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Some Biblical Questions.

Did Lot fall from grace?
The drama of exile has oft been repeated in the world's history, but never so sadly as with the first pair when they

"With wandering step and slow,
Through Eden took their solitary way."

The Lord of Paradise has become a rebel in the kingdom of his Maker, and is being thrust out under sentence of that inexorable law, The soul that sileth, shall die.

Adam is a physical and moral wreck, and the flaming sword guards the tree of life lest he eat thereof and live. The unrestrained communion between the Creator and his crowning handiwork voluntarily broken, there can now be no access to the King by the rebel except through a go-between, a Mediator. In the unfolding of the plan by which rebels may not only return to allegiance to their king, but sit at the royal tables, we have the "History of Redemption" as revealed in the Scriptures.

THE COVENANTS.

In its opening chapters, the federal head of the race is introduced under a conditional agreement by which he is to purchase purity and happiness, that condition being simple obedience to God on his part. Under this covenant Adam was only a holy servant so long as he obeyed, living from day to day with no vestige of rights for the future.

Under the resting covenant, agreement, made with the second Adam, Christ, the condition of simple faith on man's part is to be elevated to a place in the family of a divine Father, and vested with certain inalienable rights. A closer relationship is thus established between man and the Godhead than would have been possible through the first Adam. In this connection it has been beautifully said by John Randolph, that though woman lost us Paradise by her influence over the first Adam, by her being the mother of the second Adam, she has gained us Heaven. To work this transformation taxed the wisdom of divinity.

THE SUBSTITUTE.

Under the broken law man or justice must die. Could however an innocent being, upon whom the law had no claim, be found willing to become man's substitute, take his nature, obey the law in his stead, and suffer the death penalty resting upon him, then God could be just and yet justify the ungodly such as was found in the voluntary offering of the immaculate son.

Assurance of success is given him in the promised seal of compact is made, in the dim distance the erected cross hides the wrath of the King beneath its shadow justice and mercy embrace each other and man beholds the face of a reconciled God. But a lingering dawn ensues before the son of righteousness arises in full splendor. During this period of shadow his coming is prefigured by the priesthood, the sacrifices, and all the rituals that constituted the God-appointed Vespice of the Old Testament. Aaron and his successors were the transient representatives of the High Priest of our profession Christ Jesus, and the paschal lamb a passing type of Christ our pass-over who is sacrificed for us.

This much to show that Lot and all the Old Testament worthies, if saved at all, were saved by the one atonement made on Calvary. Further confirmation of this is found in the "Gallery of the Saints" as portrayed in eleventh chapter of Hebrews. The only difference in the relationship to Christ between them and the latter day saints being the point of view they looking forward to Calvary while we look backward to the same event; they beholding as in a glass

darkly, but we face to face.

THE ATONEMENT.

This Atonement on Calvary is therefore, the central truth of both the Old and New Testaments and to it is his chief chains of doctrines leading in one direction or another according as we interpret the extent and scope of this Atonement. As stated, we will follow that chain called Calvinistic, endeavoring to make a readable article as we attempt to unfold its links without defense or controversy.

The word Atonement as used in the Scriptures means that satisfaction for sin made by the life and especially the death of Christ, and is an expiation approved as complete by the court of Heaven in that God raised him from the dead.

ITS SCOPE.

As we view the sin-bearing upon the cross, three propositions are suggested as exhausting the possibilities of this unique sacrifice. Christ either made atonement (1) for all the sins of all people, or (2) for some of the sins of all people, or (3) for all the sins of some people. Were the first proposition true, then all would be saved, but this view is held by so few, it is not worth our while to consider it here. If the second be true, then none are saved since the remaining sins yet unatoned for would work destruction upon all. In the light of this reasoning it follows therefore, that Christ made atonement for all the sins of some people. Granting this, the sins thus atoned for can never be punished a second time in the persons for whom this complete satisfaction has been made. "The some people" referred to are the promised seed given to Christ for the travail of his soul being included in the covenant of grace they can never fall therefrom because of the all embracing effect of the Atonement made for them. While Christ is an infinite being his atonement is all sufficient in its power to redeem a world, yet it has pleased God to limit its effect to those who are the called according to his purpose.

