FAITH'S SAVING POWER

AS ILLUSTRATED IN THE FAMIL-IAR STORY OF RAHAB.

A SINNER SAVED BY GRACE

Rahab's Reward, on Account of Her Faith In God, Included the Saving of Her Personal Life and Also Those of Her Father, Mother, Sister and Brothers-How to Apply Lesson In Spiritual Sense to Our Own Lives.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 18.-In this sermon the saving power of faith and the influence we may exercise to bring others into the kingdom are illustrated

be unscalable have been captured. For ten long years the Greeks, under Aga-memnon, laid siege to the citadel of Troy. At the end of the ten years they were no nearer their object than they were in the beginning. Then the Grecian leaders built a huge wooden horse and rolled it up to the gates of the im-passable walls. Then during the night the Grecian army and navy withdrew and sailed away to Tenedos, pretending that in disgust they had raised the useless siege. When morning broke and the inhabitants looked forth and saw this wooden horse and noted that besieging army had gone, they : "Aha! The Greeks have fied. They have left one of their gods to fig us." So they opened the gates he city and in derision rolled in-of the walls this wooden horse to make sport of it. But the next night, while the great city slept, the side of that wooden horse mysteriously opened, and out of it leaped a swarm of Grecian soldiers. They ran to the city gates and fung them open. Meantime the Gre-cian army, which had set sail for Tenedos as a ruse, returned. The besieging soldiers marched in; the awakening defenders were slain before they could form in line of battle, and Troy fell. The dishonor of Helen, who had been stolen by Paris from Menelaus, was

You remember how the Sabines cap-tured the citadel of old Rome. Day af-ter day, week after week and month after month the useless siege went on. Then what the Sabine army could not do by direct assault they accomplished by bribery. They went to Tarpela, the daughter of Spurius Tarpeius, commander of the intrepid garrison, and said, "If you will open for us the gates by night and let us capture Capitoline hill, we will give to you all the wealth we wear on our left arms." Her cupid-try was aroused. She supposed that they would give to her their costly bracelets, which the Sabine soldiers always wore on their left wrists. The gates were opened, and the city fell. Then the Sabine soldlers came and hrew upon Tarpela their heavy war shields, which they wore upon their left arms, and crushed the traitress dead. You remember how Babylon was captured by Cyrus through strata-gem and how Gibraltar was captured in 1704, by the English general, Sir George Rooke, through stratagem. But of all the strange and weird attacks ever made upon any fortified town not one was so strange and weird as that employed in the overthrow of Jericho, the first city to fall before the advancing armies of the Israelites after they had crossed over the Jordan and enter-

This plan of campaign was not mapped out by Joshua, but by the Lord God Almighty himself. Once, twice, thrice, four, five, six times the Israelites encompassed the town. Thus did the besiegers for six days running. Then on the seventh day the Hebrew solders on account of the sarose very early, for they were to march aroun the city seven times. When the priests had marched around the seventh time they blew the trumpets and shouted, and the Jericho walls began to totter and to fall. Soon the whole city lay at the mercy of the invaders, and every man, woman and child was put to the sword. All were slain, with the exception of Rahaba and her fands with the they bear to part of the city and the fall well-being of man as well as the part of the city wall to totter and to fall. Soon the whole city lay at the mercy of the invaders, and every man, woman and child was put to the sword. All were slain, with the exception of Rahaba and her family, for the Bible says, "And". This plan of campaign was not mapbegan to totter and to fall. Soon the whole city lay at the mercy of the in-vaders, and every man, woman and child was put to the sword. All were slain, with the exception of Rahab and her family, for the Bible says, "And Joshua saved Rahab the harlot alive

she had."
Now, you know the history of Raas the symbol of the sinner saved by grace, I want to describe to you Ra-hab's reward and how this reward can apply in a spiritual and in a temporal

