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## NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

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The spirit of our conference has changed for the better of late years. For many years we were divided on certain questions and had much strife. This is tending to a grave no trumpet will stir.

The brethren were a little slow in finding suitable men to represent them in the coming General Conference, but at last elected ten choice ones. An equally unusual and unanimous thing was done in the election of Dr. J. P. McFerrin as a delegate. One of the peculiarities of the conference has been its opposition to transfers. They have hitherto not only met a cold shoulder, but had many a hard hit in their appointments. Dr. McFerrin is a transfer of transfers. The fact is, he is a "giraffe." He is supposed to serve the best charge in the conference for four years and then go to fairer fields. The brethren seemed to hesitate for quite a time, but at last gave him the largest number of votes received by any one of the honored company. If the rule were otherwise, he would go at the head of the delegation. In ability and devotion he will be found towards the head of the procession.

The Jay bretheren did an unusual thing in the election of a night Captain of the police force of this city. Bro. Wair is a good and true man and can be made useful should order be desired. The laymen started a promising movement in the interest of the conference claimants. Every such family will soon have a home. One layman guarantees a home in the bounds of the Tuscaloosa District during the year. Last year he built a handsome church at his own cost. He will see to it that one superannuate will have shelter if every dollar of the cost comes from his bank account. God bless him.

The next session goes to LaFayette. The appointments gave about the usual satisfaction. Some bright and some sad faces were seen after they were announced. May God bless and prosper the brave men and true women who thus "toil to cultivate immortality."

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## THE NEW PREACHER.

Well, well, here we are started into another conference year. My how time does fly! Well, have you seen the new preacher? Yes, I heard him preach. How do you like him? Well, I don't like him much; he can't preach much, and then I think he is stuck up. Well, I think that I will go to hear him next Sunday over at —— and if he is the kind of a man you say he is I shall not hear him any more. Well, I'll tell you what I think. The money is all that he is after. That is the way of all the preachers now. It is money, money, from start to finish. Another one puts in: Yes, I found that out years ago so I just quit going to meeting at all. Thus the poor preacher commences his year's work handicapped by his flock. They kill his influence on the start. The preacher pulls on and everything drags when it ought to run smoothly. Now, let's quit this way of doing. Let's say that we have the best preacher in the conference, pray for him and work with him, and all pull together; keep him above want, and God will bless us, souls will be saved. God help us to do our duty and make this the best year of your lives. Brother, sister, love your pastor and pray for him.

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We are beginning to look toward Dallas. It is just 288 miles from Fayette. I can leave home at 1:30 o'clock in the morning and reach Dallas at 8:25 that evening. Of late I have been wondering whether our questionable Sandstone can not derive some profit by which we can get Church members into more homes. In Missouri only a small minority of our people take the St. Louis Advocate, and hardly any take any other Church paper.

C. H. BRIGGS,

Fayette, Mo.

## MISSIONARY COMITY.

During the recent visit to the Orient of Dr. C. F. Reid superintendent of our Korea Mission, he had occasion to communicate with Dr. G. H. Hobart, superintendent of the mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, on the subject of our joint occupation of the field. The correspondence was not intended for the public eye, but so mainly and wholesome is its tone and so Christ-like the spirit of the men who lead our respective forces in that distant land that we make no apology for publication. Missionary comity in such light as this can but advance our common cause and insure the blessing of Him who would have us work on a basis of practical fraternity in the unity of the Spirit and in the bonds of peace.

Seoul, Korea Sept. 5, 1901.  
Rev. Geo. H. Jones, Superintendent M. E. Mission, Chemulpo, Korea.

My Dear Bro. Jones—I remember with much pleasure the delightful fellowship I have had with you in former years and with grateful appreciation call to mind the many helpful acts of kindness from yourself and other members of your mission, which have added so much to the pleasure of our residence in Seoul and the general prosperity of our work in Korea. I deeply regret that there should ever have been the slightest misunderstanding with regard to our occupation of any part of the field. I am sure there never would have arisen any such question between us had we been more careful and explicit in defining our relative positions at the start.

Let me assure you that I am in full sympathy with the spirit of comity and cooperation which now characterizes the attitude of the Secretaries of our board, and I believe also those in authority at the Mission Rooms of your own Church. It may be apparent to any conversing with the conditions in Korea that if our common Methodism is to take a masterful part in the evangelization of the country, we must present an undivided front and eliminate all elements of possible friction among ourselves. Moreover, it is to be hoped that the movement so happily started, looking toward the organic union of all Methodist bodies in Japan, will be carried on until similar results are attained both in Korea and China.

When we first entered Korea I do not well see how we could have done otherwise than to have begun our work in Seoul. At that time Korea was in much disorder, and the missionaries had no legal rights in the country, except at four open ports. Your mission was already planted at all of these except Pusan, which for several reasons was practically out of the question for us as a mission field. It seemed necessary therefore that we should jointly occupy the capital, if for no other reason than that we might have a place to retire in case residence or work in a vain attempt to cure cancer. No use of applying burning plasters to the flesh and torturing those already weak from suffering. Soothing balmy, aromatic oils give safe, speedy and certain cure.

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## Sunday-School Department.

FIRST QUARTER, LESSON 1, JAN. 5

### THE PROMISE OF POWER

Acts 1:1-11.

