

At the beginning of the Easter there is sorrow and helplessness, although one could know from Jesus's word that He would rise on the 3rd day.

(We are so blind.) Our hearts are so full of contradictions that we rejoice where we should be afraid and we are terrified where there is reason for great joy.

God has raised the crucified Jesus from the dead therefore He approved His death and loudly proclaims He did not die as did all others. Because of His own sins. He did (not die as a sinner) He was made sin and condemned for the sin of others. He died innocently, even though you men after His death opened his body with a spear, rolled a great stone before His grave, set a guard over the grave in order to be absolutely sure of His death as a criminal.

Not only was He crucified Saviour raised from the dead, He Himself also arose in the grave, not only did He as a corpse receive life but the corpse also laid hold on life. John 10:18. "I have power to lay it down and I have power to pick it up."

Well, the third day the crucified Lord Himself removes the stone, rolls away His grave, steps over the soldiers stationed there as guards. He reveals that it is really God who suffered on the cross.

INTRODUCTION: The followers of Jesus (not despair) head on. In our discourse last Lord's Day evening we discussed the matter of Mary Magdalene and the theories about who she was. And then the discovery of the empty tomb by Peter and John. Now tonight we continue on as we think of their hope of a (Messiah) to set up a literal kingdom on earth according to traditional belief that there would be a new nation but Jesus died on the cross and it seems now that the tomb has been empty and that they look not to the Living Christ but they are somewhat depressed, all of the disciples are disturbed. They have moved away and here is Mary Magdalene left with her feeling of disillusionment. And yet we shall discover that Jesus spoke the (first words) after His resurrection to this one. We know that Mary Magdalene at least 7 scars. We also know ~~xxxxxxxx~~ that (Solomon) had scars upon his life. Because Solomon said, "These six things doth the Lord hate, yea 7 are an abomination unto Him." And again when he is speaking speaketh fair, believe him not, for there are 7 abominations in His heart. We discover that (John Burgon) spoke once in one of his stories, "I find to this day these 7 abominations in my heart." And he actually names his scars for the comfort and encouragement of his spiritual children. When we think of seven devils in a human heart,

we know that there must have been a rage and difficult space. It must have been a terrible plague for this woman, for the devils must have possessed the heart and the conscience must have been seared with a red hot iron.

But we know that Jesus cast all 7 of these out of her heart. Wyatt said, that he could not imagine Jesus casting 7 devils out of this woman's heart. He said he could think about at least 2 being cast out, but when you consider 7 he said it was difficult to imagine that it was complete.

When the (outposts of Hell) are stormed and taken and put to the sword that only drives the real Hell with its true and proper Devil deeper down into their bottomless entrenchments. There are some (wild beasts) so devilish in their bite they make their cruelty so to meat and lock fast into man's flesh that the teeth had to be pried out if he is to be saved from their deadly hold. And therefore Wyatt could not picture the demons who had laid hold upon this woman and yet we are told that Jesus saved this woman.

There are (2 women's hearts) with such emotion as we can never forget. There was Mary who was the mother of Jesus and there was Mary Magdelene. They stood and went as never another two women have wept since women wept in this world. Till (John) at Jesus's command took his mother away from Calvary and led her into the city. But Mary Magdelene

still stood by the cross. He dismissed His mother but Mary Magdelene would not be dismissed. She stood by the cross. She went to the scepulche and there we know that she represented the whole Church of God, the ransomed Bride of Christ at that moment in herself. How she spent the (next three days) and nights, we do not know but we do know that Mary on the first day of the new week, while it was yet dark came back to the tomb and ~~more~~ it is here at this tomb that we find many wonderful lessons about Mary. Jesus spoke to her first. We here discover that she was given the first commission to go and tell the good news. We discover here also that we have a present Saviour with us. And Mary was to go and preach and to tell the message.

We see again that here is one that no matter deep sin she had possessed, (nothing shall separate) her now from the love of Christ as Paul so states in Romans 8, that repentance in love will outlive and overcome and outlast all of the (Easter stories) begin with tears, blindness, and fear. The disciples as well as the women are terrified at the grave, at the angels, at the risen Lord who appeared to them. The Christ who (entered Jerusalem) for His passion. They greeted Him with joy and with shouting but the Christ who is risen from the dead, they met with despise and with fear.

for God now speaks to us by His Son and Mary would not cease until she had known or had some idea as to what had happened to the body of her Lord.