sonally saved, but the lives of her fa-ther and mother and sisters and brothther and mother and sisters and broth-ers were also saved. You may remem-ber the story of the siege of Weinsberg, Emperor Konrad III, laid siege to this famous German castle. Week after week his army lay encamped before those impregnable walls until at last the garrison was starved into submis-sion. Then the commander of Weins-berg made an agreement with Kon-rad that the fortress and all it contained should be surrendered, with the exception of the women and what each woman could carry away upon her back. Konrad agreed. On the day of the capitulation a wonderful sight was seen. When the city gates were thrown seen. When the city gates were thrown open each woman came forth carrying upon her back her greatest treasure. This treasure was not a bag of gold, but was the body of her father or husband or son or brother. Emperor Kondan rad was so touched at their devotion and love that he allowed these women Charlotte of Wurtemberg built upon others into the kingdom are illustrated in the familiar story of Rahab. The text is Joshua vi, 25: "And Joshua saved Rahab the harlot alive and her father's household and all that she had."

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"Nonsense," says some one to me; It was not through the help of God that Rahab saved the fam-liy. They were saved on account of the bargain she made with Joshua's spies. After she had hidden these two spies in her home and saved their necks from the pursuits she made them take an oath to save her and her father's household. They had to do it, being bound by their sacred oaths. Then, in order to make her rescue more certain, the two spies said, Place a scarlet rope in your window and our soldiers will not hurt you when they enter the town to search it. Rahab did this, and she was saved. God had nothing to do with it. That is just the way with you Christians. If a man is sick and you pray over him, then you say God makes the invalid well. The simple fact is the man would get well, whether you prayed over him or no."

Yes, my friend, I know that it is the common idea. You are exactly in the same position as a prominent professor of one of our large state universities who, a short time ago, said to his class:
"Young gentlemen, prayer has absolutely nothing to do with the outcome
of the natural world. When the conditions are right for it to rain, the rain

will was not the life of Hezeklah prolonged fifteen years through his praying to God? Do you think it an absurdity when you are about to start on a long voyage to kneel and say, "O Lord, thou who dost govern the winds and dost hold the seas in the palms of thy hands, guard us and care for us as

we plow through the trackless deep?" Was not the Mayflower protected on her journey to the American shore because John Robinson and his band of followers started the pilgrim fathers with the pleadings of prayer? In an old book I once saw a picture called "The Prayers For the Crusaders." There at the foot of the cross knelt the wives, sisters, mothers and children, while off in the distance you could see the armies meanthing towards. while our in the distance you could see the armies marching toward the east-ern capital of David. Ah, yes; may every one of our homes be a living pic-ture of "The Prayers For the Crusad-ers!" May we pray for the safety of our loved ones. May we pray for the safety of our loved ones. May we pray for the restoration of health to the sick. May we pray that God shall guard the bodies of our dear ones, even as God was the Saviour of Rahab and her father's household, upon the top of the heaving, rocking, tumbling and shattered walls of Ierche at the control of the heaving. tered walls of Jericho, at the mercy of an invading host.

But was this Rahab's only reward? Nay. God not only saved Rahab, but also all the property that she and her father's household had. God saved Ra-hab's body, her clothes and her money and her jewels and her house and her food. In other words, by this rescue of Rahab God seems to come to us and say, "If you will only trust me and live for me, I will look after your food and clothing and the say." and clothing and house rent and children's education and all that you need in a temporal sense."

