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After All.

Grief is strong, but joy is stronger; Night is long, but day is longer; When life's riddle solves and clears, And the argels in our ears Whisper the sweet answer low-Answer full of love and blessing-How the wonderment will grow At the blindness of our guessing, All the hard things we recall Made so easy-after all!

Earth is sweet, but heaven is sweeter; Love complete, but faith completer; Close beside our wandering ways, Through dark nights and weary ways, Stand the angels with bright eyes; And the shadow of the cross Falls upon and santifies All our pain and all our loss; Though we stumble, though we fall,

Sigh then, soul, but sing in sighing, To the happier things replying; Dry the tears that dim thy seeing, Give glad thoughts for life and being; Time is but the little entry To eternity's large dwelling, And the heavenly guards keep sentry,

Urging, guiding, half compelling,

God is helping-after all.

Till the puzzling way quite past, Thou shalt enter in at last. Susan Coolidge

Pastors that Scatter the Sheep

Why did not all the sheep of Christ crowd into the fold! Why have so many wandered away and lost themselves on the dark mountains? Why do we find so many persons who were once Church members now following after false religions and trying to quench their thirst from broken cis terns which hold no water? Among the reasons for this state of affairs the negligence and sin of pastors must be reckoned. In this day, as well as in the days of Jeremiah and Ezekiel, pastors are found scattering the sheep.

Some pastors scatter the sheep by a spirit of avarice. They feed themselves instead of the flock. They have a keener scent for gold than for souls. They have an eye on the salary and not on the recompense of reward promised in the Bible. The people are not slow to discover a mercenary spirit in a pastor. He may do his best to hide it, but it will come out. Multitudes of young people have lost interest in the Church because of the covetous disposition of those who profess to have devoted their lives to the work of saving souls. Money is important in church work, but when money becomes the prominent feature when the people find themselves tormented for money, they lose interest in the Church and go their way.

By a spirit of indolence the pastor may scatter the sheep. The pastor find the people forsaking the Church. The pastor who frames frivolous exburdensome toil.

Some pastors stir up strife. The churches they serve are in a turthe pastor. He persists in having his of God and his angels." own way. He does not consider the feelings of the people whom he serves. He contends for what he deems his rights. The church is sometimes distracted and divided because a pastor insists on remaining in a place where he is not wanted. If he could get a larger salary in some other field, he would be ready enough to go but so long as he cannot he will remain where he is if it divides the church in twain. The sheep are scat-

tyrannical and cruel pastors. With knew him passed along and stopped these burning words did the prophet to talk, and said: address the cruel shepherds of his day "The diseased have ye not strengthen- yesterday, and I saw this new prophet | pleasant wiles of hand-shaking, smiles, ed, neither have ye healed that which Jesus of Nazareth, and the most won- pleasant remarks and interested inthat which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought to see? that which was lost; but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them. There is not so much opportunity for but never in this world. the exercise of cruelty in our day. But it is often tried. The chief shepherds | meus, He can ma' e you see.' those who hold the highest offices in the Church, sometimes fail to sympa power with which they have been or somebody, to state my case.' clothed. Sometimes they are unreasonable and cruel. The result is that the sheep are scattered. It is vain to dis- the kind was necessary. This Jesus effort, it would cease to throw off any, guise the fact that multitudes leave of Nazareth will pass through Jericho how soon would our little earth and the Church and wander away because to-morrow, and I advise you to ask herdozen sister planets be quite frozen. of the tyranny of the shepherds.

Pastors may scatter the sheep by disturbing their confidence. asking? Doesn't charge anything? a tree; still if the oak, discouraged copper and tin and nickel shall have There has grown up a generation of No influence needed to reach Him? ceased to bear acorns, there would been mined to the last ounce. I can pastors who feel themselves called on "No; the poor are just like the soon be no oak trees. And all efforts conceive of the time when all the foun-

biblical matters. They have become up to convert the ignorant people | us. from the error of their ways. The Bible says something about converting | his place listening and presently he a sinner from the error of his way. It is a much more fascinating task to conlife. But it is a business not unattended with great peril. The effort to change the erroneous opinions of others may do more harm than good. It is easier to unsettle than establish. It is easier to take away the foundation than to substitute a better. An inadequate and faulty belief concerning the authorship of certain books of the Bible and the principle of inspiration is better than no religious principles at all. In our zeal we may shake the traditional beliefs of the people with regard to the Bible, and leave them under the delusion that everything in religion is uncertain. It is the pastor's chief business to