Those that will be (content with nothing short) of a sight of Christ shall be put off with nothing less. He never said to the souls that sought Him, "Seek in vain." If it be Christ that thou wouldst have, Christ thou shalt have.

(Christ is manifested) Himself to those that seek Him and many times He overdoes their expectations. Mary longs to see the dead body of Christ and complains that it has been lost but now she will be given the privilege of seeing Him alive. Jesus stood there to answer her complaint. She turned herself back from talking to the angels to see Him

We see here that (Jesus is nigh) unto them that are of a broken heart, and yet many are not aware of this. Those that diligently seek the Lord will turn every way in their inquiry after Him. Christ is often near His people and they are not aware of Him. She knew not that it was Jesus, not that He appeared in any other likeness but her eyes were full of care.

VERSE 15. He asks her a common question and she answered Him accordingly. The question He asked her was natural and what anyone would have asked her, "Woman, why weepest thou?"

I. The Steadfastness of Mary. verse 11

It is said that she went to the sepulchre and Peter in and John had visited there and that she soon all likelihood came back quickly to the tomb. Wherer there is a true love for Christ there will be a constant adherence to Him. There will be steadfastness and this good woman thought she had lost Him, yet rather than seemed to desert Him.

Where there is a true desire of acquaintance with Jesus there will be a constant attendance on the means of knowledge.

It says that she stayed there weeping, which speaks of her affection and her love to Christ and she wept for His death and because of His suffering and she wept because she thought now that His body had been removed and that she would never again see Him.

As she wept, she looked into the sepulchre again. She looked again and again into the place where she knew that He had been placed.

Verse 12, The vision of the Two angels. We have here a description of these two dressed in white. They were messengers from heaven. They had come to honor the Son of God as we know they came to attend Him at His birth, Hebrews 1:6 and these angels had been sent to comfort the saints

in a time of sorrow.

Their number was two. There was not a multitude of the heavenly hosts to sing praises only two to bear witness. They were arrayed in white which speaks of a purity and a holiness as opposed with clothes that were filthy garments, Zacharia 3:3. These angels were spotless. Their glory was xxx glowing in their occasion of the resurrection of Jesus.

Their (posture) at this place. They sat as it were reposing themselves in Christ's grave. These angels went into the grave to teach us not to be afraid of it nor to think that our resting in it a while will be any prejudice against our immortality. In other words the grave is not (much out of our way) as we travel toward the heavens. And these angels who carried the man into Abraham's bosom will some day take part in the resurrection of the bodies. There sitting to face one another one at His head, the other at His feet, denoting that they had cared for the entire body of Jesus.

Verse 13. We find the compassionate inquiry into the cause of Mary's grief. "Woman, why weepest thou?" Here is somewhat of a rebuke to her weeping. Many of the floods of our own tears would dry away if we would but stop and know that Jesus Christ is present. These angels were concerned with the (grief of the saints.) It was an occasion of informing

her of that which would come and turn her mourning into rejoicing, that would cause her to put off sack cloth and to take on the cloak of gladness. We find that she gives the account Because they have taken away the blessed body, the same story as she had told in verse 2. We see here the weakness of her faith. If faith had been the sign of a grain of mustard seed, but many good people complain of the trials and darkness they are under which are the necessary methods of grace for the humbling of their souls. We cannot but see here that the affection for Christ certainly was true and was real and that Mary Magdalene did not divert from her quest by the surprise of the angels nor is she satisfied with the honor of it but still she asks the same question, They have taken away my Lord. Do you ask why I weep?

Here is a deserted soul in sorrow who has experienced that which is crushing. She did not yet believe in the resurrection of the crucified One, even in the face of the empty grave and the angels and their words.

II. The Present Christ. **Verse 14.**

Christ appearing to her while she was talking to the angels and telling him her case. Before they had given her an answer, (Christ himself steps in) to satisfy her question.

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if I shed ~~tears~~ earth and how shall I reap in joy if I
sow not in tears. I am (born) in tears and I shall (die) in tears.
And why then shall I live without them in this valley of tears?

Be not troubled my soul. God has for me something better
than imaginations,

She supposing that He was the (gardener) mistaking ~~in text~~
Him, she said, "Where have they taken His body? Where have
they placed it?"