But I not only find Rahab saved physically and financially, but also spiritually. We can prove this not only by the Old Testament, but also by the New. In the Old Testament we hear Rahab saying to the Hebrew "For the Lord your God, he is God in heaven above and in earth be-neath," while in the book of James we read these words: "Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works when she received the messe gers and had them sent out another gers and had them sent out another way?" I cannot go into detail to show, how she was converted, but I can assert this conversion as a fact. And I can also go further and say that when Rahab was saved spiritually her father's household was also saved spiritually. Let me take you out for a little while upon the Jericho walls. Never was a besieging host more ridiculed than the Hebrew army. When Joshua and his troops first came in sight the and his troops first came in sight the women ran to cover. The men in their mailed armor took their positions upon the walls. The great stones were placed in piles, ready to be dropped upon the heads of the besiegers as they, with scaling ladders, might try to climb to the top. The swords were sharpened, the spears were glistening in the sun. But great was the surprise of the garrison when they saw the besieging army form into line and follow a few priests as they manched according to the process. as they marched around the city, all

When the medicines are taken they came back to camp. This they did a fever has run its course, the one day, two days, three days, four gets well, and it makes but days. By this time the inhabitants lost difference, whether the delet and the fever has run its course, the one day, two days, three days, four patient gets well, and it makes but days. By this time the inhabitants lost little difference whether the sick man their fear. But as I welk in and out of is a Mohammedan or a Christian. When

little difference whether the sick man is a Mohammedan or a Christian. When the tornado has blown itself out, the storm ceases, and not before. Prayer may have its influence on the spiritual world, but it has absolutely no influence in the material." Now, I take issue with those who hold such ideas. God does rule the material. And God does rule the material. And God does change the outcome of the material. This ancient story of preservation of Rahab in the destruction of Jarkobo is a symbol of what has taken place many times in history and of events in your career and in mine.

You say Rahab was saved by Joshua's army? She was saved by Joshua's army? She was saved by the protecting hand of God alone. Did you ever stop to consider where Rahab's soffing and making merry with the house was built? The Bible distinctly tells this in Joshua ii, 15: "For her house was upon the town well, and she dwell upon the wall." Now, as this dwell upon the wall, what happened when the besieging army alook of solemn significance and says: and the broys shooting at the Hebrew army their little pebbles I the Hebrew

become useful servants of Jesus Christ many other characters of the Bible. Some time ago I read a powerful discourse by the greatest lof English preachers, its title was "Shaven and Shorn, but Not Beyond Hope." Its hero was Samson. This sermon described Samson betrayed by Delilah; Samson with his hair cut; Samson with his strength; Samson with his eyes out; Samson grinding in the prison house. But after awhile it showed on house. But after awhile it showed Samson with his hair growing and getting back his great strength. Old Samson never got back his eyesight, but the was able again to put forth that old strength, and in his own death he slew more of his Lord's enemies than he ever slew in his life. Cannot you see the old grizzled giant, shagy bearded and his hair like a lion's mane, and the old muscles again knotting themselves out in their strength? Now, my text says Rahab was a harlot. She was a social outcast. But Rahab the deprayed not only became Rahab the virtuous, but she also became Rahab the ancestress

she also became Rahab the ancestress of Jesus Christ.

Let me read you something that I found in my investigations. This is what a great Bible student once wrote what a great Bible student once wrote in reference to this heroine of my text: "As regards Rahab herself, we learn from Matthew i, 5, that she became the wife of Salmon, the son of Naasson, and the mother of Boaz, Jesse's grandfather. The suspicion naturally arises that Salmon may have been one of the sples whose life she saved. But, however this may be, it is certain, on the authority of Matthew, that Rahab became the mother of the line from which sprang David and eventually Christ, and there can be no doubt that it was so stated in the public archives from which the evangelist.

The fellow that the police said bled like a horse? Yes.

I have a theory about that.

Spring it.

She shot a nightmare.

extracted our Lord's genealogy, in which only four women are named. That the Rahab mentioned by Matthew is Rahab the harlot is as certain as that David in the genealogy is the same person as David in the books of Samuel. Is not this a glorious transformation? Rahab the outcast could become Rahab the pure, Rahab the God honored, the ancestress of Jesus. And is it not also a glorious thought that though you may have wandered away from Christ, wandered as far away as did Rahab, yet by the grace of God and through the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ you can be purged until you are clean. til you are clean and washed of sins, until you become whiter than the driven snow?

