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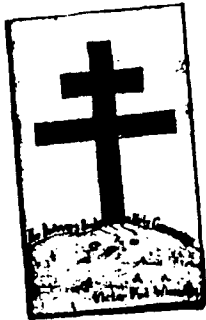
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On November 12th we had the first showing in this area of "Angel in Ebony," the film depicting the life of Sammy Morris. He was the African boy who traveled to this country alone in his quest to learn more about the Holy Spirit and was a student and Minister in Ft. Wayne, Indiana until his death. This film was produced by Taylor University and shown by them upon request. It is worthwhile and very significant for our day and time.

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# Bulletin Board

of "THE WAY." Get this vital magazine into the hands of your friends. Give "THE WAY" as a special Christmas gift and you will be sure of a gift that has Christ in it.

An open meeting was held in downtown Chicago, Wednesday evening December 1, Another wonderful "Study in Abundant Living." Dr. Wierwille teaching.

Our Gospel Gift Shop, 111 South Walnut St., Van Wert, Ohio, will gladly supply you with your religious needs.

Telephone Prayer Room: Phone 2827. Open 24 hours a day to pray with you for your need. If urgent, CALL. Written prayer requests should be addressed to: "The Hour of Power, Van Wert, Ohio."

Class on "Power for Abundant Living" to begin in Van Wert, Ohio, Sunday evening on January 24 for two weeks. Write now for bulletin and enrollment blank.

"Power for Abundant Living" Class in Chicago, Illinois. January 10-21. Contact Dr. E. E. Higgins, LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, for details.

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# the Word speaks!

by Dr. Victor Paul Wierwille



Tradition says that Mary's parents were Joachim of Nazareth and Anna of Bethlehem; that at this time she was about 18 years old, while Joseph was much older. (Girls in the East are usually married between 14-17 years and even earlier.)

On December 8, 1854, Pope Pius IX went so far as to declare that Mary was conceived without sin. In memory of this event, he caused the erection of a monument in the Piazza di Spagna in Rome. In the Church calendar the festival of the Annunciation falls on March 25 and is some times yet referred to as "Lady Day."

So called Mariolatry is not found in the New Testament where the virgin is invariably called Mary (Hebrew, Miriam) without any of the titles of dignity

later applied to her. We find it rather in the marked propensity of paganism to deify human beings, and especially the people of Latin origin to worship a female in preference to a male idol.

The Word "Hail" is in the Latin "Ave" which was an ordinary mode and daily salutation according to Matt. 28:9. But the words of the angel according to Luke 1:28 have been perverted into a ground for worship, and the "Ave Maria" is the daily prayer of millions being composed of the greetings by Gabriel and the prophecy of Elizabeth. Luke 1:28 and 42. The entire service is known as "Angelus" (the angel's Greeting) of which the Roman Catholic people are reminded in the evening by the ringing of the church bell.

"Jesus" is the Greek form of Jehoshua, or abbreviated, Joshua, meaning "Jehovah our Savior" from Jehovah and Hoshea (a Savior). As Joshua saved Israel from its enemies, so Jesus saved the world from its greatest enemy, Satan. The title of Savior is frequently used in its true sense of "Conqueror."

The Gospel of Luke records what has become known as the five hymns of the Gospel. The "Ave Maria" and the "Magnificat" are the first two and these deal with the Advent or coming of Christ. Their names come from the opening words of the Latin version of the Bible. The other three recorded by Luke are called, the "Benedictus" of Zacharias, the "Gloria in Excelsis" by the angels, and the "Nunc Dimittis" of Simeon.

It has become such a tradition that I doubt if anyone can change the deeply imbedded seed that the "Angels

sing", but if you will check the Word of God you will find that nowhere does it ever mention the angels singing. Angels DO NOT sing. The Bible clearly states that the saints do the singing. I know it is a pretty story to tell to the children about the Angels singing, but when the Word Speaks, we who know it ought to believe it. Angels do not sing, never did and never will.

The Word also speaks clearly in Matthew 1:25 and Luke 2:7 about something that refutes the false notion of the perpetual virginity of Mary. The Word "first-born" clearly implies other born etc. According to Matthew 13:55 she had after Jesus' birth, four sons and at least two daughters.

So many people have never been clear on the birth of Jesus Christ so we would like to see what we can find out from what the Word says. According to Matthew 2:1 Jesus was born "In the days of Herod" (the

# Sharing

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Zegelian. The newly weds live at 5685 Crescent Drive, Pontiac, Michigan. Mrs. Zegelian, formerly Miss Asta Dennis is a graduate of the January 1954 class on "Power for Abundant Living." We wish them God's best and we are thankful for the power of God flowing through their lives.



