

Revival For Our Day

January 1997

Dear Ones of Revival For Our Day,

We greet you in the matchless name of Christ. We confess that we do not know anything, only by the grace of God.

As we begin this new year, we wanted to share a message with you that the Lord gave Rev. Helm at Parker City Christ Fellowship on New Year's Day in 1995.

I want to share with you some good news, some striking news, some amazing news. It is found in the sixth chapter of I Corinthians. Since the fall of man, this news has seldom been able to enter into the human heart. The more you know, the more you will have to die to get what is said in this message. The more you know, what you know will control you, will control your choices and decisions; it will dominate you.

This that I want to share with you is so simple; it is a declaration of simplicity. What I have to say in this good news, this stirring news, this everlasting news is never ending. The truth of it has seldom been heard since Adam fell. It has seldom been realized or appreciated. It is so simple that it has seldom been perceived by the most brilliant mind. The news is so simple that unless God reveals it to you, it will be hidden from you. Only a few have been able to break through the barrier.

This message is not to one segment of society, it is not to one locality, it is not to one nation, it is not just to those of certain creeds or ideas. This good news is for everyone! I have never preached this and I have never heard it preached. What I have to tell you is so simple and you will say to yourself, "This really is simplicity." It is just common truth. It has been walked right over many times. The closer you are to Jesus, the more it will strike you. If you are a distance from Jesus, it won't mean much. This news is far reaching and it is for everyone on the face of the earth. It is to the lowly and the sophisticated. It has seldom been heard in the heart of man.

I need to share another scripture with you first. This is not my text, it is just a "helper". It is in the second chapter of Philippians. It will help us understand something. How far can our understanding reach if we doubt, speculate or analyze? In verse 21 we read, "For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's." It says that all seek their own. Who is he talking about? It is all men in the flesh who have not given themselves over to Christ Jesus and doing God's will every moment of their lives. How many men and women is that?

The goal is to become nothing - that is the inner death and slaying. It is leaving and forsaking all - it is putting everything aside and doing God's will completely. How far is it from where you begin until you find out you are nothing? What is the distance and what is required to bring us to that place?

Are you still with me? I hope that this steak of truth is not so thick that you can't chew it up well, grind it to powder, and put it in your spiritual stomachs until it gives you a spring in your soul and a song in your heart!

It is possible to know all the things of philosophy, medicine and agriculture and not know anything about the text for this morning. Only those who approach nothing will appreciate my sermon this morning. The rest will be figurers. The more you know you are nothing, the greater you realize your need. If that is all you get out of this sermon, that will be so much to swallow that when you get it into your stomach, you will be like a spring. You will go out with living waters!

The message I am giving you today is never ending. Only a few through the ages have heard it or maintained it. I know it has taken a while to get to the text, but I thought you ought to know a few things before we started into it. If you can hold fast to your heart all the things I have said to you, we may be in the beginning of revival.

This message should be broadcast from the housetops all over the hemispheres. I have never heard it preached as a sermon nor have I ever tried to preach it in 62 years. This text is so alarming that it disturbs every carnal

heart, but is received with pleasure in the childlike spirit.

Here is my text for the morning. "And ye are not your own." You are not yours. Hardly anyone has heard this in order to perceive. Those who know it are lovers and followers of Jesus. "Ye are not your own. For ye are bought with a price . . ." (I Corinthians 6:19b-20).

If we are not our own, then we can't make our own plans or arrangements - we can't do anything, for we are utterly dependent upon God. You are not your own - you belong to the King of Kings and the Blood Washed One of Calvary who has brought us from the darkness into a marvelous light! You don't belong to yourself!

Loran Helm does not belong to himself. He belongs to God and must do what God tells him to do. This is true for all men who have been born since Adam. This is true for all races and all colors. "Ye are not your own."

You are not your own possession. Most all men and women think they belong to themselves and they can make their own choices - for every choice that you make that is not of the Lord, you will suffer a consequence. You have been bought with a price and that price is the blood of Jesus Christ and His death on the cross.

All clergy and ministers are not their own. God has been trying for centuries to find someone who would follow Him. "For as many as are led by the Holy Spirit, they are the sons of God." God wants us to maintain spiritual balance so that we are not radical or fanatical.

If any man or woman in this place can get this revelation it will be wonderful. If I were talking to a million and only a handful would get this, it would be something to be thankful for.

You are not your own; you have been bought by a great price. God himself came down to dwell in human flesh and He went to Calvary to purchase you and me. He wanted all men to follow Him, but He couldn't find hardly anyone. This hasn't changed, has it?

When you realize that you are not your own, how much love will flow through you? Until we realize that we are not our own, God's love is blocked. The self in us will dam

it up. Does this witness in your heart?

If mankind could learn this truth, our prisons would be empty. If every man and woman knew this text, there wouldn't be any stealing, adultery, fornication, gossip, judging, or hurting. There would be healing.

For ye are not your own. What kind of discovery is this? Could you classify this discovery among the greatest? We all depend upon the discovery of the wheel, but this is far greater than the discovery of the wheel.

When all men seek their own then God's revelation is crowded out. The more we know, the less revelation of God we have. We want to depend more upon what we know than upon the revelation of God.

This message has come by revelation. I have never preached this message; I don't have any notes with me.

Aren't you glad that Joseph found out that he didn't belong to himself? Did he find it out in the pit or before? It operates with me that Joseph found it out before the pit experience. That is why he could suffer in the pit and never complain. In the pit there was no escape or exit; there were no stairs or ladders to help him to get out.

How much does a person die in the pit experience? How much dying will it require before you perceive this message? How much inner death will be required for us to know that we are not our own? This is good news! We can look up and say, "Praise God for the good news that I don't belong to myself any longer!" God always gives the best to those who leave the choice to Him.

Where are you going? Are you going to this text to find out what it really means or are you going to exist in the city of self will? Are you going to live in the village of self want? Are you going to live in the community of self desire? Where are you going? We are all going somewhere - even when we are standing still. While you are sitting there, you are going somewhere. While you have listened to me in this message, you have made some plans. Wouldn't it be wonderful if this message could bring awakening to our minds?

We will never be able to love our neighbor as ourselves until we realize that we are not our own. That just came to me.

What would have to occur to bring man to the realization that he is not his own? Most

persons from the time of birth have been doing their own plan. When will you decide to believe that you are not your own?

If this message is being recorded on tape, which I think it is and should end up being used for a newsletter, you may have to read it six times and it will break through the barriers in us. He will open it to us little by little. I want you to know that all hell is against this message; all carnality and all flesh are against it. It is by the grace of God that we can die sufficiently to appreciate it and be thankful for it.

Didn't I tell you that this was a striking and alarming message? There is not a man or woman born that belongs to themselves. Jesus has been trying to find a people who will realize this. This is a straight message! How long will you be able to maintain it? How long will it be before you realize this revelation?

You are not your own for you have been bought by the price of the blood of Jesus Christ to do as He would lead us to do for His glory. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Amen.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

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Rev. Helm asked to have the following letters included for your encouragement and for God's glory.

Dear Brother and Sister Helm,

Praise God for His grace and mercy. He gives us so much more than we deserve. We owe Him everything, and He owes us nothing. Yet, He continues to give to us. Praise His holy name.

May He have mercy on me for being tardy in writing you. The Holy Spirit has been helping Pastor Rod and Rev. Morgan. They are preaching the message that Jesus loves us, and is looking for a group of people that will truly obey Him.

May the Lord our God, who knows each of us, our needs, and our desire to serve, bless you. May He continue to anoint you. May Jesus grant both of you a physical touch. May you be healed in bones,

glands, joints, heart and brain. May He strengthen and encourage you. May He hold you both in the hollow of His hand. May the grace and peace of our Lord and Savior surround you both constantly.

Your servant,
Nicholas Husson

Dear Brother and Sister Helm,

We are very thankful to have had the wonderful honor to be in Florida during the Christmas holidays. The time there was such a blessing to us. It was like a honeymoon vacation and a Waiting Upon God all wrapped up in one. I have been trying to thank Jesus for such love - it was the very best Christmas anyone could have ever asked for.

As you know, we enjoyed staying in a hotel which was on the ocean. As I cooked your Christmas meal, I could see the ocean, and what a beautiful sight it was. In addition, I was blessed at the grocery Christmas Eve. As I went from one aisle to the other, I felt the presence of God. My eyes welled up in tears, because Jesus was giving me the opportunity to cook your Christmas meal. It was a delight and an honor. Thank you Jesus.

You indeed live a life of true trust in God. How much do we lean on the things of this world, our plans of the day, conveniences, ideas (I have many of those), and schedules? I was challenged to ask myself: "Do I really live a life of true trust in Jesus?"

I also felt such love, peace, and joy in your home. It was Jesus I know. I think I began to get a glimmer of what your daughters meant when they were getting married and asked you to pray them out of the home so that they could move next door. I think I caught a glimmer of this love when I reviewed in my mind the stories I have heard you tell of men and women who have said: "Take me home with you, or come home with me and live with me." I felt such love from you both, that I too, did not want to go home.

I did not want to cry in front of you on my departure. I have never liked farewells. I did however cry privately. I still find myself shedding a tear here and there as I meditate on this adventure. Again, I felt such tenderness, such appreciation, such love, holiness, and purity. All this adventure could not have been without the support of our church, the Kokomo Christian Fellowship. Our church supports you in love and prayers. May Jesus be very near to you today, and always.

With His love and thanksgiving,
Marilyn Buddenhagen

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

This morning, Pastor Schultze introduced us to the book of Colossians and told us the importance of prayer for God's church. While Marilyn and I were helping you there in Florida, I was seeing the great need for prayer to sustain you and to help the church be holy. I trust that I will be able to do my part for God's kingdom. Marilyn and I enjoyed helping you and Jesus assisted us. We are thankful you permitted us to stand in the gap for a short period of time.

Jesus is wonderful! Have a glorious week!

Bruce Buddenhagen

SPECIAL NOTICE

Rev. Helm will be celebrating his 81st birthday on February 3. Those who would like to share in the celebration of this event may direct cards, greetings, etc. to the Florida address.

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Dear Ones of Revival For Our Day,

We are thankful for each of you who have prayed and petitioned the throne with your supplications and prayers. We thank the Lord for all the dedication and wonderful love that you have shed abroad by the Holy Spirit to us. We thank each one in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. We thank the Lord that He is mighty to deliver those who put their trust in Him.

We are thankful for those who have held on, believing for our restoration, help and healing. Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, who has redeemed us through His precious blood.

We thank all of those who helped us in the hospital and in the rehabilitation center. We thank David, Tyler, Emory and Marilyn for all the help they gave to assist us. We give God all glory, praise, honor and thanksgiving for all who have persevered and held on for us.

In the eleventh chapter of Matthew, verse 28, Jesus says, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." This Mighty One of Israel said, "Come unto me."

We know that He is the only one that can take our burdens, lift us, and take our diseases, which are many. When Jesus said, "... all ye who labour and are heavy laden", He was talking about those who pray and obey; those who follow.

Many are under great distress and burdens. These people need encouragement and lifting. We need deliverance constantly for without Him, there is no rest. This rest is a gift of the Holy Spirit to those who put their trust in the Lord God.

Jesus said that there would be rest to those who have labored, who have followed, who have been willing to deny themselves and forsake all. This rest satisfies and has wonderful abilities to reach to the need of the human heart. Nothing can meet the need like Jesus can.

Let's look at the phrase, "Come unto me". These words are full of care, full of

vision and of concern. The concern is always in proportion to love. This phrase is full of the love of God that constrains us. In Him there is all fullness dwelling and He is mighty to deliver us out of temptation. There is satisfaction in the words, "Come unto me".