Thus in closing this sermon I am glad to say that every Rahab, every Mary Magdalene, every Peter and every prodigal son can be saved by grace, as well as all the Marys and all the Enochs and all the Joshuas who never ceased to walk with God. In the midst of the Atlantic ocean, halfway between Brazil and Africa, there is a sea in the midst of many cur-rents. It is a sea or lake within an ocean. It is called the Sargasso sea. It is formed by many different currents converging, and there, in the midst of these currents, the water is still and quiet. The student of ocean geography tells us that these great ocean currents create in the middle Atlantic a dead quiet spot about as arge as Europe, into which is sucked all the refuse of the ocean, just as when you stir a basinful of water rap-idly the corks gather in the centre and stay there. This kind of a process has been going on for centuries in the Sargasso sea, throwing into it quanti-ties of seaweed and all sorts of rub-bish, which stay there in a thick, impenetrable mass, through which no ship can pass and in which any ship would surely perish. Ah, the sea of Sargasso may be a collector of the refuse of the ocean, but my Christ is more than that in the spiritual sea of life. He is a Sargasso sea for the im-moral outcasts of the human race if we only come as penitent sinners to his cross. No matter how low we may sink, we can all come to him if we will. He has been collecting the sinners as well as the saints through all the nast well as the saints through all the past centuries. As I go to-day and look in-to heaven I find that those who are now wearing the brightest robes were once as we are. They have been the Rahabs and the Mary Magdalenes and the prodigal sons of earth. Oh, my friends, like Rahab receiving the messengers of Joshua, will you not start your life over again in Christ? So may it be to all of us through the blood of Jesus Christ. May we not only be saved ourselves, but, through Christ, may we, like Rahab, be able to bring all our dear ones

STRIKE OR REVOLUTION.

Russian Workmens' Organizations Are Divided Upon Which Is Best.

St. Petersburg, March 22.—The agitation among the workmens' organizations involves a bold plan on, the part of the social democrats, revolutionists and other radical elements to send delegates elected secretly to a meeting to be called at some place in Finland early in April, at which an ultimate plan of operations will be deci-

A division of sentiment exists among the leaders. Some of them favor calling a general strike in the middle of April for the purpose of forcing the lower House of Parliament to demand the immediate convocation of a constirersal suffrage, but the more audacious tim at setting up a provisional Govern-ment. They believe the time is ripe to organize a general uprising, and that if successful their representatives could boldly contest the authority of the Government. The authorities here have already gotten wind of the possibility of a general strike, and Interfor Minister Durnovo has sent circulars to the Governor-Generals and Governors, apprising them of the state of affairs, and instructing them to take the necessary measures" to meet

the movement, Premier Witte's project to permit the peasant banks to issue 5 per cent.
bonds for the purchase of land from
the proprietors and sell it to the peasants has been adopted by the council
of the empire. The majority of estates are heavily mortgaged to the nobles Zimmer paid a visit to the city last sac's as did to satisfy these mortgages.

THERE WILL BE AN AGREEMENT. for J. Zink. W. Gilber purchased a fine black W. Gilber purchased a fine black

Austrian Amended Proposals Have Now Taken Definite Shape. Algeciras, March 23.—Owing to the slight indisposition of the head of the German mission, Herr Von Radowitz,

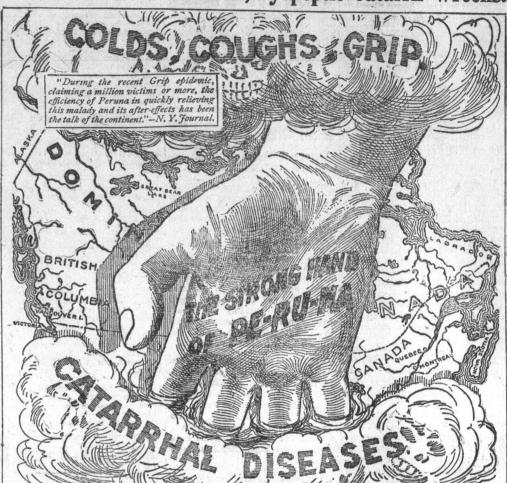
The situation, however, is still intri-cate. The delegates do not exactly see how an accord can be reached, but they

Indianapolis, Ind., March 23.—After being in session the greater part of yesterday the joint scale committee of coal operators and miners of the central competitive and of the southwestern districts adjourned until to-day, and

apparently were no nearer an agree-ment than on Feb. 2.