When we think of the last part of verse 15, they have
(taken away my Lord) and I know not where they have laid Him.
There have been many sermons preached upon this text and
certainly it has an (application) that people would go to church
with a natural expectation of hearing about the Lord. The
choir would sing, the pastor would preach but there would
be (no Lord in the sermons), there would be no Lord in the
(deacon's prayer), and there would be no Lord in the (music)
and there would be no Lord in the (lives of the church members)
who attend that church and then they would say, "They have
taken away my Lord and I know not where they have laid Him."

And there is exactly this (serious danger) always eminent
in our churches that we shall do away with the Lord Jesus
Christ Himself and it shall become all ritual and all form
and all ceremony and pomp and the Lord Jesus ~~is~~ Christ is
left out of it all and then today a crying out of those men

Whom seekest thou? What business have you in the garden? Here
so early? What is all of this weeping about? Why do you cry?
And I think today Jesus asks the question of those who have
cares. Why do you weep? Whom do you seek? What would you
have Me to do for you? Mary's blindness is for us the gracious
invitation to believe. For we need not be afraid and to think
it was easy for her, than for us to believe the risen Lord
because she saw Him. She did not believe because she saw
Him but because He called her. And He also knows and calls
each one of us. The fact that Mary did not recognize the
risen Lord even on the evidence of the empty tomb and of the
angels and that she did not recognize Him even when He appear-
ed is an invitation to us. We have seen neither the risen
Lord nor the empty tomb, we have not seen the angels in the
grave and yet we are not at a disadvantage over against this
woman, Mary Magdalene. For her as well as for us, blindness
is pierced only when He speaks to us. No one has an advan-
tage or an disadvantage. The risen Lord meets everyone in
His word. The moment of the resurrection itself,
however, remains God's very own eternal secret. No human
eye was permitted to watch as the dead body of Jesus became
alive in the grave and the crucified Lord left the grave.

Woman has had (many reasons) for weeping since the fall
in the Garden of Eden. The first words of the risen Saviour

are to a weeping woman. He was born of woman had come now to dry up woman's tears. Mary Magdelene was weeping. He helped her also by coming near to her grief, whom ~~she~~ seekest thou? Why weepest thou?

If there is some sorrow that is natural to you, are you bereaved or are thy loved ones sick and is it that we need to pray for healing. Are you yourself sick?

Is it some spiritual sorrow that you have? Is it selfish sorrow we ought to be ashamed of it. Is it rebellious sorrow, then we ought to repent of it. Is it ignorant sorrow, we need to learn of Jesus and to escape it. Is it hopeless sorrow, we need to believe in God and hope forever.

Jesus ~~tells~~ tells us if we have sorrow for others He will weep with us are we weeping because of our loved ones who are abide in sin? Are we sorrowing because the church is cold and dead? Are we sorrowing as seeking saints? Are you sorrowing because you have grieved the Holy Spirit? Can you go on and abstain from holiness? Do your prayers seem to fail you? Is there something in your nature that rebells against God? Is there some sorrow of a seeking sinner here? Is there someone who weeps because of past sins? Is there someone who weeps because he cannot understand the Gospel?

A Hindu woman said to a Missionary, "Surely your Bible

was written by a woman". "Why?" "Because it says so many kind things for women and in our religion we are always referred to through reproach."

Yes, woman, why weepest thou? God and His angels take notice of every care of our devotion. The certain wonder had not dried her eyes. She freely confesses the cause of her grief, and the missing of her Saviour. "They have taken away my Lord." Do you complain that your best friend perhaps had been removed?

She turned away from the angels and seemed not to be comforted by them but there is comfort in store for her. We have an example given us here of how only the Lord sees the heart and will not let one weep in vain.

We come back ~~again~~ again and again that the first words that ever Christ spake after His resurrection was to this woman. "Woman, why weepest thou?" It is a good question after Christ's resurrection. What cause of weeping remains now that Christ is risen? Our sins are forgiven because He our Saviour has suffered death for the humble and the broken hearted.

We see how men such as David shed tears of repentance. We see how Job wept, how Ezriah wept, how Daniel cried. Then we look way, way out in the future and we realize and should we question and say, shall God wipe away my tears in heaven

who came and said, "Sirs, we seek Jesus." Mary Magdelene spoke greater truth than can we possibly see and understand today that many times there are (those who stand up) and (teach) even the Bible and there is no Lord in it, there is no Christ. They have taken Him away and it just becomes a nice sweet essay.