turn men from the error of the ungodly life into the true way of faith in God. There may be cases when he can do good by correcting erroneous theological and biblical opinions. But such cases are rare. When he makes this the chief end of his ministry he will surely do more harm than good. Infidelity cannot do so much to scatter the flock as the unsettling discourses of preachers who seek to correct the opinions of the people rather than to save their souls from sin. The fold of Christ is suffering today on this account. Many well-meaning pastors, instead of confirming and building up the people in the faith of Christ, are merely unsettling and disturbing their confidence and hope. The pastor who binds the flock together in closer bonds of fellowship and love, who wins those that have wandered and restores them to the fold, who teaches the still waters, shall have a great reward. But woe to the pastors that scatter the sheep. They are found helping the Evil One.

"Who comes of hellish malice full, To scatter, tear, and slay."

Chris. Advocate

Mr Moody's Favorite Text.

"The Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.'

"That tells the purpose of His coming. He did not come to condemn who loves ease more than prayer will the world: He came to save it. Search the Bible through, and you will find that from the time of Adam cuses for not visiting the sick, the down God sought man to bestow poor, the afflicted, and weary will call mercy. Adam hid himself away, but it is much the same—the wisdom of in vain for the sheep to come into the God sought and found him. Cain did fold. No one can be a good pastor not go to God to confess his sin, but without great labor. Paul labored God found him. So it is all through. hard to gather the sheep into the fold, The shepherd whose ninety and nine and although the world has greatly sheep were safe did not wait for the changed the time is not yet when a one astray to return; he went forth and pastor can feed the flock and keep them | sought and found it, and when he did together without constant and find it he did not maul or kick or pound it; he took it to his bosom and comforted and rescued and healed it. The joy in heaven over the sinner who moil. The spirit of strife is often in repents is not the sinner; it is the joy

Mr. Moody than talked of the circumstances surrounding and leading up to the utterance of his text:

"Here was this blind beggar, Bartimeus, a man who was led every day by a dog, or maybe a child, to a place on the turnpike at Jericho. The Bible gives us only bare outlines; I like to fill in the circumstances and details with my imagination. I can imagine that this man, who had never seen the mother who bore him, or tered because the shepherd is selfish his wife and children, who had known nothing but darkness, was sitting in Many sheep have been scattered by his usual place when some man who

"By the way, I was in Jerusalem was sick, neither have ye bound up derful thing I ever saw in my life—he gave sight to a man who had never seen from his birth. Would you like

"I suppose Bartimeus said: 'They school room and are helps that must tell me I shall see in the world to come | not be neglected.

"And the man said: 'Yes, Barti-

" 'But,' Bartimeus asked, who must I get to speak for me? I guess thize with the weak, but glory in the I need some influential man, a rabbi sults are not what we expect to see.

" 'No; I talked with Simon Peter about that, and he told me nothing of but if, on account of seeming waste of him for sight'.

"Get my sight just for the thousand acorns which fail to produce

"So the next day Bartimeus was in heard the tramp, tramp of many feet. And he called out, 'Who is it? Who is vert him from the error of a sinful coming? straining his blind eyes and his ears toward the sound, and some. body said: 'Jesus of Nazareth passeth by; and then he cried out; 'Jesus thou son of David, have mercy on me!

"That was all that was all. He asked and he received then and there, and so may each of you here and now. 'Jesus, thou son of David, have mercy on me! It is easy to say. You need no preamble, no influence no money. Say it; say it each of you and you will be answered; you will find mercy and light waiting to answer that call. God would hush every harp in heaven to hear the cry of one sinner to-night. Suppose all New York should now join in one mighty cry: 'Jesus, thou son of David have mercy on me!' What a glorious answering chorus would ring through heaven!"

Mr. Moody then went on to picture Zaccheus meeting Bartimeus, who was hurrying home to see what the wife he loved looked like, and the astonishment of Zaccheus, and his hastening away to climb a tree that he might see this Jesus of Nazareth.

