

The Wreck of Faith

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TEXT—I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ, unto another gospel, which is not another—Gal. 1:6.

Here we have an expression of Paul's astonishment that the Galatians were now slipping from the truth as he had given it to them. They were trying to make a composite religion that would better suit them—a union of faith and works.



There is suggestion that there was something fairly analogous between the Galatian church and the church of today. When the first century closed there was a deposit of divine truth left in the form of some writings by prophets, apostles, psalmists, herdmen, fishermen and others, all inspired of God. This deposit may be considered from some three different standpoints: First, it was something that was for all the world as such, all nations and peoples. It was intended to be the foundation of the religion that the world needed; and upon it grew up the system of belief which, while varying in different countries and centuries, was substantially the same everywhere, and should be so today.

The church fell heir to this treasure but failed to be true as its custodian. Teachers of theology were like the Talmudists of old, and receded further and further from the original teaching as the centuries went by.

This deposit of truth also was given to the individual, for God never intended that his Book should be under lock and key.

But in quite recent times the aspects which that faith presents were greatly varied, and are quite different from the aspects in a previous time. The departure from the faith may be spoken of under three general propositions:

1. That faith is still the limit of attack on the part of its avowed enemies, although the form of attack has radically changed.

2. There has been a departure from the generally accepted interpretation of the Word of God on the part of a very large number of teachers of religion and various subjects in which the church in its external relations particularly are outwardly interested.

What was the burden of that religious teaching? The ultimate denial of the supernatural. The result of this with many theological teachers has been in the first place the full acceptance of those views, and secondly a kind of teaching which leaves the pupil without any positive conviction. A further result has been that a generation of younger men educated in seminaries where there was such positive denial of the supernatural, or the hesitating and uncertain teaching, has grown up, and is at best uncertain in its convictions.

A still further result is that the people of the churches ministered to by such men are not informed as to the great truths of the Bible, and become the easy victims of all kinds of heresies such as Christian Science, theosophy, etc. Or if they have not gone off into these heresies openly, are merely existing as bodies of Christians, with few signs of real life. A grand total result is that we find the Church of God today steadily indifferent to the vital truths of Christianity, and holding fast to its existence by introducing all kinds of physical buttresses. There are great church buildings, universities, colleges, etc., mere charnel houses, for within there is nothing but decaying flesh and dead men's bones.

3. But there is another aspect of the day that is observable—the decay of individual faith. The writer has had many say to him: "We do not know what we believe any more." Inquiries being made along certain lines, such as the deity of Christ, the authority of the Holy Scriptures, the subject of regeneration, the same lack of faith was still expressed. There is nothing sadder than this in the whole realm of religious phenomena—people without faith. This aspect becomes tragedy when we realize that the young people of our Christian homes even express themselves as having no belief. One place where such faith is ruined is in the Godless colleges and universities of the land. The charge must not be placed on the state universities, for the danger from them is not so great as from the universities that are founded by Christian people and are under normal Christian control.

What is the remedy? Before this remedy can be presented, many will succumb as victims of their ignorance, but the tide may be checked, if the world can be brought back to the acceptance of the great principles of the Protestant religion. The Church of God can do much by positively requiring of teachers that they teach nothing but the fundamentals of our Christian faith and teach positively.

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF LEXINGTON, IN COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. N. C. McDuffie & Company, Plaintiff, vs. E. M. Field, Jr., Defendant.

SUMMONS FOR RELIEF.
To the Defendant Above Named: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber at his office, 21 Clark Law Building, Columbia, S. C., within twenty days after the service thereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

LOGAN & GRAYDON, Plaintiff's Attorneys. Dated September 9, 1919.

To the Defendant Above Named, E. M. Field, Jr.:

You are hereby notified that the summons and complaint in this action, which is an action for the foreclosure of real property in the County and State aforesaid, was duly filed in the office of the Clerk of Court for Lexington County on the 13th day of September, 1919, and that you are required to answer the same in accordance with law.

LOGAN & GRAYDON, Plaintiff's Attorneys. Dated Sept. 9, 1919. 2-6t

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF LAND

I will sell at public outcry, before the court house door, in the town of Lexington, during the legal hours of sale, on the first Monday, being the 3d day, in November, the following described property, being a part of the lands belonging to the estate of the late N. J. Burgess:

A tract of land consisting of (112) acres, more or less, lying in Chinquapin township, on the waters of Chinquapin creek. Sixty (60) acres of tract is cleared, balance in woods. The place is well watered and has good fruit orchard. Plenty of timber, short leaf pine, oak and poplar. Interested parties can see place by applying to William Westmoreland, Samaria, S. C.

