seen a Führer for 17 years."

Germany's Sense of Mission

Adolf Hitler proclaimed himself "the greatest liberator of humanity, so ordained by Providence" (see Rausching, *The Voice of Destruction*). At

the same time he assured the Germans that they were superior to any other people—that they constituted the master race—and the Germans believed him. Hitler made every German feel important. He convinced them that Providence had chosen him to lead this remarkable people into fulfilling the Divine commission of establishing German *Kultur* throughout the world.

Why did millions of Germans believe such a fable? The Swiss historian, Carl J. Burckhardt, gave the answer when he said: "Myths are always *intoxicating* for the Germans. Far from being harmless allegories, they are doomsday invitations to danger."

Hans Kohn, in his book, *The Mind of Germany*, adds: "Germans easily succumb to the strange fascination which words such as *fate* or *doom* exercise upon them."

Will Germans never again be fascinated by the grandeur of some majestic personage, promising them deliverance out of their dilemma and charting a new, ambitious and fascinating course to which they have been called?

Let German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard confide his answer: "If you really ask me, I am sometimes *frightened* that *nationalism* could very well rise again

in Germany." He ought to know!

Not so long ago, Konrad Adenauer, as German Chancellor, warned his colleagues to make the best of everything once he is gone.

Just recently, Pastor Martin Niemöller, leading West German clergyman, writing in a church magazine, warned his country that it is *heading for a new dictatorship*. "Hitler will seem mild compared with the regime that will come if the present trend continues."

Don't kid yourself! The Germans haven't changed their nature. That is *physically* impossible. The Germans have merely waited—and are still waiting—until some leader comes along to take advantage of their devotion to political glory.

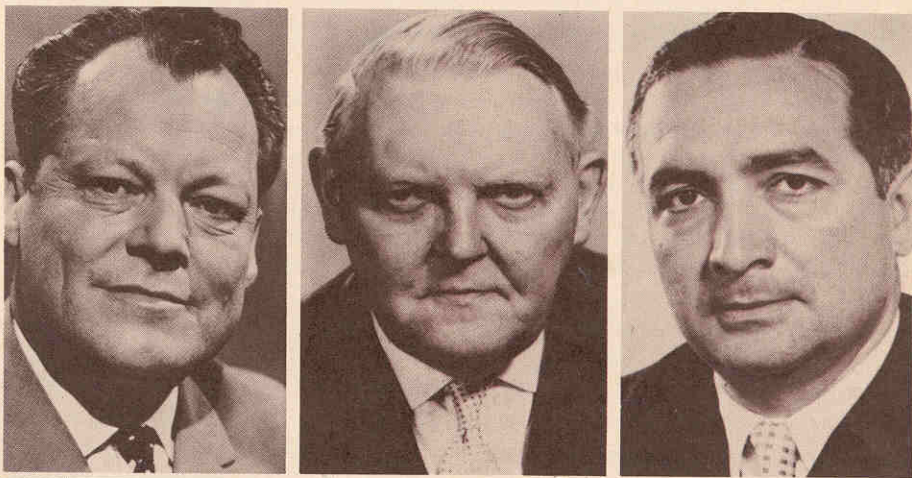
Whether it shall be a Monarch, an

Emperor, a Führer, or even Hitler himself who will captivate the hearts of future Germans, only time will tell.

But one thing we can know. Neither the Germans nor Europe in general will wait forever. Soon, now, the German masses—and all Europe—are again going to be carried off their feet and delightfully persuaded to follow the man of the hour—to lead Germany and Central Europe into a new "glorious golden age."

Whoever it may be, he will be someone who will proclaim himself their man of destiny. He will require of the Germans and their allies self-sacrifice, total loyalty, and all-out support for a new and glorious mission.

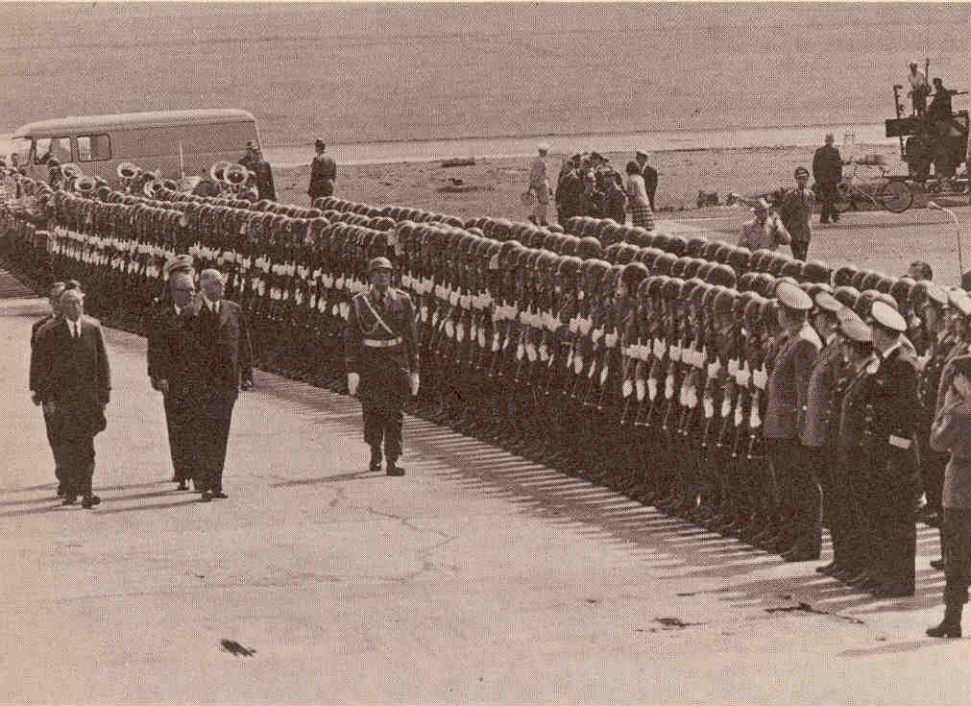
Many signs already *foreshadow* such developments. But there is *one irrefut-*



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Germans crave a strong leader who can renew Germany's long-lost splendour. Top picture: West Berlin's Mayor Willy Brandt, left, head of West Germany's Social Democrat Party, hopes to unseat Chancellor Ludwig Erhard in this fall's elections. Chancellor Erhard, center, head of the Christian Democrat Party, hopes to hold the chancellorship by a coalition with Vice Chancellor Erich Mende, right. Mende is the head of the Free Democrat Party. But neither of these men is the strong leader for which Germany is yearning. Former Chancellor Adenauer, below, addresses Christian Democrats in Düsseldorf's Congresshalle and receives more applause than any other speaker. But at 89 Adenauer is too old to fulfill Germany's dreams of splendour.





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When former Chancellor Adenauer gave President de Gaulle of France the red-carpet treatment, he expected that some form of strong alliance between Germany and France might be worked out during his lifetime. But lately, say Germans, De Gaulle has been such an uncertain friend, that even aging Dr. Adenauer sees his hope vanishing. Dr. Adenauer told the Germans to make the most of the situation after he is gone. How will Germany apply that advice? Will it take the Pope at Rome to bring De Gaulle to heel?

able and absolutely reliable source which very specifically tells us that Germany, as leader of ten united European nations, is soon to arise and carry out this "divine mission, ordained of Providence."

And, although it seems unbelievable, part of that commission will be to attack and destroy the United States, Great Britain and Palestine!

So says *your Bible!*

You Can Know!

For well over 20 years, Mr. Armstrong has made plain to our readers that the prophecies of the Bible foretell that Germany will rise again to become a mighty world power. And, if the English-speaking world does not repent, bring about our national destruction! In 1945, when Germany lay prostrate and statesmen boasted that Germany would not rise again for 50 years or more, Mr. Armstrong told listeners of *The WORLD TOMORROW* broadcast about Germany's quick recovery and eventual development into a giant power.

Since that time, many articles have appeared in *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine warning our peoples of the rise of Germany and the ultimate formation of a United States of Europe. Already we see political and religious rumblings which show us that everything is having its fulfillment exactly according to the prophecies of Almighty God.

Watch world news.

Remember, in this unsettled and strife-ridden world, you can't afford to be ignorant about what the future holds for your country and for you personally.

ASTROLOGY

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none left but the tribe of Judah only" (v. 18).

But even Judah later fell into this idolatry. Manasseh, king of Judah, after God had sent Israel into captivity, built altars for Baal, made a grove, ". . . and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served them" (II Kings 21:3).

In the days of Josiah there was a

temporary revival of the truth of God in the land. This zealous king cleaned the land of idolatry. We read that he "... put down the idolatrous priests, whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn incense in the high places in the cities of Judah, and in the places round about Jerusalem; them also that burned incense unto Baal, to the sun, and to the moon, and to the planets [note: marginal reading, the twelve signs, or, constellations], and to all the host of heaven" (II Kings 23:5).

Nevertheless, the people did not really repent. They sank once again into idolatry and forsook the commandments of God, and God sent Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, against Judah to punish her and carry the people into captivity!

Modern-day Sins

Sadly, history is repeating itself. Once again God's people—our nations today—are plunging into the same, age-old sins and idolatries. Once again people are worshiping on the day of the sun-god Baal—Sunday. Once again witchcraft is making a comeback even in Britain; people are looking to mediums to learn their fates. And, once again, astrology is captivating millions of deceived, deluded followers!

