



PREPARE FOR PEACE FAST - ST. LOUIS: Rev. Carl Dudley, Berea Presbyterian Church (L), confers with Rev. Frank C. Cummings (C), and Rev. John Elliott (R) before leading his small congregation of 30-40 people in a Fast for Peace here recently. Dudley said "we pledge ourselves as an act of worship, a fast for rebirth of compassion in ourselves and across this country which we love." The fast will continue for 3 days or as long as it is medically advisable. (UPI PHOTO).

Rev. Chubbs To Be Installed February 19

GREENSBORO - Installation Services for Rev. Howard Allen Chubbs, pastor of Providence Baptist Church, Greensboro, will be held Sunday, Feb. 19 at 5 p. m. The installation sermon will be delivered by Dr. Paul Johnson, pastor of the Martin Street Baptist Church of Raleigh. Other participating ministers include: Rev. Otis L. Hairston, pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, giving the Charge to the Church; Rev. A. L. Parker, pastor of Friendly Road Baptist Church, giving the Charge to the Pastor; and Rev. Sampson Bule, Scout Executive for the General Greene Council, Boy Scouts of America, will give the Installation prayer. The pastor Emeritus of Providence, Dr. J. W. Tynes, will also participate. The public is invited to the service and reception.

Rev. Chubbs came to Providence Baptist Church last Summer from the Mosby Memorial Baptist Church, Richmond, where he had served for several years. He succeeds the Rev. Lorenzo A. Lynch, who is now minister of the White Rock Baptist Church of Durham. Chubbs is a graduate of Tennessee A&I University, Nashville, Tenn., and the School of Theology at Virginia Union University, Richmond. The installation services will be held at St. Stephens United Church of Christ, 1101 on Gorell St. Ground-breaking ceremonies for the new sanctuary and educational building for Providence Baptist Church is expected to be held within the next few weeks. The church purchased the building site on Tuscaloosa Street from the City of Greensboro a few years ago. Henry E. Frye is Chairman of the Installation Committee.

Bishop S. G. Spottswood Speaks In N. C.

ELIZABETH CITY - Bishop S. G. Spottswood, who supervises the work of the AME Zion Church of the third episcopal district, made two appearances in this area Sunday.

He was the morning speaker at Mt. Lebanon AME Zion Church and spoke on the Vietnam crisis, at Elizabeth City State College, at 6:30 p. m.

The militant prelate is said to be opposed to war in any form and decries the fact that people, races and nations have to resort to it instead of the principals of brotherhood, that are laid down in the articles of the Christian religion.

Bishop Spottswood's area is composed of New England, Michigan, Illinois and a part of Pennsylvania. He also presides over the work in South America and the Virgin Islands. He will open the Virgin Islands Conference, March 2, at St. Croix. The Guyana Conference will open March 6, at Georgetown.

It will be the first time the conference has been held since Guyana became an independent nation. Bishop Spottswood represented the AME Zion Church and the NAACP on the Day of Independence. He is chairman of the national board of the NAACP.

MEDITATION

A SERMONETTE
BY COLIN DOUGLAS
"For whatsoever is begotten of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that hath overcome the world, even our faith." - I John 5:4.

It is only human sometimes to permit thoughts of sadness, depression, or anxiety to enter the mind. In times like these, one of the best antidotes is to sit down with your Bible, turn to the concordance, and look up references to "Faith." Read each one of these passages slowly and with thought. Then read them again with positive emphasis. Read them aloud to yourself, if possible.

Then write down those passages that mean the most to you. Put them together if you like, into one powerful prayer or affirmation of faith. Make a practice of reading them over and over again, when ever you feel somewhat "down in the dumps." You'll be surprised how this will lift you up and inspire you with renewed faith, courage, and strength. Read the eleventh chapter of the Book of Hebrews, beginning with its wonderful definition of faith. List the pronouncements of Jesus that have to do with faith. In the silence and comfort of prayer, hear him say, "Thy faith hath made thee whole."

You will find, through repetitive prayer and quoting of these Biblical faith passages, through this establishment of communion with God, your periods of sadness, depression, and fear will dissipate. These negative periods will in fact become less frequent as time goes on. Through close prayer with God, you can always find in the deep, spiritual quietness of your soul the strength and wisdom needed to meet any situation that may arise. We need faith in God if we would overcome our difficulties, but of all requirements for such faith, first and foremost is the need of a quiet mind.

"I will not leave you desolate; I come unto you." -- John 14:18.

Baptist Group To Meet In Philadelphia

DALLAS (NPI) - The mid-Winter session of the Board of the National Baptist Convention of America will be held March 1-21 in Philadelphia.

The board will meet at Enon Baptist church, according to the Rev. Robert H. Wilson, NBC corresponding secretary. Dr. C. D. Pettaway of Little Rock, Ark., NBC president, announced the board meeting.

The Rev. W. E. Cook, host pastor, is corresponding secretary of the convention's Home Mission Board.