President Mitchell moved that the wage scale of 1903 be adopted for one year. All the operators, voted against the motion, and the miners voted un-

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DISTRICT

VANHORN

Mr. Val. Zimmer, Jr., is very ill. Fred, Zimmer is breaking a fine new team of colts which he purchas-ed from J. Patterson a short time

ago. W. Gerber is spending a few days

M. Mindorii has recovered after recent illness.
Mary Gerber has returned after visiting a few days in the city.
Fred. Zimmer and sisters spent Tuesday night on the 3rd concession.

J. Gillier spent last Sunday in Moraviantown.

The Misses Josephine and Lizzie

Charles Zimmer has hired F. Zimmer for the coming year.

A. Dick has finished sawing wood

team from G. McGarvin last Mon-day.

KENT BRIDGE

in Raleigh.

Friday.

on Saturday.

La Grippe Victims Restored by Pe-ru-na

estimable preparation, Peruna, to all those who suffer from the bad after-Miss Alicia Newell, 6 Stanley street, Montreal, Can., charter member Societe those who suffer f Francais Bienfaisance, writes: "We had a siege of la grippe in the to me a complete cure of that sickness. family and I, as well as some of my and it has acted as the best tonic for the

friends, was a victim of the malady.
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Mr. J. A. Goyer, President La Pharmacie Latoniuse, 1033 St. Denis street, Montreal, Can., writes:

moved the complaint. Words cannot express my appreciation for the good that Peruna did for me."—J. A. Mo-Gibbin. Fred. Arnold, Sr., is suffering from ham, where he intends opening a grippe. S. H. Knight and John Garton left

here,
Geo. Riseborough called on friends
in the village Friday.
Steam vs. Electricity was the debate at the school on Friday. The

Shamrock and green ribbon were creatly in evidence on St. Patrick's Day.

Owing to the bad roads, a large
the noon train for

n Raleign.
M. Mindorff has recovered after his number took the noon train for cecent illness.

WHEATLEY.

Miss Gertie Pews has again resumed her duties in the post office after a few weeks holiday. Mr. Johnson Sheldon was in town last Wednesday. Joseph Atkinson has purchased Mr.

Mr. Isaacs has moved to St. Mary's. Mr. Abram Healey is spending w days in Detroit.

Miss J. Adkins, Dresden is visiting her uncle, Mr. Adkins, for a few

Mr. Abram Healey is spending a few days in Detroit.

Wm. Trembley spent a few days in Cedar Springs on business.

H. S. Derbyshire attended the Supreme meeting of the Home Circle at Peterborough last week.

Miss Nellie Smith, of Moosejaw, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Ed. Smith.

Miss Beatrice Campbell has taken a situation in J. Goodrick's restaurtends moving soon.

Miss Chester returned to her home a situation in J. Goodrick's restaur- tends moving soon.

ton left White-White-ton left White-Several from here attended the an-S. H. Knight and John Garton lett on the 14th per C. P. R. for White-wood, N. W. T. Miss Gwendoline Arnold, of Chat-ham, is visiting her grandparents day and Monday.

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-J. A. Gover

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Arthur Leadbeater, who has conducted a tailoring business here for several years, has gone to Tottehmers.

Mrs. J. Craemor, Dresden, is visiting at Mrs. E. Bassett.

Mrs. Amy Garrison is visiting at Mrs. Dennison's.



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