

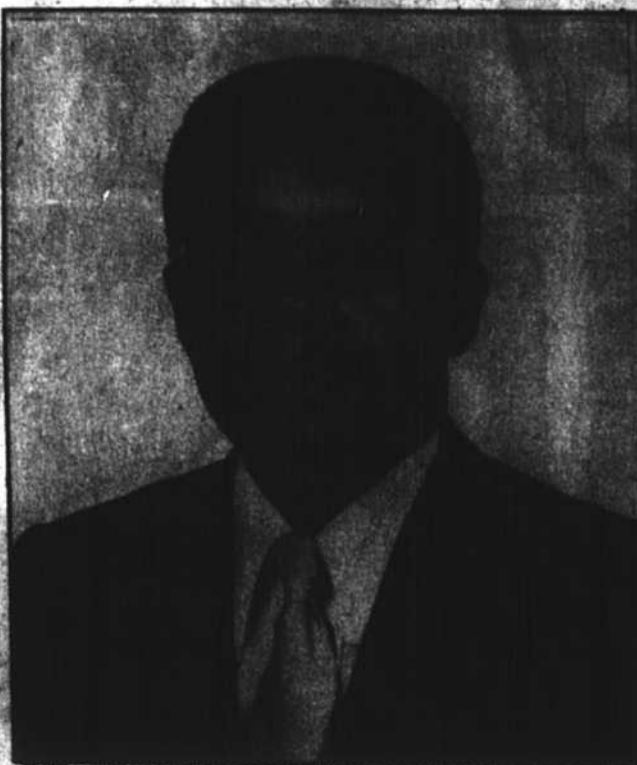
Prophet's Column

"Woe: Anathema: Maranathema"

By J. M. Little

I hope you were listening this morning at 7:30 over WAGI-FM as Pastor L. R. Shelton was preaching on the subject "Hell On Earth." I both rejoiced and wept as I listened. I rejoiced because the Lord had mercy on me and saved me almost 12 years ago. And I wept because I know that every soul who rejects the Gospel is going to taste and feel the judgments pictured in the Book of Revelation. Now those judgments are true and righteous. My heavenly Father doeth all things right. God is going to break the dominion of sin over this earth. The thing for you to do now is fall at His feet and be broken now. Don't let Him fall on you; if you do, then you will be ground to powder. Then I realize the multitudes of you have closed your ears to the judgment of God. But, my friends, your denying the coming judgments does not do away with a single one of them. You are a rank fool to deny anything God has said. Just as God is on the Throne, you are sure to taste of His wrath poured out on a Christ-rejecting humanity. Your only hope is to flee to Christ. But where will you go to find men and women, boys and girls, on their faces crying unto the Lord to deliver them? You just don't find it, do you?

Our subject is "Woe! Anathema! Maranathema!" Those words don't mean a thing to the multitudes, whether in the church or the world. They don't mean anything to the multitudes of our preachers and religious leaders. The word "woe" means, "cursed be, or misery."



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First in series

"Anathema" means; accursed. "Maranathema" means "Our Lord, come, or Christ is coming!" In the old days I'm told that the saints would say to those who were persecuting them: "anathema, maranathema, the curse rests upon you, Christ is coming!"

And so it is today and shall be during the awful tribulation period which is soon to engulf this Christ-rejecting and God-hating generation which now lives upon this earth. When the Lord was here on the earth carrying out His ministry, He announced many curses. Now, you never thought about it like that, did you? You

blind guides, which say, whosoever shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor! You'll find those curses or woes announced by the Lord in Mt. 23:13-16.

Many church members will rise and say, "Boy, the Lord sure laid it to those scribes and Pharisees." Did you ever stop and think that as an unsaved person, you are the scribe and Pharisee? You are teaching the Bible class, but since you do not know Christ as your Lord and Savior, these woes or curses are pronounced on you. Have you ever thought about it like that? The Lord was not only talking to the unsaved religionists of His day. He was talking to the unsaved religionists of our day. Practically ALL of our preachers and Bible teachers have gone through the seminaries and Bible schools and have been awakened to the fact of their lost condition. That is why you have never seen the wrath of God abiding upon you. Have you ever seen the wrath and judgment of God hanging over you? If not, then you are not saved.

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Duke Breakthrough On Huntington's Disease

By Bonnie Price Link Special To The Post

Durham - A recent breakthrough in Huntington's disease research will be tested and expanded by Duke University Medical Center in studies involving North Carolina Huntington's disease families.

"Beginning at the first of the year, we are going to travel throughout the state, visiting families affected by Huntington's disease and taking blood samples from as many family members as will cooperate," said Dr. Margaret Pericak-Vance, assistant medical research professor at Duke. She has been working with Huntington's disease families for more than 10 years.

Until now, people with a parent who had Huntington's would live in fear, not knowing whether they too were victims until the appearance of symptoms in their middle years. Thereafter, the victim would mentally and physically decline until death five to 20 years after the onset of symptoms.

Since symptoms don't appear until after the child-bearing years, potential victims have faced agonizing decisions over having children. At birth, the child of a parent with Huntington's has a 50 percent risk of developing the disease.

The Duke team will be collaborating with a Boston group led by James Gusella, the biologist who found the genetic clue for detection of Huntington's by studying an extended family in Venezuela.

The clue came from genetic material-DNA or deoxyribonucleic acid-extracted from hundreds of blood samples. In the Venezuelan group, as well as in two other families since tested, all victims of Huntington's disease carried the same genetic "marker."

This marker does not contain the gene responsible for the disease, but is located very close to it on the same chromosome.

The Duke group, which includes Drs. Allen Roses, David Ross, Cynthia Payne, Jeffrey Vance and Mr. Jeffrey Stajich, P.A.c., will be trying to develop additional markers inherited along with the Huntington's disease gene. "The final goal of the study is to define the gene responsible for Hunting-

ton's disease and to design rational therapy or find a cure," Ms. Pericak-Vance said.

Early diagnosis will allow unaffected family members to be free of the fear of the disease and to feel at ease about having children. Although affected individuals will have to face the advent of their disease in their middle years, prenatal diagnosis will be available to them.

A potential treatment could be developed before the disease begins. Ms. Pericak-Vance stressed, however, that the general use of this information for carrier detection will not be available for at least a year and then only on an experimental basis.

The illness begins with personality changes and involuntary movements, and progresses until walking is impossible, swallowing difficult and mental decline profound. The late folk singer Woody Guthrie is perhaps the most famous victim.

At least 25,000 Americans are estimated to have the disease, and an ad-

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