In Him there is mighty deliverance and strength. The joy of the Lord is our strength. There is joy, for joy is the fruit of obedience and obedience always follows self-denial.

We praise God for these words. It is an invitation that is open to all. There are no restrictions in the words "Come unto me". There are restrictions on most everything of earth, but these words of Jesus are for whosoever will. When we come unto Jesus, we will find peace and rest.

He said, "Take my yoke upon you and learn of me." It is up to us to take the yoke. We take it by obedience, surrender, prayer, and by seeking the Kingdom first. As we seek to come to Him, there are no disappointments. As we take the yoke, we learn of Him through the eye of faith. It takes a constant pressing to acquire this yoke. We need to take the yoke, keep the yoke, maintain the yoke, and then we learn of Him. We learn by prayer, by study, by waiting, and looking unto Him who is the author and finisher of our faith.

Jesus goes on to say, "For I am meek and lowly of heart." Meekness is not weakness. Meekness is willing to do God's will. Meekness is a tenderness, gentleness and submission. The word meekness also speaks of humbleness, humility, and brokenness.

"And ye shall find rest unto your soul." To find is to seek. We praise Him for He is mighty to give what is needed to the soul that is hungry, broken and submissive. We should be much in debt to our Heavenly Father for all of this.

He says "My yoke is easy and my burden is light." We are thankful that Jesus will take our burdens as we yield to Him what we have and what we are.

Thank you for your prayers, love and care. We feel so thankful and grateful. We pray that Jesus will help those of you who are discouraged and pressed. We ask that Jesus

will lift the disappointment and the hurt. We are thankful that Jesus is mighty to deliver all those who put their trust in Him. We fail, but Jesus never fails.

We give Thee praise, through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

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P.S. Mrs. Helm and I want to thank all of you who have sent cards and flowers over the past few months. They were all very much appreciated.

Rev. Helm wanted to share the following letters with you, giving God all the glory and praise.

Dear Rev. Helm,

My name is Stephen Baldwin. You don't know me, but I want to thank you.

About 14 months ago, I asked Terry Adamson if he had a few minutes after work. He said yes and I asked him if God would take me back just as I was, because for 18 years, I had been seeking relief from my torment due to my own sin. I came back to God in the parking lot after work that evening.

I want to praise God for Terry being obedient. I shudder to think where I would be now if he hadn't taken the time with me.

I work with Terry and God has allowed us to be together all this time. I also have gotten to know Kim Gilbert and the last 14 months have been wonderful.

Terry told me about you and how he and Kim had learned the importance of denying oneself, obedience and waiting upon God.

God has ministered and encouraged me greatly through your obedience to His will. I want to say "thank you" for obeying God.

Yours in Christ,
Stephen K. Baldwin

like for us to send an extra gift if possible. You said that the Lord might repay us one or more times. I sent a gift of \$200 along with my tithes.

Last week, I had a business meeting to discuss our budget for 1997. During the meeting I was granted an increase in salary of \$2,040.00 annually. This was a surprise since I was not seeking an increase at this time, but was seeking a raise for my employees. They also got their raise.

God truly blesses us as we strive to follow Jesus, and do what the Holy Spirit reveals to you. I have gained much more than money trying to follow you as you follow Christ.

You and Mrs. Helm are in our prayers. I enjoyed and think often of "not being my own, but having been bought by a price . . . the Blood of Jesus." Thank you and thanks be to God. He is so precious to us.

Sincerely,
James W. Bunnell

Dear Rev. Helm,

Praise the Lord!! I wanted to write you again and express my gratitude to our Heavenly Father for how He helped you at Palm Beach Gardens. It was wonderful how He helped, anointed, guided and lifted. My words are very feeble to try to express the gratitude and appreciation for what was said.

It was life to this weary soul! It was like a cold cup of water on a very hot day. I marvel at what God had you share on the text of Jesus and Zacchaeus.

The love that flowed from your heart was very evident. I am in debt to the Holy Spirit for your pressing on.

I would say also that the way the Lord helped you share about how we are to be sensitive to those dear ones who are backward and shy.

When you were expounding upon the way that Jesus looked up through the tree branches of shyness, and privacy to look for the one who is searching to bring them His love, it was wonderful. It always helps my heart to hear how God has led, guided, and directed you through the years.

I feel in my heart to have come so short of the way He would have me to live, but when I heard you also say that you have made mistakes, how it brought such consolation to my heart.

I am also in debt for how you have been a loving father to my father in the faith, Pastor Mark Donnelly. I want you to know that you mean a great deal to him.

May He, the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in the inner man with His power, and may He deliver you from all evil, and guide you into all truth, both now and forever. Amen.

In Christ Jesus' name and love,
Mark Allan Wolfe

Dear Rev. Helm,

In late 1996 I received a letter from you indicating that the funds for RFOD were down and you would

Dear Rev. Helm,

Thank you for your faithfulness to the Lord Jesus Christ, and for the way your life has touched mine. Although I have never met you personally, God has used you to greatly minister to my needs.

During the fall of 1984, God was ministering to my daily needs through the scriptures and "Streams in the Desert". But I still had some questions and uncertainties. I was going on a business trip to Kokomo and God led me to Reimar Schultze through some unusual circumstances.

About a year or so later, I was telling my mother in Idaho about meeting Rev. Schultze. She remembered him as the main speaker at a Bible camp we had attended in Montana about twenty years earlier. Our church in Idaho had even called him to be the pastor, but God wanted him elsewhere.

It had been so many years that I didn't recognize him. But our unusual meeting in Kokomo underscored that God was trying to show me something really important.

I had spent some time on that weekend in Kokomo yielded to God and waiting on Him. When I left Rev. Schultze, he had someone give me a copy of "A Voice in the Wilderness". I spent that night in the Indianapolis bus station and read the whole book. God used it to confirm to me several things. I cannot overemphasize how much that meant to me at the time.

That book and your other writings have continued to speak to me powerfully. I am still a novice at following Jesus. I still often let my flesh get in the way.

Whenever we fail God, we lose things, some of which cannot be reclaimed. But, in spite of the past, our best option is always to trust and obey Jesus now. He always has a perfect will for us, beginning with the present moment.

You emphasized the importance of four things: Obedience, discipline, humility and self-denial. Once again I am taking these things to heart.

I cannot express what I feel right now, except to say thank you.

With love in Christ,
David Kelley

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April 1997

Dear Beloved of Revival For Our Day,

We greet you in the matchless name of Christ. We confess that we do not know anything, only by the grace of God.

God's precious word, in II Chronicles 7:14, says, "If my people, which are called by name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

I want to come to you in this letter and ask forgiveness for any hurt, anxiety, or situation that I may have brought to you, to my wife, or my family. I want God to forgive me in every way for any time I have failed - that I might be able to come before Him with clean hands and a pure heart.

I want to thank you for your prayers, your compassion, your understanding and your help. I come with thanksgiving and praise for the precious blood of Jesus and for the great love that God showed to us by sending His only begotten Son, through whose death we have life - sinners saved by grace. I want to praise God for His great faithfulness. I want to walk humbly before Him and be cleansed of all sin and unrighteousness.

I thank our heavenly Father for the way He visited us in the meetings in South Carolina. He was so faithful to us. He came each service with His presence and sweetness. As I was talking to various ones this morning, they related that they were so thankful for how the Lord guided and blessed. We are thankful for how He led in prayer, in preaching and in singing.

The hotel we were in was one of the finest we have ever seen. We were unworthy for the beautiful suite we were in. Pastor Thomas Young and those who assisted him did a wonderful job with all of the arrangements. The Holy Spirit worked in many areas of the meetings. The Lord helped me to share on the essence of trusting. The messages were mainly on trust and where trust has its origin.

The origin of trust begins at the moment of conversion, by praising God immediately and giving Him the glory. Trust

is that which comes from the heart as the heart is led by the Holy Spirit.

Trust can only live as obedience follows. If we do not follow the leading of the Holy Spirit in praising Him, then trust cannot breathe. God's word says, "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not to thine own understanding." We are living as a society in a consequence of the choice of our forefathers who chose what they wanted and desired. When we choose what we want, then trust is choked out. Trust can only be where God is leading and it comes through prayer and revelation.

We thank you for all your sacrificing, your help and understanding. We thank you for not looking at problems, circumstances and failures - but looking to the promise. "Who shall ascend to the hill of the Lord - he that has clean hand and a pure heart . . ." Thank you for your long suffering with us in our limitations in our elder years.

Many of you wrote letters of appreciation to the hotel staff which had a great affect on them. Thomas Young said the hotel received between 100 and 200 letters of appreciation. They said the maids were greatly stirred because of the love shown to them.

Please pray that we will not disappoint anyone. We praise Him as we trust Him. We thank God for His wonderful care.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

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P.S. Rev. Helm asked to have the following letters included for God's glory and for your encouragement.

Dear Rev. Helm,

I thank God our Father for His mercy and love that is beyond all measure and understanding. That He would indeed give us this day, as the sun shines

bright in the blue Florida sky, to praise and worship Him and acknowledge Him in all things. And yet He remains still present even in the darkest night, the deepest pit, the most wretched circumstance.

I thank God our Father that He would restore you and provide you with renewed strength and calm, and enable you to respond to the further leading of the Holy Spirit. And I thank you for your continued and repeated demonstration of obedience. I thank you for your meeting in Palm Beach Gardens and I thank you for your visit last Sunday morning to Oasis Christ Fellowship. And I thank you for your kind, careful, patient, and repeated instruction.

When he learned of the Palm Beach Gardens Monday night meeting, our Pastor was prompted to call and invite my wife Nancy and I. He confessed initial hesitation, being aware of certain of my circumstances, and he was somewhat reluctant to extend an invitation that would require a "drop everything else we're leaving in three hours" response, but he obeyed. We accepted, and since we were unable (for the first time ever) to find anyone to baby-sit our 9 year old daughter, we had no choice but to bring her also. Our "choice" would not have been to bring a small child on such a long ride and then expect attentiveness, but we had no choice. It was not our choice.

As the service began, I cautioned our 9 year old daughter, Hannah, that the enemy would not only attempt to distract her, but would also attempt to use her to distract others. I shared with her my belief that if she would press in, God would reward her and she would hear and experience things that she would remember for the rest of her life. And she was attentive.

As the meeting progressed, you interrupted your teaching to speak of one present with a disorder in the lower back. My wife Nancy stood and received and gave glory and thanks to God for the healing of her back, which has not since caused her pain. All glory to God and His son our Lord Jesus Christ.

As the meeting neared end, Hannah began to experience increasingly severe pains in her toes, feet and ankles. For several years, more than 3 or 4, this unexplained pain has afflicted her at random moments, almost always at night and usually waking her from sleep. In response to her cries and calls, I have often rubbed her feet and manipulated her toes and ankles for 20, 30 or 40 minutes in order to bring relief. But on that Monday night in Palm Beach Gardens, the pain did not lessen in response to my efforts.

Nancy and I both sat with Hannah, comforting her and rubbing her feet and the congregation stood for dismissal. Then we withdrew to the foyer and I again sat with Hannah.

I have had the privilege of hearing you speak on more than several occasions. I thought it most uncharacteristic that you had tarried in the foyer after the service, but my focus was upon Hannah's need. Then you approached and asked me the cause

of her distress, and how long had she suffered with it. My first spoken words to you were, "I believe it is some form of circulation problem." You prayed for Hannah, you laid hands upon her, you prayed not only for her healing and relief of pain but for her sweet spirit. And then you asked her to walk and as she walked her tears of pain turned to tears of joy, her cries to cries of laughter and, I am told by friends who observed, her face was filled with joy indescribable. And what is that worth? Can we truly consider the cost?

It was quite late as we drove North to Ormond Beach. Hannah did not sleep. She had received more than what had been promised; we had all received so much more.