And—once again, unless people repent and turn from these sins—God is going to punish His people, and send them into captivity!! It is time to wake up to the truth! God will not be mocked. He will not quibble. *Sin will be punished!*

What will be the FATE of those people who persist in practicing astrology?

God declares to this present Babylonish world—this present pagan system, "Stand now with thine enchantments, and with the multitude of thy sorceries, wherein thou hast laboured from thy youth; if so be thou shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest prevail. Thou art wearied in the multitude of thy counsels. Let now the ASTROLOGERS, the stargazers, the monthly prognosticators, stand up, and save thee from these things that shall come upon thee."

"Behold," God thunders, "they shall be as stubble; the FIRE shall burn them;

they shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame..." (Isa. 47:12-14).

Speaking of this evil system with its diabolical practices, God's Word declares: "Therefore shall her PLAGUES come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly BURNED WITH FIRE: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her" (Rev. 18:8).

What about those people who wish to obey God—who wish to escape these plagues and woes? God says, "Come OUT OF HER, my people, that ye be NOT partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues"! (Rev. 18:4.) God commands us to come OUT of this world's pagan practices, idolatries! We are not to participate in "the way of the heathen"!

Those who persist in astrology, and the other practices of paganism, will have their part in the second death—the lake of fire! (Rev. 21:8.) Perhaps it does not make much difference to certain people—but it makes a LOT OF DIFFERENCE to God!

What About YOU?

Do you follow certain of its precepts? Don't be too sure—for some do, without realizing it!

Some people, for instance, believe the success of their crops depends upon planting by the phases of the moon and the signs of the zodiac. Some won't plant on "blooms day" because of the unfounded fear that they will have myriads of blooms that produce nothing.

Notice, Christ Himself defined the

natural factors that govern crop production. He mentioned soil types, manure, weather, and weeds (Mat. 13:3-8; Luke 13:6-9). He said nothing of astrology! God's Word also shows that the man who obeys God and keeps His commandments—including the commandment about *tithing*—is the man who will be blessed with successful crops and a bounteous harvest (Deut. 28:1-13; Mal. 3:8-11).

Some have wondered, though, about Genesis 1:14. Here God declared: "... Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years." Does this verse condone, or support astrology? Not at all! God's Word, the Bible, does NOT contradict itself (John 10:35).

True, the sun and moon divide the night from the day. These "lights" are for signs for dividing seasons, days, and years. The sun and moon are necessary for figuring *calendar computation*—not for purposes of astrology! The word "seasons" in this verse deals, not with crops, but with the observance of God's annual Holy Days. God's Holy Days are to be observed in their proper *seasons* (Lev. 23:4).

God appointed the *moon* as a sign for the seasons (Ps. 104:19). In God's calendar, each month begins with a *new moon*. Thus the new moon in Jerusalem is the "sign" or "signal" of the beginning of a new month.

The moon does affect gravity and generate ocean tides because of its closeness to earth. And it has some little influence on human and animal emotions. But even the moon does not

determine the success of agriculture, business, or other endeavors. The stars and planets, being so far away they appear as specks, have no influence even on gravity and the tides.

Interpreting moon phases is not the way to determine when to plow and plant. Obeying God's laws, as outlined in the Bible, is the *ONLY true way* to success, prosperity, and abundant blessing! Astrology does not hold the answers to the BIG questions of life—why we were born, where we are going, or why the earth is threatened by universal destruction. But the Word of God DOES! Astrology is a satanic deception palmed off on the world by deluded men. Although it may *occasionally* predict the future with accuracy, *due*, not to the system involved, *but to lucky guessing or to demon influence*—ultimately *it will fail*—and it will NOT bring ultimate success. Neither can astrology deliver its practitioners or adherents from the judgment of Almighty God who condemns this vile practice!

Where do you stand? When God's plagues are poured out on a God-defying, rebellious world, will you suffer along with the sorcerers, liars, and astrologers? Will you suffer the excruciating plagues God will POUR upon the seat of this world's governments? (Rev. 16.)

Or will you be one of those under God's divine protection because you have surrendered your life to God, for Him to use, as He chooses to do? *Where will you stand?* Only YOU can determine the answer!

Get Out Of Debt

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repairs necessary to operate your car properly. Don't forget in your budget that cars often need repairs. If you can't afford a car, don't buy one. If you can afford to buy a car, buy one you can afford—it may have to be a used car now—and maybe later you can buy that Lincoln Continental or new Cadillac or Rolls Royce if your salary and budget will allow it—but that's probably many years away.

And so your budget goes—right on down the line. Cleaning and laundry, entertainment, insurance costs, and a

God's warnings against divination go unheeded.



host of "incidental" items stretch your income to the limit.

Recently, I was covering these very principles for one of my college classes. We jokingly concluded at the end of the lecture that with all the costs of a modern American family—none of them could afford to get married. Of course that's not true—but it does illustrate the point. No matter how much money a man makes he will always be able to spend it. I suppose there are a few wealthy individuals who have made more money than they can spend—but they are few and far between.

If you want to control your money and stay out of debt, you will have to KNOW WHERE YOU ARE SPENDING IT.

Make a record book. Keep a small metal file cabinet—or as I do personally, a shoe box—handy to keep receipts and records in. Keep those receipts and records in a *safe place*.

You should have some kind of a system so that you can *write down* your needs and payments *every single paycheck*.

And before you buy that new piece of furniture, hi-fi set, or before you take that trip—sit down and *talk it over as a family!*

Before you reach out and buy that item on the shelf at the store, go home and talk it over with your husband. Before you sign that next application for easy credit—*think about it!*

One of the most common reasons for DISASTER is what is called IMPULSIVE BUYING. That means whenever you see something you want—BUY IT! That's the quickest way to go bankrupt.

Therefore, take a little time to work over your family finances.

Take a little time to consider your needs.

Get a system of budgeting that best adapts to your own particular needs.

And be sure you stick to it.

What About Credit Cards?

In the beginning of this article we saw how much credit cards and installment buying had to do with our present-day situation.

But does that mean they are all wrong?

Not at all!

If it were not for installment buying, most of you would probably not have the home you now live in. You probably would not be driving your car, sitting on your furniture, or wearing the clothes you have on.

It is not *entirely wrong* to have a credit card—or to have a 20- or 30-year loan on your home. That is, it is not wrong if you can *adequately make the payments*.

But so many cannot meet the payments of their myriad bills. For these people—it is not all right. They shouldn't be sitting on that particular item of furniture—they shouldn't have that extra coat they just bought at the department store on time. That put a strain on the budget, and it's almost at the breaking point. And that wallet full of credit cards at half the stores in town can quickly become the straw that breaks the camel's back.

If you can't control installment buying—DON'T HAVE CREDIT CARDS—AND DON'T OPEN CHARGE ACCOUNTS.

If you can control credit buying, be careful it doesn't sneak up on you—thousands get in trouble thinking they have enough money to go ahead and say "charge it."

A Word About Installment Buying

While installment or time-plan buying can at times be very helpful, it must be used WITH GREAT CARE AND CAUTION.

The cost of credit is out of this world—and most people never stop to think of what they are doing when they buy on time.

Most "revolving credit plans" charge an interest and service charge of one and a half percent per month on the unpaid balance. It doesn't sound like much, does it? But have you ever sat down to figure it out? *That will cost you about 18 percent in true annual interest!*

If the average borrower would stop to think about the bank and finance company *interest rates*, time finance charges and the like, he might not buy most of what goes on the credit plan.

Many check credit accounts charge a true annual interest rate of between 18 and 24 percent—it may be called "about 6 percent" by the salesman, but that's

on his terms. The average person is so misled that he or she doesn't have the time or knowledge to stop and figure it out.

I know a man who just borrowed about \$2000 to buy some new furniture. We figured out exactly what the interest was on the finance company loan. It turned out to be \$500 to be paid during the next three years. He bought \$2000 worth of furniture—but he's going to pay the loan company \$2500. And that interest rate was very conservative.

He could have furnished an entire room of his house for the interest alone. But the contract is signed and his \$500 will soon be gone. The interest rate, you know, is absorbed very rapidly in the first few months of the loan, so that even if he pays it off sooner than the allotted three years *most* of the interest will never be recovered.

Again, if you want to buy on credit and pay it out over a long period of time—it might be all right. But you should know what you are doing. The interest rates on time buying are *extremely high*. And you'll have to determine if the item you want to purchase is worth paying the extra interest to have it now rather than setting aside the money so you can pay cash for it.

Start Now

It is never too late to start straightening out your family financial problems. Even though you may not see your way clear now, you have to start somewhere. The longer you delay—the deeper in debt you're going to be.

No matter what your conditions are (whether you are financially on good ground, or whether you are near collapse) what has been mentioned in this article you will sooner or later find out to be ABSOLUTE LAWS TO FINANCIAL SUCCESS.

Break them and you will be broken.

Keep them and you will begin to increase and prosper in the right way according to God's will and *promise*.

Try it and see if it won't work for you! And write for our free booklet, *Ending Your Financial Worries*. It will show you even more of the why's and how's of getting out of debt.

The Bible Story

by Basil Wolverton

CHAPTER EIGHTY-THREE

A KING IS CHOSEN!

WHEN SAMUEL saw Saul for the first time, God informed Samuel that this was the powerful young Benjamite who would become the leader of Israel. Saul didn't know who Samuel was, though God had caused him to walk up to Samuel and inquire where the chief of Israel could be found. (I Samuel 9:10-18.)