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J. J. BURGESS, Administrator.

CLERK'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, County of Lexington. Robert Gantt, et al. Plaintiffs, vs. Hannah Gantt, et al. Defendants. Court of Common Pleas.

By virtue of authority vested in me by order of the Court in the above entitled cause, I will sell before the Court House door, at Lexington, S. C., during the legal hours, on the first Monday in November, the same being the 3rd day of said month, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, to wit:

"All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the County of Lexington, State of South Carolina, containing one hundred and sixteen acres, more or less, bounded on the North and East by lands of E. Hall; South by Long Branch, and West by lands of Oscar Risinger."

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situate, lying and being in the Town of Samaria, Lexington County, State of South Carolina, measuring one hundred feet in width by one hundred feet in length, and bounded by lands now or formerly of Franklin Hall, William Westmoreland, and right of way of Southern Railway Company.

Terms of Sale: Cash, purchaser to pay for papers, revenue stamps, and recording fees.

H. L. HARMON, Clerk of Court. Oct. 13th, 1919.

CLERK'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, County of Lexington. F. L. Schwartz et al. Plaintiffs, vs. Murray Schwartz, Defendant. Court of Common Pleas.

By virtue of authority vested in me by order of the Court in the above entitled cause, I will sell before the Court House door, at Lexington, S. C., during the legal hours of sale, on the first Monday in November, the same being the 3rd day of said month, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, to wit:

"One hundred twenty (120) acres of land, more or less, in said County and State, in Broad River Township, lying one mile from the C. N. L. Railroad Company, between the towns of Hilton and Chapin, and bounded by lands now or formerly of John Lindler, Michael Slice, Samuel Slice, H. Schwartz, and others, and known as the Adam Schwartz Homestead."

Terms of Sale: Cash, Purchaser to pay for papers, revenue stamps and recording fees.

H. L. HARMON, Clerk of Court. Oct. 11th, 1919.

EXECUTORS' SALE

ESTATE OF SAMUEL M. ROOF, DECEASED.

Whereas, Samuel M. Roof, late of the County of Lexington, and State of South Carolina, died on the 23rd day of August, 1919, leaving of force his last will and testament, which was duly admitted to probate in the office of the Probate Judge for Lexington County in said State on the 16th day of September, 1919.

And whereas, We, the undersigned, Job S. Wessinger, E. B. Roof, and Samuel P. Roof, duly qualified as Executors of the estate of the said Samuel M. Roof, deceased, on the 26th day of September, 1919, agreeable to the terms and provisions of the said last will and testament and had issued to us Letters Testamentary by the Probate Judge in and for said County and State.

And whereas, it is provided in said last will and testament that the Executors thereof should divide a certain tract of land belonging to the estate of the said Samuel M. Roof, deceased, into smaller tracts and subdivisions and sell the same either at public or private sale, on such terms as the Executors might deem advisable and for the best interest of the estate.

And whereas, The said Executors have determined that it is for the best interest of the said estate to sell it at public auction and have pursuant to the terms of the said last will and testament had the "Old Home Tract" of the said Samuel M. Roof, deceased, surveyed and subdivided into six smaller tracts.

Now, Therefore, Notice is given that the undersigned as Executors as aforesaid will sell at public auction on Thursday, the 6th day of November, 1919, commencing at eleven o'clock a. m., at the Old Homestead of the said Samuel M. Roof, deceased, within the County and State aforesaid, the same being about three miles east of Lexington, on the Leaphart Road, all of the following described tracts of land, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter named, to wit:

Tract No. 1: The S. M. Roof House tract and containing fifty and fifty-four hundredths (50.54) acres, more

or less, bounded on the north by lands of Drafts, on the east by George Corley and tract No. 4; on the south by tracts Nos. 2 and 3.

Tract No. 2: Containing thirty-three and seventy-eight hundredths (33.78) acres, more or less, bounded on the north by lands of Drafts, on the east by tract No. 1, on the south by Leaphart Road, and on the west by lands of D. J. Caughman.

Tract No. 3: Containing ninety-six and seventy-two hundredths (96.72) acres, more or less, lying on south side of the Leaphart Road, and bounded on north by Leaphart Road and Tract No. 1; on the east by tracts Nos. 1 and 4; on the south by Twelve Mile Creek, and lands of D. J. Caughman, and on the west by lands of D. J. Caughman.

