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[Some thoughts on temporal and eternal salvation -Editor]

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I have thought all along since the trouble has been up among the Baptists that I would keep out of print-that is, I would not write on the questions that are causing strife and confusion. All are aware that so far I have written but little, if anything, on these questions. Many times I have had a deep desire to put in a "little mite," but have resisted until now. I believe I could resist longer, but don't think I will. I see some statements that are so glaringly contradictory in themselves, and some that are so foreign to truth, that I want to say a few things.

In the first place, I want to say that I have before me a copy of a paper called "The Standard of Truth," vol. 2, No. 8, published by Elder Wm. R. Welborn, Mecca, N. C. If the "editor and proprietor" would change the name of his sheet, and call it "The Standard of Untruth," the title would not then be so misleading. Yet the name may-and does-signify the disposition of those who believe the doctrine advocated. If anyone fails to drink in and advocate the doctrines held to by them-that God absolutely and unconditionally predestinated all things that come to pass, and that man is an irresponsible machine, and no matter what meanness he does, he can't help it-he is at once branded as an Arminian, or some other epithet is thrust at him, and they at once declare non-fellowship for him. This simply means that whatever their opinion is, it is the standard, and all must come up to the standard, or be left out.

But I want to show the inconsistencies of some expressions over the signature of the editor of the aforementioned sheet. On page 13, volume and number mentioned, under the head, "Two Salvations," he says:

Some of the brethren claim that there are two kinds of salvation taught in the Scriptures; and

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they charge me with teaching that there is but one salvation taught in the Bible, which is not true. I have always tried to teach just what the Holy Scripture teaches, and that is that God is an unchangeable God. That salvation is of the Lord from first to finish. That is not of him that willeth, nor him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy, i. e., that all of God's blessings bestowed upon us are purely by grace. That God has delivered and will yet deliver us; not because of righteousness that we have done, but because of His mercy and grace. That God is but one, and besides Him there is none other, and has but one salvation, and that is salvation by grace.

Now there are different salvations spoken of in the Bible, but only one, as touching the salvation of God's people, whether in time or eternity. W. R. W.

Now, notice this expression: "And they charge me with teaching that there is but one salvation taught in the Bible, which is not true." Now look at this: "I have always tried to teach"-what have you always tried to teach? Among other things, you say you have tried to teach "That God is but one, and besides Him there is none other, and has but ONE salvation!" It "is not true when they charge you with teaching there is but one salvation, yet you say you have always TRIED to teach it! We can only conclude that if they had charged you with trying to teach that there is but one salvation taught in the Bible, then their charge would have been true. Will you please tell us how we are to know when to believe what you say?"

Now look at this expression: "There are different salvations spoken of in the Bible, but only one, as touching the salvation of God's people, whether in time or eternity." If there is only one salvation spoken of in the Bible as to God's people, and yet there is more than one salvation spoken of in the Bible, then there must be a salvation of others than God's people spoken of. Will Elder W. please tell us who are embraced in the "different salvations" spoken of? If you say God's people, we will not think you believe it, for you have said there is "only one, as touching the salvation of God's people," or you did not believe this last expression when you wrote it. According to what the Elder says, he does not believe Timothy was a child of God. Paul said to him, 1Ti 4:16, "Take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine; continue in them; for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee." Paul says he shall save himself and them that hear him. Elder W. says there is only one salvation spoken of, as touching the salvation of God's people. Hence, Timothy was not a child of God, and those that hear him were not children of God either!

I believe if I could not get up a better pet theory than this thing you brethren have gone into, I would quit. It would be a long ways better for you just to own up that you are wrong, and quit advocating such heresy, for when one is in such a "pinch" that he has to contradict himself as

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Elder Welborn has in the above, he is bound to know he is wrong, and not contending for the right way. **C. H. CAYCE.**