Samuel Finds His Man

"I am Samuel," the older man answered. "Is there some way I may help you?"

Saul and his servant were startled by the words. They hadn't expected to meet Samuel among the people who were walking to the spot where a special sacrifice would be made.

"Yes — there is, sir," Saul explained hesitantly, "but probably you won't consider it a very important matter. My father owns a farm northwest of here. A few days ago he discovered that several of his donkeys were missing. This man and I have been looking for them over a large area. We have come to you to ask if you know where they are, or if God might tell you where they are."

Much as Saul had been startled and surprised when he realized that he had run into Samuel, he was even more startled and surprised by Samuel's next remark.

"God has already helped locate your father's donkeys. I shall tell you about that later. There is a matter of much greater importance that you should be concerned about now. I am aware that you are Saul, the son of Kish, and I happen to know that you have been chosen for a very high office in Israel."

Saul didn't know exactly what to say, and that was because he didn't understand

what Samuel was talking about. "I don't know what you mean, sir," the young Benjamite said in an uncomfortable tone. "I am of the smallest tribe of Israel, the tribe that has suffered great disgrace. And," he added modestly, "my family is the least important in the tribe of Benjamin. Why should I be chosen for anything?"

"I shall explain all this at another time," Samuel replied. "Go now before me to where the sacrifice is being made. I'll speak more with you after the sacrificial ceremonies are over."

Samuel then seated Saul and his servant as dinner guests with about thirty other people. These probably included certain leaders of Israel and some of the learned men who were instructors in a nearby college Samuel had established for training chosen men for careers in teaching the laws of God to the people.

Saul was greatly impressed by being in the company of such men. He was honored almost to the point of embarrassment when Samuel requested that a special portion of meat be set before Saul. This was the shoulder. The shoulder, the choice part of an offering, told those present that Saul was a very special guest. (I Samuel 9:19-24.)

That night Saul and his servant were guests at the house occupied by Samuel. Before bedtime Samuel took Saul up on the roof, which was a flat area where the dwellers of the house went for privacy. There the elderly judge explained to Saul that God had picked him to be the head of Israel, and briefly told him what would be expected of him. Saul could scarcely believe that such honor and responsibility would soon be his. He felt that he wasn't prepared for such a position, but Samuel persuaded him that inasmuch as God had chosen him, He would surely give him divine help.

Saul Anointed King!

After a night's rest, Samuel told Saul that he should return to his home for a time, and that he would like to walk along with him and his servant on their way out of town. As soon as they arrived at a secluded area, Samuel asked Saul to send his servant on ahead. (I Samuel 9:25-27.)

When the two of them were alone, Samuel followed God's instructions by pouring a small container of olive oil over Saul's head.

"I anoint you for consecration to the rank of captain of Israel!" Samuel exclaimed. "This is the office God has already decreed for you."

The elderly judge congratulated Saul by kissing him on the cheek, which in those times meant about the same as our present-day handshake.

"I shall leave you here," Samuel told Saul. "Don't be concerned about your

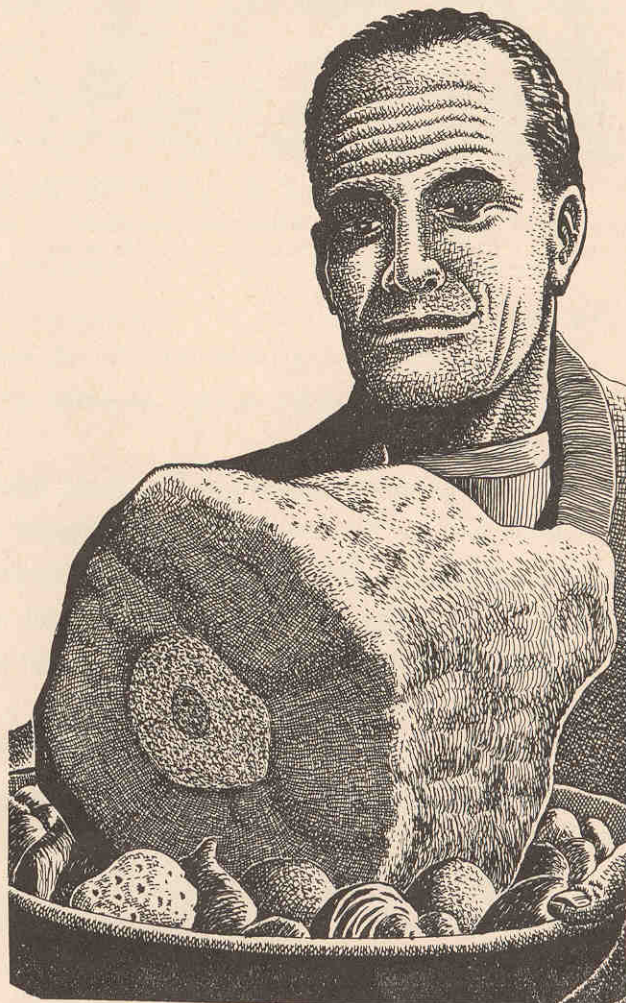
father's donkeys. They have been found. Let me tell you what will happen to you on your way back, so that you will know for certain that God is speaking through me concerning you.

"A little way north of here, at the place where Jacob buried Rachel his wife, two men will appear and inform you that your father's donkeys have been found, and that he is worried because you have been gone so long. After you leave them, you will walk out on a plain where there is a large oak tree. There you will meet three men who will be going northward to offer sacrifices at Bethel. One will be carrying three young goats. One will be carrying three loaves of bread. The other will be carrying a bottle of wine. They will speak to you and insist on giving two loaves of their bread to you. (I Samuel 10:1-4.)

"Later, you will come to the hill of God — Mount Moriah, at Jerusalem — where the Philistines have built a garrison. As you approach the nearby city, you will see a group of men carrying musical instruments. They will be from one of my colleges for training ministers. They shall speak and sing of things that have to do with God. You will join them, and God will guide you in what to say before them. You will begin to feel like another man with other interests. When you experience all these things I have mentioned, you will realize that God is beginning to work through you.

"After you have rested at your home, go down to Gilgal. Stay there for a week. I shall join you there to tell you what next to do." (I Samuel 10:5-8.)

As Saul moved northward with his servant companion, his head was swimming with the



At Samuel's dinner, one of the waiters was instructed to bring a special portion of meat to Saul.

startling events of the past hours. It was like a fantastic dream. But as he thought about these things, he realized that if God could inspire Samuel to forecast the details of their return trip home, there was no reason to doubt that God could work through anyone He chose, and that the Creator owed no explanation to those whom He chose to work through as to why He picked them. Somehow Saul felt that he suddenly had a different outlook on many things.

Samuel's Prophecies Fulfilled

He wasn't completely convinced, however, that matters were going to turn out just as Samuel had predicted. Soon, however, as they traveled, his servant reminded him that they were passing close to Rachel's tomb, and pointed to the rocky area off to the left that had been a landmark of the Israelites for centuries. Saul remembered what Samuel had told him about two men meeting him at this place, but he didn't see anyone around except a few laborers in a distant field. As he walked on past the tomb site he began to think that Samuel hadn't been exactly accurate in his predictions.

Suddenly Saul was aware that two of the field laborers had left their work and were hurrying toward the road. They were waving and shouting to attract his attention. Saul stopped to see what they wanted.

"We've been watching for you to come by this way!" one of the men panted. "We have news for you!"

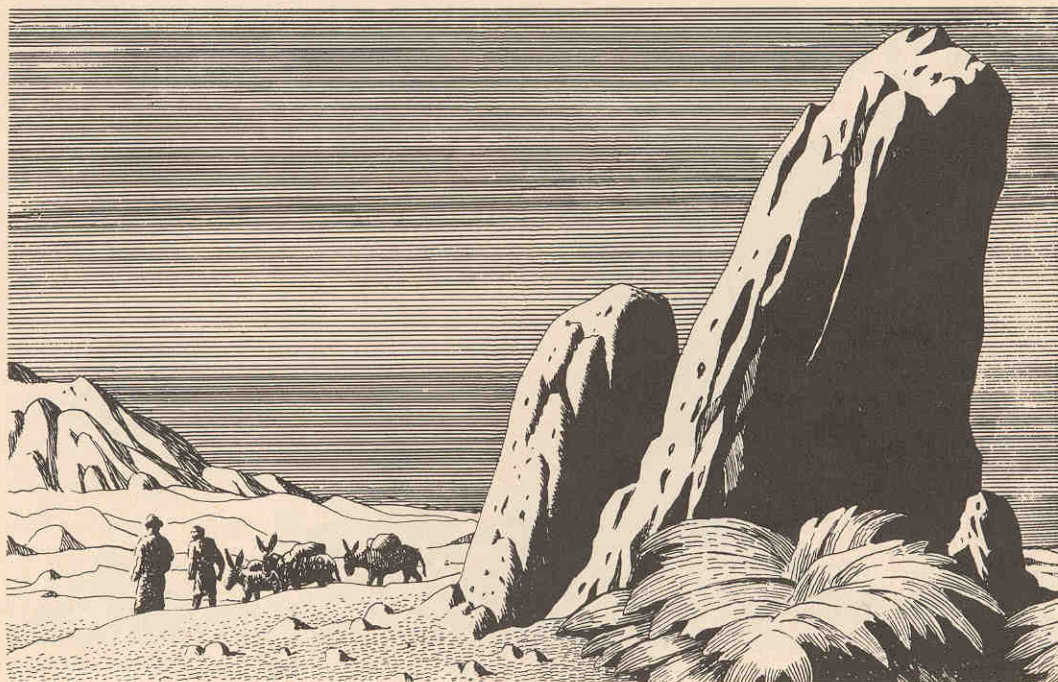
"Your father's donkeys have been found, and have been returned to his farm," the other said. "Your father is very concerned about you, and hopes that you will return very soon."