*The Zegeliens*

Greeting you with joy at Christmas and wishing you the peace of the Saviour's blessing.

---The Staff of "The Way" and the Cast of the "Hour of Power."

Contributions are coming in for the Memorial Church of India. If you wish to help in this great work send your donation to The Hour of Power, Van Wert, Ohio, and in this great work send your donation to The Hour of Power, Van Wert, Ohio, and mark it "Missions."

Bishop K. C. Pillai is leaving the United States on December 3rd and will arrive in India on December 24th, 1954. While there he will do much work in preparation for the Missionary teaching tour that Dr. Wierwille will start in September, 1955.

Your continued support with tithes and offerings to continue our broadcasts and carrying the mighty Word of God throughout the world is deeply appreciated. Your donations are tax exempt and financial receipts are sent for your records.

"Power for Abundant Living" class of October 1954 had eleven students enrolled (see picture below). One look at their faces and you will know they have learned to live with positive power, bringing to them-

selves renewed strength of Spirit, Soul and Body. The joy of learning to understand the Bible and know its meaning fills the spiritually hungry and is the key to a positive life in the love and power of God.



FRONT ROW L-R: Naomi Klinger, Mrs. Edna Klinger, Mrs. V.P. Wierwille, Dr. V.P. Wierwille, Mr. & Mrs. Rome Glenn, Kay Glenn.  
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# Light through an Eastern window!

The potter in the East makes his pottery by putting the clay upon a wheel.

The potter takes a stick and he gives the wheel a push and the wheel keeps turning. The hub is in the



Bishop K. C. Pillai

center and the wheel lays flat and as the wheel is turning he keeps molding the clay. If there is a little stone in the clay and he finds it, he throws it out. Sometimes when the pot is finished if he sees stones in it he throws the whole thing away before it is burned in the kiln. The clay is always well prepared before it is molded.

Every home has three

jars or vessels for water standing on the bench as you enter the home. The first jar is called "vessel of honor." This is used to give water to strangers and visitors only, for this vessel is always filled with the best water which is cool and nice. II Timothy 2:20, 21.

When you enter an Eastern home your feet are washed at the door before you enter the home, but they wash the hands in the second vessel of the three with the water that is in that vessel. This second vessel is called the "vessel of mercy." Romans 9:22,23.

Usually the third vessel in line is not filled with water. It is the vessel which has the distinct markings of the pottery of that district engraved upon it. For instance, if you brought something from Cuba, or

from Florida it would represent that area. Suppose you do not have a chosen vessel and a friend comes to visit you at your home, you go to the potter and get one. Before he gives it to you, he taps it to see that it has no cracks. Then he washes it, and after he is sure it is a perfect representation of the pottery of that area he will give it to you. That is why it is called a "chosen vessel". Acts 9:15.

Romans 9:22 tells about "vessels of wrath". These vessels are not kept with the three vessels which I just described. These vessels are used for cast-away things, much as we use a waste paper basket.

The potter knows that he must have perfect clay if he is to have a perfect vessel.

*"For with God nothing shall be impossible!"*

Stones are a big hindrance in the making of pottery. A potter forms a vessel, he sees no stones or blemishes in it, he fires it in the kiln, it comes out of the kiln and it is cooled, he taps it with his knuckles and suppose it shows a weakness. If it is a big crack he may toss it out. If it is only a small crack, sometimes it is so small you can not see it, but he hears it when he knocks on it; he puts this pot aside in the potter's place of business. That is why the Psalmist says, ". . . I am like a broken vessel." He takes these vessels he puts aside, especially the ones with the larger cracks, and he fills them with junk. He tosses all kinds of waste into them.

Suppose a vessel had a real small crack, this is what the potter does. There is an insect in the East which sits on the oxen. It is a parasite, it sucks the

blood of the oxen. The potter collects and picks these insects off the oxen and kills them, catching the blood. Then he breaks some of the "no good pots" into powder and mixes this powder with the blood of the insect. He brushes it on the place where he can hear there is a crack. After he has brushed it on he puts it back into the fire and it will come out a usable vessel, so perfectly repaired that only the most skilled can tell it ever had to be repaired.

As a believer you are not a vessel of wrath but a chosen vessel of God, one of honor and mercy filled with His goodness so that you may be poured out for the blessing of others.

