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I WRITE as I See It!

—BARTON W. MARSH—

There are three personalities, yes four, portrayed in the Holy Scriptures, who, in their respective spheres are responsible for everything that has been, everything that is and everything that shall be. Three of these persons are co-existent and belong to eternity.

They are the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. "For these are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, (Christ) and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one." John 5:7.

From everlasting to everlasting, from eternity to eternity the well-being of everything in the universe is guarded and perpetuated by this self-existent Triumvirate, know to is at the Godhead. Herein is found all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Colossians 2:3.

Somewhere in the past eternity it pleased God the Father to confer upon the Son (Jesus Christ) all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, that in him (Christ) might dwell all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. See Colossians 2:9; 1:19.

Thus we see that in Jesus Christ is contained all the treasures of the Godhead. Therefore it is Jesus Christ that is before all (created) things and by whom all (created) things consist. See Colossians 1:17. Now we can understand how Christ was able to say to his disciples as he ascended into the heavens, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth." Matthew 28:18.

The fourth person is not a member of the Godhead. He is a created being, an angel of high being one of the covering cherubs who was perfect in his days that

he was created, till iniquity was found in him. Read Ezekiel 28:12-19. This being is designated in the Scriptures by many metaphors, the ones by which he is best known being, Lucifer, Satan, Devil. He was first in authority among the angels, who were all created beings. Great honors were conferred upon him by the Holy Trinity, and he was trusted with many important missions extending throughout the universe.

While Lucifer was held in high esteem in the heavenly courts he did not possess the authority, nor the power that had been commissioned upon the Son. He could attend the Son at the creation of a planet or a system, but he did not possess the power to create. Why could he not be given the power to create? Why should the Son be held in higher esteem than he, Lucifer, the highest of all angels?

Lucifer grew to covet the powers held by the Son. Plans began to take shape in his mind by which he believed he might possess these coveted powers. This spirit ripened into open revolt against the Holy Trinity, particularly against the Son. He promulgated his rebellious purposes among the angels, large numbers of whom were persuaded to join him in his plan to possess the throne of the Eternal One, strip the Son of his authority and power and possess them for himself. So he said in his heart and proclaimed to his angels following: "I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north. I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. Isa. 14:13.

There was but one acceptable choice left for the Trinity and the heavenly angels, and that was war. Lucifer and his following must be expelled from the celestial courts. "And there was war in heaven: Michael (Christ) and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, and prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent called the Devil and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast

out with him." Revelation 12:7-9. For six thousand years the earth has been the battle ground upon which has waged the conflict that Lucifer has started in heaven. The conclusive battle draws on apace and sin shall not rise up the second time. Nahum 1:9.

We have not exceeded the authority of the Bible in this mysterious and strange narrative. Godliness is a mystery, so, also is sin. We cannot explain either, but we can recite what the Bible has to say about both. At a later time we hope to tell you about the final battle.

With The Churches

Baptist Community

Rev. Nick N. Neufeld, Pastor
Jeanette Pierce, Sunday School Supt.

O. C. Turley, Music Director
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship at 11 a. m.
Evening service at 7:30 p. m.
Young people at 7 p. m.

Sunday morning and also that evening we are going to have a guest minister with us. In the morning Dr. Harvey Apenshaw, a returned and retired missionary, will speak. He will relate to us some of the experiences as missionary in China. Then in the evening we are to have a guest speaker, Rev. R. M. Furman, a Baptist missionary for Oregon. Following the morning worship we will observe Lord's Supper. Please plan to attend church at some church Sunday. If you have no other church home, we invite you to our services.

Then too, we are looking forward to two other speakers who are coming in April: Dr. A. C. Osterbahn, a retired medical missionary from Africa will be with us on April 10. On April 24 and 25, Mrs. Fred Tooze, state chairman of W. C. T. U., will speak.

On April 15, Good Friday services and April 17, Easter. Please remember the dates.

Christian Science Society

Services Sunday at 11 a. m. at the I. O. O. F. hall. The public is invited.

"Unreality" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, April 3.

The Golden Text is "Thou hast dealt well with thy servant, O Lord, according unto thy word—Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way" (Ps. 119:65, 104).

Among citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Thus saith the Lord to his anointed, unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear" (Isa. 45:1, 23), together with the following correlative passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scripture" by Mary Baker Eddy: "A belief in other gods, other creatures, and other creators, and other creations must go down before Christian Science (page 535).

Seventh Day Adventist

Sabbath School, Saturday at 9:30 a. m. Church service Saturday morning at 11. Young people Saturday afternoon at 3:45.

Special services: Sunday night at 7:30 "Why Are There So Many Churches?" Tuesday night at 7:30

"The Question God Can't Answer."

The church service this Sabbath will be presented by Roy and Rose Slaybaugh who will tell the second chapter of their thrilling experience. They will conclude their story at the afternoon meeting for young people. All are welcome to attend.

Curry County Mission of the Episcopal Church

Brookings: St. Timothy Chapel
Priest-in-charge, Rev. Fr. Luhe O. Ison (phone: study, 734; home 662, Gold Beach)

Service every Sunday at 4:00 p. m. On Saints' Days when announced.

Chapel is across from high school. All are welcome.

Church school every Sunday at 10 a. m.

Star of the Sea Catholic Church

Rev. Fr. Babyak, Pastor
First Sunday of month at 12 noon.

All other Sundays at 8 a. m.

Smith River Methodist

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Mrs. Grace VanZee, supt.

Morning Worship at 11 a. m. Rev. E. C. Hicks will deliver the sermon.

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