VERSE 16. We find here that Christ at length makes Himself known with the call "Mary". It implies "You are mine. Come along!" Hasten with Me to my royal dominion while I assume at the right hand of God. Forget your own ways of hope and despondency of enthusiasm and fear to be called by name by the risen Lord means that we have a Lord who make s us Lords. Mary Magdelene is blind not only because before she recognizes the Lord, but also when she recognizes Him she is blind in that she fails not only to recognize Him but also to acknowledge Him as the risen Lord. She think that here is the gardener at first but Jesus had called her by name.

As He called (Paul) in Galatians 1:16, He called him Saul, Saul. Christ sheep know His voice and His disciples in the storm question His voice. Then the word of Christ does us good when we put our names into the precepts and the promises. Is this Christ's call to me and speak to me?

We notice how (quickly) now she receives this discovery. She calls Him Rabboni which means it is my master. And we

notice that this title is one of the most distinguished respect. With what liveliness of affection she give this title to Christ. She (turned from the angels) she taken all of the regards from the earthly and heavenly creatures even the brightest to look to the Best, to fix them upon Christ. From whom nothing must divert us with whom nothing must interfere and she thought that He had been the gardener and she had looked the other way.

VERSE 17. The further instruction that Christ gave her was to (touch me not) but to go and carry the news. He diverts her from the expectations which was familiar with them that the Master was going to establish an earthly kingdom and she ~~was~~ was forbidden to touch Him until He had been raised up and ascended to Glory. She must believe Him, she must adore Him, she must exalt Him, II Corinthians 5:16. He forbids her to touch and to depend upon His bodily presence but to set her heart on this or expect its continuance for the greatest joy of His resurrection was that it was a step toward His ascension and Mary thought now that her Master was risen He would presently set up the Temple Kingdom such as they had long promised themselves. As before the death now after His resurrection. They must look higher than His bodily presence and look further than His present state of things. Touch Me not. "Do not stay to touch me now. Stay not

now to make any further inquiries or to give any further expression of your joys for I am yet ascended. I am on my way, and I shall not depart immediately, it may be as well to go this another time. Go with all speed to the disciples.

Jesus says, "I did not rise from the dead for such a purpose." I am now in a different state than life. I am King and Lord over all that exists. Touch me not. He says. I must occupy a throne in heaven. The state of resurrection is not yet complete and final in all points until the risen Christ sits in heaven at the right hand of God.

As one in a hurry the risen Lord gives commandments that she should hurry and go to the brethren and tell them. Isn't this always true. As soon as He has established ^{His} faith in our hearts then we are commissioned to go forth and to tell that. As God did not leave Jesus in the grave so He will not leave you in the grave either. As God exalts Jesus, so will He also exalt you that you with Him shall judge the world. Here was the real word of caution that these disciples should not expect the continuance of His bodily presence of earth nor the setting up of a temple kingdom but she was to tell them that He was alive and that He was on an errand going to Heaven. Those who are raised spiritually will conform to Christ's resurrection. They are quickened with Christ that they may sit

will not be found there. She was laying too much stress on the mere body of Jesus. She had known it in other days, she had seen Him on the cross, she knew that they had placed Him in the sepulchre where last she saw It was a pale cold, ~~his~~ torn and bleeding body and no life remained at all. Her thoughts reverted back to that scene. She could not realize that Jesus would be in any other form. Of the body of Jesus she knew that it was certainly a terrible sight and she had no thoughts of seeing Jesus in any other form. "Lest we be aware that we in some particular aspect to see Jesus in this form or that form. This very thing hindered herx from seeing Him at all. If we have made up our minds only to see Him in one form under one aspect and in one way, it may be that we shall not see Him at all. ^{2nd} She was blinded by herx (overmuch sorrow). Sorrow had filled her heart and had filled her soul and her dead Master was upon her heart to weep for. This blinded her to the Living One sorrow dims her eyes with tears and she fails to recognize through those tears. The very Christ whom she seeks is now before her. Let us beware of being blinded by too much sorrow. In this world we have tribulation but let us dear friends see through our tears that sorrow produces a very definite result. It should not veil us however from Jesus Christ. In other words it should unveil Christ for us. It should not put us

with Him in heavenly places, Ephesians 2:5,6 let them not think that this earth is to be their home and rest. No being born from heaven there are bound for heaven. This is a word of comfort.

