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Battle of Armageddon

By REV. JAMES M. GRAY, D. D.
Dean of Moody Bible Institute of Chicago

TEXT.—And they gathered them together in the place which is called in Hebrew, Har-Magedon. Revelation 16:16.

Many people are asking whether the present European war is the battle of Armageddon, and whether it means that we are nearing the end of the world, and what relation it bears to the second coming of Christ.

In answer to the first part of the question it may be said that it is not the battle of Armageddon for three reasons. First, it is not in the right location. Second, it has not the right objective, and third, it does not represent the right alignment of the nations.

The battle of Armageddon will not be fought in Europe, but in Asia. "Har-Magedon," as the revised version translates it, is a mountain rising up out of the plain of Esdraelon in northern Palestine. Great and decisive battles have been fought there by the Hebrews, the Egyptians, the Saracens, and the crusaders, and here the kings of the prophetic earth are to be gathered, under the influence of demons working miracles, for that battle of the great day of the Lord God Almighty.

The object of this battle will be the capture of Jerusalem, when it shall again be restored to the Jews prior to the second advent of the Messiah on their behalf; and the nations of the prophetic earth engaged in it will be those of the Roman empire federated again under a secular despot whom many associate with the anti-christ. Those nations do not include Russia, nor do they include Germany or Austria-Hungary, except in part, so that a new alignment of the nations seems necessary before that battle. How far the present European war may contribute to that new alignment one cannot say, but so far as it does so, it may be called a preparation for the battle of Armageddon.

The End of the World.
2. That this war cannot mean that we are near the end of the world is indicated in another way. For example, all Bible scholars are agreed that a long period of peace and righteousness is to prevail over the earth before the end comes. From a passage in Revelation 20, it is gathered that it will last a thousand years, from which it takes the name millennium. This period not having begun as yet, it is clear the end of the world is at least 1,000 years away.

But we may be near the end of the age, which is a different matter. There have been several ages in the history of the race in which God has dealt with his people in different ways; each of these ages ended in a catastrophe. That of Eden ended in the expulsion from the garden. The Mosaic age ended in the crucifixion of our Lord and the dispersion of the Jews among the Gentile nations, where they are today; and it seems to be the teaching of the Scriptures that the same will be true of the age in which we live. The catastrophe impending is not one which affects the true church which is the body of Christ, but the professing church, and the nations which, having a form of godliness are denying the power thereof.

The church will escape the catastrophe by being caught up to meet the Lord in the air, as it is written in 1 Thessalonians 4, but that which befalls the false church and the nations is the battle of Armageddon and what is connected with it, of which this European war is so frightful a forerunner.

Second Coming of Christ.
3. The second coming of Christ means, of course, his personal in the sense of visible reappearing, and as stated before, so far as the church is concerned the event may be very far. It is after the church is caught up to meet him in the air that the events transpire on earth which focus in the battle of Armageddon. His coming to the earth means the destruction of the nations thus headed up in the anti-christ, not in the sense that all their inhabitants are slain, but that as nations they cease to exist.

The certainty and the imminence of our Lord's return is a mighty motive for repentance and faith in his name, and in the case of those of us who are saved through faith it speaks with equal potency of the necessity for a holy life.

To quote the language of another, suppose this titanic conflict among the nations were the very last event to occur prior to the Lord's coming for his people to take them out of such a scene, does it not give intense significance to the words of Paul in the thirteenth chapter of his epistle to the Romans where he says: "And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand; let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof."

By rooting out our selfish desires even when they appear to touch no one but ourselves, we are preparing a chamber of the soul where the Divine Presence may dwell.—Ellen Watson.

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By O. E. SELLERS, Acting Director of the Sunday School Course of the Moody Bible Institute.

LESSON FOR AUGUST 29

GOD'S CARE OF ELIJAH.

LESSON TEXT.—1 Kings 17:1-16.

GOLDEN TEXT.—Casting all your anxiety upon him, because he careth for you. 1 Peter 5:7 R. V.

We now skip thirty to forty years to consider the first of those great prophets whose lives are recorded at length. Samuel and David fought animals, armies and giants, but these men fought engagements in the moral and spiritual realm of equal and greater importance. Emphasize Elijah as a real live flesh-and-blood hero. His work was with the northern kingdom and he probably first met Ahab at Samaria, his capital in 912 B. C. (?) The Moabite stone (A. D. 1868) is a remarkable confirmation of the Bible story of this period.

I. The Challenge, v. 1. The lesson is a great illustration of faith. Sin had again made vast inroads upon the people (ch. 16:30-33) and this "man of the hour," whose name means "Jehovah My Strength," (1) saw the conditions; (2) responded to the need, and (3) had faith in his cause because it was that of Jehovah. The source of his faith was the word of the Lord God (Deut. 11:18; 32:20). He that "liveth" and before whom the prophet stood in daily, hourly communication. Elijah was a man with a mission (Matt. 28:19) who trusted in God and considered it safe to obey. His power, "according to my word," was in ratio according to his life of faith (Rom. 10:17). He was also a man of prayer (James 5:17) and showed his faith by his works (James 2:17, 26, 26).

