

because they believe that some way God would bless them, even although it might be an idol-worshiper. But he had in his mind the "Great Spirit" in heaven, he calls it. So after he went up there, all he took was a buffalo hide for his covers and for his bedding. He didn't take no knife, no gun, or nothing, because they didn't allow that way. They must be in a peaceable way, that whatever come to him would not harm him and he would not harm whatever it is. He stoyed up there the first night. It rained. And he thought that he was a-getting a blessing then. Thunder and lightning and rain was coming. He covered up with a buff lo hide and stayed all night. The next night he stayed up there. Still was blind. The third night he began to worship and pray to the Great Spirit. It so happened that the fourth night-- the last night--something talk to him, that when the day break that he was going to get a blessing for a ridding his life and body for what he wanted, to get it in that hard way. When the fourth day came and the daybreak while he was praying. He looked to the east and he saw the cloud--red cloud--different color. Then he began to raise his hand and pray to the Great Spirit. Then he looked to the south, the looked to the east, he looked to the north. And he saw everything in those directions. Toward the last, as he opened his eyes, he looked out to where his home was at. He saw the house. Then he began to pray and cry both, until, he said, there was a Great Spirit somewhere that had mercy on him. And there where he become religious, he said he has found God--the true God that had mercy upon his life and give him his eye sight back. So, right after that, they went over there after him and they brought him down from the mountain and carried him home. Before they got to the house, he got off the horse and he walked, himself, to the house. But while he was walking the people at the house saw him coming and they all jump up and began to cry and worship the Lord, for he's coming safely back home. Then after that, he said, "I have found the Great Spirit-- the true living Spirit that had mercy and gimme my eye sight back." So he went to the mission J.J. Methvin, one of his great friends, and told him that he wanted to be baptised, because the Great Spirit has given his eye sight