ON THE HOME FRONT

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The brethren meeting at 1511 Getwell Street and Dunn Avenue realize, and set themselves to enjoy, the joy of living the Christian life. They know that purity of life and faithfulness in the work of the Lord are necessary if we want to meet each other in Heaven. They also seek others who are of honest and good heart to be a part with us in living for our Saviour and Lord Jesus Christ. We do not claim to be perfect, but we strive to be as perfect as possible. The One whom we serve was perfect, offered a perfect sacrifice, and has left Christians a perfect example and promise (1 Jn.2:25; 1 Pet.2:21-24). We do not depend on speculation, superstition, or just what we want to believe, but in that for which we have revealed evidence in the Word of God. Saving faith comes in the hearing and obeying of the Word of God (Rom. 10:17). All of our authority is in the teaching of our Lord (Matt. 28:18-20).

Speculation is seen in the world of “science” as well as in religion! Wayne Price recently noticed this in the “experts” of science and their imaginations about God not upholding all things by the Word of His power (Heb. 11:3, 1:3). They speculated that “Artic sea ice would melt entirely by September 2016.” Well, September 2016 has come and gone, and they were wrong!! Their dire predictions that the Arctic would be free of sea ice by September of this year have proven to be unfounded after the latest satellite images showed there is far more ice now than in 2012! Much of this is like the speculations about the Lord’s second coming when many have made wild predictions which no man can know (Matt. 24:36). “Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools” (Rom. 1:21-22).
Where in the Bible Will I Find . . .

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How To Prepare for My Death?

Some think more about dying than they do about living. Others think it morbid to think about death at all. However, the Bible has much to say about the here and hereafter. “Prepare to meet thy God” (Amos 4:12) is a very important exhortation. Israel needed to know who it was they were about to meet in battle! It was “he that formeth the mountains, and createth the wind, and declareth unto man what is his thought, that maketh the morning darkness, and treadeth upon the high places of the earth, The Lord, The God of hosts (armies), is his name” (Amos 4:13). We must know who it is that we must stand before in Judgement! All will be there, and all will give an account to God (II Cor. 5:10-11). There will not be any character witnesses there—they will not be needed—and judgement will be just! There is no higher court to which we can appeal—this will be the highest tribunal ever known! So, to prepare for our death is highly important. Our concern should not be placed so much on when, where, and how we shall die, because we have no control over these things. Many give much thought to the time when they will be beyond the age of employment and strive to make provision for their retirement. Yet, none of us know whether we shall reach that time or not. James warns of putting too much thought on the here and now and not enough on our future after we leave this life (Jas. 4:13-15). Jesus says, “Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon the earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt and thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven” (Matt. 6:19-21). Paul writes, “Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God . . . Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life” (I Tim. 6:17-19). The most important things to be done to prepare for death are to obey the Lord in faith that He is the Christ, repent from our past sins, confess our Saviour’s name before men with our mouth, and be baptized in water for the remission of sins. Then we must live faithfully to His commands for the rest and best of our lives (Rev. 2:10; II Pet. 1:5-11).
The Names of God

Master
Jehovah
El-Berith
I Am
Creator
Despotes
Father
Abba
Lord of Lords
Lord of Heaven and Earth
Elohim
El Shaddai
Abhir
El
Kanna
El Roi
Kurios
Yesha
Adonai
Magen
Lord
Jehovah-Nissi
Ancient of Days
El Elyon
Tsaddiq
Eternal God
UhWh
Theotes
Jehovah-Jireh
Judge
God
God the Father
Deliverer
Almighty
Hupsitos
Jehovah-M'Kaddesh
King of Kings
Teacher
Theos
Palet
Shepherd
Lord God
Zur
Maker
Jehovah-Tsidkenu
Jehova-Sabaoth
Alpha and Omega
Shaphat
El-Olam
God of Abraham
Soter
Guide
Author
Jehovah-Rohi
Jehovah-Shammah
Jehova-Rophe
Most High
Gaol
Jehovah-Shalom
Potter
Melekh
Everlasting Father

HEBREW
YHWH: Yahweh, I AmWhoofAm
ABBA: Father
ADONAI: Master or Lord
JEHOVAH: I Am Who lAm, Yahweh
EL: God mighty,
strong, prominent
EL ROI: God of Seeing
EL-OLAM: Everlasting God
EL-BERITH: God of the Covenant
EL-GIBHOR: Mighty God,
God the Warrior
EL-SHADDAI: God Almighty
EL ELYON: Most High
ELOHIM: Creator, Preserver
JEHOVAH-JIREH: The God Who Provides
JEHOVAH-SHALOM: The God of Peace
JEHOVAH-ROPHE: The God Who heals
JEHOVAH-TSIDKENU: The Lord Our Righteousness
JEHOVAH-M'KADDESH: The God Who Sanctifies
JEHOVAH-NISSI: God Our Banner
JEHOVAH-ROHI: The Lord Our Shepherd
JEHOVAH-SHAMMAH: The Lord Is There
JEHOVAH-SABAOTH: The Lord of Hosts
ABHIR: Mighty One
SHAPHAT: Judge
KANNA: Jealous
PALET: Deliverer
YESHA: Savior
GAOL: Redeemer
MAGEN: Shield
TSADDIQ: Righteous One
ZUR: God our Rock
MELEKH: King

GREEK
KURIOS: Lord
DESPOTES: Lord
THEOS: God I AM
THEOTES: Godhead
HUPSISTOS: Highest
SOTER: Savior