Pastor Russell's Sermon

PENTECOST NOT **GREAT JUBILEE**

Still Greater Blessings Coming, Says Pastor Russell.

GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

What the Day of Pentecest Signified. It Was but a Foretaste of Greater One to Come-Why It Came When It Did-Why the Greater Blessing Will Come, and When-Are There Signs That It Is Near?-Times of Refresh-Ing-Times of Restitution-"I Will Pour Out My Spirit Upon All Fleah."



May 11. - Pastor Russell gave two addresses here, un der the auspices of the INTERNA-TIONAL BIBLE STU-DENTS ASSOCIA-We report one of these, from the text: "Upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those day's will I pour

out My Spirit. After this I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh."-Joel 2:28, 29, The Pastor called attention to the fact that he had transposed the two parts of this text to make their meaning more apparent. He declared that the Prophet ouquestionably taught two outpourings of the Holy Spirit, only one of which has yet come. The one generally commemorated today by Catholics and Episcopalians is the first of these—the pouring out of the Holy Spirit on God's faithful servants and handmaldens. The second one is not to be upon the same class, but upon of Jesus was acceptable to the Father, all flesh—not upon the Elect, but upon and that we have been accepted

was a Jewish festival celebrating the harvest. On that day, nearly nineteen centuries ago, God poured out His Holy Spirit upon His waiting servants and handmaidens, in the upper room at Jerusalem. That event was important, not only to those who then participated, but to all of God's people from then until now. Prior to that day of Pentecost, no one except Jesus had ever received spirit begetting—the Holy Spirit of sonship. Prior to that date. God held all humanity at a distance from Elimself, declaring that because they were sinners He could not accept them as sons, that first their stus must be atoned for.

Paster Russell pointed out that this allenation from God had continued for more than four thousand years before lesus came. Adam was called a son of God, but after him no one was styled a son of God until Jesus. During all that time, Abraham alone was styled a friend of God, because of his devotion, his faith. But a friend is not a son, and none other than Abraham had even so high a title as friend. The Jews had the honorable title of servants of God, attaining that through

the Law Covenant, under Moses. Not only do the old Testament Scriptures not refer to the Jews as sons of the Holy Spirit and had begun His ministry. He spoke of Himself as being the Son of God, and this the Jews resented, taking up stones to stone Him. They declared it blasphemous to claim so close a relationship to Jehovah. Again, we rend of the disciples before Jesus' death. "The Holy Spirit was not yet given; because that Jesus

Was not yet glorified."-John 7:30.
From these testimonies of the Bible. the Pastor deduced that it was necessary for Jesus to finish His sacrifice for sins, and to ascend on High, into the presence of Jehnvah God, and present the merit of His sacrifice on be-half of the Household of Faith, before the Apostles or any of the Church could be recognized of God. The desire which Jesus had awakened in their hearts was that they might become His footstep followers in doing for the Truth, for righteousness. And so His disciples declared that they had left all to follow Him.

Before leaving them, Jesus admonished that they should not attempt to begin their work until after receiving the Father's recognition of them as sons. He said, "Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on High." While He was with them, He breathed upon them and gave them of His Hely Spirit and power, by which they healed the sick, cast out demons, etc. But when He left them they had not this power, or authority, and must walt until the Father gave it to them directly, even as He gave it directly to the Lord Jesus,

"When Pentecost Was Fully Come." For ten days the Apostles and other faithful brethren tarried, praying in the upper room, waiting for the promised demonstration of Divine acceptance that would indicate to them that Jesus bad appeared in the presence of God, and had made satisfaction for their sins, and that the Heavenly Father had accepted Jesus' sacrifice on their behalf, and by the begetting of the Holy Spirit would recognize them as sons of God-not as human sons.

nature."-2 Peter 1:4.

Without the begetting there could be no ultimate birth to the Divine nature Jesus. He was begotten of the Holy and a half years of His earthly ministry. But He was not born of the Spirit until His resurrection, as we read: "He was the First-born from the dead"-"the First-born amongst many brethren." The Church are begotten of the Holy Spirit under the ame Covenant of Sacrifice, that if faithful they may attain to the same Spirit birth by a similar resurrection.

