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## he Crucifixion Of Christ"

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The religious world is
low rapidly preparing for
the Easter, celebration You are doing this unmind-ful of the fact that Easter has nothing in the world to do with the crucifixion and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. There was a Babylonian goddess called Eastra. Both Easter and Chirstmas came from the mother of all idolatry; Babylon of old. The crucifixion of Christ testifies of the total depravity of the natural man. Man by nature is totally depraved, (Isa. 1), and hates God, (Rom. 2:30). Under Holy Spirit conviction, (John 16:7-11), as an awakened sinner, the Holy Spirit eaches you your total depravity. If you have never been under Holy Spirit conviction and learned your total depravity, you are not saved. I don't care how religious you are, nor what you profess to be. The greatest thing in all this universe is just to know Christ. Do you know Christ? Every bornagain believer can say; "I KNOW WHOM I HAVE BE-LIEVED." I can. Can you?

If you can't, you are not saved. All down through the cen-turies Satan has taught his poor, blinded subjects that THERE IS SOME GOOD IN THE WORST OF MEN." I told the folks at Brevard Chapel recently that the doctrine is not taught in the Word of God. You'll never be saved as long as you go on believ-ing the Devil's lie that there is some good in the worst of men. "Then Pilate, therefore, took Jesus, and scourged him," (John 19:1). Pilate was governor over Israel. The word "scourge," according to the dictionary, means a whip or lash. So when Pilate scouraged my Lord, it means he whipped and lashed Him. What? A man whipping and lashing the eternal Son of God? The nly One who could be a ubstitute for all my sins? Yes. Pilate did that. But, it as my sins that whipped ad lashed Him, too. This is iony that man is totally deprayed. Christ was the God-man sent to die for God's elect. Look at verse 2; "And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, d put it on his head, and they put on him a purple robe." The crown of thorns s a mockery. Christ had aid He was King and here as the mob making fun of Him putting a crown of on His head. This is he same Head from which fell great drops of blood, just before, when He was in



praying for His elect. hands." They made fun of Would anyone dare place a Him after they crowned crown of thorns on that Him. The word "smote" Head? That precious Head there means they slapped from which those great Him. Can you imagine drops of blood fell when He someone slapping the Face was in such great agony for of the Son of God? That's His elect? Only totally deexactly what the mob did. praved man, children of One of the most disrespectthe Devil. There you have ful things that a person can another testimony of the do to you is slap you. Does total depravity of man. And that come home to your these preachers stand in heart? Has anyone ever the pulpit and declare that slapped you or threatened there is some good in the to slap you? Some years worst of men! Any preachago a woman threatened to er who preaches such will slap me right there in front one day receive one of the of some police officers. I hottest places in Hell! told her to go ahead and After they put that crown of slap me. She didn't. Oh, the thorns on that heavenly depravity of the human Head they further mocked heart! But just think; Him; "And they said, Hail," someone slapping our King of the Jews! and they blessed Lord. Doesn't the smote him with their thought of that make you

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open Hell and drop the entire human race in it? Man deserves nothing but the hottest place in Hell! After that Pilate brought forth Christ and said; "Behold the man!" (verse 5). Pilate, too, made fun of the Lord. He had every opportunity to release Christ but he sided with the mob who cried "crucify him." Which side are you on, my friends? Have you sided with the despised Christ? You will if you are ever to be saved. Any proud sinner can walk the aisle and make a profession but yet knows nothing about siding with the despised Christ. But before you ever know Him in the forgiveness of all your sins you are going to side with the Lord and forsake all that you have. Or you will never know Him. I realize all this is crazy talk to the religious world. The professing church member today knows absolutely nothing about siding with the despised Christ, preachers included. Our church members are as much like a real Christian as a scarecrow is like a real man. The Person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ is missing in your testimony. What a tragedy. Our church members have made professions and been accepted into the church having never known what it means to be a lost sinner under Holy Spirit conviction.

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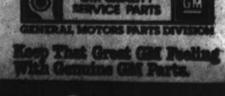
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IN RE: Harrison, a minor child

To: The father of a female child born February 15th, 1985, in Lenoir County, North Carolina

TAKE NOTICE a petition seeking termination of your parental rights and obligations to above named child born February 15, 1985 in Lenoir County, North Carolina has been filed against you.

You are required to file written answer to the petition within 30 days following the first publication date which date appears below. Upon your failure to do so, your parental rights, if any, may be terminated, at a hearing in Juvenile Court, Guilford County Court Building, Governmental Plaza, Greensboro, North Carolina immediately following said 30 day answer period or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard.

You are entitled to be represented by counsel; Court appointed if you are indigent, provided you request counsel at or prior to said hearing.

> Blair L. Daily Attorney for the Children's Home Society of North Carolina, Inc., Petitioner

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## INVITATION FOR BIDS

The City of Charlotte will receive bids for HARTFORD AVENUE DRAINAGE IMPROVE-MENTS, until 2:00 P.M., on the 24th day of April, 1985, in the fourth floor conference room of the Cameron-Brown Building, 301 South McDowell Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28204, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Bids are invited on the several items and quantities of work as follows:

**Excavation and Hauling Brick Masonry Drainage Structures** Other Related Items

Contract documents, including Drawings, and Technical Specifications, are on file at the office of the City Engineer at 301 South McDowell Street, the

local A.G.C. office, and the Dodge Plan Room. Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained by paying \$25.00 to the City of Charlotte for

each set of documents obtained. A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the City of Charlotte, negotiable U.S.

Government bonds (at par value), or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety, in an amount equal to five percent (5 percent) of the total bid shall be submitted with each bid. Attention is called to the fact that the contractor

must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Bids may be held by the City of Charlotte for a

period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the opening of bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of bidders, prior to awarding of the Contract.

The City of Charlotte reserves the right to reject

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All Bidders are hereby notified that they must

have proper licenses as required by State law at the time of submittal of bids. Bidders are advised that this contract contains

provisions requiring the contractor to document that sufficient good faith efforts have been made to that sufficient good faith efforts have been made to provide equal opportunity for Minority and Women Business Enterprises to participate in the subcontracting and material supplier opportunities available under this contract.

A pre-bid conference will be held on April 17, 1985, at 10:00 A.M. in the fourth floor conference room of the Cameron-Brown Building, 301 South McDowell Street, Charlotte, North Carolina, for the purpose of discussion of questions pertaining to the project.

discussion of questions pertaining to the purpose of discussion of questions pertaining to the project Bidders, prospective bidders, and other interests parties are encouraged to attend. An Addendur will be issued subsequent to this meeting to clarification or revision of bid documents a

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