"Wisdom is the ability to use knowledge so as to meet successfully the emergencies of life. Men may acquire knowledge, but wisdom is a gift direct from God."  
 ---Selected

**CHRISTIANITY**

- Foundation:* Christ the Rock.
- Head:* Jesus Christ.
- Mediator:* Jesus only.
- Means of Grace:* Spiritual, Free.
- Mode of Worship:* Spiritual.
- Its Guide:* The Bible
- Its Aim:* Salvation of Souls.
- Object of Worship:* God.
- Governing Factor:* Love.
- History:* Light, Liberty.
- Secrecy:* None.
- Ministers:* Teachers.
- Doctrine:* Simple Gospel of Christ.
- Results:* Peace, Prosperity.
- The End:* To be with Christ.

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In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths. Prov. 3:6.

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"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

"Unto you" . . . that is PERSONAL.

"This day" . . . that is PRESENT.

"A Saviour" . . . that is PRECIOUS.

***A Thought...***

I WILL DO MY UTMOST FOR HIS HIGHEST. "My eager desire and hope being that I may never feel ashamed, but that now as ever I may do honour to Christ in my own person by fearless courage." Philippians 1:20 (Moffatt).

"My eager desire and hope being that I may never feel ashamed."

We all should feel much ashamed if we do not yield ourselves to Jesus on the points He has asked us to yield on Him to. Paul maintains that he is always determined to do his utmost for His Highest. To do this is a matter of the will, not of reason or argument, but of an absolute and irrevocable surrender of the will.

Disciples are "the disciplined ones" who shut out every other consideration and keep themselves doing their utmost for His highest. Paul is determined that nothing shall in any way deter him from doing

exactly what God wants him to do.

In order for us to do our utmost for Him we have to learn to sometimes by-pass our convictions, move out of our dead creeds, yes, even out of experiences, until so far as our believing faith is concerned there is nothing between us and Jesus.

The price of all spiritual victory and power is surrender, surrender of the will until we absolutely will to do His will in all things. Until we come to this our day by day living will be frustrated with the good which is not the best.

*Jesus healed more sinners than saints... All that a saint is is a sinner that ain't... The way to self realization is by way of self surrender... Witnessing to the Truth is your responsibility; defending the Truth is God's.*

*Fulfilled prophecy is one of the most conclusive proofs of the Bible.*

# The CHRISTMAS STORY

ACCORDING TO HOLY SCRIPTURE

"Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

"Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall

be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us." Matthew 1:18-23.

"And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

"And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And

she brought forth her first born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

"And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory

to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

"And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

"But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them." Luke 2:1-20.

*"... and the truth shall make you Free!"*

*THE WORD SPEAKS (Cont'd)*

Great). Josephus, the historian, tells us in his Ant. 17, 8, 1, that Herod died in March B. C. 4, shortly after the eclipse of the moon on March 12. Allowing time for Christ's circumcision, presentation at the Temple, etc, we may be safe in assuming that Christ was born in the Fall of the Year, B. C. 5 or the year 749 A. U. C. (from the time of the building of the City Rome.)

According to Luke 2:2 it says that Jesus was born when an enrollment was made under Quirinius as Governor of Syria. Quirinius was twice governor of Syria, once in 8 A. D. and the first time in 750, A. U. C. and that at this first time he finished a census begun by his predecessor but called by his name.

From John 2:20 we gather the information that near to the beginning of Christ's ministry the Herodian temple had been in the course of erection for 46 years. Herod began the

building of the temple called by his name in the year 733 A. U. C. Adding 46 to this figure it gives us the year 779 as the opening year of Christ's ministry. Luke 3:23 tells us that Jesus was 30 years of age when he began his public ministry, thus if we subtract 30 from 779 we have B. C. 5 or 749 A. U. C. as the year of Christ's Birth.

The Christian or Dionysian Era of chronology is off a few years as you can clearly see and as all students know. The Christian era of chronology originated with Dionysius Exiguus (the little) a Scythian by birth, who died in 556 A. D. as Abbot of a monastery in Rome. In his book "Cyclus Paschalis" he decided on the year 754 A. U. C. ("Ab Urbe Condita" "From the building of the city", Rome) as the year of Christ's birth. All students agree that he chose the wrong year, but we must give credit to him for his bright and true idea

of reckoning all time to and from Christ, for all the lines of past history converge and focus in Christ and all the lines of present and subsequent history find their starting point in Him.