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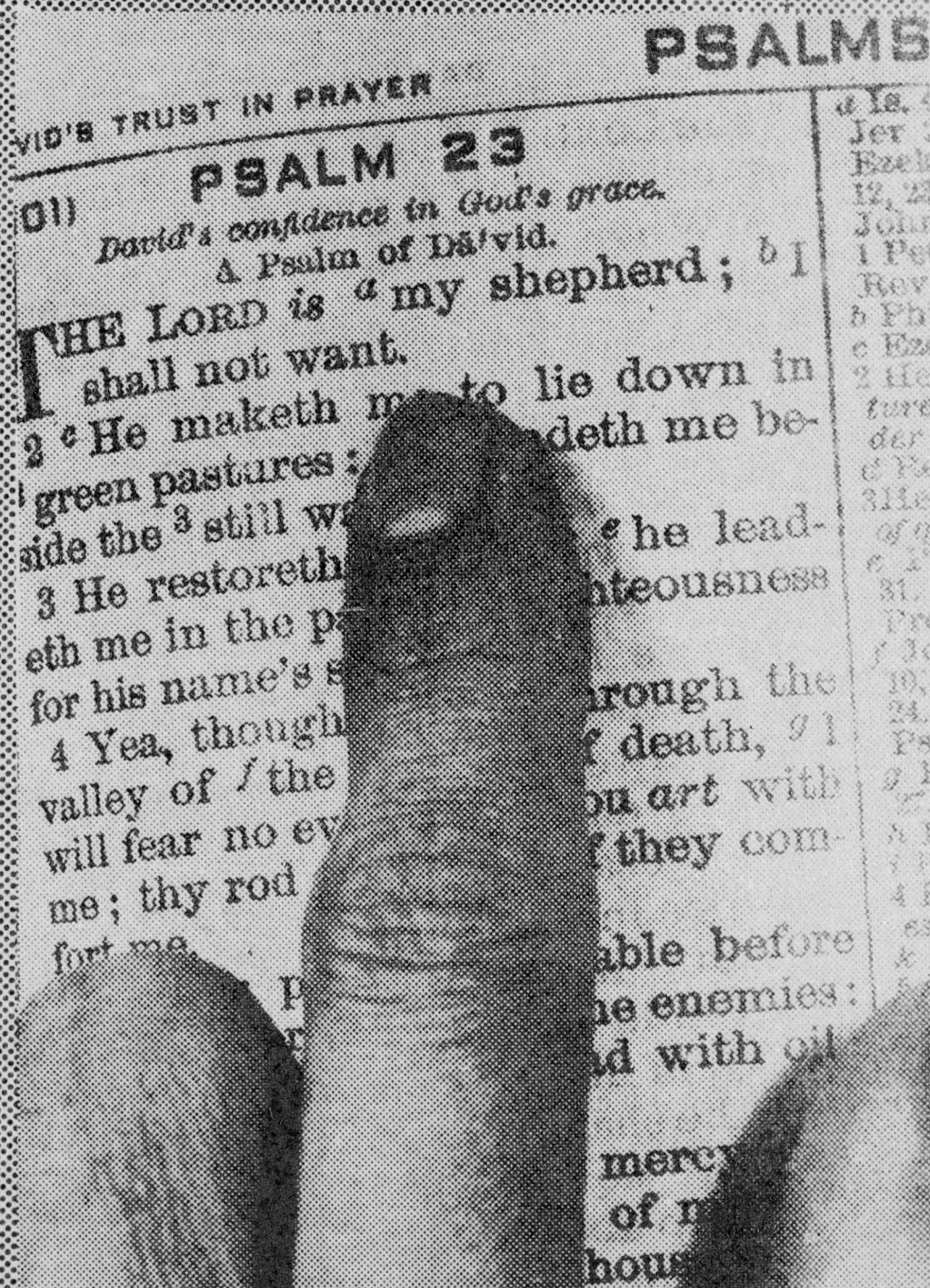
with the Bible as a whole. "By the law is the knowledge of sin" (Rom. 3:20); "It was added because of transgressions" (Gal. 3:19); "for as many as are of the works of the law are under a curse; (Gal. 3:10); but "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us" (Gal. 3:13). "Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith, without the deeds of the law" (Rom. 3:28).

It should be obvious that the law can only condemn sinners, but it is also a fact that Christ died for sinners, to save them from the condemnation of the law. "Therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God, through our Lord Jesus Christ" (Rom. 5:1).

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The Lord is my shepherd



The 23rd Psalm is one of the most familiar chapters in the Bible. Early in life, most of us have committed it to memory. Every once in a while we should go back to these verses and think of the wonderful message of faith and trust in God that they reveal to us. They show us that we have a loving Father; one who will show us the right paths; one who will protect and provide for us. These scriptures end with a note of thanksgiving and a promise.

"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

Plan to start a regular worship in the Lord's house this Sunday.

The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.



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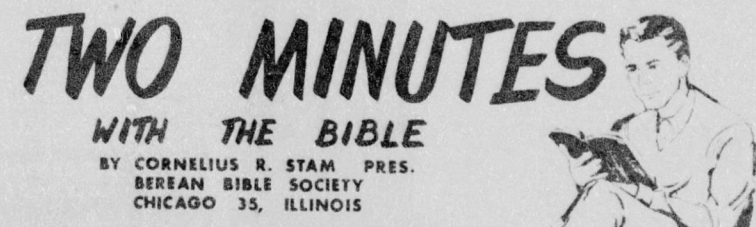
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CAN THE LAW SAVE?

This writer does not wear clerical garb, but somehow when he visits a church away from home, someone is apt to step up to him and ask: "Are you by any chance a minister?" Acts 13 tells how this once happened to Paul and Barnabas. They had entered a synagogue as strangers and simply sat down to listen. After "the reading of the law and the prophets," however, the leaders of the service sent someone to ask them: "If ye men and brethren have some word of exhortation for the people, say on" (Ver. 14:5). Somehow Paul and Barnabas had been recognized as men of God. The custom at that time was to read a passage from the law and then some passage in which the prophets urged the people

to observe the law. This was followed by an exhortation by one or more of the religious leaders present.

Well, Paul did have a word of exhortation for the people, but it would be somewhat of a surprise. Getting to the point of his message, he preached to them Christ and the resurrection and closed his talk with the words: "Be it known unto you, therefore, men and brethren, that by this Man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins; and by Him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses" (Vers. 38, 39).

This was the gist of his "exhortation": Don't trust in the law for salvation -- trust in Christ, who died for your sins. This makes sense and it agrees

Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



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