St. Peter explains that while the gift of the Holy Spirit was from the Father, it would not come to the Church direct, as though ignoring the Lord Jesus. He says of Jesus, "being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit. He bath shed this forth." (Acts 2:33). Again he says. "Who is gone into Heaven, and is on the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto Him." (1 Peter 3:22). The Pentecestal blessing, therefore, was a double attestation. It proved that Jesus as the great Redeemer accomplished, in a manner pleasing to the Father, the work the Father gave Him to do. It proved that those who received the Spirit were accepted as sons of God. their original sin being canceled through the merit of Christ's sacrifice.

And although the miraculous manifestations of God's favor have not been repeated during this Age, we know that all of the same class are participants in the same blessing. "The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ * * * which according to His abundant mercy hath begotten us again." (1 Peter 1:3.) While we are required to "Walk by faith and not by sight," nevertheless our faith has its sure footing in that original Pentecostal manifestation. We, as well as the Apostles, can realize that the sacrifice through our Redeemer as members of The Paster remarked that Pentecost | His Body, which is the Church.

It is because the Church is one Body, although of many members, that no repetition of Pentecost has been necessury. As soon as we by consecration come into the one Body, we are sharers in all the blessings that belong to that Body, the start of which came on the gemorable Pentecost Day, "By one Spirit ye were all baptized into one Body, which is Christ." Jesus the Head of The Christ, The Messiah, first got His blessing, which was completed on the plane of glory. Then He made application of His merit for all those who desire to become members of His Body, of the Bride of Christ.

This was the foundation necessary for Divine acceptance of the Church On this basis, the gathering of the Church has progressed for now nearly nineteen hundred years. Soon, we be lieve, it will be completed. The last member proving faithful and passing beyond the vell, the Body will be complete in glory-united to the Head, or under the other figure, the espoused virgin Church, united to her Lord, will be the Bride, the Lamb's Wife.

The Greater Jubilee,

Pentecoat represents to the Church liberation from the thraidom of ain and death, as well as introduction into the family of God. Thus it signifies God, but the Jews themselves have the beginning of all the blessings which never claimed such a relationship. On the people of God have known as the fruits of the Spirit-meekness, gentle ess, patience, long-suffering, brotherly-kindness, love, joy, peace-fellowship with God and our Lord Jesus Christ.-Galatians 5:22, 23.

Nevertheless, the Pastor explained. those wonderful blessings are not complete. The resurrection-that glorious change from imperfections in the flesh to perfection on the spirit plane-will e the consummation of all the Church's hopes, and that consummation, although near, we believe, has not et been attained.

God has purposely deferred the secedary outpouring of His Holy Spirit that upon the world, "all flesh"—until he establishment of His Kingdom. That will be a great Jubilee. It was, y Divine appointment, typified in Isitel's experiences. During the fiftieth ear, every Israelite was set free from endage and debts of every kind, and the Heavenly Father's will—even to had a fresh start. Thus was pictured the extent of laying down their lives how during Messiah's giorious reign as Mediator of the New Covenant, God on account of Jesus' sacrifice will cancel he sins of the whole world, and grant blease from all weaknesses, and ansistance back to the fulness of Divine In other words, the Jubilee of Israel typided the coming Times of Restoration of all things, when Jesus he Head and the Church the Body, as The Messiah, will reign for a thousand years, for the purpose of blessing all be families of the earth and uplifting them out of sin, weakness, depravity-mental, moral and physical.