God is so good, so merciful, so loving. It was thought that you might visit Oasis Christ Fellowship the following Sunday. But you did not, and I considered that a further blessing. Surely God knew that my elder daughters (He has blessed us with 4) would not be returning, from the college where He had placed them, until the next weekend, Palm Sunday!

Surely I did not hear or receive every morsel that your teaching and instruction provided last Sunday morning. I have come to believe that not every message is addressed to me. Perhaps that is why we in attendance can each find a precious treasure, sometimes unique one from the other. But I listened to your words, your several brief references to the suffering young child that God had so lovingly healed, your instruction on John 16:13. My Bible margins reminded me that you had spoken on that verse when you visited Oasis in March, 1994; and again in Israel in April, 1994; and again in Chicago in July, 1994. But for the first time I heard the message on Sunday, March 23, 1997.

"Being led by the Holy Spirit begins with self-denial and obedience." Thank you for your obedience. It is indeed so easy to be distracted. As if in preparation for your message, our Pastor's messages for the last several weeks have been instructions and cautions about the distractions in our lives - our everyday lives. Jerry, our visitor from Melbourne who sat on the front row, testified that he was encouraged by the simple banner that hangs on the wall below the cross, declaring in large blue letters "Obey the Holy Spirit". And I was thankful for the sharing. I was reminded that when Oasis moved from the little warehouse to the House of God which was built by His repeated miracles, there were many months of transition and adjustment. That simple banner had been carefully rolled and moved, but its reappearance was not immediate. Perhaps to find the appropriate new location, maybe a new banner would be more suitable for the new building, but in any event there was a time when that simple banner was not unfurled, was not declaring its simple truth. Oh, Father God, so many times your banner has not been hung in my heart. "Obey the Holy Spirit".

I believe that God has shown me on more than a single occasion, that when He is operating the

blessing goes on and on. I knew that God blessed my daughter, Hannah, she would never forget the healing or that special moment in time. I have been told by friends that they were blessed by seeing the supernatural joy expressed on her face. I am thankful to realize that God blessed and encouraged you through her blessing. You tarried in obedience.

On Sunday, when you once again directed me to Proverbs 3:5, I was reminded how many times I have still relied upon my own understanding. How often and how long I have prayed that "He shall direct (my) paths". And John 16:13 promises that He will show you things to come. For me and my household, your reminders and instructions could not have been more timely. Praise the Lord.

I thank you for your obedience, your careful, caring, sweet, patient and repeated instruction. You have been and remain an example of Christ's love. God has blessed you and may He continue to bless you and your family.

In respect and appreciation with all Honor and Glory to God,
Robert Holland

Dear Rev. Helm,

So thankful for how the Lord helped you to pray for me about 3 weeks ago. I had been suffering with this pregnancy for about three months. I was in my fourth month and wasn't getting any relief. Seven weeks of it were especially hard. I had a lot of vomiting and extreme fatigue. And if you know me, you know how hard it is to slow me down!

I would get up in the morning sometimes and in one hour go back to bed. Sometimes I would get winded just walking through the house. I lost almost all my appetite and couldn't keep much down - losing 8 pounds in four weeks. After about seven weeks of this, I was fighting discouragement. I know the Lord was helping to teach me some things about patience and trust. He was trying to teach me about not complaining - I hope I learned something about that too! Robert and Charles were such helpers and lights.

Two weeks before Robert and I were both scheduled to speak at White Harvest, that precious church started to pray for me. Their prayers lifted me out of the nausea and gave me enough strength to make it to Indiana. The time there was blessed of the Lord and God strengthened me just as I would need it. The day after, I went to my parents and was not recuperating very well. It seemed I was almost back to square one.

Tuesday morning while I was still in bed, you called my parents, who mentioned that I would probably not make it to the South Carolina meetings. After finding out my situation, you asked to pray for me. My mother ran up the stairs and said, "Get on the phone, Brother Helm wants to pray for you!" I

took the phone beside the bed and you started to pray. Within about 30 seconds the Lord showed you that something needed to move up or down - and the Lord witnessed on 'down'. You prayed for things to move down. Little did you know that the midwives had been telling me that my womb was high. We never thought it was connected to the symptoms, but evidently that was part of the problem, for after you prayed, things immediately improved.

The nausea lifted almost completely and my strength and appetite began to return. I remember eating well that night, and then even better the next night. It was three or four days later after arriving back home that I walked 2 miles and felt good.

Even though I still have to take it easy at times - I am now able to eat almost anything, can take walks outside, which I love to do, and can cook and teach some music. I want to thank the Lord for what a difference He made, and so suddenly. I have heard of people who had this kind of weakness and sickness for the whole nine months. That is something that I don't like to think about!

At my last appointment the midwife was checking the height of my womb and I was watching her face closely. "Let's see . . . you are right here . . . perfect! Great!" she said with a big smile. I was smiling too.

Jesus doeth all things well,
Esther (Morey)

Dear Dr. Helm,

It's a miracle! The entire experience at the Hyatt Regency in Greenville was a miracle. The Lord went beyond what we could ask or imagine to grant you such strength, clarity and anointing and to grant us all such an experience of grace, love and hope.

There were two songs God led near the beginning of the first service which to me seemed to introduce the entire time. One was the congregational hymn

*Come my soul, thou must be waking;
Now is breaking O'er the earth another day:
Come to Him who made this splendor;
See thou render All thy feeble strength can pay*

Not only was it speaking of earthly morning to me but of yet again the new beginning in the Spirit of God who makes all things new. The rest of the verses applied equally as well. The next was the song Joy Donnelly sang which had the phrase "We are the Easter people" or something like that. We walked as Easter people in those meetings. Jesus came into our midst. He gave us infallible proofs of His life and presence and authority. He was not far away but close by - the Risen Lord! The messages called us to walk in complete trust. After all, He is Lord of all and He is here. How could I possibly

have an alternate plan or idea when He is present and in charge?

During those meetings, I entered a place of trust in my heart. It was wonderful. When something tried to trouble me, I could just give it to God in trust and my anxiety would go away. A wonderful experience different than any I had before.

I thought George Newell's testimonies were particularly helpful and encouraging. And I was so surprised when I heard his daughter Rebecca sing. It was the same spirit as her grandmother, Mother Newell. I can't tell you what a blessing that was. What about Michael Douglas' report of God's work in the prisons? And then followed by the leading for the special song "New Lives for Old" which used the same phrase he used in his testimony. That was awesome. So was the anointing on Daniel and Jenny Light who sang under a great anointing. I hadn't heard them sing like that for years. And then there were Michael Benjamin and Nori. I was carried away at times when they played.

Finally, I appreciated the abundant forgiveness offered to us by our Heavenly Father. It seemed God's forgiveness just rolled out to us, enveloping us in mercy and offering us new beginnings. I close with this phrase from the hymn "Beneath the Cross of Jesus". It came to me again and again.

*And from my stricken heart with tears
Two wonders I confess:
The wonders of redeeming love,
And my unworthiness.*

With Love,
Robert Morey

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Helm,

I was so helped and encouraged by these meetings. God's leadership was so evident. In my own heart I was challenged to have a heart that could be a dwelling place for trust. I know that there is much in my heart that doesn't give room for trust. But I am thankful that I have a Savior and Friend that will help me to create a home for trust in my heart. To be in these services was like being "home". I felt such peace and warm assurance that Jesus was there. It was so good to see how He was helping you and guiding you. God put the meetings together through you, his humble servant.

During the meetings, I believe that Jesus put it on my heart to type my notes and give them to Mary Light. I know that she wanted to be there very badly. She is taking care of her Dad and he can't be left alone. One of the first things that I did this morning was to call her and share with her. She was helped and encouraged so much. Many times when I would share things with her about God's leading, it would witness to her. As I was typing the notes, I

was helped again and am prepared to share these notes with everyone - not that my notes are the best, but I do believe that God can help through the sharing. We have also talked with Steven Claspell and he, too, is excited about what God did through you.

We love you so very much and want you to know that we are sincere when we tell you that we want to be of service to you at any time. I want you to know that if you need Michael in any way that I would want you to have the freedom to know that as his wife, I would be more than glad for him to go even if I could not. Jesus has always been faithful to take care of me and our family when Mike has been with you.

We will continue to pray for you and to spread the news of how God is leading and guiding in your life.

In His love,
Kathy Douglas

Dear Brother Helm and Florence,

What a wonderful time we had in Greenville! The Lord was so very merciful to us in each service. I was amazed at your renewed strength and energy. Praise the Lord! He is so very kind to us.

Your message on TRUSTING was so important and very needed in my own heart. How the Lord helped you to share was a wonder! In my 24 years with you, this message was, perhaps, "the icing on the cake" so to speak.

I am so thankful that Florence could be in the service. Her playing was beautiful and her presence is a great encouragement to me.

You are loved,
Jenny Light

Dear Dr. Helm,

What a blessing it was to be with you in Greenville last week. How God helped you was a great wonder, a great joy and a great call to our lives.

Your message is still the call of God for the Church. We need to trust in the Lord with all our hearts and lean not to our own understanding so that He might direct our paths. Then we can be a channel of His love to the world.

May God help us in these important days to be the people He has called us to be - waiting, trusting, obeying, believing, being as one that Jesus might be lifted, being filled with His Spirit that His love might flow as a river of grace out into the world.

Thank you,
Rod Taylor

Dear Brother and Sister Helm,

Praise God for the over-flow from the Greenville services! Carl did not preach again Sunday morning. When people come in with fire in their souls, they have the sermon!

There is such gratitude in my heart for the help the Lord gave you all at the meetings and the spiritual good all six of us from Pearisburg received. It seemed like God was giving you the message about 'Trusting in the Lord with all your heart' in concentrated form and it was being funneled into our souls. I saw it in a much clearer way than ever. I am more aware of looking to Jesus for direction in the many little ways at home. The many intricate ways the Lord led you in the services was thrilling. The Lord's presence and direction had such a powerful effect upon the new ones, especially, that we brought. And they have not been backward about sharing what they experienced! I believe their testimonies alone will whet the appetite for many other in our church should the Lord ever allow you to come in this area. Joy, joy, joy!! It just helps us so much to be with you.

Love and earnest prayers,
Blanche Rouintree

Dear Rev. Helm,

Praise the Lord! He will renew us and give us a new beginning each day. Glory be to God for He is so good to us.

My wife and I just returned from Greenville, South Carolina, where we participated in meetings with you. We are relatively new members of Oasis Christ Fellowship. The Lord mercifully lead us to this small band of humble Christians who are trying to learn to follow Jesus under the loving care of Pastor Gary Powell.

We saw how much God helped you during the meetings - how physically strong you were, how mentally sharp and how spiritually focused you were. We had been blessed to see you in Palm Beach last winter and again two weeks ago during your visit to Oasis. We have been faithfully praying for you and your wife since becoming aware of your health problems this past year.

I can affirm how faithful He is to restore you and to answer the prayers of so many. Your teachings were so helpful to us and we are seeking a new level of trust in our walk with Him. We were so stirred by the encouragement we got from so many, the feeling of unity we sensed and the humility we saw as well as the sincere effort to "press in" to try and

grasp your message and take it back and apply these revelations to our lives.

Thank you and Florence and all involved for the most exciting, enlightening and useful time of our lives. My wife and I pray that we can apply what we learned as we endeavor to follow Jesus, die to self, and grow in trust.

Yours in Christ,
Glenn and Debby Morin

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

We wanted to remind you that Rev. and Mrs. Helm will be celebrating their 63rd wedding anniversary on May 27th. If you wish to send a card or other greetings to them, please send them to their Florida address.