Saul was pleasantly startled to find these strangers carrying out a part of Samuel's prediction. At the same time he experienced a surprising feeling when he realized that the God of Israel had arranged this matter just because of him. He heartily thanked the two men for their information and continued northward into a prairie area. After a while he and his servant arrived at an unusually large oak tree. They sat down there to rest in the shade.

"I was told that we would meet three men at an oak tree on our way home," Saul mentioned to his servant. "There is no one in sight. Perhaps this isn't the right tree."

At almost that moment three men appeared over a nearby rise. As they approached, Saul could see that one was carrying three young goats. Another had a leather bottle hanging over his shoulder. The third had a flat package tucked under his arm. (I Samuel 10:9.)

"Hello, there!" one of them called out. The other two gave friendly nods.



As Saul set out for home after his meeting with Samuel and his unusual experiences, he had an opportunity, at last, to think about the responsibility that would be his as the ruler of Israel.

"A good day to you, sirs," Saul answered. "Are you by any chance going up to Bethel?"

"We are indeed," one of them replied in a puzzled tone. "How could you guess that?"

"I noted the young goats and the wineskin," Saul answered, "and I supposed they were for sacrificing on the altar at Bethel."

"Perhaps you are as hungry as you are observing," the man with the package remarked. "We have three loaves of bread here, and we have just eaten. All we need is one for the offering. We would like to give you the other two loaves."

"Thank you," Saul said, "but we really don't need them. We are close to the end of our trip."

"A man of your size requires an unusual amount of nourishment," the fellow countered. "Please take these two loaves."

"All right," Saul smilingly agreed, remembering Samuel's words about accepting the bread. "Thank you for being so considerate of us."

Finally Convinced

As the two men moved on with their beasts, Saul marveled at how Samuel's pre-



As he and his servant rested in the shade of a large oak tree, Saul was relieved to see three men approaching. They were the ones Samuel had predicted would meet him there.

dictions had come true to that time. He wondered if any or all of the beings they had met up to that time could have been angels instead of men.

When they arrived at the hill where a Philistine fortress was situated — at present-day Jerusalem — Saul anxiously looked for the group of men about which Samuel had spoken. He expected to see the men as soon as he arrived. His disappointment mounted as the minutes went by. Just when he had begun to conclude that Samuel had done well, after all, in correctly predicting two out of three situations, he spotted several men walking together and carrying musical instruments. He moved eagerly toward them, and hesitantly joined them when they began playing, singing and speaking.

These students and instructors from one of the colleges Samuel had instituted were impressed by Saul's willingness and desire to join them so that he might learn more of the history of Israel and what God required of obedient Israelites. Meanwhile, several people passed by who knew Saul, all of whom wondered what this young man was doing in the company of such a religious group. (I Samuel 10:10-13.)

When Saul finally arrived home, he was warmly greeted by his family. He didn't at first mention to any of his relatives his exciting experience with Samuel. Finally an inquisitive uncle began to question him.

"Just where have you been these past few days?" the uncle inquired.

"Why do you ask?" Saul cheerfully queried. "You know that we were trying to find my father's lost donkeys."

"I know that you set out to try to find them," the uncle persisted. "But where did you go and what did you do?"

"We went north to Mt. Ephraim and then southward into southern Benjamin," Saul replied. "On our way back we went to the leader of Israel, Samuel, to ask him if he could tell us where the donkeys were. He told me that the animals had already been found. We returned home to find them here."

"That Samuel is an amazing man," the uncle observed, wagging his head thoughtfully.

Saul could have told his uncle about Samuel's feast and other matters, but he didn't wish to invite questions that might lead to the disclosure of Saul's being chosen as the future leader of Israel. (I Samuel 10:14-16.)

Shortly after Saul's return home, Samuel sent out a decree that the Israelites should come to Mizpeh on a certain day to witness the election of their future king. Of course Samuel already knew that Saul would be king, but God had told him that at least the heads of families should be present when the person who would rule them should be chosen.

Because this was something they had long desired, the people turned out in huge numbers. The mood of most of them was most festive, but Samuel sobered many of them by what he had to say.

God Guides the Selection

"Before we get to the business of choosing a king," Samuel addressed the crowd, "I want to pass on to you some things that God has spoken to me. He wants me to remind you that although He brought your ancestors out of Egypt and saved them and you from many enemies, you rejected Him as your ruler when you asked for a man to rule over you. God's way is to lead and instruct you through men who have a special knowledge of God's laws and ways — men who are dedicated to serving God and the welfare of the people through God's great mercy and wisdom. But now you want a king, the kind of leader pagan nations look up to. God will give you a king, and He has told you what to expect if that kind of leader becomes too ambitious or lets his power go to his head. Now let us get on with the election, and may God guide the one who will be chosen!" (I Samuel 10:17-19.)

Inasmuch as this matter was to be determined by the drawing of lots, the leaders of the tribes of Israel were asked by Samuel to participate in the drawing. Marked tabs were put into a container. One was taken out at random, and handed to Samuel.



"Show us the man who is to be our king!" was the cry that thundered up from the great crowd of Israelites.

There was silence as the people waited, each person hoping that his tribe would be chosen.

"Benjamin has been chosen!" Samuel announced. "Your king will come from that tribe!"

There was a cheer from the Benjamites, but after it ceased there was a murmur from the rest of the people. They couldn't forget the bloody civil war that had been triggered by the evil actions of a few wanton Benjamites.

The next choice to be made was that of a family or clan from the tribe that had just been picked. There was a tab for every family. One was taken out and handed to Samuel.

"The Benjamite family of Matri has been chosen!" Samuel told the people.

A cheer went up from those of that family who were present. Tabs were then prepared for all eligible men in the family of Matri. One tab was taken from the container and given to Samuel.

"From the tribe of Benjamin, of the family of Matri, a son of Kish has been chosen as the man to be your king!" Samuel declared. "His name is Saul!" (I Samuel 10:20-21.)

Although most of the Israelites didn't know Saul, a great sound thundered up from the crowd.

"Show us this man!" the people roared.

Samuel sent men to bring Saul. They returned a few minutes later, while the crowd still yelled, to report that Saul was nowhere to be found!

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What our READERS SAY

(Continued from inside front cover)

about 95% of us. 'Yes, people will scoff.'"

Charles E. C., Springville,
California

• *You're right!*

The 2300 Days

"I have just read in *The PLAIN TRUTH* 'The 2300 Days.' I have been studying a lot in Daniel and Revelation, and I want you to send me the booklet 'The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy.'"

N. V. S., Savannah, Tennessee

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"I just want to thank you so very much for *The PLAIN TRUTH*. Only God knows it is truly an eye-opener. The only problem I have is that my husband is a minister (my brother also), and I almost have to fight with them to get my magazine. So if you could put my brother's name on your mailing list, this would help matters a lot."

Mrs. Purvis B., Ohio

From Nigeria

"It pleases me to write you, thanking you for your invaluable magazine, which I hope you will allow me to de-

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Man from Nigeria, West Africa

Masculinity

"*The PLAIN TRUTH* this month is very interesting. The article about what Christ is really like is very good. Could you have an article on what a woman should be like? The cover is beautiful..."

M. A. G., Buena Park, California

• *Keep reading—we'll soon answer that question.*

THE BIBLE ANSWERS

Short Questions

FROM OUR READERS

HERE are the *Bible* answers to questions which can be answered briefly in a short space. *Send in your questions.* While we cannot promise that all questions will find space for answer in this department, we shall try to answer all that are vital and in the general interest of our readers.

In a recent magazine issue (*Reader's Digest*) is an article about a woman named Jeane Dixon. She has prophesied many detailed events which have come true. In the Bible I read where the prophet whose prophecies come true is a prophet of God. How else can we know if a person is a prophet of God?—A reader from North Carolina.

The article on Jeane Dixon in the *Reader's Digest*—entitled "The Crystal Ball"—has stirred wide interest. People, it seems, are curious about the future. They go to crystal-ball gazers, fortune tellers, mediums, astrologers, and—

especially in Britain—even witches.

Just what is the test of a prophet of God? How does one know the difference between one who speaks with divine authority and someone who utters prognostications out of his, or her, own mind?

People assume—as has our reader from North Carolina—that anyone whose predictions come true must be a messenger of God. That is not what your Bible says! Open your Bible and see what it does say:

"If there arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and giveth

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Are We ALONE?

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"take" began of the series of twenty-one photos of Mars.

Scientists and technicians on earth gave vent to pent-up emotions from the tense hours of waiting when Mariner's message from its tiny 10½ watt radio transmitter began activating the digital code computers.

PICTURES WERE BEING RECEIVED!

The Graphic Picture Story

The remarkable picture story relayed by Mariner IV from outer space and digested during the next days and weeks emphasized ONE GRAPHIC TRUTH—the incredible UNIQUENESS of the planet EARTH among its peers.

The haunting hope that the photos of Mars would reveal some form of life, perhaps evidence of a long-since-perished *advanced* society which built canals and cities slowly faded into impossibility.

