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THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST.

I. J. ELLIS.

Is the second coming in the past, or in the future? Will this old world with its sickness, sorrow, pain and death continue forever? Let us carefully examine the Bible, 2nd Peter 3:4. "There shall come in the last days scoffers walking after their own lusts, and saying, where is the promise of His coming?" 2nd Tim. 3rd chapter. "In the last days perilous times shall come, for men shall be lovers of their own selves, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God. Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof, from such turn away." James tells us in the fifth chapter, "Go to now ye rich men, weep and howl, for your miseries that shall come upon you. Ye have heaped treasures together for the last days." I believe we are now living in the last days and Christ will soon make His second advent into the world. How will become? Acts 1:10. "While they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, beheld two men stood by Him in white apparel, which also said, ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus who is taken up from you into heaven shall so come in like manner, as ye have seen Him go into heaven." Will He be visible? Can He be seen when He comes? Matt. 24:26, "If they shall say unto you, behold He is in the desert, go not forth, behold He is in the secret chamber, believe it not, for as the lightning cometh out of the east and shineth even unto the west, so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be." Rev. 1:7, "Behold He cometh with clouds, and every eye shall see Him and they also which pierced Him, and all kindred of the earth shall wail because of Him." Christ's disciples asked of Him Matt. 24:3, "What shall be the sign of thy coming and of the end of the world? Jesus answered and said unto them, take heed that no man deceive you for many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ, and shall deceive many, and ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars, see that ye be not troubled, for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet, for nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there shall be famines and pestilence and earthquakes in divers places. All these things are the beginning of sorrow, then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted and shall kill you, and you shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake, and then shall many be offended and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another, and many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many, and because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold, but he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved, and this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world, for a witness unto all nations, and then shall the end come." Luke 21:21, "When ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then

AMERICA ROUSED AT JAPAN'S CONDITION.

No Home Supply Until September—President Roosevelt's Gracious Recognition.

A few months ago we could scarcely wait for the papers to be printed, so eager were we to know what victorious Japan was doing; now we have awakened to the appalling fact that she is starving and freezing, in the persons of a million of her population in the North. But we are awakened thoroughly; the typical American has no less warmth in his heart than shrewdness in his brain, and his head once convinced of the reason why a generous thing should be done, his heart immediately prompts him to do it. Hence, after two months of newspaper publicity, money for the relief of these wretched sufferers in northern Japan is pouring from every direction into the channels which transmit it to the Relief Committees on the famine field.

OTHER FAMILY OF SEVEN WAS FOUND IN A HOLE SEVEN FEET BY SIX, AND FOUR AND A-HALF FEET HIGH, DUG OUT BY THE HILLSIDE.

A piece of straw matting served for a door. All were sick. These were samples of many similar cases. "Others besides myself have found the same state of things," writes the good pastor. What are we doing to help?

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

I have now commenced work for the year in earnest. The prospects are very bright. Calls for my services too are more numerous than ever. I need a tent badly. There are so many places where I can get no place to preach. Promising cities want me to hold meetings. When I go I can get no place to preach, or if I do get a church the officials plainly say to me; "You can use our house, but please don't preach anything contrary to our faith." In most all the towns and cities the school houses, are not, and cannot be used for preaching. Recently I visited a very prosperous little city. I used a church belonging to another denomination. I only preached two sermons, but I have never seen a town so moved as that one was. All wanted me to hold a weeks meeting. We tried to get a place, but failed. There are lots of towns all over this country, where the people are begging me to hold meetings, but I can get no place. I am a doctrinal preacher. Nearly all who join the church to me, join under hard doctrinal preaching. I believe in preaching the word, and as near as I know how, I do it. I also believe that with a tent I could get a better support, since larger crowds attend tent meetings. It would cost but little to move it from place to place, along the R. R. I would then feel free to take up a collection at each place for my support and expenses, but I do not feel free to go into some one else church and call on them to support Free Will Baptist missions. Now, let the Mid-way association buy a tent, it will only cost \$100.00. It will belong to the association. You can hold your union meeting in it, and associations. The association needs the tent. In the boundary lines of the Midway association are, Donaldsonville, Iron City, Brinson, Bainbridge, Colquitt, Arlington, and Edison, Norgan, Bluffton, Blaxley, all these places are prosperous towns and cities, but in none of them can I get a place to preach our doctrine. I have visited and preached in them all. I have made a good impression on them all, so good that many of the churches in these towns have invited me to hold meetings for them. Now, something must be done. Take the town of Colquitt for example I preached there not long ago. One of the oldest citizens said to me after a week, "Bro. I have lived in Colquitt nearly all my life, and I never saw the people so interested in a sermon as they were in yours."



"Send us food or we die!" A scene in a Japanese famine cottage.

THE CHRISTIAN HERALD, through the contributions to its Famine Relief Fund, has this week forwarded a remittance to the heart of the famine district, which swelled its total relief work to date, to the sum of \$100,000. In gracious recognition of this glowing evidence of the spirit of true sympathetic neighborliness existing in America toward Japan, President Roosevelt immediately sent the subjoined dispatch:

"Washington, D. C., March 21, 1906.
"Mr. Louis Kloppsch:
"The Christian Herald, N. Y.
Let me heartily thank you, and through you the Christian Herald, for the admirable work done in connection with the famine suffers in Japan. You have now raised \$100,000, and you have rendered a very real service to humanity and to the cause of international good will. Theodore Roosevelt."

So constantly comes the question "When will the crisis be reached?" That it seems wise to explain that only with the new harvest in early September can there come a home supply of food.

Meanwhile, every penny received is being applied to sustaining life, with no deduction whatever for administration, not even for cabling the funds, which our State Department generously sends absolutely free, and thousands of human beings owe the first ray of hope which has crossed their dark lives for many weeks, to the munificence of the American people.

ST. CLAIRE.

LOVE EVERY ONE.

DEAR EDITOR:—Please allow me space in the BAPTIST for a few words on love. I think we all ought to talk and write more on love than we do. I think the world would be better. Christ said, we ought to love one another, as he also loved us, and we ought to love every one. Christ said in his teachings, to love your enemies, do good to them which hate you. How many of us do that? We should bless those that curse us, and pray for them that despitefully use us. Dear reader, just think, this was the way the Lord loved us, only he loved us better. How many of us would lay down our lives for a friend? And he said, greater love hath no man than this, to lay down his life for his friends. Now a days, there are so called christians, that have not enough of the love of God in their hearts, to shake a brothers or sisters hand in the church. What kind of love is that? I wonder if people think that is the way that God loves them. The first and greatest command is to love the Lord thy God with all your soul, with all your heart, mind and strength, and the second, to love your neighbor as yourself.

Dear reader, let us try to love our brother sister and neighbors, as our selves. It was love that sent Christ into the world, to suffer and die for us, and God loves us to day just as good as he ever did. He has promised never to leave us, and what a blessed promise, we have a friend that will stand by us, through danger, and help us fight Satan. Let us pray to the Lord to strengthen us, and if we pray in earnest, he will help us. He has promised to save us if we trust in him, so let us love and pray for one another. I want all to pray for me, for I feel that I need the prayers of all Christian people.

Yours in hope of heaven.
SALONIA CRICKMURE.
Spring Hope, N. C.

A district visitor once went to see an old Scotch woman who was dying. Noticing that her talk was all about herself and the minister, he said: "Well, really, Jennie, I believe you think there will be nobody in Heaven but yourself and the minister." "Ah, well," said the old woman, "an, I'm not saesure about the minister."

When a man is engaged in the business of making drunkards it doesn't lie in his mouth to complain of the effects of that business come home to him.