

## **BIRMINGHAM CIRCUIT. — — JOURNAL OF JOHN THARME, 1833.**

Sunday, Jan.6. Preached at Bourn Heath, and had a hard time. But in private prayer, before the evening preaching, the cloud burst, and while I was delivering the word, the Lord came down, several were convinced, and one got liberty.

Tuesday,8. At B. Heath; one professed to obtain the pardon of her sins, through faith in Jesus.

Wednesday, 9. I feel great need of wisdom from above. Preached at Cathrall. Several appeared to be convinced, and were unwilling to leave the place.

Thursday, 10. Praise the Lord, I heard that under the preaching last evening, several received the arrows of conviction. Preached at Bromsgrove; the power of the Lord came down, and two were set at liberty from the slavery of the devil.

Sunday, Jan. 13. Preached at Crabb's Cross. One professed to be made happy, and backslider restored. Two joined society. To God be all the glory,

Tuesday, 15. Visited about ten families, and in the evening preached at Redditch. Two natives of Poland, who were present, were much wrought on by the Spirit of God. We prayed with them for some me, but there was some difficulty on account of their language.

Thursday, 17. Spent most of the day in visiting. In the evening preached at Burcott,

Sunday, Jan. 20. Preached at Redditch, in the afternoon, and led class. In the evening had a powerful time. Several were seeking the Lord; and one professed to find him, and joined the society.

Wednesday, 23., Visited and led class at Redditch. A good time. One obtained pardon, and joined the society.

Sunday, Jan. 27. Preached at Balloon-street, Birmingham, in the morning, and under the preaching one fell on his knees, cried for mercy, and obtained it.

Monday; 28. O the happiness of the soul that enjoys the presence of its God. I feel Christ is my all in all, and soon I hope to see him face to face. I preached at King's Norton.

Sunday, Feb. 3. I have to-day felt much of the presence of the Lord. Preached in Allison-street, Balloon-street, and Inge-street. In the evening one professed to get converted.

Monday, 4. Praise the Lord for his goodness. I long to feel more of his love. Preached at Quinton. Two backsliders professed to get restored.

Wednesday, 6 . Spent most of the day in visiting, not without profit to my own soul: and I trust also to the profit of others. Spoke in Allison-street, with good liberty.

Thursday,7. i felt the Lord precious while visiting. Preached at Balloon-street, one obtained pardon.

Sunday, Feb. 10. Preached in the afternoon in Nelson-street, and led class. Two joined the society. In the evening in Balloon-street. Two or three professed to be made happy.

Monday, 11. Missionary meeting at Inge-street. The Lord was with us.

Friday, 15, Preached at Cathrall. The glory of the Lord rested upon us.. One soul was set at liberty. Halleluia.

Sunday, Feb, 24. Praise the Lord another Sabbath has arrived. O that many to-day may be made the subjects of God's saving grace. Preached at Redditch. Some, I believe, were convinced of sin.

Wednesday, 27. Preached at Bourn Heath. The power of God was felt amongst us, and one or two professed to get converted,

Thursday, .28. Preached at Bromsgrove. Some struggled into liberty. Glory to Jesus,

Tuesday, March 5. Visited sixteen or seventeen families in Stratford-upon-Avon. Some appeared quite alarmed, as though I was come to take something from them. One woman said, I must not pray there, for they were poor people, and had nothing to give me. I informed her I did not want to take any thing from her, but to be a means of doing her good; and though she would not consent, I went down on my knees and prayed with her. She did not kneel, but when I rose up she seemed affected. In the evening I preached, and saw the good. effects of visiting; several were there who had not been before, and said they would come again, Praise God.

Wednesday, 6. Visited several families, and in the evening preached at Luddington. As there are here many old people who appear to be ignorant of the blessedness of feeling their sins forgiven, I felt oppressed with the importance of the work. May God help me to be faithful.

Tuesday, 12. Visited near twenty families in Stratford; and in the evening preached with liberty.

Sunday, March 16. Preached at Luddington, Stratford; and Shatley. And the power of God attended the word.

Monday, 17. When will the happy day arrive when my soul shall take its flight to the mansions above. While I am at home in the body, I am absent from the Lord. But when my soul breaks its fetters, I shall behold him face to face. I visited and preached at Waterloo.

Tuesday, 18. I have this day devoted myself to God afresh, and made a determination, with his help, to be more in private prayer.

I visited in Stratford in the afternoon, and preached in the evening. The power of Elijah's God was felt—some appeared convicted, and others said it was the best meeting they had enjoyed. I was pleased to see the congregation so much increased.

Sunday, March 23. Preached at Hockley. The glory of God came down, and one got converted and one sanctified. Praise the Lord.

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#### References

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