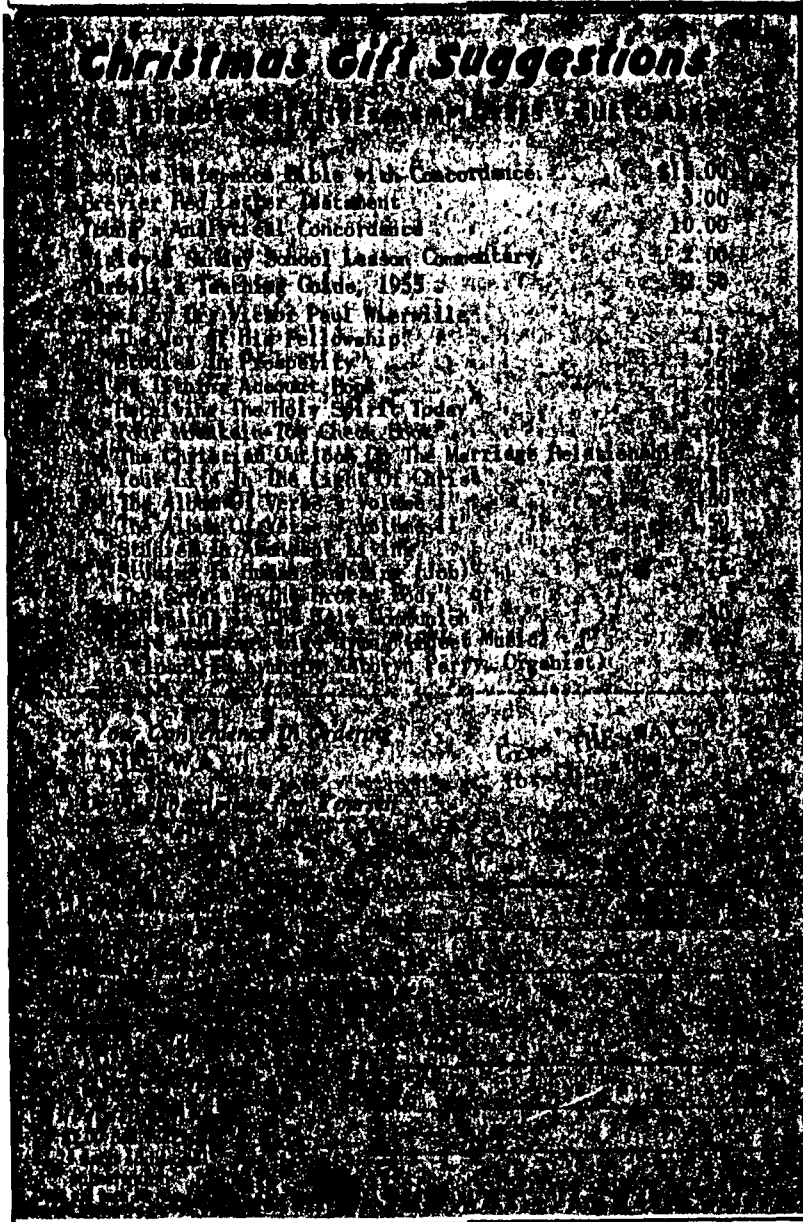
In 1603 the great astronomer Kepler observed an unusual conjunction of stars and by diligent search he found that in 747 A. U. C. a similar conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn had appeared to which in the year 748 A. U. C. Mars was added. Recently discovered Chinese records affirm that in the year 749 great and blazing comet was visible. Be that as it may, what a great and wonderful God we have who could so order things from the beginning that just at the right time these stars might become THE STAR which shone over where the Young child lay, the Child who was born in a stable laid in a manger, but who was to be and is King of Kings and Lord of Lords. In whom and through whom we have

complete salvation, redemption and righteousness.

Perhaps I ought to share just a word with you regarding the date December 25th. as the birthday of Jesus. This date was first mentioned and selected in the 4th. century A. D. It was chosen more for symbolical and practical reasons than anything else. From December 25th. on, the days lengthen so the pagans observed feasts in honor of the victory of the god of light over the god of darkness. The Church seemingly favored this date and season to help its members to associate the birthday of the true Light of the World in comparison with the pagan and heathen feasts. All dark days turn to light according to our believing and receiving of Him who is The Light.

*Hide your head in the Word  
of God and God will hide His  
Word in your heart. ---Anon.*





## Christmas Gift Suggestions

Scofield Reference Bible with Concordance	\$15.00
Brevier Red Letter Testament	3.00
Young's Analytical Concordance	10.00
Higley's Sunday School Lesson Commentary	2.00
Tarbell's Teaching Guide, 1955	2.50

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