Oh, what a Jubilee that will be! No wonder St. Peter, in describing it and elling us that it will begin at the secand coming of Jesus, also tells us that at the time the Hely Spirit came upon it will be Times of refreshing from the Divine presence: It will be the world's Pentecost. The Holy Spirit will then be poured out upon all flesh We are not to understand, however, that it will be done unconditionally. Rather, we may surmise that the conliftens on which it will be open to all flesh will be that only those who desire the blessing will receive it. But who would refuse such a favor when fully enlightened respecting it, when fully aware of its import and possibilities? vance how this outpouring of the Holy

and the Church have been begotten at the beginning. We merely assume during this Gospel Age is on a far higher than human plane—far above the angelic, also St. Peter explains archs, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and all that our begetting is to the "Divine | the Prophets. They have already been tested and proven loyal to God. They have merely been waiting, "sleeping" until the completion of the Gespel in the resurrection. Thus it was with Church. As St. Paul says, they cannot be perfect, nor enter upon their Spirit, quickened by the Spirit, and reward until we first are perfected and gradually developed during the three enter upon our higher reward, as the Spirit Kingdom .- Hebrews 11:39, 40.

The Elect and the Non-Elect.

Our text is in full harmony with all the Scriptures in indicating that God has special blessings for His Elect-His servants and handmaldens of this the Holy Spirit first, but to them its manifestation is different from what it will be with the non-elect, by and by. As sirendy pointed out, the Holy Spirit fits and prepares the Church for glory. bonor and immortality on the spirit plane. But the Holy Spirit's operation be the perfecting of all who will of the

human family-an earthly blessing. We are not to forget that God was as well pleased to make Father Adam an earthly being, perfect, in His own image and likeness, a little lower than the angels, as He was pleased to make to the Divine nature, is to be far above angels, but it is the same Holy Spirit which operated in all God's creative work, whether of angels or of mes, or of the Church of the First-born.

Adam undoubtedly had the Holy Spirit of God in his perfection. Mankind in general, during the thousand years of Messiah's Kingdom, will be receiving more and more the Holy Spirit of God. Its operation in them will be the perfecting of their flesh. Thus the Lord declares it, "I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh." (Ezeklei 11:19.) The Scriptures speak of Adam in his perfection as crowned with glory and honor, and set over the beasts of the field, as earth's underlord, or king, responsible only to the Almighty. (Psalm 8:4-9.) Sin disarranged all this. as we have seen, but God has provided the Redeemer. His work of a thousand years, the pouring out of the Holy Spirit upon the world of mankind, will result to bringing all the willing and obedient back to human Adam, and redeemed at Calvary,

What This Does Not Mean.

This does not mean, said the Pastor. will be available to all flesh, even as in the present time it is available to all His servants and handmaldens, in proportion to their love and seal. So the world's progress back to perfection privileges extended to them.

gift will not be given to any except to those who demonstrate their desire for it, on God's terms. The wicked will not be granted everlasting life at all. On the contrary, we read, "All the wicked will God destroy." "It shall be destroyed from amongst the people." Neither does this great generosity on

God's part in the forgiveness of ains and provision for the return of humanity mean that sins of the present life will go unnoticed. We may be sure to judge as respects the guilt and re ponsibility of others that the Lord has strenuously guarded His people. "Judge nothing before the We may be sure, therefore, that any judgment we might form, or other men might form, would be more or less defective, proportionately dif-

ferent in God's judgment. In God's judgment respecting wickedness, we perceive that He takes into account all the circumstances-the ig orance, the superstition, the hereditary taints and weaknesses, etc. From God's standpoint any transgression of His Law is sin, but the seriousness of the sin depends upon the wiffulness with which it is committed. The Lord will deal justly with all of our race: and the Church, associated with Him in giory and in the work of judging. will then be fully competent for that appointed work. So we read, "Do re got know that the saints shall judge

the world?'-1 Corinthians 6:2. The Scriptures, therefore, warn ex erybody, "Whatsoever a man soweth that aball be also reap." This indientes that our words, our thoughts, our deeds, all have a bearing upon the future life. While only the spirit-be gotten are yet on trial for life or death eternal, pevertheless the world's words and deeds have either an elevating of degrading influence upon their consciences. Accordingly their opportuni ty in the future will find them either ower or higher, with more or less steps to retrace, in order to attain the perfection of character in the fesh.