To summarize, Christ having made satisfaction for all the sins of some people, they having been chosen in him before they had done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand (Rom. 9, 11.) it is therefore contrary to this purpose that any who are included in this Covenant of grace should ever fall therefrom for their sins having been atoned for once, they can never rest under condemnation for the same transgressions. Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth, (Rom. 8, 33). Upon the troubled sea of religious dogmas, sailing is made easier for the Colivist by this 8th chapter of Romans.

BENEFITS OF THE ATONEMENT.

Further, the very nature of the benefits which flow from Christ's Atonement to the individual believer is such that he is insured against falling into final destruction. These benefits are Regeneration, Justification, Adoption, Sanctification, and it is in the application of these benefits to the individual that the Holy Spirit finds his office work.

REGENERATION.

In the act of Regeneration, that faith and repentance are given to establish a living union between Christ and the soul. This act is performed but once, for the soul once born again is never, thereafter reborn conversions may take place daily as we turn from temptation and sin, but Regeneration is an instantaneous act performed by the Holy Spirit upon the heart, once for all. One general acknowledgment of this fact is that water baptism, symbol of this inward cleansing by the spirit, is administered but once to the same individual. The regenerated man is also a justifi-

fied man.

JUSTIFICATION.

Justification is an instantaneous act performed but once upon the same individual. It is a legal term and has reference to a believer's standing before the court of Heaven. It includes not only his treatment as if he had never sinned since the perfect righteousness of Christ wrought for him is placed to his credit as a basis of his acceptance before God.

ADOPTION.

Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus; whom God has set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins, the believer is now enrolled in the family of God, with all the privileges of the sons of God; an heir of God and joint heir with Christ. This constitutes the believer's legal status in the court of Heaven. These three acts enumerated above are ordered by divine decree and in them there are no degrees. The humblest, weakest child of God when regenerated, justified and adopted is as much so as the Apostle Paul himself.

SANCTIFICATION.

Not so, however with the last mentioned benefit procured by the Atonement-Sanctification. This is a gradual process carried on by the spirit in the life of a believer and is as varying in degrees as is the dispositions, foibles and natural trend of believers themselves. It is in this gradual process of eliminating sin and substituting righteousness that the elements now within the regenerated soul are at war, the flesh lusting against the spirit and the spirit against the flesh, for this tendency to sin is not spasmodic, but with the unremitting force and constancy of a law, Rom. 7, 21.

This conflict against the tripple alliance the word, the flesh and the devil, is the crucible in which the genuineness of the tripple acts enumerated above may be tested.

(Continued next week.)

Great Crowds at Circus.

Many people here plan to see Barnum and Bailey at Winston. Mocksville will be well represented at Winston, on Oct. 15th, when the Barnum and Bailey greatest show on earth exhibits there on that date, for a great many of our citizens have already expressed themselves as having made up their minds to attend. A glance at the list of wonders to be seen with this big show would lead one to believe that the limit in tremendous size as well as number of novelties to be seen has finally been reached. Barnum and Bailey present this year under their city of 14 miles of tents more things new than have been offered by any other shows in years. "Jupiter, the balloon horse," Karoly's troupe of 16 Hungarian coal black stallions, the musical elephants, celebrated Konyot troupe of equestrians, seven troupes of foreign acrobats, four troupes of aerialists and hundreds of other areneic novelties all go to complete a circus performance that has never been equalled. The big menagerie has been augmented by the addition of many new strange beasts and is larger than all the zoological gardens in this country combined. The street parade so gorgeous and so tremendous in size, beggars description and in all is a fair index to the wonderful performances that follow.

A dispatch from McMinnville, Tenn., says that the report that the saloon on top of Cumberland Mountain, known as the Tennessee Oasis, and the only spot in the state where liquor can be legally sold, had burned proved to be untrue.