Mary wept because of herx Lord's absence and we know that in Job 23:3 he declares, "O that we knew where that we might find Him." Naturally her feeling would be that now that she had discovered Him she must hold on to Him in close fellowship but Jesus gives her a commission to go on, "Go to my brethren Go and tell them that they might hear this good news and He uses the title brethren which tells of an abiding relationship He was in a relationship to them that could not be broken. A relationship that He owned even after His resurrection and the tidings that they were to tell I have ascended unto my Father and your father and so this was to be good news. ~~John~~ John 14:2 says, "He is not going to an unknown country but is going to His home and to their home and we see how practical our Lord is when He tells about these things."

When Jesus comes the (second time) there will be no mistake as to who He is. He comes in His own glory and in His Father's glory and with His mighty angels and majesty and power and brightness. Everyone shall know Him then. The (Jews) shall know Him for He shall look upon Him whom He hath pierced and mourned. The (Gentiles) shall know Him for it is

written every eye shall see Him and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of Him. The saints shall know Him for He comes to be glorified in His saints and to be admired in all them that believe. The sinner shall know Him for He comes to take vengeance upon them that know not God and that obey not His gospel. No one shall mistake Him in that day. For

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and when He came the first time He was mistaken. Few knew that it was Jesus and He passed in and out and yet was not known. He was in the world and the world knew was made by Him and the world knew Him not. He came unto His own and His own received Him not. Nazareth, where He had been brought up knew Him not. Capernaum, where He dwelt, knew Him not. Jerusalem knew Him not. He was full of grace and truth. He was the Messenger of His father's love and of His own yet men knew Him not. He passed through unrecognized. They saw not the Mighty God Incarnate Word, the Eternal Son of the Father.

But even in His own chosen ones who had received Him He was sometimes strangely unknown. For example, the two friends on the road to Emmaus knew Him not. There was Thomas

who knew Him not.

More than once we read that the disciples knew him not and even Mary knew not that it was Jesus. One would have thought this impossible in any circumstances and yet here we find it so that even Mary who had keen eyes Jesus stood before her and she knew Him not and she failed to recognize Him. We wonder, could Jacob meet Joseph and not know him. Could Jonathan meet David and not know him, yet Mary met with Jesus and did not know Him.

What hindered the recognition? It was nothing of Jesus Himself. He did not veil Himself.

I think she did not know Him in the first place because she was seeking the living among the dead. She had gone to the tomb to find Him. She knew that He had died. She expected to find Him among the dead. She forgot that He was the Living One, that death could not hold Him and she sought Him where He could not be found. When He appeared, when she accepted Him not, she knew not that it was Jesus.

It is very much like a foolish child who digs in the water of a pool trying to dig up a star that reflects its light and beauty from overhead. And we should be aware of seeking Jesus among the dead. Aliving Christ among dead forms and duties and devotions and rites and ceremony, He

He has hidden ways of giving us peace to our troubled heart and stopping our tears as He did Mary Magdelene. We remember that Naman wanted something striking, something visible, something outward, but he was awfully disappointed that he received nothing of that kind. And so we must take ~~next~~ peace in a very simple way if we refuse to take it in God's way then we shall not find it. What if all these a gems of peace which I am putting away from me be real. What if it be the light of His countenance which I am refusing to receive? The soul that begins to know and to understand that Jesus is all along life's highway then will find peace.

We know that He has unique ways of bringing comfort and gladdening the spirit of the afflicted. Trial oftimes comes strangely and very strangely we see Jesus in them. They are not the kind of trials we look for. Not such as we should have thought best for us but at some unexpected time of the way we make the blessed discovery that it was really Jesus and none but Him. How much do we lose of consolation by failing to recognize Jesus in each of these common, ordinary events that befall us. He is seeking to purify us. Each event that He sends is like sunshine over a shadow. He is full and rich and deep in means and our Lord wants to purify us as silver. Let us learn then and recognize that the present Lord is with us. inverse 18, we find

at a distance from Him. Our tears and our sorrows should not separate us from Jesus Christ but should increase the nearness that we have to Him. 3^d She was hindered by unbelief. Like the disciples she was slow of heart to believe all that the prophets had spoken. The rising from the dead was a thing which she but darkly understood. She could not believe that the Messiah would die and not that He now is dead she could not believe that He would rise again and her faith did cling to His person. She knew enough of Him for faith and love to rest upon. Is it not in our age still as in Mary's. Is it not unbelief that still comes between us and the Lord. He draws near to us. He stands before us and yet we know Him not. Perhaps we seek Him, we seek Him earnestly. We know not that this very Jesus whom we seek by unbelief is suggests that it is not for us that we are to expect Him to appear. He presents Himself to us as a risen Christ full of grace and truth with forgiveness in His lips and eternal life in His hands. And yet we recognize Him not. We are not prepared to recognize Him. Faith makes no condition as unbelief does. Faith does not attempt to prescribe to the Lord in what form or what time or what way or what circumstances He shall appear.