Rev. and Mrs. Loran W. Helm
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The need has arisen for the installation of an elevator in the Home Built By Faith. Many individuals and churches have expressed a desire to contribute to any special project regarding Rev. and Mrs. Helm.

The installation of this elevator will be of great help to the Helms as it will enable them greater mobility between the two floors of their home.

If you feel God leading you to assist in the financial underwriting of this special project, you may send your check to:

Revival For Our Day
P.O. Box 482
Parker City, IN 47368
attn: David Miller

Please make sure that your check is designated for the elevator fund.

We appreciate your prayerful consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,
David Miller

Revival For Our Day

May – June 1997

Dear Ones of Revival For Our Day,

During the meetings in South Carolina, I was speaking concerning the storm that Jesus and his disciples were involved in on the Sea of Galilee. When the severe winds and waves came, the boat was full of water. When they landed, Jesus came out of the boat and was met by a man possessed of devils. This man knew Jesus and called him. He knew that Jesus was the Son of God.

Jesus worked with this man, prayed for him and the man became a new creature. The other people were stirred up because this man was sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his right mind. Many of the people requested Jesus to leave.

As Jesus began to leave, this precious man, who had been made whole, wanted to go with Jesus. Jesus told the man to go back home and tell everyone what the Lord had done for him.

The man returned home and began to publish abroad what the Christ had done for him. The Holy Spirit began to work through the words of this man's testimony. His family and neighbors could see a change in this man. We read in the scripture that when Jesus came back all the people were waiting for Him. It doesn't say some - it says all.

God took one man who was willing to witness and willing to be obedient to testify and changed a whole community. This whole community was different because of one man.

I always marvel when I read that they were all waiting for Jesus. God can take one person and change a community, or a home, or a church, or a family.

Thank you praying for us. It is only through the mercy of God that we make it each day. Prayer changes things and helps us when the storms come. We need to persevere in prayer.

I want to share a few thoughts from a message that the Lord gave me a few months ago in a meeting at Palm Beach Gardens Christ Fellowship.

In Luke 19 we read about Zacchaeus. Verse three says, "And he sought to see Jesus who he was . . ." What is in the word sought?

In the word sought, we see the condition of Zacchaeus' heart, the vision of his soul, and the evaluation of the interior life. This little man, who was despised and distressed, sought to see who Jesus was.

The word sought tells of a condition of care. How much care is required to have "and he sought"? Some care, deep care, all care? If you don't have all care, there won't be any "and he sought".

This is too great for me to comprehend. I have been on the way and I feel that I need so much more of Jesus, God and the Holy Ghost. I feel like I am so little. Do you feel that way?

Do you feel like you are just a beginner? Do you feel like you don't know much of anything? I feel that I need more of the Holy Spirit, more of Jesus, more of the Word, more of wisdom, holiness, purity, and righteousness. Jesus said, "Blessed are the poor in spirit . . ." Who are the poor in spirit? The poor are beggars for the bread of life?

How much of that love, that earnestness that Zacchaeus had is in your heart? What is the maximum, in love, that such a heart can possess?

"And he sought to see who Jesus was". He couldn't see because he was too short. How short are you (spiritually speaking)? Are you a dwarf, spiritually, or are you a giant?

'Sought' contains love and vision. Vision flows from only one well, and that is the love of God, in Christ Jesus. "And he sought to see who Jesus was . . ." I am convinced that very few people, who have ever lived, have known who Jesus was. He had a lot of friends, a lot of followers, a lot of believers - but I think a great percent of them followed Him for the loaves and the fishes.

What governs my want to have sought until I find? The word 'sought' has eyes in

it. It has vision, it has care, it is full of love, it is full of effort and it is full of interest. How much interest is in the word 'sought'? How little interest can you have and still have "and he sought"?

There were four thousand with Jesus. I don't know how many hours they had been with him. I don't know how many people were healed or how many people were lifted.

The phrase, "and he sought" has borders - it has dimension. It has essence and value. What is the value that we find in the word 'sought'? How many of the our thousand had "and he sought"?

Jesus stopped under a tree, looked up and told Zacchaeus to make haste and come down. If you ever saw a surprised man, Zacchaeus was one. He was hidden in the branches of shyness. He was hidden in the branches of privacy.

Jesus told him to come down because there was love at the foot of the tree. Jesus knew that He was being sought by Zacchaeus and told him that He was going home with him.

When Zacchaeus came down from the tree, Jesus lost many followers. Actually, He had lost them before because the scripture says that they all murmured at Jesus. If they all murmured, they had it in their heart before Zacchaeus climbed the tree.

How much earnestness has to be in the human heart and mind to have "and he sought"? I am only hitting the edge of the fringe of this.

And Zacchaeus came down with haste and received Jesus joyfully. This man who hardly had any friends received Jesus joyfully. He had never heard any sermon or had any teachings, but he knew more than about all the people that Jesus preached to.

The other people judged Jesus because He chose to go and eat with a sinner. We will do the same thing unless we die and obey. The people judged Jesus. Can you imagine this? They committed one of the greatest sins in the scripture. They cast a judgment on Jesus Christ. How far is it from a judgmental spirit, that is in the heart, to come to the place of seeking Jesus.

"And he sought to see who Jesus was . . ."

Thank you for praying for us.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

Loran W. Helm

Rev. Helm asked to have the following letters included for the glory of God and for your encouragement.

Dear Servants of God,

I am 17 years old. I live in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, and attend church at Clare Christ Fellowship. I was very happy to hear that I could go to the meetings in South Carolina. The first service, I was prompted to go to the altar. As I went, thought the Lord would be helping me but He wanted to help another person through me. She was the dear lady who sat next to me; in my heart God knew that I wanted to get to know her from the minute she sat down next to me.

All of the services were wonderful. The second day, I had a song that was on my mind. I was able to practice on my flute in my hotel room after the prayer meeting. I went through many hymns, but the song, "This is My Father's World" kept running through my head. I really wanted to play at least once at the meetings. The last service, I told the Lord, "May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven." I wanted to play, but I didn't want to be out of order.

I waited and waited. Praise the Lord. It wasn't till the last few minutes of the service when a young man stood up and asked for hymn #72 to be sung. Just minutes before then I had looked up what page "This is My Father's World" was on. Even Nancy Pribble, who sat next to me that night, saw me looking at that song. That was my answer - God wanted me to play it for His pleasure and maybe others too. I try to pray for the both of you everyday. May God bless you greatly!!

Your friend,
Evie Lynn Orwig

Dear Dad and Mother,

Greenville was the only place in the whole world to be on April 1 and 2. It was a miracle of God that you were there. It showed us once again what God can do

for those who trust Him. As I looked around at the faithful, knowing a few of their trials, I knew it was another miracle to see each one there. It was a privilege to be among those who came simply because they love you and Jesus, and wanted to show it.

It was refreshing to me to step out of the world for a brief time and experience a fresh cleansing and a new start. Confession lifted the heaviness from my heart and I am grateful for new beginnings. God's love for us was evident through songs, testimonies and the Word. We were loved and forgiven.

More than any other time in these 17 years since I was saved, I was able to understand self-denial. You brought to us heaven's message in pictorial form and I was able to understand. You brought Jesus up close to me like you did in July of 1980 in Salt Lake City.

I praise God that I was able to come to this beautiful place to receive new beginnings, washed in Jesus' blood, so I could go back to my little corner and serve God with a clean heart.

Thank you for your life of faith - for leaving all so I could be found.

ove,
Karen Westfall

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

Praise the Lord and all honor and glory to Him for the miracle of all that the Holy Spirit led and directed in the meetings at Greenville on the first and second day of April. It was a most wonderful and blessed time, and the presence of God was in evidence throughout and around about the place of meeting. I can not begin to tell you how much encouragement I received. By God's grace, we have moved yet another step closer in preparation of the return of the King, Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

I suppose one of the things that helped me most about the meetings, other than the intense awareness of God's presence, was the thought of how great a defeat the enemy had been dealt by our being there together at the leading of the Holy Spirit. This is especially true as the day draws nearer and the battle seems to grow more fierce.

May God bless you and surround you in His love and care.

Don Schwertner

Dear Brother Helm,

Thank you so much for publishing those letters in the last newsletter. Although I was not at the Greenville meetings, I think I might have gotten a glimpse of what went on. By the testimony on how you were so physically, mentally and spiritually strong makes me happy. I wish I could have been

there to share the joy of my cousin, Paul Mann, when he rededicated his life to our Holy Savior, Jesus Christ. Their family has written to us two or three times giving thanks and praise to the Lord, All Mighty, for making this change in him. I await the time I will be able to see my 'new' cousin. Truly in the eyes of the Lord and in the eyes of men, he is a new man of God.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter. I trust that as I continue to walk with God that my relationship in Him will grow stronger and someday will be so strong that NOTHING can separate me from His love, grace and mercy. I pray that my trust will grow so strong that I need not worry about the temptations of this world.

I love you and your walk with God so much that it encourages me to read, pray, witness and obey. I do confess, though, I do not read my Bible everyday and I really need to work on this. Praise the Lord!!

Sally Leist has just become our new youth leader at church. She is a great and woman of God. Last week we were in a prayer hole and we prayed our way through, only by the grace and mercy of God. In our first meeting with Sally, the subject always came back to this one verse, "He who loses his life, saves it." I was so amazed. It told me one thing - God was with us!! Praise the Lord!! God has a lot of grace and mercy, especially with me. It amazes me that He can love one person so much!

I thank you again for this time to share. I trust this letter finds you in good health. Please give Mrs. Helm my best. Thank you for walking with God.

Praise to His name,
Spencer Lloyd

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. Helm will be celebrating her birthday on June 27th. Cards and/or other greetings may be sent to her Florida address:

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Revival For Our Day

July 1997

Dear Ones of Revival For Our Day,

We greet you in the matchless name of Christ. We confess that we do not know anything, only by the grace of God.

We have been having such a wonderful time here with Rev. and Mrs. Cox. We have had wonderful times around the table talking about the Kingdom of God.

I have had the opportunity to pray with several people around the country over the past few days and God has helped greatly. I have had some great meetings with dear ones on the telephone that have been beyond description. How in debt we are to Jesus for His goodness, mercy, love, and grace.

I was privileged to be able to pray for Kathryn Cox. She has had trouble for some time with her sciatic nerve and has had pain in the leg and hip. The doctors told her that there was nothing that could be done to help. But, after prayer, the Great Physician came and touched her and she has been able to rest and sleep through the night. Praise the Lord!

I have been meditating on a particular scripture that I have never heard mentioned, to my knowledge, from the pulpit in seventy years in the church. "And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force." (Matthew 11:12) I have never heard this preached, as far as I know.

"The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds." (II Corinthians 10:4)

We need to seek first the Kingdom of God. I see that through prayer that is alive, we can enter into the Kingdom of Heaven. It is by prayer and by brokenness that we can press into the Kingdom. We can so easily stray. The flesh in us can do things so quickly that we miss our pursuing of the Kingdom of Heaven and we will pursue the mind of the flesh instead. God wants our pursuing to be in His Kingdom. We need to completely give over to prayer and self-denial.

Self-assertiveness is the very downfall of man. If Adam and Eve had denied self,

what would have occurred? If they had denied self, we would have averted what we are in. Self-denial is more important than we realize.

In pursuing the Kingdom of Heaven, the self in us needs to be cleansed and purged so that we are able, with a whole-heartedness, to seek first the Kingdom of God.

Child-likeness is an attribute of pursuing the Kingdom of Heaven. ". . . the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence and the violent take it by force." This occurs by brokenness, by yieldedness, by surrender, by waiting, by trusting with all our heart, by thoughtfulness, and by tenderness. What kind of a spirit do we have in our hearts? Do we have gentleness or carnality?