Tract No. 4: Containing one hundred thirty-seven and three tenths (137.3) acres, more or less, and bounded on the north by Leaphart Road and lands of Corleys, on the east by lands of Corley and tract No. 5, on the south by Twelve Mile Creek, and on the west by tracts 1 and 3.

Tract No. 5: Containing fifty-seven (57) acres, more or less, and bounded on the north by Corley lands, on the east by Sox lands, on the south by tract No. 6 and Shull lands, and on the west by Tract No. 4.

Tract No. 6: Containing fifty-four and thirty-eight hundredths (54.38) acres, more or less, and bounded on the north by tract No. 5, on the east by Sox lands, on the south by Addy lands, and on the west by Shull lands.

For a more accurate description of the above sub-divisions see a plat of a survey of the same made by J. C. Wessinger, Surveyor, September 23, 24, and 25th, 1919, which said plat is on file in the Probate Judge's office for Lexington County, South Carolina, and will be exhibited at the sale.

We will further offer for sale upon the terms and conditions hereafter named:

All that certain piece, parcel, or tract of land known as the River Place of the said Samuel M. Roof, deceased, containing thirty-nine and one-half (39 1-2) acres, more or less, bounded on the north by Saluda River, and adjoining lands now or formerly of Adam Shull, Daniel Shull, J. N. Carter, and F. M. Mathias, the same being the tract of land conveyed to the said Samuel M. Roof by P. H. Corley, Sheriff, by deed dated the 6th day of November, 1909, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of Court for Lexington County in deed book 3D, page 159.

Notice is further given that the tracts referred to in this advertisement as tracts number one to six respectively will be sold first in the subdivisions as described above and that afterwards they will be sold together as one tract containing four hundred thirty-three and seventy-two (433.72) acres, more or less, and if the amount bid for the entire tract is greater than the aggregate of the amounts bid on the smaller tracts or subdivisions then and in that event a deed will be executed to the person or persons purchasing the tract as a whole, otherwise, deeds will be executed to the person or persons bidding in the several smaller tracts or subdivisions; and in case the said tract is sold as a whole the heirs-at-law of the said Samuel M. Roof, deceased, and the legatees under his said last will and testament will join the undersigned Executors in the execution of the deed to the premises.

And Notice is further given that at said time and place the personal property and effects of the said Samuel M. Roof, deceased, will be offered for sale at public auction to the highest bidder therefor.

Terms of Sale: For the real estate one-third of the purchase price shall be paid in cash and the remaining two-thirds in two installments, one and two years respectively after the date of sale, which said installments shall be evidenced by a note and bond for the same, secured by a first mortgage of the premises purchased, and the deferred payments are to draw interest from date of sale at the rate of eight per cent. per annum, the purchasers to pay for papers, recording fees, revenue stamps, etc.

For the personal property all CASH, on date of sale.

JOB S. WESSINGER, E. B. ROOF, SAM P. ROOF, As Executors of the last will and Testament of Samuel M. Roof, deceased. 14 October, 1919.

CLERK'S SALE.

The State of South Carolina, County of Lexington. Mary Ann Jumper, et al. plaintiffs, vs. D. J. S. Derrick et al., Defendants.—Court of Common Pleas.

By virtue of authority vested in me by order of the Court in the above entitled cause, I will sell before the Court House Door, at Lexington, S. C., during the legal hours of sale on the first Monday in November, the same being the third day of said

month, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, to wit: Tract No. 1, containing fifty two (52) acres, more or less, bounded on the north by Collins Price, on the east by estate of Paul Craps, on the south by tract No. 2, and on the west by Alonzo Frick.

Tract No. 2, containing fifty nine and one-half (59 1-2) acres, more or less, bounded on the north by tract No. 1, on the east by estate of Paul Craps, on the South by Thomas Long, and tract No. 3, and T. S. Sease, and on the west by Alonzo Frick. In this tract there should be reserved the cemetery and the road for the use of the family and such persons as they may consent to be buried there.

Tract No. 3, containing forty eight (48) acres, more or less, bounded on the north by Tract No. 2, on the east by lands of Thomas Long, on the south by T. S. Sease, and on the west by C. Taylor.

Terms of Sale: Cash, purchaser to pay for papers, revenue stamps and recording fees.

H. L. HARMON, Clerk of Court. Oct. 11th, 1919.

CLERK'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, County of Lexington. Earle Shealy, Plaintiff, versus Eugenia Shealy, et al., Defendants.—Court of Common Pleas.