As the photos came in, one by one, the Martian landscape revealed a crater-marked wasteland apparently unchanged by any water erosion. The lack of erosion on Mars means that no wind or water action has changed or affected Mars' surface for an untold number of years—scientists assume perhaps two to five BILLION YEARS.

No oceans, no streams, no pattern of watercourses like we might see on earth—even in our deserts. No sign there had *ever been* any seas—EVER. No volcanic evidence, no foliage, no cloud cover, no movement—NOTHING. Only a wasteland pock-marked with the evidence of ancient meteoric bombardment.

Even the hope that in some remote and sheltered depressions some moisture might collect to sustain some form of life dimmed. Mariner IV's radio transmissions through the Martian atmosphere revealed an atmosphere so attenuated as to approximate a partial vacuum. The Martian atmospheric pressure is only 1 to 2 percent of what we experience here on earth. Even if water did collect in damp recesses, it

would almost instantly disappear through "flash distillation."

Even though some hope is still held for some microscopic form of hardy life on Mars, the undeniable truth is still apparent—MARS IS A DEAD PLANET! Mars is a void and a wasteland—there is NO LIFE THERE.

Jet Propulsion Laboratory Bulletin

On August 4, 1965, the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena released the official report of Mariner IV's findings, complete with all 21 photographs.

Here are excerpts from that report:

"Man's first close-up look at Mars has revealed the scientifically startling fact that at least part of its surface is covered with large craters.

"Frame number 11... must be ranked as one of the most remarkable scientific photographs of this age.

"The existence of Martian craters is demonstrated beyond question; their meaning and significance is, of course, a MATTER OF INTERPRETATION. The SEVENTY craters clearly distinguishable on Mariner's photos... range in diameter from 3 to 75 miles. It seems likely that smaller craters exist.

"The number of craters per unit area of the Martian surface is closely comparable to the *densely-cratered up-*

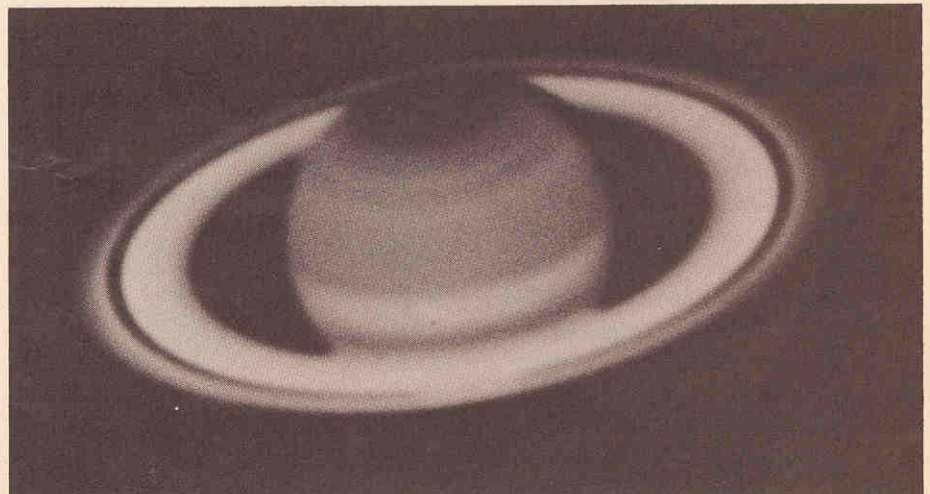
land areas of the MOON. If the Mariner sample is representative of the Martian surface, the *total* number of craters is more than TEN THOUSAND... In appearance, the Martian craters resemble *impact craters.*

"Some mention must be made of features looked for, BUT NOT SEEN on the Mariner photos. Although the flight line crossed several 'canals'... *no trace* of these features was discernible. No Earth-like features, such as *mountain chains, great valleys, ocean basins* or *continental masses* were recognized.

"...Mars is more moon-like than Earth-like. Reasoning by analogy with the moon, much of the heavily cratered surface of Mars must be *very ancient*—perhaps [they claimed] two to five BILLION years old.

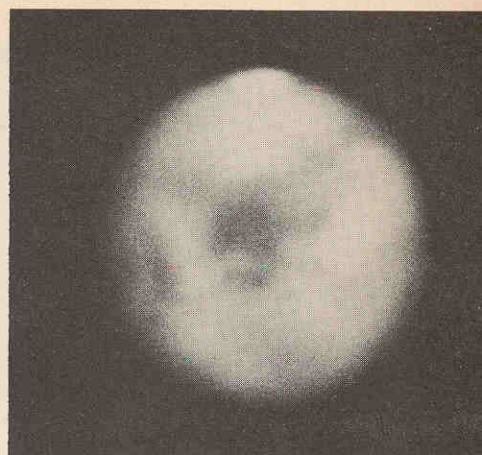
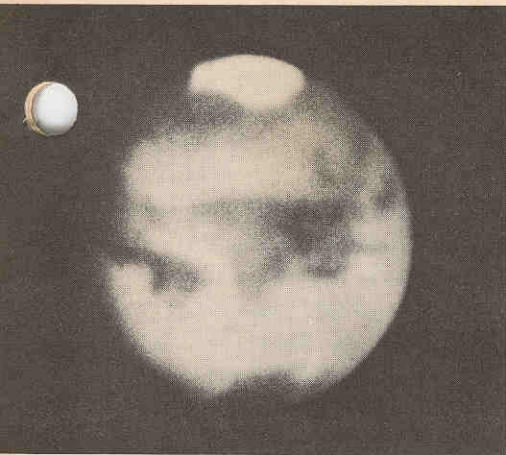
"The remarkable state of preservation of such an ancient surface leads us to the inference that NO ATMOSPHERE significantly denser than the PRESENT *very thin* one has characterized the planet *since the surface was born.* Similarly, it is difficult to believe that FREE WATER in quantities sufficient to form streams or to fill oceans could have existed anywhere on Mars *since* that time.

"The *Earth* is internally dynamic, giving rise to mountains, continents, and other features while the topographic features of Mars have NOT BEEN PRODUCED by stress and deformation *within* the planet. Mars evidently has long been INACTIVE.



Mount Wilson and Palomar Observatories Photo

Scientists consider it obvious that Saturn, above, and the other giant planets are too far from the sun to sustain life of any sort.



Mount Wilson and Palomar Observatories Photos

Prior to Mariner IV photos, astronomers thought pictures of Mars seemed to disclose polar caps of ice coming and going with the seasons. They hoped Mars might have a life-supporting climate similar to earth. Mariner IV revealed that hope to be only a passing illusion.

"THE MARINER PHOTOS WILL PROFOUNDLY AFFECT SCIENTIFIC VIEWS ABOUT THE ORIGIN AND EVOLUTION OF PLANETARY BODIES IN THE PLANETARY SOLAR SYSTEM!"

The Real Significance

Mankind has been given a look, through Mariner's spectacular photographs, at a profound truth so startling and sobering that if it were understood by scientists, it would instantly revolutionize human thinking.

The empty wasteland, the absence of ANY life, the profound "deadness" of Mars and the chaotic evidence of surface scars from meteoric bombardment corroborate and verify the *ancient truth* revealed by ALMIGHTY GOD in His Word! "THE HEAVEN, EVEN THE HEAVENS, ARE THE LORD'S: BUT THE EARTH HATH HE GIVEN TO THE CHILDREN OF MEN!" (Psa. 115:16.)

Yes, the yawning craters and empty surface of a DEAD PLANET are a voice from ancient time echoing a fantastic story of OUTER SPACE already written in the words of the BIBLE—the book so many own but so few read and BELIEVE.

The Startling Truth

To understand this fascinating truth we must go back to the *beginning!* In Genesis 1:1 we read, "In the beginning GOD *created* the heaven AND the earth."

Yes, God CREATED! The earth did not evolve by *chance*. The earth and the

heavens are NOT an *accident*. They were *created* by a LIVING GOD to fulfill His purpose.

The Hebrew word "created" in verse one is BARA, meaning created in *perfection* and ORDER.

God—A God of Order

God's Word reveals what God is like! In I Corinthians 14:33, God's Word states: "...God is NOT the author of confusion, but of *peace*." God is orderly, systematic. He rules and governs His creation by LAW.

Now, prepare yourself for a startling SHOCK!

Genesis ONE, VERSE TWO contains a fantastic truth MISSED by most theologians.

"And *the earth* was without form and void," is the common rendering.

The Hebrew words for "without form and void" are TOHU and BOHU and mean actually—CHAOTIC and CONFUSED.

Yet, verse one revealed that God originally created the heavens and the earth in order and perfection!

What happened?

The answer is the fantastic "open sesame" to understanding why the planet Mars is a chaotic ruin and a wasteland.

YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND!

The word "was" in Genesis 1:2 should be translated "BECAME"! God's original creation was beautiful and perfect. Isaiah 45:18 tells us: "For thus

saith the Lord that created the heavens; God Himself that formed the earth and *made* it; He hath established it, He created it *NOT IN VAIN*." The word "vain" is exactly the same word as in Genesis 1:2, BOHU—meaning a chaotic ruin.

No, God did not originally create the earth in chaos and confusion. It *was* perfect, but *BECAME* TOHU AND BOHU—a chaotic RUIN.

In Genesis 19:26, the same Hebrew word which was translated *was* in Genesis 1:2 is translated *BECAME*. Genesis 1:2 should read: "And the earth *became* without form and void."