"A crowd of boys, no doubt, came first, and then Zaccheus saw Matthew, perhaps, and said to himself: 'Does he have publicans about him: for people then looked at publicans as we do at saloon-keepers. Jesus loves the saloon-keepers, too, and I wish we could bring all of them to

"Christ called Zaccheus, the richest man in Jericho, after He had blessed Bartimeus, the poorest man there. them to love the fold, who feeds them | He knows no classes ; He gives blesswith the truth and leads them beside | ings and joy alike to all."-N. Y. Sun.

Faithfulness in Little Things

Thinking on this subject, I have tried to classify and rate the matters that interest us and claim our attentions - as some great and some small-and I find that all things that seem into particles, and I am ready to exeast is faithful in all.'

be told in ounces. With our life work the wisest is gained a lesson at a time.

The most successful home-maker accomplishes her object by patiently attending to a thousand matters, each so small as to be counted trivial, yet when all is done she merits higher honor than can be rightfully accorded any other woman, even though she may have ruled empires.

Sunday school work is no exception to the rule, and the question for us now is what are these little things so essential yet so easily neglected? A knowledge of the Bible may seem at the first suggestion a big thing, but we must remember that it is acquired little by little. A general outline of its history is essential. The biographical sketches must be familiar. The it is considered out of its proper setting

of time, place and circumstances. Teachers, officers and pupils must be promptly in their places. It may seem a very little thing whether you or I go to Sunday school to-day, but be assured that no one can be absent without marring the work of the whole. And there must be faithful work in securing the attendance of those who never go. Here must be found use for all the quiries. One by one the young and old should be gathered in to learn the Way of Life. Maps, pictures and flowers, too, brighten the Sunday blewn in the bottle.

The gift of the Holy Spirit and prayer are not little things, and we must not fail to secure all the help they afford day by day. And we are to continue faithful if the apparent re-

It is said that the sun throws off heat enough to warm ten thousand planets; An oak tree casts into the earth a

fascinated with what they call the of Christis for. It is to wipe out Our Savior, after three years of shall overshadow the earth; when the scholarship of our times. It has been these class distinctions and hatreds teaching and wonderful works, found atmosphere which swathes us in its revealed to them that traditional ideas and prejudices. We are a bad lot, all himself surrounded by only a few firm protecting folds shall thin itself away of inspiration and authorship of the of us. We have got to learn that God followers. A discouraged root, out of and the earth become, as we are told Bible are antiquated and absurd. looks at all of us alike and that there dry ground it seemed, we now see that the moon is, an exhausted, burnt-out They think that God has raised them, is the same mercy and love for all of it drew nourishment from the river of world, airless and rainless—a cinder life, and its leaves are for the healing from which all wealth has been con. of the nations.

Adoniram Judson worked nine years in Burmah before his faith was rewarded with a convert. A gentle touch of a hand on his shoulder and a few kind words saved John B. Gough from a drunkard's death and a drunkard's hell; but who shall say upon how many other shoulders that hand was laid and the falling man, unheeding, went his way to destruction.

Faithfulness in little things means a continual doing of these things while life lasts, leaving the results with Him whose promise is, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life. "-Free Baptist.

Never Give Up.

There are times in the experience of nearly all Christians when they feel that it is scarcely worth while for them | towards us! Receive then, that gift to persevere in their efforts to serve and live !-George F. Pentecost. God. These seasons of dejection and depression originate in various causes Sometimes they are the product of physical infirmities, and lie measurably beyond the control of the will. Sometimes they are caused by external besetments and disappointments-the inevitable antagonisms and failures of are the legitimate fruit of known sins. sense of weakness. We are tempted "Either pull, or bail, or cut bait," probability of our keeping the narrow path hereafter than we have done heretofore and to draw the inference that our wrong deeds already done argue an incapacity for right living at any time. worldly enjoyment, and let the consequences take care of themselves. But there could be no greater mistake than to listen to his delusive appeals.

great in some ways resolve themselves our advancing years to be more and that they may not act so we can't more on guard against our evil tend- | help it !' claim, "Whosoever is faithful in the encies? The general who has lost one battle may win another. His very The years of the longest life are defeat may teach him how to face his made up of days, the days of hours, enemy more effectively. The great the hours of minutes, and the minutes lesson that ought to come to us out of of seconds. The longest journey is all the struggles and conflicts of our only inch added to inch. The weight earthly probation is one of watchfulof the earth or the largest planet may ness and trustfulness - of watchfulness over ourselves and trustfulness in God. Girding up always the loins of our divine promises, let us press on and up toward the goal.

