

Russell's teaching as to salvation falsifies almost every Scripture statement about the redemption of Christ. According to him the Gospel call is already ended (in 1881). It was only to "a little handful"; "the little flock." "All are not called." (Vol. 5:456; 1:195). And in "People's Pulpit" (Vol. 2, No. 8), we find this gem: "Our Lord's instruction was that his people should preach the Gospel in all the world for a witness—not to convert the world, but for a witness to the world. The mission of the Gospel is to select the Kingdom class, 'a little flock.'" Again, "God has not yet even attempted the world's conversion" (Vol. 1:95). The Gospel "has not yet converted the nations—it was not designed to do so in this Age" (1:72). The world, apart from "the little flock," waits over until the Millennial Age, and then, instead of being begotten of Jehovah to a new nature they get back their own nature—the human nature—freed of its blemishes and corruption through sin" (5:456).

Salvation, according to Russell, guarantees absolutely nothing as to everlasting life or blessing to the world, it only gives them a second chance in the Millennium (1:150; 5:468). The latter of these references gives us this: "When Adam and his race are redeemed from the curse of death this does not entitle them to everlasting life, but merely entitles them to the favorable conditions of father Adam, and to a fresh trial as to worthiness for everlasting life. (Compare John 3:15-18, 36; Rom. 1:16, etc.)

In his "Watch Tower" of Oct. 15, 1908, he teaches that Christ did not complete the Atonement on Calvary, nor did He do it alone. "We who now come in under the arrangement as members of His body are yielding up our lives in sacrifice during this age, and these sacrificed lives, counted in with His, constitute the blood of Christ, which seals the new covenant between God and the world. That new covenant will not be sealed till all the blood of the great mediator has been shed." !! If language means anything this blasphemous statement means that Russell and his followers are a part of Christ's atonement for sin—part of the 'blood of Christ'! And it is in the name of such unmitigated balderdash and blasphemy that all other churches are roundly denounced as deluders of the people,—Babylon—confusion!" How men and women, otherwise apparently sensible, with open Bibles in their hands, can listen to such teaching in the light of statements like those of Hebs. 1:3; 9:26; 10:11-14; passes ordinary comprehension.

A word as to the personality and career of the founder and prophet of Millennial Dawnism may not be amiss in closing. Charles Sage Russell was born in Allegheny, Pennsylvania, on February 16th, 1852, since when he has had an eventful and rather prosperous career. Years ago he began in the gents' furnishing business in Allegheny,