Jesus said that the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence and the violent take it by force. This is a spiritual force of preciousness, tenderness and of long suffering. Long suffering is the fruit of the cleansed heart, the heart that is sanctified. Long suffering is patience and endurance.

In the eighth chapter of Romans, verse fourteen says, "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God."

As I was meditating on this scripture, I was wondering how happy are we for the leading of the Holy Spirit in the heart, mind, and soul? As we read this scripture, how delighted are we in the fact that the Holy Spirit can lead us? This is a challenging and encouraging scripture. We know from this scripture that He will lead His children.

It is important that we all be led by the Holy Spirit. To have a church service without the leadership of the Holy Spirit is like trying to have rivers without water. It is like trying to have school without books. To just go through the motions of being led without really being led by the Holy Spirit is like trying to farm without soil.

It is not possible to be led by the Holy Spirit unless we are utterly dependent upon God, just as a little 15-18 month old baby is dependent upon its mother and father.

These requirements are simple, but they are profound. We do not merit being led by the Holy Spirit. It is only by the grace of God

that it can be. As I meditate on this scripture, I can see that this verse is of great importance.

There must be a complete compliance in my heart for His will at all times. We want to plan and we want to instigate. We cannot have any of man's planning in us and be led of the Holy Spirit.

Since Adam fell, the human race has done everything it can to work out what it wants. Hardly anyone has been willing to do only God's will.

If Lot had stayed home instead of going with Abraham, look at all the struggles, stress, troubles, and conflicts we would have missed from all over the world. His wife would not have turned into a pillar of salt. A lot of us have gone where we shouldn't have gone and we turn people into pillars of salt. We turn people into hard hearts because of our lack of wisdom or knowledge. We go where we shouldn't go and we cause people to look back at the circumstance and their hearts turn cold.

If our heart is the slightest bit hardened, is it possible to be led by the Holy Spirit? Of course not. If our heart is the slightest bit suspicious of anybody, that would prevent us from being led by the Holy Spirit. We are led only by the help of the Holy Spirit and by the mercies of God. It will be through the grace of God that I would ever be privileged to receive another guidance of the Holy Spirit.

We praise the Lord for each leading that He has given any of His children. When I am privileged to meet anyone that is led by the Holy Spirit, I am so happy. It feeds me and lifts me.

*He leadeth me! O blessed thought!
O words with heav'nly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me!*

Thank you for praying for us. Our need and responsibilities are great. We know that He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all we could ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us. We thank Him for His guidance and each leading. We are unworthy of it all. In the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

Loran W. Helm

P.S. Rev. Helm has received many letters and notes from young people who recently attended the Shadrach Youth Retreat. We are including excerpts from these wonderful expressions of love for God's glory and for your encouragement.

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

Thank you for the vision you have for youth and the Shadrach Youth Retreat. I also want to thank God for helping you after conversion to obey Him at every moment. Without that vision you would not be where you are now and we would not be where we are.

I believe and claim the help that Jesus has given me this week at the Youth Retreat. There is joy in my heart. Praise the Lord! I am endeavoring to pray for you every day.

Dear Rev. Helm,

I thank God for you and for this week at the Shadrach Youth Retreat. I've learned how much more I need to praise God.

I want to express to you that if it weren't for you and your wife's obedience through the years, I wouldn't be where I am today. God is making a difference through you!

This week the Lord is teaching me how to pray, to thank Him, to praise Him, and to confess to Him. He has begun a good work in me, and I am trusting Him to perform it until the very day of Jesus Christ! Praise the Lord!

Dear Rev. Helm,

Hallelujah! Jesus is alive and well and living in our hearts! I am writing from the Shadrach Youth Retreat in Brown County, Indiana. I just wanted to write and express my gratitude, because without you, none of us would be here today. I want to thank you for your obedience, your vision, and the life that you live. Last night I knelt down at a picnic table, along with several others, and the Lord started a work of sanctification in my heart. This week has been the greatest experience of my life!! God has put a great hunger in my heart for my soul to be fed.

I am praying for you to be encouraged, strengthened, and uplifted!

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

I have been at the Shadrach Youth Retreat this past week. I have been greatly helped and encouraged. Because of your striving to walk with God, we are here taking part in this wonderful ministry.

I am thankful for your faithfulness to God and your willingness to do the will of God. Through your obedience, you have helped many people and drawn them closer to Jesus.

Dear Brother and Sister Helm,

Praise Jesus for how He has helped this week at Shadrach! The meetings have been anointed and Jesus has helped. I have received so much help, so much spiritual strength. I just cannot describe how wonderful it is. We owe much of this to God leading you through the years. Because of your obedience and faithfulness, we have been blessed. We are praying for you both.

The Lord has led for a Waiting Upon God August 30 and 31, 1997. These meetings will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Greenville, South Carolina. Reservations can be made by calling the Hyatt Regency at (864) 235-1234. Please identify yourself as being with the TRCF group, as this will give you the special meeting room rate.

Please pray for safe travel for all those who will be attending and that the Holy Spirit will have freedom to work in our hearts and lives.

Rev. Helm will also be in special meetings with the Oilton Christ Fellowship during their family camp in Siloam Springs, Arkansas on August 13, 14 and 15. If you would like more information concerning these meetings, you may contact Oilton Christ Fellowship at (918) 862-3231.

Rev. Helm will also be in meetings in St. Louis, Missouri at Community Christ Fellowship on August 16 and 17.

Revival For Our Day

August 1997

Dear Ones of Revival For Our Day,

Greetings in the matchless name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

I am including the following message which the Lord helped me to share with the dear ones at Parker City Christ Fellowship a few weeks ago.

Blessed Jesus, we come with thanksgiving and praise to Thee for this service. We come to Thee concerning Thy Word and Thy Truth. May You be exalted and work in our hearts in this moment. We pray for souls. You said that if You would be lifted up, You would draw all men unto You. We pray for the new converts - that they will not get discouraged, but that they will be lifted up in their soul. We give Thee the glory and the praise, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Jesus said to two of his disciples, "Go your way into the village over against you: and as soon as ye be entered into it, ye shall find a colt tied, whereon never man sat; loose him, and bring him." (Mark 11:2)

What are we tied to? What will it take to be loosed from it? Many are tied to ideas, philosophies and ideologies. They are tied to these things and they can't get loose. What are we tied to that holds us and binds us so that we cannot witness, obey or follow as the Holy Spirit leads?

Many times we are tied to something and we are not aware of the attachment. This attachment may cause us great trial, test and struggle. Sometimes we are tied to ideas that come to us because of certain disappointments. We are so tied to the hurt that we are not able to be loosed from it in order to have real Holy Ghost victory.

It is easy for us to be tied up in education and think that it is the solution of all problems. If you do much reading, you will think that education will solve our ills and troubles. How can we be loosed from that which hinders us and causes us to live in bondage? What is holding you from

going to the Master and letting Him work through you?

What is the solution to being untied from that which keeps us and holds us? Many are tied to their desires. There are great numbers of people who have desires and they are bound to them. Consequently, they are not happy. They get what they want, but when they get it, they are sick of it!

We work so hard for what we think we want, that we fail to get what is really ours. What are we tied to that prevents us from revival? What are we attached to that prevents the Holy Spirit from being poured out? Is it things in our life - things that need to be confessed, restitutions that would set us free? Many would be set free if they would only make restitution. They are tied to stubbornness and resentment. This is worth the whole message!

We have so many things that are trying to tie us up. We are held captive to them and are not even aware of it. We are held captive to certain conditions because of our choices. The earthly choice always ties us to earthly purposes and prevents us from "walking in the light".

What holds us from waiting upon God? What holds us when we are to testify and we don't? Timidity? Stubbornness?

Many people are striving so hard to get what they want. When they get it, they are miserable. My father always was tied to the idea (since he was a boy) that if only he could get his father's farm, it would be one of the great joys of his life. One day that came to pass. What had tied him up in wants and desires finally came to him. Things began to happen after he purchased the farm that made him so miserable, that he said it was a great relief when we finally got rid of the farm. What he thought would bring him great joy, peace and rest actually brought him the reverse. What are we tied to that brings us into a life of reverse? Jesus said to first seek the Kingdom of God. What is holding us from seeking the Kingdom?

In the case of Adam and Eve, it was their own desires of the fruit. They were tied up with that thought and instead of denying themselves, they yielded to what they wanted and brought catastrophe upon all of us.

We are at liberty to stay tied or be loosed and relieved from that which holds us from revival. I suppose that, for a long time, God has wanted to send revival to many places. But that which people were attached and tied to prevented the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The work of God will come upon any church that will be willing to loose themselves from what they want, their plans and arrangements. If we are tied to our aspirations and longings it will keep us from the very victory that God will give if only we would be willing to yield to Him.

Let Jesus lead us, and follow Him as He guides. Remember that Jesus is able to loose us from that which has held us captive for so long.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

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P.S. Rev. Helm asked that the following letters be included for the glory of God.

Rev. Helm asked me to write a little report on the booklet written by Esther Morey entitled, "The Lamb Will Rule, Not the Lion."

Esther wrote this essay in response to several heartbreaking situations she had observed. In her words, "This is just a sharing that was burning on my heart and that comes from experiences with the many children I teach, interact with, and of course, from experiences with our own son."

That burning in Esther's heart lasted for three days. When thoughts would come, she would rush to the computer and type them in. She kept pen and paper next to the bed for when she would receive thoughts in the night. After three days, the burden left her, and she was left with 13 pages of thoughts about the manner of raising small children.

She sent a copy to her father, Pastor Schultze. He, in turn, asked me to make and distributed copies to his congregation. Not wanting to just hand out 'copies' of FAX 'copies', I put it in booklet form. Esther decided she

wanted a few copies to share, so we printed 100 booklets.

As my wife, Karin, Esther's sister, read the booklet, she recalled hearing Elizabeth Elliot (wife of Jim Elliot, one of the five missionaries killed by the Auca Indians of South America some years ago) comment on the radio about Susannah Wesley's thoughts on teaching a baby to cry softly, wondering how that was accomplished. Karin sent "The Lamb..." to Mrs. Elliot, not telling anyone she had done so. Mrs. Elliot liked the booklet, shared part of it at a conference in California, and asked permission to print a section in her newsletter, later learning that its distribution is worldwide (A few copies are now in foreign lands, being used by missionaries). Since then, over 800 copies have been sent out.

A woman from Oklahoma read "The Lamb" and has been using it in her ministry to Chinese mothers. Jane Zhao, one of the mothers who received a book, lives in Michigan. Jane and her husband, both engineers, have only been in the States about four years and had found Christ since their arrival. In March, I received a call from Jane. In her foreign accent, Jane shared her thanks for the booklet, how it had encouraged her and her husband so much. She said that the material in "The Lamb" was everything they needed, even after having been to a number of very good seminars on child rearing. "Every sentence made an impact on us in our hearts. We could understand it entirely." As she spoke, I would at times weep. She continued to say that she and her husband "would like to make an offering of service," to invest their "lives with something of eternal value," and translate it into the Chinese language. She shared how helpful it would be to the mothers of China.

Esther and Jane began corresponding, and Jane began the translation. Through their letters, I could see not only the same vision for this message, but it was evident that Jane has the same spirit and creative personality as Esther. Only God could have made this connection.

Mid July, Esther called excitedly to say that the translation into Chinese was complete. Jane has shared how God has helped to make the translation possible. Already, He is opening up possibilities to get this booklet into China. Praise His Name!

What began as a burden upon Esther's heart has become a writing that Esther has described as "having a life of its own. It has sprouted wings and has taken off." To God's glory, we have not planned any of this, other than to just take the next simple step of obedience, often nothing more than a little impulse to do something, never realizing all that God had planned for this writing. Esther read somewhere that one should find a promoter, an agent, to help with the advertisement and distribution of a book. She said that God would do just fine!