II. The Command, vv. 2-7. Elijah's faith was not audacious. He took each step as commanded by God (v. 2). There is a time for seeming retreat as well as for the spectacular charge. Elijah's first place of testing was "Cherith," a gorge to the east of the river Jordan. This command was contrary to human reason. "Would it not soon be involved in his prophesied drought?"

Again, ravens frequently feed upon carrion, and he knew all the regulations regarding cleanliness. Thus to be secluded would prevent his observing the effect of the drought upon both king and people. Still the command is explicit. It was "there" (v. 4), and there only, that Jehovah was to save. The miracle of saving was to be wrought under the most adverse circumstances and by the most unlikely means. "So he went." Having faced the peril, God did him to preserve him, and at the proper time God also revealed him (ch. 18:12). It was a daily testing for Elijah at Cherith, thus to be fed and to see the water evaporating, but it was a time of communion and after the brook was dry there came a new command (vv. 8, 9). We are often called to sit by and see drying brooks but if we are in God's way he will attend to that. We do not speculate on the use of the ravens, that the record is "poetical language," or the "Orebites" (Arabians), but accept the writer's plain intimation, ravens, a common bird but a most intelligent one, especially when used and directed of God.

III. The Continued Deliverance, vv. 8-16. Zarephath was (Luke 4:26) in the dominions of Jezebel's father, on the coast of the Mediterranean sea between Tyre and Sidon, a dangerous journey for Elijah through Ahab's kingdom (ch. 18:16). The word Zarephath means "smelting furnace," and it too was suffering from this same famine. Commanded to hide in Cherith Elijah is told to "dwell" in Zarephath and that a widow was to be the agent to supply his need. Again Elijah's pride had to be overcome for there were abundant reasons for disliking such a journey, such an abiding place and such a dependence upon a poor widow. Elijah, however, "arose and went," a continuance of his life of obedience. He first asked for water and as she went he added his request for food. It was a particular widow to whom he was sent (Luke 4:25-27) and through her God was ready to work a miracle of salvation on his behalf. Though about to prepare what she thought was to be her own and her son's last meal (v. 12), yet she at once proceeds to obey the command of the man of God as it was conditioned upon the word of Jehovah (v. 14). God, through his prophets, has commanded us, given us assurance and promised to sustain (Phil. 4:19), yet we hesitate. "She went and did" the seeming impossible, but according to the word of command, and those of "her house did eat many days." Obedience saved her own, her son's and the prophet's lives. There is sound philosophy in Prov. 11:24 which found its complete fulfillment in Jesus who "came not to be ministered unto but to minister." Read carefully Prov. 3:7-10 and II Cor. 9:6-11. As with the Israelites in the wilderness the supply was only from day to day (v. 16) nothing ahead, no accumulation, yet a perpetual supply because based on "the word of the Lord" (v. 16).

God worked this miracle: (1) to uphold and to preserve his chosen messenger for his great work in Israel; (2) to show his loving kindness and sustaining grace to the poor; (3) to strengthen the faith of his prophet against his spectacular conflict on Mt. Carmel; (4) to the end that he might show Israel and all others down through the ages a great object lesson of his sustaining grace and providence. The returning food crops of the world each year are his unflinching cross of blessed provision. His word is as sure today as it was 2800 years ago, and is the unflinching cross from which we may obtain spiritual nurture each day. God's love and the holy spirit (typified by the "oil" v. 16) are his unflinching gifts for the spirits of men which he gives us for each day's need as he also gives us our "daily bread."

TEMPERANCE NOTES

Conducted by "The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union."

FOR VALUE RECEIVED.

The liquor interests have unwittingly given prohibition in West Virginia much valuable publicity. Their frantic efforts to prove that a deficit in the state treasury is due to the loss of liquor revenue has called forth from loyal citizens of the "little mountain state" strong testimonials on the subject. In the light of the moral, social and economic benefits derived from the prohibitory law, testified to by men of every class, a deficiency of a few thousand dollars seems of comparatively little importance.

As a matter of fact the loss of the \$600,000 a year in revenue to West Virginia as a result of the adoption of the constitutional prohibition amendment does not impose upon the individual taxpayer any burden worth considering. In a letter written by the state auditor, which has recently been made public, he shows that five cents additional state taxes on the hundred-dollar valuation will take care of the money loss on liquor licenses. This would cost a man whose property was assessed at \$1,000, fifty cents; if he has \$2,000 worth, he would have to pay one dollar, and if he had \$10,000, he would be obliged to expend five dollars. So much for the enormous load of taxation being thrust upon the property owners of the state because of prohibition! The payment of such insignificant amounts would certainly appeal to a level-headed business man as a mighty good investment.