How Chaos?

How did the earth become a wreck and a ruin? The amazing story is all there in God's Word.

Long before the dawn of human history, even before God created the heavens and the earth in their original beauty and perfection, God also created a great angelic host of hundreds of millions of angels. He created them to be "ministering spirits" to help and work with God's coming creation—man (see Hebrews 1:14).

When God created the original earth the angelic host rejoiced and sang for joy to see the very dwelling place created for themselves and MAN (Job 38:4-7).

God had placed great Archangels over the other angels. One of them, Lucifer, whose very name means LIGHT BRINGER, God made a "covering

Cherub" in one of the very highest posts of Angelic authority in the GOVERNMENT of God. After training, the angels were put over the earth to rule it under God's government.

Notice now what happened . . .

"How art thou fallen from heaven, O LUCIFER, son of the morning [light bringer]! How art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

"For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt MY THRONE above the stars [angels] of God: I will sit *also* upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: *I will ascend above the heights of the clouds: I WILL BE LIKE THE MOST HIGH*" (Isa. 14:12-14).

Lucifer REBELLED AGAINST GOD!

In Ezekiel 28, verses 12 through 14, Lucifer is again described. His perfection and beauty were startling. He was on the "INSIDE" of God's plan and government. He knew God was going to create MAN and ultimately offer to man SONSHIP in the family of God.

Lucifer knew that in the government of God, the RULER, or underruler, is actually the SERVANT of those he rules. And he who is *in* authority, must also be *under* the authority of *his* superiors.

Lucifer, created eternally to be a ministering spirit, was not content to always be a *servant*. He neither wanted to *serve* those he ruled, nor to *be* ruled by GOD. HE WANTED TO BE GOD. He rebelled against God!

"Thou wast perfect in thy ways until iniquity was found in thee. By the multitude of your merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, AND THOU HAST SINNED" (verses 15 and 16).

So Lucifer (light bringer) became SATAN (the adversary).

He led ONE-THIRD of all the angels with him in his rebellion (Rev. 12:4).

In II Peter 2:4 God's Word states: "For if God spared not the ANGELS THAT SINNED . . ."

YES, ANGELS SINNED AND REBELLED AGAINST GOD!

Now, notice the book of Jude to see what Satan and his now-FALLEN ANGELS did.

"AND THE ANGELS WHICH KEPT NOT THEIR FIRST ESTATE, but left their own habitation . . ." (Jude 6).

Satan and his demons left their dwelling place on earth. Satan wanted God's dominion! He wanted the throne of God. He argued about it, sought to justify his way of getting, and attempted to seize control of the reins of government. But he WAS DEFEATED.

God pronounced in Ezekiel 28: ". . . therefore, I will cast thee as *profane* out of the mountain [government] of God; and I will destroy [expel] thee, O COVERING CHERUB . . ." (verse 16).

Space War

This battle between Satan and his angels and Almighty God for the control of space was WAR on a scope beyond human comprehension.

The objectives at stake in that war were our own solar system and the UNIVERSE AROUND US.

Planets may well have been thrown from their orbits! Space debris and great clouds of gas were formed.

In our solar system scientists have observed graphic evidence that a planet HAS EXPLODED!

Giant comets were created, tracing gaseous trails in their space-wandering orbits. Huge chunks and masses of smashed planets became flaming meteorites, crashing into the twisted wreckage of other planets. Great gaseous comets blazing mute testimony of their ancient origin; broken asteroids; pieces of planets; meteors and space debris still falling nightly—after so long a time—all tell the story.

The Mars photos reveal the whole face of our solar system has been changed!

Our own moon has long borne mute testimony of WAR. The void, dismal surface defaced and pock-marked by thousands of impacts telling a graphic story.

When Ranger VI focused its six television cameras on the moon, an incredible close-up view of the pock-marked, ravaged surface of the moon was revealed. Thousands of impact craters and streaking scars gave the undeniable appearance of an ancient battlefield.

The very substrata of our OWN EARTH itself reveals the same twisted chaos and ancient violence.

And now, THE PLANET MARS bears testimony as well.

In an article in the *Chicago Sun Times* scientists stated that the battered face of Mars was a MAJOR SHOCK.

The *Chicago Tribune* also stated that Mars is a world BRUTALLY pock-marked by huge craters that make it more like the moon than the Earth. "Mars," the article continued, "meaningfully named for the god of war—has a landscape resembling a BATTLEFIELD—the craters are believed caused by *great meteors*, or heavenly *fireballs*—DWARFING THE H-BOMB—hitting the planet in a bombardment."

Some of the photographs reveal craters estimated to be 13 THOUSAND FEET DEEP.

The Earth Unique—

The story continues in Genesis 1.

"And the earth became without form and void . . ."—we now know why!—" . . . and darkness was upon the face of the deep [abyss]. And the spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters."

The once beautiful earth had become a ruin. It was covered with water. It was dark and vacant.



Mount Wilson and Palomar Observatories Photo
Close-up view of the moon which, like Mars, is a battle-scarred, chaotic, empty wasteland.

Then, God said: "LET THERE BE LIGHT—AND THERE WAS LIGHT" (verse 3). Genesis reveals the rest. God RE-SHAPED THE EARTH, forming dry land and seas, causing foliage and life to grow.

Then God created and placed MAN on the *earth* to fulfil His purpose.

God gave to man through the WORD OF GOD the story of how it all happened. God wanted man to read that story in the things he saw around him (Romans 1:20). God wanted man to see what rebellion against His authority *caused*. God let it all happen on purpose so that man would learn the lesson and seek God's way and obey Him.

Man Without God

But, man in his vanity has turned from God AND from His Word. Ignoring the graphic testimony and proof around him, man has INVENTED origins and reasons of his own.

Notice God's indictment in Romans 1: "Because that when they KNEW GOD, they glorified Him not as God, neither were thankful; *but* became VAIN in their *imagination*s, and their foolish heart [understanding] was darkened. Professing themselves to be WISE, they became FOOLS, and CHANGED [or exchanged] the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image [form] made like to corruptible man, and to BIRDS, and four-footed BEASTS, and CREEPING THINGS" (verses 21-23).

Yes, man turned from the truth of his origin and turned to EVOLUTION as his creator—even forgetting the ancient Satanic rebellion God had left to remind him of his destiny if he DISOBEYED.

Notice now man's state. "Wherefore, God also gave them up to [turned them over to] uncleanness through the LUSTS of their own hearts, to *dishonor* their own bodies between themselves."

Man turned to *himself* and exchanged the TRUTH for a LIE (verse 25) worshiping the creature (himself) instead of God who created him.

And, so man today cannot understand *who* he is or *what* he is. He believes he *evolved*. He believes the universe evolved.



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Halley's Comet, one of the space-wandering masses left in the heavens after Satan's rebellion and the war in the heavens.

Man has left GOD OUT OF HIS KNOWLEDGE and, therefore, cannot understand the truth of the things he sees about him.

Notice verse 28: "and even as they did not like to RETAIN GOD IN THEIR KNOWLEDGE, God gave them over to a REPROBATE MIND to do [and to believe] those things which are NOT CONVENIENT"—NOT TRUE.

The Conclusion

Is it any wonder then that the scientists and astronomers cannot understand the real significance of the startling pictures of Mars? Is it any wonder they continue their vain, hopeless search?

Yet, the sobering reality is beginning to unfold itself *shockingly* to man. He is realizing the Earth is unique in our solar system. He is beginning to realize he IS ALONE.

Out of the vast wasteland and chaos of the solar system, God focused on the planet Earth *alone*. It was here He chose to re-create and refashion. On Earth and Earth alone God created life *and* His greatest creation—MAN.

God is working out a perfect plan here below. God created man to grow in GRACE and KNOWLEDGE; to come to

understand his Creator, to obey Him and to one day qualify to enter into the very Kingdom and family of God.

This is the ultimate destiny of MAN. It is the wonderful and inspiring TRUTH revealed by the Creator God in HIS WORD.

Satan is the *deceiver* of the *whole world* (Revelation 12:9). Satan has never given up in his quest to overthrow God. He failed in *his* attempt to dethrone God. Yet, he has deceived mankind in general into seeking to conquer space WITHOUT GOD.

Blindly man rushed on in his blind quest—inspired by the blindness of his own "reprobate mind" and the urgings of the DECEIVER—Satan.

Yes, this is the story the Martian photos REALLY tell. Mankind, as far as physical life forms go, really IS *alone* in the solar system! And yet MORE THAN ALONE . . . He is without God.

The simple TRUTH is revealed clearly in God's Word—the BIBLE. Man is *really* not alone! God is there! "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32).

YOU can know that truth if YOU are willing to diligently seek your Maker, if you are willing to put GOD back in YOUR knowledge.

What REALLY Caused the Los Angeles Race Riots?

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tions, name-calling, blame-placing, lablelism, and charge and counter-charge.

Who Was to Blame?

The Negroes screamed "POLICE BRUTALITY!" No one screamed brutality on the part of enraged Negro mobs who shot policemen, injured dozens seriously, or dragged one pair of whites from their car, leaving one man's eye hanging from its socket.

Some said POVERTY was to blame. Many suspected Communist agitation. Some said it was the "Long Hot Summer" in Watts. Some said it was the fault of the State Highway Patrolmen. The Negro population was quoted by one noted civil rights worker as feeling the whole thing was the responsibility of Police Chief Parker.

