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## Zion--of Divine Origin Zion City--A City for God's People.

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Zion and Zion City are the fulfillment of prophecy.

"The Lord hath founded Zion, and in her shall the afflicted of His people take refuge." Isaiah 14:32.

"For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem." Isaiah 2:3.

"I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion." Jeremiah 3:14.

"When the Lord shall build up Zion, He shall appear in His glory." Psalm 102:16.

"My cities through prosperity shall yet be spread abroad." Zechariah 1:17.

A close student of God's Word and of the Zion Movement today, founded under God by John Alexander Dowie, must be forced to the conclusion that this Movement is of Divine origin and is of the fulfillment of Scripture.

This is the position taken up by Zion's Leader today, and by the people of Zion.

John Alexander Dowie was, without doubt, A Mighty Prophet of God.

The world was stirred by his messages. The sound of his voice reached to the ends of the earth. Thousands of people have thanked God for John Alexander Dowie. Many have hated him, because of his terrific bombardment of all that was evil. He made the sinners to quake and tremble. He brought joy to thousands of hearts.

It was by this man, under God, that Zion City was brought into existence.

What was Zion City founded for?

What was it that this man of God had in his mind and heart when he established Zion City?

What did he declare to the world that Zion City was for?

These are very important questions, which must be answered.

Zion City was brought into existence as a place of refuge for God's children, where they could, under Zion's leader, work out the principles of the Kingdom of God.

These principles, ideas, and ideals, were preached and declared by John Alexander Dowie to the whole world.

When the time was ripe, Zion's leader, to whom God had given the vision of Zion City, laid his plans before the members of the Christian Catholic Church throughout the world, and made a call to all who believed in these principles, ideas, and ideals which he had enunciated, to come up to his help and to build a city of God, for God and God's children, for the purpose of demonstrating to the world the principles mentioned, as far as possible, in the activities of man's life.

It has been shown from Scripture that God's cities are to be built upon the earth; and the first one has appeared.

John Alexander Dowie has passed away, but he declared that ZION would always have a man, who, as the leader, would stand up for, and maintain, the principles of the Kingdom of God, which God had led him to declare.

That declaration and prophecy has been fulfilled, and immediately after John Alexander Dowie had finished his work, God had the next man ready, who stepped into John Alexander Dowie's shoes, and has

## The Christian Catholic Apostolic Church in Zion

Salvation Healing Holy Living

### Shiloh Tabernacle

Lord's Day, May 24, 1914

9:30 a. m. BIBLE SCHOOL

Let one and all rally at this meeting for the study of God's Word.  
LESSON: Acts, the 5th chapter.

2:30 a. m. PRINCIPAL MEETING OF THE DAY

ProceSSIONAL and RECESSIONAL  
Zion Junior White-Robed Choir  
Zion Senior White-Robed Choir  
Robed Officers  
Uniformed Guards

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Application Forms, Both the Original and Renewal, may be had at all Meetings.

8:00 p. m. MEETING IN ZION HOME AUDITORIUM  
PROGRAM

Recitation ..... Irma Wallace  
Duet ..... Mrs. J. G. and Helen Nicholson  
Trombone Solo ..... Mr. Sam Farrar  
Violin Solo ..... Mr. Jos. Heidel  
Clarinet Solo ..... Walter Peterman  
Solo ..... Helen Stocker  
Solo ..... Fred Schott  
Solo ..... Miss Lola Bennett  
Piano Solo ..... Miss Athol Myhre  
Solo ..... Miss Myrtle Zediker

### DIVINE HEALING MEETINGS

Zion Home Auditorium - - - Tuesday, 2:30 p. m.  
Zion Home Assembly Room, - - - Friday, 10:00 a. m.

### MID-WEEK MEETING

Zion Home Auditorium - - - Wednesday, 7:45 p. m.

All Welcome All Seats Free  
Free-will Offerings Only Received "Christ is All, and in All"

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since continued to lead Zion's hosts.

