

Prophet's Column

"The Cutting Work Of The Holy Spirit"

By J. M. Little
The greatest thing in all this universe is to know the Lord Jesus Christ as your Lord and your Saviour. I wish I could tell the story of redeeming grace as I know it experimentally, but there are no words in any language that can express the greatness of Christ. That is why I feel as though I have failed every time I give my testimony. How is it with you, my friends? Do you know the Lord Jesus Christ? Do you know Him? Every soul will meet the Lord. You will meet Him in this life in mercy, or in the next life at the Great White Throne Judgment. Which will it be in your case? You are headed for eternity like it or not. If you go through this life and fail to come to know Christ as your Lord and your Saviour, then it would have been better that you had never been born. Now, I'm facing you with the truth.

It would be funny, if it weren't so tragical, the mudflat on which multitudes of you live and stake the destiny of your soul. The saddest thing here in my life is to see the elderly people in my family come down to the end of life and you have no hope for eternity at all. You are not talking about going home to be with the Lord. Some of you, it would be unbelievable the things you have turned to, if I didn't know about them. If you go out into eternity lost, you are going to come face to face with the God whom you have never loved nor desired, you'll have to live in His presence, in His righteousness. And that'll be the torture of the damned throughout the ceaseless ages of eternity. Oh, the awfulness of eternity if you go out under the cloud without Christ. Will that be you? Mother, will that be you? Father, will that be you?

I'm glad and praise the Lord I can greet you again with this message, the secretary has been doing a good job of preaching for



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me the last several weeks. The Lord has given her a place in the work and I thank the Lord for her.

Our subject at this time is: "The Cutting Work of the Holy Spirit." Little does the multitude of our church members know about the work of the Holy Spirit in the salvation of a sinner. But you stay with me and ask the Lord to open your mind, your eyes and your heart to the truth. "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." (Heb. 4:12). This message grew out of the experience I had yesterday of watching the surgeon there in the hospital perform an operation on my youngest daughter. As he was cutting with his metal knife, I thought of the cutting and surgical work of the Holy Spirit in the salvation of a sinner. As a medical doctor does his surgery on the human body, so does the Spirit of God do His work on the spirit and mind and heart of a sinner. The knife of the blessed Holy Spirit is the Word of God. The Sword of the Holy Spirit Paul told us here in Hebrews, is sharper

we could gain God's favor by doing good works, religious works. So when the Holy Spirit begins to operate and do His cutting work on you, as a sinner, He begins in your poisoned mind. In your mind you think you can get to Heaven on your good works. When the Holy Spirit opens your mind, He shows you that you are wrong in your thinking, you can't think your way to Heaven. Just as the Spirit of God said: "Let there be light; and there was light," in Gen. 1:4 in restoring light to the earth after it was destroyed and lay in darkness, so does the Spirit of God let light into your darkened mind. Your mind and my mind were darkened in the FALL in Adam. We all fell to a devilish and hellish state in Adam. He lets you see yourself as a totally depraved sinner. Many have said to me: "there is some good in the worst of men, and man is in the image of God." You need to read your Bible and ask the Spirit of God to operate on your mind. Man was created in the image of God, true, but in the FALL man lost that image and the light in him went out on the road to Hell because he disobeyed God. Are you in obedience to God, or in rebellion? Out of Christ you are in rebellion against God.

Note that the beloved Apostle Paul said: "For the work... is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

than a two-edged sword. The Word of God in the hands of the Holy Spirit penetrates the inner man. The knife in the hands of a surgeon can never penetrate the inner man. Only the Holy Spirit can open the inner man and let you see just what you are by nature, the judgement you are under, and your eternal doom as a hell-deserving sinner.

When the Holy Spirit begins His operation on a sinner, where does He first begin? Many of you will quickly say He begins in the heart, you are wrong. The Holy Spirit first begins His operation in the mind. You listen to the Word of God: "But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the MINDS of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them." (II Cor. 4:3-4). It is the Holy Spirit who shines the light of the glorious gospel of Christ into your minds first because that is where you are deceived by the god of this world. Satan is the god of this world. Your mind and my mind, were poisoned by the god of this world. Satan poisoned your mind, and my mind to think

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Area Deaths And Funerals

Mrs. Johnnie Mar Gill
Funeral service for Mrs. Johnnie Mar Gill was held Monday, March 8, 1:30 p.m. at Friendship Baptist Church.

Mr. James Johnson
Funeral arrangements are incomplete for Mr. James Johnson of Laurelton, N.Y., formerly of Charlotte, N.C., who died March 14, in New York.

Arrangements for the above handled by Long's Mortuary Service, Inc.

Mr. J. Lynn Deese
Funeral service for Mr. J. Lynn Deese of Monroe, N.C. was held on Saturday, March 6, at Piney Grove East Baptist Church.

Mr. Donald White
Funeral service for Mr. Donald White of 1000 N. Harrill Street was held on Sunday, March 7, in Grier's Chapel.

Lakeisha Lindsay
Funeral service for Lakeisha Lindsay of Inglewood, California, formerly of Charlotte, was held Tuesday, March 9, in Grier's Chapel.

Rosa Reid
Funeral service for Mrs. Rosa Reid of 212 S. Turner Avenue was held on Monday, March 8, in Grier's chapel.

Mrs. Rose Walker
Funeral service for Mrs. Rose Walker of 313 Mattoon Street was held on Wednesday, March 10, at University Park Baptist Church.

Mr. Shelley Dwight
Funeral service for Mr. Shelley Dwight (Baby Brother) Phifer was held on Monday, March 8, in Grier's Chapel.

Mr. Benjamin Leach
Funeral service for Mr. Benjamin Leach of 1810 Earle Street, Apt. 461 was held on Sunday, March 14, in Grier's Chapel.

Mr. Albert Frazier
Funeral service for Mr. Albert Frazier of 2016 Wyatt Street was held on Sunday, March 14, at El Bethel AME Zion Church.

Mr. Leonard Davis
Funeral service for Mr. Leonard Davis of Route 14, Box 380, was held on Thursday, March 11, in Grier's Chapel.

Mr. Fred Monroe Carr
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Mr. Eddie Harris
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Mr. Richard Baskin
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Mr. Isaac Gilliard
Funeral service for Mr. Isaac Gilliard of 685 Fairwood Avenue was held on Sunday, March 14, at Middle Street AME Zion Church.

Mrs. Era Lawrence
Funeral service for Mrs. Era Lawrence of 211 Dunbar Street was held on Tuesday, March 16, at Simpson-Gillespie United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Rachel Hudson
Funeral service for Mrs. Rachel Hudson of 337 Orange Street was held on Saturday, March 13, at Grier Heights Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Fannie Williams
Funeral service for Mrs. Fannie Williams of New York, formerly of Charlotte, was held on Monday, March 15, in Grier's Chapel.

Mr. Parker Lotharp
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Mr. Harvey O'Leary
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Mr. Cleveland Bryant
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