Parker accused the lawless element of the Negro Community, criticized the hate sheets and inflammatory speeches of black agitators as feeding the fires of anti-police feelings.

Martin Luther King said, "I strongly deplore the violence. It is absolutely wrong, socially detestable and self-defeating. On the other hand," he was quick to add, "I equally deplore the continuation of ghetto life that millions of Negroes have to live in. They are in hopeless despair, and they feel they have no stake in society."

Jesse Gray, who led strikes in Harlem in 1963 said, "We need 100 skilled black revolutionaries, men ready to die. We must make each a platoon captain, and each must get 100 more. New York can be changed by 50,000 well-organized Negroes. They can determine what will happen to the city." He didn't clarify exactly what he meant by "happen to."

Negro politician in Harlem, Percy Sutton, said: "If you tell the white man you're not going to do him in, you're not going to give us anything to fight the white man with."

Roy Wilkins, head of the NAACP, said "The Negro citizen does not subscribe to violence as a method of secur-

ing his rights. But he has come to the point where he is not afraid of violence. He no longer shrinks back. He will assert himself, and if violence comes, so be it."

But none of the fiery statements seemed to answer the questions about who started the riots.

What KIND of Area Is Watts?

Millions seemed convinced the poverty, the joblessness, lack of opportunity, and near-ghetto conditions in Watts had spawned the latent violence that erupted suddenly into murder, looting and burning.

What is Watts like?

Watts, remember, is but one tiny section of the area involved in the rioting, which spread into vast areas of south Los Angeles.

Two-thirds of the residents of Watts have less than a high school education—yet the dropout rate (there are schools in the district, and nearby) is 2.2 times the average in the city, which has a large dropout problem as it is.

The area has a proportionately heavy percentage of prison parolees, dope addicts, alcoholics, prostitutes. The High School in the area, though not legally segregated, is 99 percent Negro. Over a recent three-month period, there were 96 felonious crimes in the district, including murders, rapes and assaults.

Few of the inhabitants of the monotonous streets of stucco houses, two-story frame dwellings (often housing 4 or 5 families) are native Californians, but are transplants from racially tense areas of the South.

Moving into Watts, and its expansive surroundings, a 72-square-mile area that houses 90 percent of the more than one-half million Negroes in Los Angeles, the immigrants come from an atmosphere of distrust of police, hatred toward real and imagined social injustices, and continue to live in an atmosphere of hate.

Are the Negroes helpless to move out of Watts?

Are they completely cut off from opportunity for jobs, education, better homes?

Not according to some who *have* escaped ghetto life, and have written about it.

The facts which speak for themselves in Los Angeles are that the average Los Angeles Negro is MUCH better off than his cousin back in the South. This does not alter the fact there are social injustices, but neither do social injustices make murder and looting legal.

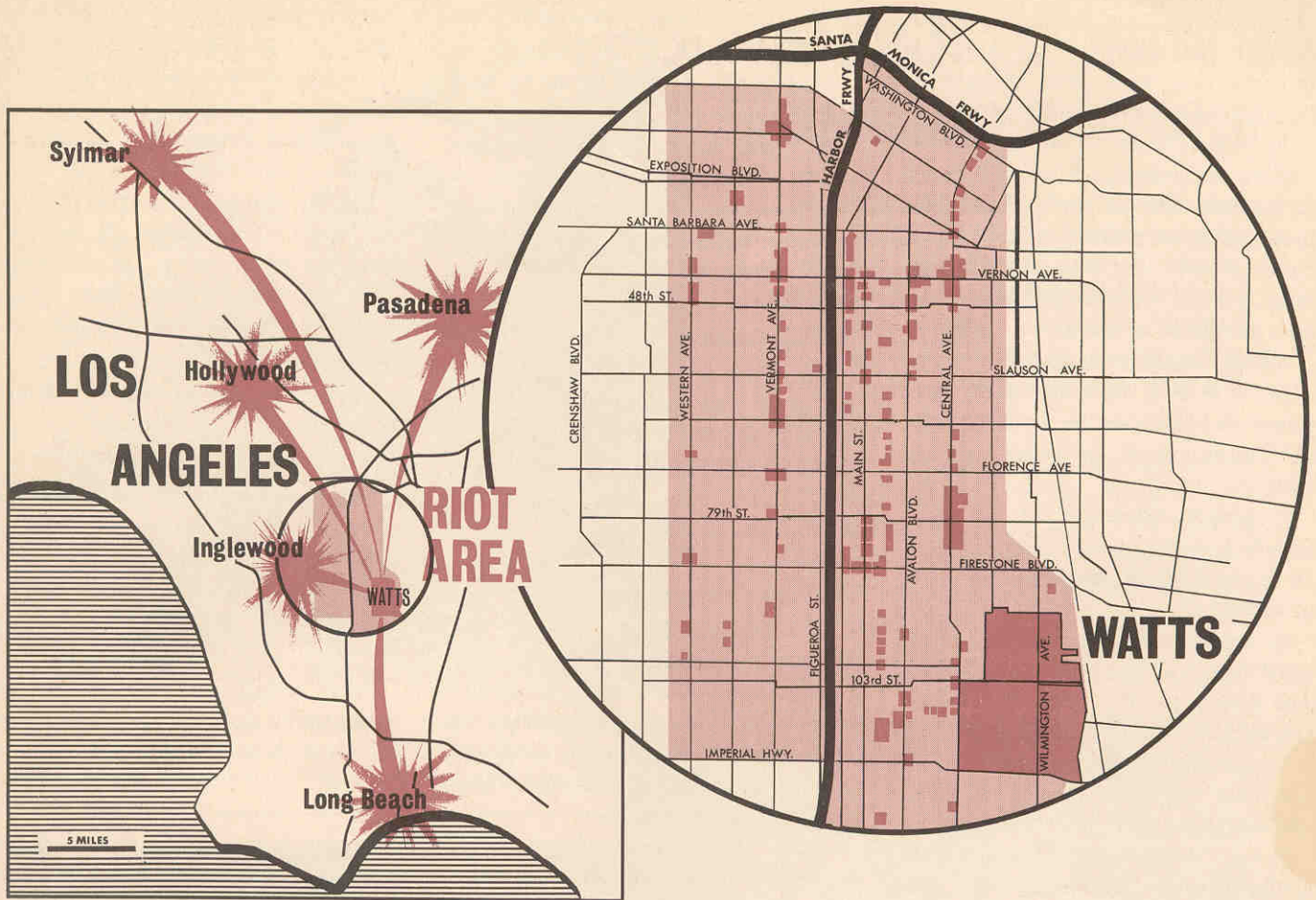
But it illustrates the point that the Negroes of Los Angeles almost immediately inherit a sharper sense of comparison between their own economic state and that of their neighbors.

Living in an area where a 20-minute freeway ride takes them into some of the most fabulous residential districts on the face of the earth; where Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Bel-Air, San Marino are only a few miles distant; where Cadillacs (called "Jew canoes" by the Negroes of Watts) whizz by on the freeways; the jobless citizen of Watts immediately feels greater contrast between his own environment and that of others near him. Greater than that he felt before leaving the South.

Police Chief Parker said, "Terrible conflicts are building up within these people. You can't keep telling them that the Liberty Bell isn't ringing for them and not expect them to believe it. You cannot tell people to disobey the law and not expect them to have a disrespect for the law. You cannot keep telling them that they are being abused and mistreated without expecting them to react."

But Watts is not a prison. For example, *Reader's Digest* for April of 1965 carried an inspiring article written by a young Negro who had "escaped" from his ghetto-like environment of Harlem.

He had attended a New York city high school where a teacher was chased around the room by pupils armed with window poles. He reported the only way teachers in his schools could have calm was to allow students to read comic books. Older boys from neighboring schools, he reported, would rob other pupils if they dared leave the building



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Left, Metropolitan Los Angeles with the riot area, in color, circled. Right, a close-up map of riot zone; looted, burned and bombed buildings in dark color.

during lunch. Narcotics, smoking, scribbled obscenities on the blackboards—these were a part of his school experiences.

Yet the frequent cry is LACK of education. LACK of opportunity. LACK of literacy among inhabitants of "black ghettos."

According to this former Harlem resident, David B. Lee, for some "the slavery of the ghetto is self-imposed. The real problem," he said, "is that they don't try hard enough to improve their lives—they are defeated unnecessarily."

He told of poverty. Of overcrowded houses, and fear-ridden streets. Of staying up nights and whistling because of his fear of being bitten by rats.

Still, he said, a youngster could find people in the schools who honestly cared.

He told of a teacher, who, when he had won a prize for a play-writing contest, took him to see his first Broad-

way show. He was inspired—he realized he reacted the same as others—not because he was one color or another, but because he was a human being.

He stuck to his schooling—finally took advantage of attending a better school which had been recently integrated. He said, "...pupils from my school were allowed to attend an integrated high school outside our zoning area. Few took advantage of this. They said they didn't want to undergo the travel, but I think they didn't want to face the world outside the ghetto."

He told of his jobs, of his perseverance at realizing his ambitions—of his determination not to be defeated by the bias and bigotry he often encountered, but emboldened to try even harder. He said, "Of course I've encountered bigotry and blatant bias, but I deny that Negroes must be defeated by it."

Educational opportunities?

He said, "I constantly hear young Negroes claim that it is impossible to obtain a decent education in New York. Yet the percentage of Negroes in the city colleges is far below the percentage of Negroes of college age. Negroes make up less than 30 percent of the total enrollment at City College itself (WHICH IS TUITION FREE) though it is in the heart of Harlem.