By virtue of authority vested in me by order of the Court in the above entitled cause, I will sell before the Court House door at Lexington, S. C., on the first Monday in November, the same being the 3rd day of said month, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, to wit:

"All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the County of Lexington, State of South Carolina, containing thirty one and sixteen one-hundredths acres, (31.16) bounded on the North by lands of W. K. Shealy; East and South by lands of Mark Shealy and branch; and West by lands now or formerly of Ella Hook, and being the tract of land set apart to the plaintiff and the defendants, Eugenia Shealy and Lorraine Shealy by order of the Court in the partition and division of the real estate of W. E. Shealy, deceased."

Terms of Sale: Cash, purchaser to pay for papers, revenue stamps and recording fees.

H. L. HARMON, Clerk of Court. Oct. 13th, 1919.

CLERK'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, County of Lexington. Freddy Lee Lindler, Plaintiff, vs. Godfrey J. Lindler, Carrie Pearl Lindler, Claude Kellar Lindler, Harriet Harman, Margaret Harman, Rosabel Shumpert, Fannie Black, Hattie Amick, Ygenia Adams, Fred Harman, Thomas Harman, Brady Harman, Godfrey Ernest Harman, Nannie K. Harman, Samuel E. Harman, John Harper Harman, Fred Crawford Harman, Frank Kindal Harman, Hattie Pearl Harman, Sallie Gertrude Brown, Minnie Ethel Harman, and Julian Pope Harman, Defendants.—Court of Common Pleas.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the terms of the Decree in the above entitled case made by the Honorable S. W. G. Shipp, Circuit Judge presiding in the Eleventh Circuit, on October 7, 1919, I will sell at public auction in front of the court house door at Lexington Court house during the legal hours of sale Monday, November 3rd, the following tract of land, to wit:

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, containing four hundred thirty-three and two one-hundredths (433.02) acres, situated, lying and being in Hollow Creek Township, County of Lexington, and State of South Carolina, which is bounded by lands of Isaac Lindler, Dr. James Harman, Mrs. W. K. Shealy, Henry Carter, and T. M. Kanady, and the Saluda River, the same being known as the Harriet Harman estate lands.

And Notice is further given that at said time and place immediately after said above described tract of land has been offered for sale as a whole it will be offered for sale in six parcels, each of said smaller tracts being numbered from one to six, and respectively contain eighty-five and one-quarter (85 1-4) acres, eighty (80) acres, one hundred eighteen and one-half (118 1-2) acres, nineteen and one-tenth (19.1) acres, seventeen and seven-tenths (17.7) acres, and one hundred thirteen (113) acres; and if the aggregate amount of the bids for the separate tracts or subdivisions of the whole tract amount to more than the price bid for the entire tract when first offered then the sale of the six tracts shall stand and papers will be made to the purchasers of them, otherwise a sale of the entire tract shall stand and papers will be made to the purchasers of the whole tract; a more accurate description of the premises in question may be had by reference to plats of the same now on file in the Clerk of Court's office for Lexington County, South Carolina, which said plats will be on display on the day of sale.

Terms of Sale: One-third cash, and the balance in two equal installments, payable in one and two years, with interest on the deferred payments from date of sale, at the rate of eight per cent. per annum, the purchaser or purchasers to pay for papers, plats, revenue stamps, recording, etc.

H. L. HARMON, Clerk of Court. Oct. 14th, 1919.

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H. L. HARMON, Clerk of Court. Oct. 13th, 1919.

CLERK'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, County of Lexington. The Home National Bank, Lexington, S. C., et al., plaintiffs, vs. Florence Taylor, et al., Defendants.—Court of Common Pleas.

By virtue of authority vested in me by order of the Court in the above entitled cause, I will sell before the Court House door during the legal hours of sale, on the first Monday in November, the same being the 3rd day of said month, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, to wit:

"All that piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in Gilbert Hollow Township, in the County of Lexington, and the State of South Carolina, containing fifty (50) acres, more or less, adjoining lands of H. S. Rikard and perhaps others on the north and east; Fred Taylor on the south; Jasper Taylor on the west, and being the same tract of land conveyed to me by Jasper Taylor by deed dated the 16th day of January, 1903, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of Court for Lexington County in deed book UU, page 353."

ALSO all that piece, parcel or tract of land, situate, lying and being in the State aforesaid, containing eighteen (18) acres, more or less, adjoining lands of Jasper Taylor, Fred Taylor, and H. C. Taylor and being the same tract of land conveyed to me by Fred Taylor by deed dated the 2nd day of April, 1904, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of Court for said County in deed book WW, page 372.

Terms of sale: Cash, purchaser or purchasers to pay for papers, revenue stamps and recording fees.

H. L. HARMON, Clerk of Court. Oct. 14th, 1919.