Surely all who rightly appreciate too Church's Pentecest of nearly nineteen conturies ago will rejoice to see the Divine arrangement for the world's Pentecost, under Messish's Kingdom Nor can it do harm to let the Truth be known. The lack of the knowledge of the Truth and creedal misrepresen tations have doubtless led many to de spair, and robbed others of peace as well as joy. By these means the Henv. enly Father's character has been slan dered. It is time to tell the world about the Love of God. It is time that Chris tians should remember that it was We cannot, of course, know in ad- not fear that drew them to God, but, awever. The somably to which Jesus Spirit upon all fiesh will be manifest constraineth us."-2 Cortathians 5:14

HE URGES EXHIBITS

Northwest Is Far Behind Southwest and Canada in Methods to Attract Immigration.

ast is what Oregon and the Pacific oast country needs to attract immigrants, says G .M. Hunt, ex-president and at present seperintendent of the ing information about Hawaii's schools. at that place. He is in Portland on a the public schools fared worse and "The coast is far behind the south

Gospel Age. Not only do these receive the eastern immigration," he continued The coast is behind Canada, also. For illustration, the southern states have organized the Southern Commercial congress, the object being to inluce immigration to the southwest, and south. The states have joined in the upon the world in the next Age will expense of maintaining a furean at be totally different. Then its work will Washington, D. C., where a man is in charge, ready at all times to go to Boston, Philadelphia, New York and all the eastern cities to meet civic bodies. where the merits of the southwest can be placed before them. The congress grade. A number of the schools mainalso maintains an exhibition at the capthe angels of a higher order, in His ital that can be taken from one city own image and likeness. The Church, to another to be presented at convennow being begotten of the Holy Spirit tions and various gatherings. At all large meetings through any part of the east, the congress is represented by a in the hawaiian schools, about twice for contributions to a bulletin which it of City Building and the Organization bit. The result is that the flood of im- Territorial Government was established migration is drifting toward the south twelve years ago. The territory last

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better or more effective step toward United States. perfection-to that which was lost in colonization than to establish a bureau in an eastern city, from which place representatives could be accessible to all points from which immigration flows that the Holy Spirit will be forced This representative would easily and upon any; but merely that God's Spirit cheaply attend all important conventions, where the immigrant could ask questions not answered in the advertising literature.

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HAWAIIAN SCHOOLS

Japanese pupils now form the most umerous element in the Hawaiian chools, and they are increasing at a nore rapid rate than any other race. according to a statement by Governor Walter F. Frear, received at the United States Bureau of Education. The Japanese now have a considerable lead in the school population, with over 51 per cent of the total; the Portuguese follow with a little less than 7 per ibit and personal representative in the cent; the Hawaiians come next with 14 per cent; Part-Hawaiians comprise 14 per cent; Chinese, 11 per cent; and

all other nations or races, 12 per cent. Governor Frear gives other interestand at present separintendent of the register department of the postoffice of the Territorial Government in 1900, worse until 1907, when, with increasing and southwest in reaching out after prosperity for the islands, more ample provision was made for education. Finally, in 1911, a new method of financ ing the schools was adopted, under which there has been a decided gain in the number of teachers, in salaries and in generally efficiency.

Industrial schools that are partly self-supporting are a feature of the Hawaiian school system. There are three such schools, and in addition, the Normal school, the college of agriculture and mechanic arts, two high schools, and 151 schools of elementary tain city or county governments conducted by the pupils for practice in citizenship, and patriotic exercises are emphasized in all the schools. There are now nearly 30,000 children

man in charge, literature and an exhi. as many as there were at the time the year spent \$582, 536 for education, and the counties themselves \$17,799 ad Western Canada has central bureaus ditional. These figures are exclusive stablished at Montreal, Winnipeg, and of expenditures for the College of Haare in charge and attend all public site in the suburbs of Honolulu and has

The Hawaiian schools are up to the American practices in the length of thinking of going to the new country term; their school year is 38 weeks has at hand a man with whom he can Attendance is compulsory from 6 to 17 consult relative to conditions at the years of age, the maximum age having been raised from 15 years a year ago. "The Pacific coast is a large, prac- Good attendance records are the rule; ically undeveloped country. No such the average last year was 86 per cent perement as I have mentioned has of the eurollment. In this and other een started out here. Oregon, Wash, respects the schools of Hawali com ington and California could take no pare favorably with the best in the

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