(Isn't this a peculiar position?) He is seeking one that she believes His absence but yet His presence she refuses.

to recognize. Robbing her of the fullness of the blessing for there was the Lord present with them and many times while we profess to seek and absent Lord as this woman we refuse to recognize that He is present with us. This was her sin. She knew not that it was Jesus.

That which we ourselves too often occupy. Her case resembles ours. We cast aside the blessing from us in the same way. We shut out the Lord just as she did. Christ is present. Let us keep this in mind. Lo, I am with you always. He is not distant, no absent Saviour to anyone but He is ever nigh. He is at our very side. He is beside each of us, and He is always there with us ^{if we are} ~~and~~ willing recognize Him. He does not repel us and He never varies, He is always the same. ~~His~~ His ear is open to us and His loving eye looking our way.

The (nearness of Christ) is what faith recognized. It is not bringing Him down from above. The office of faith is not to seek it absent but to recognize a present Lord. We see a great difference between these two things, Unbelief seeks an absent Christ. Faith recognized a present Lord.

Faith has a special work to do. The Saviour that we preach is (not far distant) or inaccessible in heaven, but He is near. He is nearer than all the nearest of beings. The nearest thing to you on earth are in heaven. We preach

a present Christ. Let faith simply recognize Him as such. Instead of going in quest of Him as if ^{He} were absent, unbelief blinds the eyes. ^{You} ~~He~~ cannot indeed thrust Him away, It cannot with all its efforts make Him the absent One. It can not empty Him of all His blessings. It treats Him as the unloving one. It puts Him away. It keeps us in sorrow and in darkness. It presents communication between us and the Lord for let us remember that earnest and sincerity is not faith. Because here is an earnest which is pure and yet she fails to see that Christ is there. Many times we believe what if a man is sincere about his religion or about his Christian living that that is all that matters but here is a woman who is awfully sincere and yet she recognizes ~~Him~~ not the presence of Jesus.

We know that Jesus has unique ways of leading the sinner to the Father. Sometimes it may be a (long winding path). The common events, provinces, the mercies, the common trials and yet Jesus is in each one. Jesus Himself though we knew Him not we can see the process and we know that Jesus is in it all and there is a danger not to give Him the credit for His ~~own~~ work and to take the credit for ourselves or to give credit to chance. It is one thing to take to ourselves too much credit because we think these things are not so remarkable ~~as~~ as we should think Him as He works with us.

that Mary hastens to proclaim the presence of Jesus. She has discovered, she had heard and seen, and now she goes wiping away her tears and ~~saying~~ drying them and she told them what she had seen so also what she had heard. She had seen the Lord alive and she delivered it faithfully. Those who are acquainted with the word of God ought to communicate this knowledge for the good of others, not grudgingly, that other should know as much as they do.

If you hear of the risen Lord but remain silent you will not be sure of Him. If you recognize the risen Lord only as being in the past, sure of the risen Lord His only He who is hurrying toward His return, of revelation of His glory.

We must hasten on our way as this scene and believe the word and to know the truth of Christ that He wants to tell this to everyone. (She became a great evangelist.) She will hurry now and carry this vision, this picture of the risen Lord, I Corinthians 15:5-7.

Dr. J. O. Williams tells of his Bro J. T. went to China as Miss. Dr. Park Anderson was to meet him & his wife at Hong Kong. Anderson did not arrive in but in time to greet - They got off ship stood on shore - looked at each other & strange people - His wife weeping he left - Decided to go to hotel - found one registered, no room prayer meeting telling how they seemed to be foreigners. He left hotel to see what he could find out - as he left a voice seemed to speak "So, I am with you - He walked a block & was impressed to turn right & there in crowded st. he saw an American - soon face to face - "Sir I do not know who you are

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Where you come from, where you are going, or
what your business may be, but for my sake
I wish you would say a few words in good
old American language."

The man looked into his face, extended his
hand & said, "my name is Park Anderson,
& I am looking for F.T. Williams."

You could never change the opinion of
my bro. But the lord was testing his faith. The
first hour he stood on the soil of China.

The lord gave Christ promises his disciples
"So, I am with you always, even unto the
end of the world" -

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