HARD, RACKING COUGHS.

Barring accidents, the person who gets along with the least amount of cough will live the longest. Of course the right time to attack a cough is at the commencement, when it is a simple thing for the right treatment to drive the cough quickly away. As a general thing, however, people spend so much time experimenting with various remedies that the cough is well under way before they know it. Then comes the long seige. You feel the hard, racking all through your system, and get relief from nothing. You fill your stomach with nauseating mixtures to no purpose. Then you use compounds containing narcotic, which deceive meaning of many a text is lost because temporarily, and leave you slightly worse. Some coughs of this kind hang on for weeks or even months, and, of course, they frequently develop into serious lung troubles. A true specific for all coughs is Adamson's Botanic Cough Balsam, and it should be kept in the house against any emergency. With a cough that has become chronic the first effect of this remedy is a lessening, of the dull sensation of pain which usually is felt with a cough. Then you are conscious that the soreness is leaving you, and presently the desire to cough grows less frequent. All this process is brought about by the healing proper ties of the Balsam. It is a compound of barks and gums. You can test it 25 cents at any druggist's. Get the genuine, with "F W. Kinsman & Co."

The Christian Life.

Engineers and geologists tell ap proximately how long iron and coal beds will last, and add that when they are exhausted England's wealth and power will come to an end. We are told that the great oil wells of America and Russia are showing signs of coming exhaustion so that crude oil is re longer sold for fuel but for light only. I can conceive of the time when all the gold and silver and precious stones shall have been digged out of the earth; when all her treasures of iron and to correct the errors of the people in rich with him; He gives to all alike. for the uplifting of humanity seem to tains of water shall be dried up and

"And that is one thing the religion require the same prodigality of effort. exhausted; when no more rain clouds sumed-an empty shell. Even the sun, astronomers tell us, is gradually burning itself out in self-consumption. But the unspeakable treasures of grace which are in Christ shall never be exhausted. Though our iniquities be as the hairs of our head, and our sins as the sands of the seashore for multitude, there will always be supplies of forgiving grace in Christ - the gift of God. Though our sins be as scarlet, and red like crimson in their guilty stain, yet will the gracious chemistry of His precious blood be sufficient to make them as wool and snow for whiteness. His strength shall always be sufficient for our weakness and His grace to help us in every time of need, Oh, the inexhaustible gift of God Who would not share in its wealth of supply, according to the riches of His glory, wherein He always abounds

" Either Pull, or Bail, or Cut Bait."

Work is a privilege, and work is duty. This is true in every sphere of life, and in all spheres. No sphere is so exalted as to lift its members above the importance and gain of earnest human life. But more frequently they | toil, and no sphere is so low as to bring its members below the possibility of When we so far forget our duty to God | this blessing. Paul said of Christian as to deliberately disobey his com- brethren in his day, "If any will not mandments there comes to us, not only | work, neither let him eat." That is a sense of condemnation, but also a sound and sensible counsel for any day. to doubt whether there is any more was the imperative order in a leaky fishing-boat at a distance from the shore. All were to work in some way Wherever we are, there is something for us to do, for ourselves and our fellows. Let us help to make progress, Satan takes advantage of this confused or try to fight leaks, or, at all events, mental state, and urges us that we can- help those who are working. "Either not hope to maintain the steadfastness | pull, or bail, or cut bait. " If we reof our faith, we should make the most fuse to do one of them, we have no of such opportunities as come to us for claim on the limited supply of rations. -S. S. Times.

The prayer of Dr. Lyman Beecher was: 'O Lord, grant that we may not Ought we not, in fact, to learn with despise our rulers : and grant, O Lord,

Excessive caution wins no battles over timidity secures no crowns.

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