We are rejoicing in what God has done, and we are waiting to see what He will do next. Please pray with us and for us that God's will be accomplished in this work that He has begun.

Don Litchfield

July 29, 1997

Dear Friend in Christ,

The Lord's blessings be upon you this day!

Rev. Helm has requested that we share a few thoughts about his visit to the Kokomo Christian Fellowship on Sunday morning, July 27th. It was truly a blessed event for our whole church.

Rev. Helm came very needy, trusting the Lord to help us. On his way there, the Lord began to give some guidance as to the music: our Men's Ensemble was to sing #7 and #15, the congregation was to sing #244 from a hymnal he rarely sees, and Tyler Garth was to sing #4 on his list. Rev. Helm did not know what these songs were. Other than these leadings, he was trusting God to lead in the service.

The Lord began to bless even before Rev. Helm had entered the building. Errol and Sandy Monroe, from Scott Depot, arrived at the church the same time as Rev. Helm, and they had wonderful fellowship out on the sidewalk.

As the service began, Rev. Helm shared how Errol's life had been changed during the Greenville meetings. There, Rev. Helm expounded on the story of the demoniac's deliverance and how he wanted to go with Jesus. Jesus, instead, told the man to go back home and tell the people what God had done. At that point in the meeting, the Lord told Errol to do the same, to go back home to Scott Depot and tell the people what God had done for him. For 20 years, Errol had quietly sat in church, but when he returned this time, he was on fire. He has been faithful since April to testify in meetings (and out of meetings) about Jesus. His wife, Sandy, concurred that Errol is a changed man. That sharing began our meeting, and it was a wonderful beginning.

The Lord then led for the congregation to sing #244 in our hymnal: "Come every soul by sin oppressed, there's mercy with the Lord...Only trust Him now." Instead of singing stanzas one through four, Jesus guided us in singing stanza four first, followed by three, two, and one, with Rev. Helm sharing some in-between. Before stanza one, he said that God was calling. Eight to 12 persons came to the altar and received help, but while Rev. Helm prayed and the musicians played, one remained and continued praying. She remained, and Rev. Helm called for our men to sing #7 and #15. But when we prepared to sing, he said, "Sing 15 first." As we sang these words, "O Lord, you who hear our prayer; O Lord, you who listen to our cry," the lady at the altar later testified that that was when she received deliverance. She felt like huge semi-trucks had been lifted off her.

Tyler then sang #4: "Here Comes a Miracle." One phrase from the song talks about the demoniac finding his miracle in Jesus. And here on the front row sat Errol Monroe who had received his miracle from Jesus by following the same instruction that Jesus had given to the demoniac. We were pretty happy!

Following this, Rev. Helm began to share on Isaiah 53, "*Who hath believed our report?*" He commented, "The weakness in man is not to believe." That statement to me describes what most people in the church stumble from: unbelief, an unwillingness to hear and believe the Word of God and the men of God.

"...and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?" God reveals his truth to babes, to those who are humble

and meek, those who look only to Jesus and are not trying to work things out, analyze, or figure it out. It is the babes, the childlike, who truly believe. God's revelations come to those who trust in Jesus. That brought us back to the beginning song: "Only trust Him."

The insights that Rev. Helm shared from these few verses was wonderfully enlightening to my soul. The whole service was a testimony of God leading through testimony, song, and message. Praise the Lord!

The following are two reports, the first from my wife, Karin, and the other from Tyler Garth who accompanied Rev. Helm to Kokomo.

I Praise the Lord for His help with Rev. Helm at the Kokomo Christian Fellowship last Sunday morning.

The Lord led Rev. Helm to a hymn on trusting. Jesus directed that we were to sing the 4th verse first, then the 3rd, 2nd, and the 1st last. Even though I was at the piano, I could sense the Holy Spirit anointing and bringing out deeper meaning in the words as the congregation sang.

We were then prepared for an altar call, and several came forward to pray. There was a lady in our congregation who had several trials at that time, who stayed to pray longer. Jesus then led for several specials. She felt the burden lift during a specific phrase of the first special. Praise the Lord!

Rev. Helm preached from Isaiah 53:1-3 on believing the report. It was very timely for our church at this time and complemented wonderfully Don's message on the last Thursday evening. I trust God will help me to believe the report and not to be deceived.

We felt privileged and honored to have Rev. Helm with us again. What God has taught him regarding the witness of the Spirit and the life of self-denial is a real treasure.

Karin Litchfield

"Who has believed our report?"

The weakness of all men is to not believe. Jesus helped Sunday morning in Kokomo to present before us an unlimited view of Himself from the first few verses of Isaiah 53. The Holy Spirit led in the service in such a way that if a committee had tried to put the service together, it would have fallen far short.

We sang hymn #244, "Come every soul by sin oppressed..." The Holy Ghost also led for the men's ensemble to sing numbers 7 and 15; Tyler Garth to sing #4, "Here Comes a Miracle," and for Pastor Don Litchfield to sing, "Content in God's Will." The Lord anointed so wonderfully the first part of service, Rev. Helm declared that if Jesus didn't help him and anoint him to preach, it would be an anti-climax! But we were not disappointed. Jesus helping, we soon found that all which had preceded the sermon led up to it, undergirded it, and support it. It fit like a hand in a glove and an eye in a socket.

Under the anointing and help of the Holy Spirit, Jesus had Rev. Helm begin to expound to us the first few verses of Isaiah 53. Now, I am only 30 years old, but I have had the privilege of being raised in church with many wonderful church and study opportunities to hear the Word of God. But I never once, ever, gained the enlightenment of these Scriptures as given to us through the Holy Spirit

by Rev. Helm. It was so rich, it would take everyone a few times of hearing it to begin to spiritually digest and appreciate it. Rev. Helm did not come with an outline—he came trusting. By God's grace, the message was already in his heart. It was...

"Who has believed our report? To whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?" (Is. 53:1). The weakness of all men is to not believe. Jesus reveals himself unto babes. Babes are those who are utterly dependent upon Jesus. Who will believe what Jesus has revealed?

"For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant..." (v. 2). This shows the gentleness, tenderness, and sweetness of Jesus (His compassion).

"And as a root out of dry ground..." (v. 2) told us of Jesus breaking through the crust of sin. It (sin) was packed in hard around him. He was misunderstood, no one had compassion for him and who he was (is).

"He hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him" (v. 2). People could not really see who Jesus was (is). He is hidden from us (as is his beauty and majesty). But as soon as you see him, you'll know him!

"He is despised and rejected of men..." (v. 3). This means he still is today. 1 John 4:17 says, *"As he is, so are we in this world."*

This is a very general, very sketchy review of God working Sunday morning, as I meant it to be brief. The Lord bless it to you. Amen.

Love in Jesus,
Tyler Garth

Although the service only lasted two hours, it seemed as though every moment held something of wonder and beauty to our hearts and souls. As Karin stated, we felt it such a privilege to have God's servant with us again. For this we give Jesus all the praise and glory!

Sincerely in Christ,
Don Litchfield

August 4, 1997

Dear Rev. Helm,

It was a great privilege and delight to have you with us in the service yesterday. The Lord began speaking through you with anointing from the very beginning as you were talking to us about following Jesus. I was greatly helped, as well as most of the congregation, by the clarity and centrality of the message in those opening moments. You were speaking to the very essence of Christianity. The Kingdom of God was present throughout the service. The combination of "Who has believed the report" with illustrations from the New Testament was very effective and also profound.

I can tell that our congregation was lifted. There were two couples with us for the service who had both just recently began visiting the church. Following the service both couples expressed definite interest in making White Harvest their home church. I believe this is largely because they felt the Kingdom of God in operation during the morning service. I praise God for His help.

Finally, I want to say again that I am grateful for the way God is helping and strengthening you. I have heard a number of God's finest people remark recently that He is helping you similar to ways they observed severa' years ago. I was praying at the end of our service yesterday and heard you declare that witness of the Holy Spirit as I said we are coming into a day when we will need the inner witness of the Holy Spirit in order to know what we believe. The best of our insights and evaluations will fall short with regard to knowing what God is doing and wants to do through you and through this ministry. It is a privilege to be one of your sons in the gospel.

Yours truly,
Jerry Keller

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Revival For Our Day

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Dear Ones in Christ Jesus,

I wanted to share with you that when we were preparing for the meetings in Greenville, I was in much need of help and prayer. As we left Parker City we were thankful for the help and guidance that the Holy Spirit gave. We went to Dayton, Ohio to board our plane for Greenville. At the Dayton airport we met a black brother and I began to pray for his hurts. He informed me that it was exactly what he needed. We embraced each other and he was so gracious in his appreciation.

There was also an older black brother that we met. We had a remarkable time with him also. We were so thankful for the Holy Spirit's guidance.

In the Charlotte airport, I saw some of our soldier boys and I went over to talk with them. We had such a sweet, restful and joyful time with them. I tried to express appreciation for all that our soldiers do.

As the meetings in Greenville began, the Holy Spirit helped to give strength and helped moment by moment to let us know His will. We were thankful for how the Holy Spirit led in many ways. We thank the Lord for each healing, guidance, and revelation. It was a joy and blessing to see each one who was able to come.

Our meetings in Gatlinburg were so precious. The Lord worked in hearts and many were helped, strengthened and encouraged. It can hardly be told how the Holy Spirit led and directed.

Our meeting at the Pigeon Forge Fellowship on Sunday, the 14th was a very sweet time in the Lord's presence. There were several who gave wonderful words to us as they shared. These were so in order and so lifting.

We were also grateful for the Lord's help at the Clinton Fellowship that same day, in the evening. The Holy Spirit helped me to preach on, "For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground." (Isaiah 53:2) The Holy Spirit worked in ways that I was most grateful.

Thank you for your prayers, petitions and supplications that have been made on our behalf. Thank you for remembering the needs of Revival For Our Day.

We are including the message given at the Pigeon Forge Fellowship on Sunday morning, September 14.

It has been 46 years since God told me that I couldn't stay at Maples Motel. My wife was very sick and needed a place to rest. The motel was a beautiful place. I even pulled back the covers of the bed, felt the sheets and pressed down on the mattress. I put it all back just like it was. Always leave everything just like it was. Take better care of that which is another mans than you would your own. Turn to the sixteenth chapter of Luke. In verse ten of the sixteenth chapter we read, "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much."

What is least? Where is least on the scale of value? What is the reach and depth of it? My daughter Martha used to say to me when she was ten years old, "Father why are you so particular about all these little things?" Are there little things? How little does something have to be to be little? Isn't it a delight to think about this scripture - "He that is faithful in that which is least . . ."

The more we know Him, the more we are aware of our 'leastness' and our utter dependability upon Him. If He can trust us with the small things, the least things, then He might trust us with the true riches. The true riches are the Kingdom of God coming on earth as it is in heaven. The true riches are righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

"He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much." What is much? Where does much begin and where does it end?

When we are like little children, we are happy with very little. Most children are spoiled because we give them too much.

They become frustrated. Take as an example, a child from a poor home. All he has is a ball of twine to play with. He looks it over and finds out that it is much. He examines it and decides to make a project out of it. He takes one end of the twine and wraps it around a table leg. Then he takes it over to the other side of the table and runs it over to a chair. Then he takes it over to a dresser and brings it back over to some type of a knob. This then becomes his telephone and he has a great time with this piece of twine. It seems to be nothing and very little, but yet he makes it into a marvelous find and a great treasure.

I didn't realize I was going to get into all of this. All I was going to do was read this scripture and I got lost in it. Actually I didn't get lost - I guess I found some things here - in simplicity.

