

Don't Thrust Aside the Old'

Don't thrust aside the aged ones Because they're weak and gray; Because they can't talk and work As you can do to-day.

Oh, do not thrust the old aside Because they're weak and gray, For, like the sunset in the west, They soon must pass away.

Have patience with the aged ones, And, though these steps be slow, Remember in your childhood days, How fast their feet did go!

God bless the dear and aged ones; We love them all to-day; We'll help them as they once helped us, And for them we will pray.

Discounting the Future.

Two gentlemen were talking in a railway car about the future of a professional man whose prospects were bright, and whose standing was apparently high and sure.

A student discounts his future when he wastes his time, when he cheats in recitations, when he glances at his books and, preserving a mental vision of the page for an hour or two, makes a brilliant recitation.

The worst of all modes of discounting the future is to sin on in hope of future forgiveness.

Yet to sin on in the hope of future forgiveness is an effectual mode of making it impossible to produce the only condition which would justify God in pardoning a sinner, namely, genuine repentance.

The vicious, the intemperate, the gluttonous, the licentious, and the spendthrift are all discounting the future; but not more so than the miser, for he thinks the time will come when he will really enjoy himself.

future any more perilously than the man who, forgetting God, imagines that when he shall have accumulated fame or power or money, or all of them, he will be really happy.

The changes that occur in men and the certainty that all must be left behind, combine to prepare the most fearful disappointments for those who forget that the future is the offspring of the past and the present, and he that soweth to the wind shall reap the whirlwind, and he that soweth to the flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption.

Men may take chances with the cards and lose or win, but there are no chances in the evolution of character, and none in that of final destiny.

Every Day Religion.

Religion of a kind has always been plentiful enough, for man is a religious animal, and he takes to religion as natural as a bird to the air or the fish to the sea.

And then to think of that unseen Hand measuring out to us all impartially, relentlessly all the things we have measured to others; to him who through the awful liquor curse has meted out to the wife, the mother and the child, blood and tears and agony that only God can measure; to those who have stood by the men who have done this in trade and who have done the same thing in politics.

Is that all, a stern, unbending Justice meting out to me all my misdeeds? Look again. That Judge is also the Jesus of Nazareth. The same law holds in relation to Him.

In conclusion, every day religion, as mentioned has some marked features about its spirit and life. It is zealous. It has a large element of the business spirit about it.

"I have set the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand,

I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth." Can. Baptist.

Measure for Measure.

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"With what measure ye mete it shall be measured to you again."—Matt. 7: 2.

One of the most common fallacies is that of expecting large harvests from the little wheat we sow and light crops from the wild oats we so lavishly scatter abroad; heavy returns from the investments of good and not so much as interest to be received from those of evil.

It is God who measures out the returns to us. If it were left to men we might often complain of injustice. But although His hand is unseen. His impartial laws govern here. Your mercies will come to you in the very vessel in which you have carried mercy to others.

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Peace.

The human being craves peace. Peace in the soul comes not by inactivity of freedom from cares; it is the result of the right adjustment of all our powers in the Master's service.

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the world gives is only a subterfuge for the moral discord in the world can never bring forth peace.

The peace of which Jesus spoke was that sacred quiet which he had enjoyed throughout his turbulent life, a peace which can be obtained only by those who live in his companionship. Jesus Christ is the originator of soul-rest. His spotless life gave on earth the only luminous expression of perfect peace.

Examples-Whoa?

"I could not belong to a Church that had members like that," he told me, on his wife mentioning that a certain man had assisted in the service at prayer-meeting.

"Why? I asked. "Because he does not live up to the principles of Christianity," he replied.

He acknowledged that he had not, and also declared that he never would have any desire to do so, so long as such people as the one referred to were acknowledged disciples of Christ.

The church does not say, Look at our members, or, Look at Christ's disciples. It says, Look at Christ.

Did you ever hear any one say anything against Christ? Did you ever hear of any one being disappointed in Christ? Did you ever hear that he did not satisfy to the uttermost? Are you following him? If not, would you not like to start now? Ask his help, and do as you feel he would do were he in your place.

EASING THE CHEST.

It is the cold on the chest that scares people and makes them sick and sore. The cough that accompanies the chest cold is racking. When the cold is a hard one and the cough correspondingly severe, every coughing spell strains the whole system.

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If you are getting lazy, read James. If your faith in below par, read Paul.

If you are impatient, sit down quietly and have a talk with Job. If you are getting weak kneed, take a look at El jah.

If there is no song in your heart, listen to David. If you are getting sordid, spend a while with Isaiah.

If you feel chilly, get the beloved disciple to put his arm around you. If you are getting discouraged about your work, read Psalm cxxvi and Gal. vii. 7-9.

If you are losing sight of the future, climb up to Revelation, and get a glimpse of the promised land. If you are out of sorts, read Hebrews xii.

If people are down with the blues, read Psalms xxviii. If people pelt you with hard words, read John xv.

If you feel lonesome and unprotected, read Psalm xci. If you find yourself losing confidence in men, read 1 Cor. xiii.

If there is a chilly sensation about the heart, read Revelation iii. If you don't know where to look for the mouth's rent, read Psalm xxxv.

If the stovepipe has fallen down, and the cook gone off in a pout, put up the pipe, wash your hands and read James iii.—The Methodist Churchman.

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