The Negro youth cited a basic problem which is everywhere evident in the United States, and even among many of the emerging new Black African nations.

He told of many educated Negroes who would not consider going to work for their own people, on the staffs of various social organizations, helping rehabilitate citizens in depressed areas, working with teen-agers who have become members of teen gangs, trying to combat the rising problem of venereal disease.

He said, "They no longer feel that

the Negro problem is *their* problem. Once they've achieved what they want in life, they give little thought to helping others to the same."

In Africa, many is the graduate of Oxford or Cambridge who has returned to his homeland to exploit his fellow men—rising to political office, or executive position, but concerning himself little, if at all, with the problems of his own people as a whole.

Human nature is the same in all races.

Mr. Lee said, "Yes the ghetto is a prison. But there are no walls, no bars, no fences. *It is a prison of the mind.*"

Is poverty the CAUSE of the racial hatreds seething in men's hearts today? Or is racial hatred oftentimes the cause of POVERTY?

Is lack of education the CAUSE of racial bias and hate? Or is racial bias and hate often the cause of lack of education?

Is joblessness the CAUSE of race riots? Or are race riots the cause of joblessness in many cases (hundreds of businesses, shops, stores, restaurants were destroyed in the Watts riots—and Negroes were employed in many of them, or served by them).

It's time you knew, ONCE AND FOR ALL, the REAL cause of race riots!

IT'S JUST PLAIN OLD HUMAN NATURE!

Just What IS Human Nature?

Human nature is criminal!

Human nature is contrary to *law*! Human nature is a collection of vanity, jealousy, lust and greed!

And no one needs to *guess* about human nature! The *Bible* is the book about human nature! It tells why it is, *what* it is, what makes humans act the way they do!

Without the *revealed* knowledge of Almighty God of what human beings ARE, WHY they are, and what is the PURPOSE of human life, no one can *truly understand* what causes a race riot!

Your Bible describes human nature thoroughly. Jeremiah was inspired to write, "The heart is *deceitful* above ALL THINGS, and *desperately* wicked: who can know it?" (Jer. 17:9). The apostle Paul said, "Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject

to the *law* of God, neither indeed can be" (Rom. 8:7).

God is the Great LAWGIVER! Since human nature is *deceitful*, likes to "kid itself" and is, in its basic elements, HOSTILE towards law, government, order, and authority—human nature is generally suspicious of and hostile toward anyone who is a SYMBOL of law and order!

Think about it.

Regardless as to your *color*—regardless as to your nation—you were born knowing absolutely *nothing*! From your parents you first learned about members of other races. In your own community, among your own kind, you began hearing *from other children* your own age, about members of other races.

Was everything you "learned" truly ACCURATE? Was any of it PREJUDICIAL? In talking to Negro friends, I find they freely admit little Negro children are TAUGHT to be suspicious of, fearful of, or made to feel inferior around whites.

Short Questions

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thee a sign or a wonder, and the sign or the wonder *come to pass*" does that prove the person is sent by God? Suppose the person whose predictions came true also says to disobey the plain statements of your Bible—or to believe what the Bible does not teach—what should you do? Read God's answer—out of your own Bible: "Thou shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: *for the Lord your God proveth you*, to know whether you love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul" (Deut. 13:1-3).

Here is the true test of a servant of God—he tells the people to *obey* the Word of God. God's servant will tell them to believe *exactly* what the Bible says. The Bible commands us to LOVE GOD. . . . How do you love God? By *keeping His commandments*! "If ye love me, keep my commandments," so says John 14:15 in your Bible. Further: "He that saith, I know him, and *keepeth not his commandments*, is a liar and the truth is not in him" (I John 2:4).

As they grow older, they begin to RESENT whites—begin to hear statements from others which fan that resentment.

The same is true in the white community; and among races all over the world.

Whites are TAUGHT, from the time of little CHILDHOOD, in all too many cases, to LOOK DOWN on the Negro. They are TAUGHT words like "nigger"—they don't just automatically begin to use them!

And ALL SUCH BIASED AND PREJUDICED TEACHING IS WRONG!

What about YOU?

Were you TAUGHT, from the time of childhood, that each person must be evaluated as a PERSON, according to his OWN individual character, honesty, and integrity? Probably not. Precious few are!

Next installment will explain the reasons why children are taught prejudice and hate and bias. Be sure to read it!

If one is against the commandments of God, he is not of God. It is as simple as that.

God's servants *may* foretell the future. But that is *not* the proof that they are God's servants. Sometimes even Satan's servants predict the future—as much as Almighty God allows. The witch of Endor predicted the fate of King Saul. This witch communicated with a demon spirit—a fallen angel—which already knew that Saul was to die in the coming battle with the Philistines. (I Sam. 28:7-20.)

In the New Testament Book of Acts, we read of a woman who had a familiar spirit, and who revealed secrets and foretold the future. The Apostle Paul ordered the demon out of the woman (Acts 16:16-18). Here, then, is an example of where "occult power" comes from. Demons—fallen angels—are responsible for many of the visions, prognostications, and revelations of crystal-ball gazers and mediums. Those people need not wonder where they get such revelations. The Bible tells them.

If you wish to understand more about the truth behind crystal-ball gazing and spiritism, be sure to write for our free article on *Spiritism*.

VATICAN COUNCIL: '65 —DEMAND FOR UNITY!

Increasingly, world leaders are eyeing Rome as the world's hope for peace. Protestants and Orthodox Christians are hopeful of achieving religious unity with the "Mother Church." Even Asia's non-Christians are looking for leadership and help from the Vatican.

In this spotlight, the 1965 session of the Council may well be this century's most important conclave. Few realize the astonishing prophetic significance of this Ecumenical Council and the traveling Pope.

Closing of a previous session of Ecumenical Council.

Wide World Photo



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Buddhist calls for peace in Vietnam. Pope Paul's picture hangs prominently above speaker.



Wide World Photo

Bearded Orthodox Patriarch Athenagoras and Pope Paul VI embrace at Jerusalem.



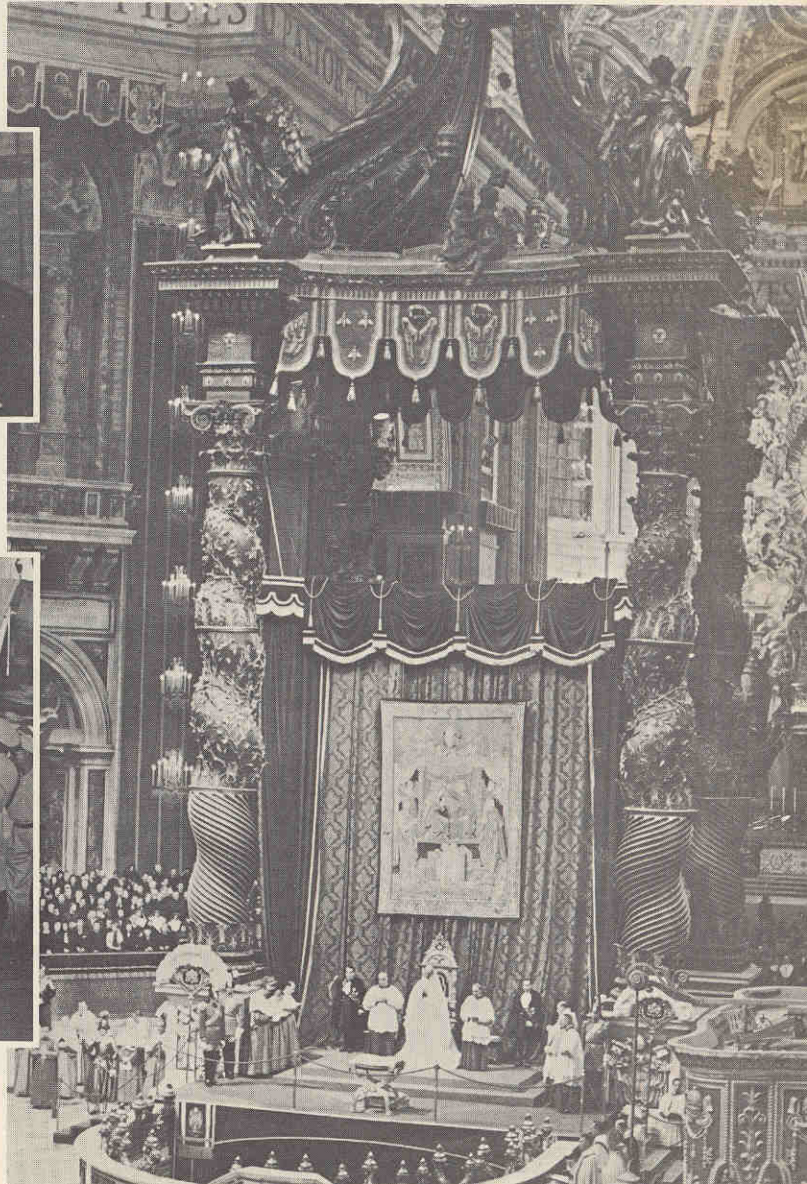
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Left to right, Catholic Archbishop, Jewish Rabbi and Protestant theologian participating in an interreligious rally.



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Pope Paul—the traveling Pope—arriving at Bombay, India for Eucharistic Congress. Prime Minister Shastri shakes Pope's hand.



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