The verse goes on to say, "... and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much." If I were to take a pencil from a desk and think that it would be all right for me to have it - I might infringe upon the possession of someone else. It might be all he had.

There is a story about a visitor who came to visit a rich man. Instead of going into his own flocks, the rich man went over to a poor man and took his only ewe lamb. He entertained the visitor with something which was another man's. When Nathan finished the story, David said that the man who took the lamb should die. Nathan said, "Thou art the man!" For you see, David had Uriah put in the heat of the battle and took his precious one.

Be careful with that which is small. Are we thankful for the little things, or do we want big things or more things? Are we as happy with what seems to be nothing as we are with something vast and immense? Are we glad with a little bit of nothing?

We lived with my wife's father and mother for five years. There were five of us in one room that wasn't very big. By God's grace, I was as happy there as I have been in any large room all by myself.

All that I have shared with you is very elementary. I'm sure that Jesus could show us much more.

Verse eleven says, "If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?" If I am driving Brother Schultze's car, I should take care of it as if it were my own, or better. I should care more about his car than mine because he has trusted me with his possession.

There is so much in these little verses that I will never get to the end of them. It is only by the Holy Spirit that we have insight into them.

Verse twelve says, "And if you have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?" These verses are worth more than gold or anything of earthly value. They go into the depth of the heart to see what we have in there. The only way to get out of the heart what should not be there is by the work of the cross. We are all carnal and need to be cleansed from the carnal spirit.

We constantly have to die to this sin principle. If we don't die to it, then part of it will take hold of our thoughts. This path which we are to walk in is so narrow that it excludes all sin, all unrighteousness and all self-assertiveness, but it is wide enough to include all true holiness, all purity and all godly wisdom. This is where humility dwells.

God wants us to follow Him. You can't follow what you want or what you like. Jesus said, "Follow Me." Humility comes by the Holy Spirit to the heart that is utterly dependent upon the Lord. How can humility live in a heart that isn't totally dependent upon God? That is worth the whole Sunday morning service. Humility can't be seen or felt, but it can be sensed in the realization of its presence - it's sweetness, tenderness, gentleness, brokenness, and love. Humility can't live in me or you unless God's love has preeminence. That really gets in my heart.

"If my people which are called by my name shall humble themselves . . ." The verse doesn't say they will humble themselves. The shall depends upon the brokenness and the obedience of the heart. to leave all to do only God's will. Whenever anyone is willing to do God's

will, they will have to die from morning to night. We have to die daily, through the blood of Jesus Christ purging us by the Holy Spirit.

I am having a wonderful time and I can't believe how fast the time has gone. We have been on an adventure of learning how to help and love others.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

Loran W. Helm

Rev. Helm asked to have the following letters included for the glory of God.

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

It was a delight to see you in Greenville and then again in Gatlinburg. The Holy Spirit helped you so wonderfully in both places. We marveled at the strength and alertness He gave you. We know you needed much, much prayer afterwards. We have endeavored to pray for you both.

The Holy Spirit helped me in my heart greatly. I can always tell a difference in my sensitivity to the Holy Spirit after I have been with you in meetings. Thank you for preaching it straight and encouraging us to be cleansed of the carnal nature. Jesus is helping me.

I was reviewing the years we have been with you and some of the things the Lord has done for us. Our oldest son, James, was healed of an intestinal problem when he was 2. Our middle son, Jason, was healed in the head and also spared in a motorcycle accident. Our daughter, Jennifer, was healed when she had been sick for 3 weeks and you called on the phone and prayed for our third child. Plus, many other times our family has been healed. God blessed us with many material blessings as well. There have been many special times of fellowship around the table, on a cruise, in Israel, and other times. One day I hope to list specifically each thing I can remember. I try to review with others so I do not forget.

When I was teaching third grade, I had five hyperactive children in my class one year. One day it was very disorderly and I was praying Jesus would help me to know what to do. I reached for A Voice in the Wilderness and turned to the chapter about your pony. I put all the children in a circle and read the chapter to them. They were spell bound. These children were mostly nine years old, so it related to them. Every time after that when we were having a bad day, the children would say, "Read to us from the blue book about the pony." Things would get quiet and calm down. That year I was privileged to

give away 67 books. Each of those students received A Voice in the Wilderness at the end of the school year. I trust they will read it to their children someday.

My husband gives away the book periodically at church to new people. This past Sunday evening I prayed with a young woman at the altar who told me another young mother in the congregation had passed her book on to her. She said her life had been changed. The book encouraged her so much. To God be the glory! We love you so much.

With much appreciation,
Virginia and James (Wright)

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

Praise be to Jesus who give us the victory! God has helped us in Oilton and that was my purpose in writing you this note. In just a couple weeks the church in Oilton will be celebrating our 28th anniversary. What a glorious revelation Many lives have been loved, helped, encouraged, and delivered. Jesus has been faithful!

Your visit to the Family Camp was a blessing and inspiration to our fellowship. The people were so uplifted and encouraged by your heralding messages to leave carnality and become spiritual men. We appreciate your constant, fervent obedience to the Holy Spirit to come to Arkansas. We were thankful for the leadership of Christ's Spirit to allow us to have the camp August 11-16. That date had been on the church calendar since the previous year. Then He sent you during the exact time, August 13-15, for three of the five evening services. We were thankful and indebted.

It reminded me of when I was in Ashland, KY and God told me to have a meeting. I couldn't find an evangelist to come and you called for the first time and said God had told you to come. The dates were the very dates God had given to me.

The Waiting Upon God in South Carolina was just a sweet continuation of the meetings with us in Arkansas. About 40 of our people were able to travel over 1,000 miles to be with you and God's saints. What a blessing! We sat in the classroom of church growth, but as you stated, "in reverse of the church world". It is evident that what God begins goes on and on.

You taught us old-fashioned truths with great authority, clarity of instruction, and such sweetness of spirit that it caused me to want to "get under the spout where the glory comes out". How God led you in remembrance of dates and wonderful experiences. We thank the Lord!

We continue to believe that your greatest ministry is ahead of you, yet to be seen as it circles the globe. We are thrilled to call you our friends.

Blessings, healing, and prayer come from our hearts to yours today!

In Christ's love,
Bill Ryan

Dear Rev. Helm,

What a privilege it was to be in the meetings in Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge!

I have always enjoyed the smaller, more intimate meetings more than the large crowds, and the Holy Spirit met with us in such a sweet way. The Spirit of God was so present with us as you gently instructed us.

Sunday morning at Pigeon Forge was particularly sacred and sweet. Our Heavenly Father wants His children to be "faithful in that which is least", and to be "faithful in that which is another man's". This is so vital for us to hear, (we live in such a disposable society, that taking care of things is becoming a lost art.).

As different ones testified and shared, the tears quietly flowed down Pastor Jerry's cheeks most of the service.

I think surely everyone got some sort of help in their souls that morning!!

We love you and pray for you,
Lori Jacobus

Beloved Brother Loran,

Just a note to tell you that you are deeply esteemed and love by me! I didn't want to leave this earth with this knowledge and not tell you! I want to express my feeling about you in a bit of poetry I wrote for you. You are so very special! My poetry tries to say what you meant to me the day I met you. When I first saw your smiling face, I knew I had seen the Shekinah Glory of God!

*I shook the Hand of God one day.
The mediator was a man,
But just as surely as I live,
God was in your hand!*

*I heard the Voice of God one day
Through human lips, it's true.
But as I listened to you speak
I heard God speaking, too!*

*I saw the Smile of God one day
Come from your face and knew
That when I saw you smile at me
I saw God smiling, too!*

How we all thank God for you and your ministry!

Gratefully,
Mary Webster Tattersall

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

We are praising God for how He helped you and Mrs. Helm in the recent meetings in Greenville. All of us at Oasis were amazed at God's sweet anointing in the services. Once again, Jesus gave you great guidance through His precious Holy Spirit. We had 49 people from Oasis and by God's grace, we believe everyone was greatly helped! We are very thankful!

One story of God's great help was Faye Dennis. She was the young lady you called on to pray in the Sunday evening service. Jesus helped you to know the prayer would come from the person in row four - seat three. This was Faye! You said this person might be very shy and maybe had never prayed aloud before. Both cases were very true.

Faye came to Oasis in October of 1996, through the love and encouragement of Judy Wheeler. At that time we found out she had moved to Daytona Beach in January of 1991 from Trinidad. She was attending Embry Riddle Aeronautical School in hopes of a degree in Aviation Technical Operations. She has acquired an Aviation Maintenance License and is able to mechanically work on airplanes. While going to school, she has been working, and that is where Judy met Faye and invited her to Oasis. We found out Faye had no family in the area and realized she could be very lonely. We tried to love her and be there for her. God had been working with Faye in a wonderful way, helping her to come to Saturday night prayer meetings although never praying aloud.

When we announced the Waiting Upon God, Faye was very excited to go. She told her boss, who is a Christian, she was expecting something spectacular to happen. You can somewhat understand her response when you called on row four - seat three to pray! She said she felt her heart would jump out of her chest, but she knew God was helping. As she began to pray (only sweet crying would come), you told her she was called to be an intercessor who would pray people in from the Far East. Rejoicing broke forth in her behalf! You sweetly encouraged and instructed her in prayer, also telling her she had the gift of faith through the Holy Spirit, and again, the gift of Intercession. You said she had the compassion and sweetness of an Oasis!! All of us from Oasis got pretty happy at that point! You continued to say she could help a soul or lamb because of being crushed by carnality and that her crying seemed musical. We were seeing a miracle!

Faye prayed to be free from doubt and said she never felt so free! You said this was a seen and unseen offering and that her prayer was touching the Far East!

Rev. and Mrs. Helm, we at Oasis want to express our love and appreciation to you for your faithfulness and obedience to our Lord Jesus Christ. We are all benefactors of this and very thankful for your lives. We will continue to pray and lift you before the throne.

Yours in Great Love,
The Oasis Christ Fellowship Family

Revival For Our Day

November 1997

Dear Ones in the Lord Jesus Christ,

We are so thankful for His presence and His direction. "For as many as are led by the Holy Spirit, they are the sons of God."

We see in our waiting before the Lord that the thing that prevents us from being led by the Holy Spirit is the carnality that we are born with. In the eighth chapter of Romans and the sixth verse we read, "For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace."

We are carnal until we are sanctified. The problem is the carnal mind. To be carnally minded is to be against God. Verse seven tells us that the carnal mind is enmity

against God. People that are in the flesh cannot face God. The only way to be led by the Holy Spirit is to submit ourselves to God. We must die daily to this carnal nature. Carnality is cleansed out of us by the work of the Holy Spirit when Jesus sanctifies us.

I believe that the secret is to be cleansed of the carnal nature. All mortals are carnal until we are sanctified through the truth of God in Christ Jesus. I believe a requisite of becoming sanctified is to humble ourselves. Humbling ourselves is to confess our faults, our weaknesses and our criticizing.

The spiritual mind submits to the will of God by denying self and making all things right. We are sanctified by the truth. It is the disposition of the carnal mind to accomplish things, to know things and to understand things, but that is not in the teachings of Jesus. The carnal emphasis is to know, to have knowledge, to make arrangements, and to do things. This all seems good. The carnal

mind is constantly wanting to have dominance. The only way to be cleansed from this carnal nature is by the grace and truth of God as He brings us into the entire sanctification experience.

If we are willing to submit ourselves and be truly sanctified and cleansed from this carnal nature, then God can do something to help us. Jesus said that if we want to follow after Him, we must deny ourselves and take up the cross of Jesus daily. If we don't deny self continually, we will not assume the cross and be slain. Once the carnal nature is crucified and cleansed out of us, it will try to re-enter us. That is why we must deny and die to self every moment of every day.