DRINKERS' DEATH RATE HIGH.

Startling evidence of the effect of alcohol on the moderate drinkers is offered by the Life Extension Institute. The bulletin issued to its members shows that in one Canadian and three British life insurance companies the mortality among so-called moderate drinkers, accepted as temperate and healthy risks, exceeded the death rate among the abstainers by 78, 37, 52 and 44 per cent, respectively.

New data was recently compiled by forty-three American life insurance companies, covering a period of twenty-five years, with the following results: Steady moderate drinkers, accepted as standard risks, death rate 86 per cent above the average. Former drinkers (admitting past excesses), death rate 50 per cent above the average. Very moderate drinkers, 18 per cent above the average.

"Experimental laboratory work," says the board of scientific authorities, "has kept pace with statistical investigation, and the knowledge gained from the laboratory, not only in experiments on animals, but on man himself, shows that a higher death rate among alcohol users is what we would naturally expect to find in the light of what we know regarding its effects on the body."

POOR OLD JOHN.

John Barleycorn the swaggering, just now is badly staggering beneath repeated blows; for kings say, "He is ruinous—dog-dast the stuff he's brewed in us," and blif him on the nose. The kings, alert and vigorous, are taking measures rigorous, to swat old John again: "He's worse than guns and sabers are," remark the kings, "his labors are addressed to drowning men. Out where our flags are shimmering the bottle must go glimmering. It makes the soldier rude; it spoils the ardent warrior, and nothing could be so sordid than fighting men half stewed." Thus speak the Lord's anointed ones, and they are the appointed ones their people's weal to guard; they see that John, the lecherous, is vicious, mean and treacherous, and so they seek him hard. And if, in Europe's villages, old John, who slays and pillages, runs up against a frost, the war, with all its slaughtering, that leaves the nations tottering, is well worth what it cost.—Walt Mason.

ATTITUDE OF CATHOLIC CHURCH.

"All the great Catholic societies refuse membership to those engaged in the liquor business," says Mr. John F. Cunneen, prominent Catholic and labor leader. "In Maine the Catholics have a majority of the church membership, and you know how Maine stands on the liquor question. In Cambridge, Mass., the Catholic church membership equals 71 per cent of the total church membership, and for 28 years Cambridge has outlawed the saloon. While the Catholic may vote as he pleases upon the saloon question, the church gives him no argument in favor of the saloon. On the contrary, all the arguments are against it. Rev. James E. Cassidy of Fall River, Mass., once said: 'You dare not pray for the saloon.' No Catholic who follows Father Cassidy's advice will vote for the saloon."

INCREASED POPULATION.

We learn from United States census bulletins that of the nine middle western states Kansas, from 1900 to 1910, increased in population 15 per cent; Missouri, 6 per cent; Wisconsin, 12; Nebraska, 11; Indiana, 7; Michigan, 12; Minnesota, 18. In spite of the growth of Chicago, Illinois increased but 17 per cent. Iowa shows an actual loss of 3 per cent. Of the states mentioned, Kansas is the only one that advanced during the ten years in both crops and manufactures.

CONSPICUOUS BY ABSENCE.

Says Stanley Washburn in the London Times: "In nearly six months' association with the Russian army in many different theaters of operations I have not seen a single drunken or tipsy officer or soldier."

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Sea Sleds for Coast Defense.
Sea sleds are the latest craft to be considered by the United States navy for coast defense work. The navy is experimenting with a half-motor boat, half-hydroaeroplane, which neither flies over the water nor cuts through it, but skips along its surface. A24-foot boat of this type has made 36½ miles an hour at a navy test. It is hoped to obtain a boat that will carry men at 55 or 60 miles an hour. It is said 200 of such craft could be built at the cost of a single scout cruiser and would be much more effective.

A Pitched Battle.

"From the viewpoint of an innocent bystander," philosophically remarked the old codger, "I believe that the keenest competition I know of occurs when two chronic dyspeptics get together and compare their symptoms."—Judge.

Nearly 20 per cent of the persons engaged in agricultural pursuits in this country are members of industrial and economic organizations.

British Columbia reports the discovery of extensive gypsum deposits.

Massachusetts has six living ex-governors.

Pretty Luncheon Idea.

Fill a clear glass bowl such as is used for goldfish with carbonated water. In it place a bouquet of nasturtiums and their leaves. The escaping gas in the water creeps over each leaf and flower, making the whole seem covered with dew. It is a most refreshing bit of coolness on a hot day.

New Minnesota Iron Mine.
A new iron mine now being operated in Minnesota has an estimated content of 40,000,000 tons of ore. It will be worked by the open-pit method prevalent in that state.

Tommy's Eighteenth Question.
"Pa, who was the most patient man?"
"Job used to be."

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