Zion City, as its name implies, must be a place where ZION'S AUTHORITY SHALL OBTAIN AND THAT ABSOLUTELY. It must be this or nothing. Even men of the world see this.

Did any one ever expect that a place, such as Zion City was intended to be, could be brought into existence, and maintained, without the opposition of Satan and wicked men? A person who would think such a thing could not be a reader of history, nor a student of God's Word.

All the forces and the powers of darkness have been brought into array against Zion and Zion City. From the standpoint of Satan, it would never do for a place like Zion City to get a foothold on this earth.

The opposition has been fierce; the fight has been strenuous! But, what is the record today? Despite all the opposition, despite all the vilest plans that have been conceived and executed, ZION STANDS TODAY—TRIUMPHANT, and Zion City has before her better prospects than ever!

Zion City must be a place where the people shall be of ONE HEART, ONE MIND, ONE

PURPOSE, marching forward as one man, and cooperating in the spirit of Christ.

There is not another city in the whole world that can be compared with Zion City. Zion City is unique.

Zion City is a clean City for a clean people.

No defiling and vile things of this world are permitted in this City.

The rule of the world, the flesh, and the devil, must not obtain here, and will not, by the grace of God.

This prohibition applies to every known thing that is not of God, whether it be a matter of habit, food, dress, or anything else.

Zion City is for a people WHO CAN AND WILL TRUST GOD.

There is no room in this City for the doctors, their drugs and their knives. The world has laughed at Zion, because of her attitude in regard to the doctors and their remedies; but Zion City has proven beyond any doubt to any unprejudiced man that the world has no need for the doctors, and that the Word of God has been proven to be true, when it says—"I AM THE LORD THAT HEALETH THEE."

The call today from God, through Zion's Leader, is for God's children everywhere to come out of the apostate organizations with which they are connected, and to come together at this time. Zion is marshalling the forces of the children of light. Every man of God, every child of the King, must take his stand. God has spewed out of his mouth the religious organizations of today. They have gone absolutely to the world, the flesh and the devil.

God has founded Zion today for the afflicted of His children.

Zion City must be built up. It can be built up only in righteousness. Therefore, let the children of righteousness come up at this time, and join hands in this great and final fight between the powers of light and the powers of darkness, in these closing days of the Gospel Age.

THERE IS NO TIME TO LOSE.

Now is the time to act.

God has ordained to work through man.

Let every Zion man, therefore, this day, sanctify himself and all that he has for the service of his God.

The issues are momentous.

The powers of darkness are pressing around.

But nothing can withstand a people who are in God's keeping!

A MAN OF GOD WILL NOT PUT OFF ONE DAY WHAT HE CAN DO FOR GOD TODAY.

Remember that everything you have belongs to God, whether it be houses, or lands, or money.

Zion people should sell their lands and houses and bring their money into Zion and to Zion City, and take up land here, or loan their money to Zion. *This is what building up Zion City means.*

The world needs Zion and the world needs a Zion City.

What a joy, what a privilege, to be able to send out to this poor world the LEAVES OF HEALING with its glorious message, and the story of Zion and Zion City!

The work is a vast one! But it has to be done. It can be done, and by the grace of God it will be done.

Will you, reader, be one of the privileged ones to have a part in this great work?

What is your answer?

Is your answer—"yes?"

Then, without delay, GO AND DO that which is in your power to do!

## LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. H. E. Ruby and two sons returned to Chicago on Monday last, after visiting her parental home.

Miss Constance Harding of Cirencester, Gloucestershire, England, is visiting for about six months with her sister Mrs. G. W. Anderson on the Cropley Farm.

Don't forget to get plenty of films for Decoration Day. It is much nicer to have an extra film than to run out before the day is half over, then perhaps miss the best picture of the day. Get them now so as to be sure you have them.

Those of you who do not have a Kodak can get them now from \$1.00 each and up. It affords great pleasure.

Zion Stores will be closed all day May 30th--Decoration Day, excepting the Candy Department. Refreshments will be on sale at the Ball grounds.