I have been preaching about the urgency of sanctification for many years. The tendency of the flesh is to want miracles and gifts. Jesus didn't teach us to seek after these things, but rather to seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.

The carnally minded person thinks he knows all the answers, but the spiritually minded person doesn't claim to know anything. It takes the Holy Spirit to reveal this, because carnality doesn't want it to be known. The revelation of God is not revealed to the carnal mind. God's revelation comes to the child-like, sanctified heart that has given everything over to dying daily.

Thousands and thousands of people have pursued to become sanctified and yet they find themselves critical. It is because they do not die and deny self constantly to be led by God. This comes only by revelation. Even when you read this, it will require the

Holy Spirit, because the carnality in us does not want to accept it. The revelation will come through the sanctified heart that loves as Jesus loves. The sanctified heart is the heart that is submissive, praying, dying daily and following Jesus.

We do not attain this by anything we can do. It is only by the grace and mercies of God that this can be.

Carnality has caused all troubles, all divisions, all disharmony, all conflicts, all hurts, and all abuse. This message of truth is to liberate us from the carnal works of man.

Unless we obey constantly, we will never be truly crucified of the carnal nature. It is by the Holy Spirit that it will come to pass. Only as the Holy Spirit leads are we truly satisfied and love all people.

When I was first saved, I was opposed to sanctification and I didn't believe in it. God had to slay me and show me that this was the way.

Thank you for praying for all our various needs. We praise the Lord for His mercy. We love you all.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

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P.S. The following letter is included for the glory of God.

Dear Brother Helm,

Greetings in Jesus' name. Your visit to Louisville on the 28th of September was a wonderful privilege for us. I am truly grateful for the

opportunity afforded us, for God's helping you to have strength for your journey, for the time of sharing with those who gathered to greet you, and for the Sunday service the following morning.

That meeting was a great help and encouragement to all who attended, both those who have received your ministry for many years and for the few who were with you for the first time. As our fellowship is anticipating building a new facility and continuing to grow in number, your message reminded us to never put faith in our own strength for the "race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong," but as we "press on" in self-denial and obedience, we will see the majesty and splendor of God's Kingdom manifested.

I want to also praise God for the blessing we have in getting your newsletter. The message of the last letter was marvelous and the timing of its arrival proved how the Holy Spirit oversees its distribution. This letter arrived on a Friday and I read it shortly after coming home from work. Within two hours, while eating with my family at nearby restaurant, the Holy Spirit told me to speak to a man who had entered the room. After an awkward beginning, this dear man saw that it was the Lord who had sent us and he began to open his heart. Feeling friendless and in the depths of despair and discouragement, this stranger to us told of experiences over the previous years, and as he told us of trial and disappointment, I realized the message in your letter, so new in my mind, was addressing every issue in this man's life.

After our meals were finished, I simply took this man to our home and read to him from your letter. It is amazing how precisely the Holy Spirit met the need of the hour. Whether to the large crowd or to one, your ministry is still being anointed to bring the Kingdom of God to pass.

May God bless, strengthen, and heal you and Mrs. Helm.

Yours in Christ,
Eric Starnes

Revival For Our Day

December 1997

Dear Ones of the Lord Jesus Christ,

Greetings! We want to give God the praise and thanks for the way He has led. May the coming Christmas season be one of blessing, joy and marvelous fellowship. May it be a rich time for all of you.

We want to thank all the members of our staff for their devotion and work. It is such a gift to all of us. We give God praise, glory, and thanks for those who are praying on behalf of our physical and financial needs.

We want to thank Harmony Press for the printing and mailing of the monthly newsletters. Their help has been invaluable.

We want to include a message that the Lord helped me share with the dear ones at Parker City Christ Fellowship a few weeks ago.

You'll find the scripture in the fourth chapter of St. John. We read that "Jesus must needs go through Samaria." What other scripture of the synoptic writings ever said such a thing? Why did Jesus need to go through Samaria? The Jews had nothing to do with the Samaritans. There were no dealings or understanding between them. We read that Jesus had to go through Samaria. That is a region from Jerusalem to Galilee. John and Jane (Langdon) and Richard and Mary (Moore) were with me there on the second day of January in 1970. We were privileged to be at the very place where Jesus was in this scripture.

Why did Jesus need to go there? The Jews weren't interested in it, but God was. It was the Good Samaritan that didn't pass by on the other side. The Levite and the priest did, but the Samaritan didn't. What is in the Samaritans? What is in your heart and mine that God sees?

Jesus had sent the apostles to a village to get some provisions. While He was waiting for their return, the scripture tells us that He was tired and sat down at a well. In just a little while a woman came to get some water from the well.

Jesus knew everyone and knew what was in them. When this woman came, He knew her, but He didn't scold her. I want you to notice that the woman didn't come

until Jesus was at rest. Jesus had everything this woman needed and she didn't realize it.

She was drawing water from the well that Jacob and Joseph drank from hundreds of years before. Jesus was resting and she was drawing. What was the difference? What was the connection?

As she drew the water, Jesus asked the woman to give Him a drink out of her cup. The great Son of God asked this lowly women, this adulteress, for a drink from her cup. What kind of faith was that? What kind of love was that?

How startled do you think she was? Here was a Jew that was so kind to her and would ask her for a drink of water. What do we have in our cup that Jesus would want to drink? Have you ever thought of that? You have a cup too. Has he asked you for a little bit of what you have? Are other people waiting to drink from what you have?

This weary stranger was talking to this unknown person of the community, but He didn't pass her by. He was thirsty for what she had. Are you gentle and kind with people? Do you get after people because they fail or don't perform as you think they should? Do you have kindness in your cup or do you have criticism?

There she was with her water and Jesus spoke to her, "If you knew who it was that speaks to you, you would have asked of him, and he would have given you living water." The woman was now more puzzled than before. She replied that this man didn't have any water with Him. How could He give her water to quench her thirst so she would never be thirsty again?

He had the water of everlasting life and she wanted it. Jesus then told her to go call her husband. The way to the water was for her to call her husband. What does Jesus tell us to do?

The woman replied that she had no husband. Jesus told her that she is right, for she had five husbands. I don't know how long they talked, but He told her everything she had done in her life. How

astonished do you think she was? She didn't understand why He would take time to speak with her, a Samaritan. She was amazed that He would tell her that He had something that would satisfy everything she needed. Then He told her everything she had ever done.

Here was an adulteress and Jesus was treating her as if she were the finest person in the community. That is just like Jesus, isn't it? She was so astonished. In verses 25 and 26 we read, "The woman saith unto him, I know that when Messiah is come, he will tell us all things. Jesus saith unto her, I that speak unto thee am he."

This is something worth noting. He told nearly everyone He met, "Don't tell anybody who I am." Yet, He told this adulteress who He was and she believed Him! She was so excited that she went back to the city and told all the people, "I've met a man who told me everything I had ever done. He must be the Christ!" Surely the water was springing up inside her by this time! She wanted everyone to come and see Him. This should give us something to rejoice about. She brought them all out to meet Jesus.

When you know Jesus, you want everyone else to get in on it. When I was saved, I wanted everyone in the world to have what I had and I tried to get them to get it.

Jesus stayed with these people for two days. They had such a great revival. When Jesus is with us there is great revival and joy. Can we bring this same joy and glad tidings to other people?

Before I close, I wanted to share some scriptures with you as we approach this Christmas time.

Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. Isaiah 7:14

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of

Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this. Isaiah 9:6,7

Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins. Matthew 1:19-21

Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. Matthew 11:28-30

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judea: for this it is written by the prophet, And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, art not the least among the princes of Judah: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. Matthew 2:1-6

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) to be taxed with Mary his espoused

wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. Luke 2:4-16

May this Christmas time be one of joy, blessing, and happiness in the Lord. May your year to come be one of victory and great help in Christ our Lord. Thank you for praying for us.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

Loran W. Helm

Rev. Helm asked the following letters be included for the glory of God.

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

Praise God for His faithfulness! At the request of Kim Gilbert in Greenville, SC, I wrote to Doyle Wilhelm who is at the Pendleton Correctional Facility in Indiana. I received a precious letter from

him. In it he wrote, "I don't know if you realize it or not, but your letter to me was a visit. Like Jesus, you visited me when I was in prison. thank you for your fellowship and you are welcome to visit any time."

I had never thought of a letter being a visit until Doyle wrote that. Ever since the Waiting Upon God when you asked, "Are you visiting the prisons?", I felt God was speaking to me in that realm, but have trusted for His leading.

Through a girl at work, I write to her cousin who is on death row in a prison here in Virginia. He has accepted Jesus and we trust for God's will for him.

Thank you for your instructions and the words of truth. They bring me to "true life".

With love and honor,
Barbara Yarborough

Dear Brother Helm and Florence,

The Mann family in Michigan loves you and cannot let this Thanksgiving go by without giving thanks to our God for you! Your life of obedience to Jesus and self-denial has been the example we needed. We praise God for your persevering and striving on to the goal! Without you and your ministry, our lives would have been chaos. We are so indebted to Jesus and you.

Thank you so much for the October letter we received in the mail a couple of days ago. Your letters are such a help and encouragement. There is so much truth and instruction and help in each one. We need them desperately! May God grant you strength, help and courage to continue sharing what He has revealed to you.

Your shared in the last letter from Romans 8:6, "For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." As I read that scripture, I saw how true it is. When our son, Paul, was in sin, it was like death in our house. It was not a happy place to be. Our hearts were aching and we were not able to find peace in our home. We were in a dreary, stressful and sorrowful place. Our only ray of sunshine was Jesus. He would bless and encourage us every time we felt we could not go on. He was our hope and stay. When Jesus came on the scene April 1, 1997, in Greenville, South Carolina and revealed Himself to Paul's heart, life and peace came into our family.

Our home is now a joyous place to be. There is peace! We once again have found freedom in our home.

We had parent/teacher conferences at school recently. The school guidance counselor greeted us and told us how pleased she was with the change in Paul and how he had worked hard and brought his grades up. She said he gave the credit to a higher power. Paul had told us that he told her God helped him do it. Every one of Paul's teachers told us how

wonderful the change in Paul has been. Some asked if there was a significant instance in his life that brought about the change. Of course, we had to share how Jesus did it. The school principal has also congratulated Paul on his grades and the change in his life.

Clare Christ Fellowship is so indebted to you! Your pressing through to be at the Waiting Upon God was a turning point for us. We have never been able to have a youth group that bonded and wanted to be together. The spark Paul brought back from that Waiting spread to our youth and to the church. Our people were so helped by what God did for Paul that 45 came to the Labor Day Waiting in Greenville.

Carnality brought the darkness and death that almost totally destroyed our family and all God wanted to do in Clare, Michigan. Spirituality has brought life and peace not only to our family, but to the church and the community.

Very thankfully yours,
Sarah Mann

We are in need of your support financially as well as in prayer. We thank you for your faithfulness.

Anyone wishing to send Christmas cards or greetings to Rev. and Mrs. Helm should mail them to their Parker City address:

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P.S. Dear Christian Friends,

Years ago Bob Jones University made a university rule that their students were prohibited from holding hands or touching each other. Some people were critical of this rule. I was on that campus 40-45 years later and most students' faces on campus were aglow. They were so happy and they all spoke to my brother and me.

I once, years ago, was preaching at a little school, and in my sermon I pled with the whole school that they would not hold hands or touch each other. How important that was and is in our schools today. If this request were kept faithfully, we would avert many problems, troubles, much heartache, and devastation. Because if we violate the law of purity and true holiness we bring upon us quite a judgement and the consequences of those choices seldom ever ceases. The victims of fondling, (unless in holy matrimony) suffer for years and years and sometimes never overcome their trauma.

“And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love, thy neighbor as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.” Mark 12:30-31