President Taft spent Sunday at Fortland Ore., where he helped to lay the corner stone of a Universalist church and preached a sermon.

17 Cents Cotton.

Charlotte Chronicle.

That is the talk now and it comes from the operations of Patten, the celebrated speculator in wheat, who has gone to New York and opened an office in Wall Street for the purpose of taking a whirl at the cotton market. Patten is said to have formed a bull pool through which he expects to drive cotton up to 17 cents. He says he is convinced that "the present cotton crop will sell above 17 cents—that the record prices of the Sully year will be bettered. This conclusion is based solely on crop conditions and the increase consumption of the staple and he says he knows the outlook to be poor in all producing States, especially in Texas, which is the most important of all. One new factor he counts on is the demand that will be made for cotton in the manufacture of automobile tires. He thinks that this demand will absorb 350,000 bales. Another thing he believes is that the tariff on woolsens will result in a much larger consumption of cotton clothes in this country. Patten declares that he is in the cotton market to stay, and that his present plan is to buy. He is confident that he will be as successful in cotton as he was in wheat. At any rate, his experience in cotton is going to be watched with interest.

Some More Questions.

It has been made public by words spoken by the greatest Apostle that history records, yet he said he was the least Apostle, because he was a persecutor of the christians when the Vergeans Darling was on his own earth making the only provision that could be made for the good of the children of men that Melchisedec, who lived upon this globe during the day of Abraham and that he was a priest of the most high god. He was also king of righteousness, he said Melchisedec had neither father nor mother, having neither beginning of days nor end of life—what was the cause of the Apostle Paul using the words that Melchisedec had neither father nor mother neither beginning of days nor end of life. Do you suppose that the Apostle Paul who excelled the other Apostles in greetings considered Melchisedec being greater than mortal humanity, and that he was connected with the God-Head.

J. R. WILLIAMS.

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HAPPENINGS AROUND TOWN.

Attorney Nicholson, of Statesville, was among the court visitors last week.

Z. V. Long, of Statesville, were among the court visitors in town last week.

Mrs. A. W. Jamison, is visiting relatives and friends in Statesville for some time.

A goodly number of Davie county people attended the fair at Winston last week.

John McCulloch, of Lexington, spent Monday and Tuesday in this city, attending court.

Some of our people will go over to Winston tomorrow to take in Barnum & Bailey's circus.

James McGuire, Jr., spent a day or two last week in Statesville with relatives and friends.

John Naylor, of Winston, came over Tuesday and spent a few days in this section with relatives and friends.

Work on the new Gaither building is progressing nicely. When finished, it will help the appearance of the town much.

Charlie Hill, colored, who lived near the overhead bridge in South Mocksville, died Tuesday. He leaves a family.

Mayor G. E. Horne and T. J. Dotson attended the State meeting of the Junior Order at Greensboro last week.

Miss Pearl Kooztz, of Route 1, returned last week from a delightful visit to relatives and friends at Elkin and Wilkesboro.

Miss Kate Shutt, of Advance, spent Wednesday in this city, and while here, gave us a call and renewed her subscription. Thanks.

Luther Daywalt and Austin Jones, both of Route 1, are wearing large grins. Friend Daywalt is nursing a young lady, and Jones is handling a fine boy.

Mayor Horne bid off the entire plant of the Mocksville Courier last Monday at \$200. We gladly welcome Mr. Horne to the journalistic field, for misery loves company.

Our old friend C. A. Guffey, of Cleveland, Route 1, gave us a call last week, and left us a cart wheel, for which he has our profoundest thanks. Would that others had followed his example.

Our old friend, O. C. Austin, of Statesville, was in town a day or two last week. He got five square meals before leaving, and said he would not return until he got hungry. He rode this time.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church, serve lunches and dinner in the Young store building Monday and Tuesday. They raised more than \$50. They failed to patronize them, missed a treat.

We secured quite a number of new subscribers last week, and wish to thank all those who either subscribed or renewed. But many of our enemies, whom we have always depended on for help, failed to show up. But we hope they will yet bring or send in the amount due us, for we need the money.

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