Golden Text: "Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you," — Acts 1:8.

Time: Tuesday, May 18, A. D. 38.  
Place: Jerusalem and Olivet.

From the Gist of the Lesson by Dr. Torrey we take the following:

Exposition—1. The Risen Christ, 1-5. The present treatise relates what Jesus continued to do and teach after His ascension. Just before His ascension He had given the disciples commandments (cf. Matt. 28:19, 29; Mk. 16:15-19; Luke 24:40; v. 19-40; 42). He had given these after His resurrection, in the power of the Spirit. What an honor this puts upon the Holy Spirit, and emphasizes the importance of His work. The all-sufficient proof that Jesus rose, was that He was seen through forty days after His death. "Forty days" is the period of thorough testing (Deut. 8:16-18; 1 K. 19:8; Matt. 4:2). During the forty days there was one subject of conversation, "the things concerning the kingdom of God." Jesus had a solemn charge upon them not to fail in the commission of world-wide evangelization that He had laid upon them until they had received the all-essential fitting for the work, "the promise of the Father," the baptism with the Holy Spirit (v. 4, 5 cf. Luke 24:49). They were to stay right there in Jerusalem and wait until endowed with power from on high." In point of fact they had to wait ten days. They alone knew the gospel which the world was perishing in ignorance of, yet they must wait. They were to receive this baptism "not many days hence." Evidently they had not yet received, but they were regenerate men (John 3:10, 15; 21:20) so then regeneration is one thing and the baptism with the Spirit something additional (see also Acts 8:12; cf. v. 15, 16).

2. The Ascending Christ, 6-9. The mention of "the promise of the Father" seems to have suggested to the disciples the restoration of Israel, so they ask Jesus if He is about to restore the kingdom to Israel. His answer implies that the kingdom is some time to be restored to Israel (cf. Is. 1:25-27; 5:7; Jer. 3:15, 23; 15-26; Ez. 36:23-28; 37:21-28; Hos. 2:4, 5; Joel 2:16-21; Am. 9:11-15). But in the most emphatic way He tells them that God has reserved the knowledge of times and seasons to Himself (cf. Matt. 24:36; Mk. 13:22). When they should receive the kingdom He does not disclose; when they should receive power He does disclose (v. 8). This power would be theirs when the Holy Ghost had come upon them (R. V.). They would not have power until then. How foolish then for us to try to work for Christ until we have sought and obtained the baptism with the Holy Ghost. The power of the Holy Ghost was not merely for the purpose of making them happy, but for the purpose of making them "witnesses" (cf. 2:14; 4:12, 31, 33, 3:32, 9; 17, 20). They were to begin their witnessing right where they were when the Holy Ghost was received, in Jerusalem. They were then to go on and on, "unto the uttermost part of the earth." A true reception of the Holy Spirit by the Church means world-wide missions. This was His parting message to us. How we ought to ponder it. He had lifted His hands to bless them as He finished the message (Luke 24:50, 51). He went up with His hands stretched out in benediction, and He has been blessing us ever since. They know He ascended, for they saw Him clearly. They saw Him until the cloud, the Shekinah glory, took Him out of their sight (cf. Ex. 19:9, 24:5; Is. 19:1; Ps. 19:1-3). He ascended to appear in the presence of God in our behalf, to prepare a place for us (Heb. 9:24; Jno. 14:2). His presence there makes us eternally secure (Ro. 8:34; Heb. 7:25), and His presence there now guarantees our presence there hereafter (Jno. 12:26; Rev. 2:21).

3. The Returning Christ, 10-11. They strained their eyes to get another glimpse of Him and then stood there gazing. Two men in white (cf. Mk. 16:5; Luke 24:4, 23; Jno. 20:12; Acts 10:3, 39) stood by them. These angels were practical, "Why stand ye looking into heaven?" they ask. There are times when it is right to look up steadfastly into heaven (cf. 7:55); but there are times when duty calls to an earthward look. The right thing for the disciples to do just now was to do just what Jesus had bidden them (vss. 4, 12). The two in white gave a glorious promise to cheer the disciples and make it easy for them to leave that spot: Jesus was coming back again. Not another Jesus, but "this Jesus" which was taken up from them.

He was to come just as He went, personally and visibly. The Greek is very emphatic and can not be loosely rendered away. This coming again of our Lord is the great hope of the Church during His absence (cf. 2:12).

4. The Obedient Disciples, 12-14. The disciples had been bidden to tarry at Jerusalem, not to depart, but to wait for the baptism with the Holy Spirit (vss. 4, 5; Luke 24:48). They obeyed. This baptism was to be such a distinct operation of the Holy Spirit that they would know when they had received it. They spent their days of waiting not in listlessness, but in prayer (v. 11). Their prayer was earnest, persistent, united.

Leading Questions.—What four fundamental facts about Christ does this lesson teach? What is the relation of Christ's passion (or suffering) to our salvation? What is the relation of Christ's resurrection to our salvation? What is the relation of Christ's coming (or return) to our salvation? What is the promise of the Father? What is the all-sufficient, essential preparation for Christian work? What is the result of being baptized with the Holy Spirit? For what purpose is the baptism with the Holy Spirit given? How will Jesus come again?

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