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OUR TOPIC TALK.

MARCH 8.—*What Christ teaches about heart-righteousness.* Mt. 5: 20-48; 6: 16-18.

True righteousness is always of the heart. Deeds which come from an impure heart may seem good to men, but God does not thus mistake the shadow for the reality.

I. *The heart is the seat of all righteous living*, because

(1) It is by believing with the heart that one begins to live aright. Rom. 10: 10.

(2) The actions of life find their promptings in the heart. Mt. 12: 34-35.

(3) The condition of the heart determines the character. Prov. 23: 7.

II. *The issues of life are from the heart.* Prov. 4: 3.

The small boy who drops into his tin safe copper coins does not expect to draw therefrom an equal number of five dollar gold pieces; yet many people during the days of youth and middle life fill the heart with worthlessness and then wonder why their later years are so barren and unhappy. Some feed the mind, strive to satisfy the avaricious spirit, or yield to the fancies of pride and allow the heart to wither, forgetting that the heart-life counts most in bringing life to a successful issue. It is the pure heart that gives life enduring strength, and insures a successful outcome. "What stronger breastplate than a heart untainted!"

III. *How can one live a life of heart-righteousness?*

(1) Make clean the fountain and the streams which flow therefrom will be pure. Ps. 51: 10; 66: 18.

(2) Feed the heart-life. Heb. 13: 9; Ps. 19: 8; Jn. 4: 14. S. J. C.

GRAND HARBOR SOCIETY.

The membership of the Y.P.S.C.E. at present is about forty. The officers for this year are as follows: President, G. L. Dakin; Vice-President, Florence Holmes; Rec. Secretary, L. C. Dakin; Cor. Secretary, Sadie D. Dakin; Treasurer, Alice G. Foster. We hold our meetings Sunday evening at present, and will continue to do so until some pastor comes to our aid. The attendance is large. On Feb. 1st we held an anniversary celebration. The service was one long to be remembered. The congregation numbered about three hundred, and all seemed much impressed and interested as the programme was carried out,

as follows: Subject, *Decide Today*; opened by prelude, by organist, Mrs. G. L. Dakin; responsive reading, *Call to Worship*, followed by Lord's Prayer (in unison); hymn by choir, *O, Jesus Thou Art Standing*; responsive reading; hymn, *For You and For Me*; offering; prayer by Rev. Mr. Strang (Methodist); choral response, by choir, *Hear Our Prayer*; address, *Christian Endeavor Day*, by president; brief history of the C. E. movement; also, our own Society in its seven years of existence; address, *A Time for Decision*, by Miss Ella Ingalls; Scripture reading (in unison); hymn, *Behold a Stranger at the Door*; address, *The Value of an Early Choice*, by Mrs. I. L. Newton; solo and quartette, *The Sinner and the Song*, Miss Florence Holmes, soloist; recitation, *Tomorrow*, by Miss Mary Dakin; hymn, *The Saviour's Call*; address, *Decide Today*, by Rev. Mr. Strang; hymn, *The Penitent's Prayer*; benediction by the Society.

G. L. DAKIN.

BEAR ISLAND SOCIETY.

On the evening of Jan 25th the C. E. meeting was led by our minister, Lic. H. W. McCutcheon, the topic being, *An Evening with Chinese Missions*. He spoke in a very interesting manner upon missionary work, especially in China, and tried to impress upon the minds of the members of the Society how important it was that they should do all they could to help to spread the gospel of Jesus-Christ in foreign lands.

Some recitations and readings upon China were given by the young ladies of the Society. After the social meeting officers for the next six months were elected as follows: President, H. W. McCutcheon; Vice-President, Geo. Hagerman; Cor. Sec., Gertie N. Brown; Recording Sec., Lena Brown; Treasurer, Mrs. Annie VanWart.

Prayer-meeting Committee—Hallie Brown, chairman; Mrs. Hedley Ingraham, Mrs. Chesley Hallett, Mr. Henry Hagerman; Look-out Committee—Ward Hagerman, chairman; Ida Hagerman, Nettie Mooers, Mrs. Fred. Manuel.

Our meetings are fairly well attended and the young people are showing more interest than they have for some time. We hope, by God's help, to bring more young people into the Society.

MISS GERTIE N. BROWN,
Cor. Sec'y.

THOUGHTS ON THE TOPIC.

Man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart. If we are careful about appearances, but careless about purposes, it is plain that we care more about what men think of us than about what God thinks of us.

The sacrifices of God are—a contrite heart. Almost every religion has invented hard ways of trying to please God—by self-imposed torture, hair shirts, flagellation, long fasts, and the like. Thousands upon thousands would rather undergo all sorts of physical pain, if so they can keep their sins and still please God. But the only sacrifice God wants is the heart.

The axe is laid unto the root of the tree. Christ went back of the law of Moses, and the many additional laws the Jews had laid down, and pierced to the root of the whole matter—a pure heart. He did not try to doctor symptoms. He reached the seat of the disease.

Out of the heart are the issues of life. You could not refine a hog by putting it in a tile-lined bathroom, with rose-water for baths. But Smithfield hams

are better than others, because peanuts are fed to the hogs, and in California they have been getting especially fine bacon by feeding cull oranges to the pigs. And so in our spiritual nature any real change must come from within and not from without.

First be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift. God wants no worship until the heart goes with it, and all the heart. A Greek oracle was asked once why it was that the Spartans were always victorious in battle though they gave lean gifts to the gods, while the Athenians, rich and prosperous, gave lavishly. "The Spartans," the oracle answered, "give their hearts to the gods, while the Athenians give only their gifts."

Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief. When we do our best to make our hearts right, God will do the rest. There is a lovely story of an artist's pupil who grew wearied over his easel, discouraged at his faults, and so fell asleep. His master came along and corrected his mistakes, and finished his picture beautifully for him. That is just what Christ does for us.

Give to him that asketh thee (v. 42). There is a queer Russian tale of a woman who died and went to hell. She cried to St. Peter, "I do not belong here. I have never done anything wrong. I have never injured anybody." Being asked what good she had done, she remembered that once she had given a poor woman a carrot. So the carrot was let down to her and she seized it and was being drawn up toward heaven when she felt a tugging at her skirts. She looked down and saw two poor creatures being drawn up with her. "Let go!" she shrieked. "This is my carrot! it won't hold us all." Just then the carrot broke and she fell back. She had shown that her heart was essentially selfish and had no part in heaven.

THE RIGHT USE OF ABILITY.

BY AMOS R. WELLS.

First, get the ability. Many talk about the use of ability who have no ability to use. They have the seeds of it implanted in them by their Maker, who never formed a man without a destiny; but they are letting the seeds decay.

The first use of ability—any ability—is to get more ability. A man who is not growing cannot help others to grow. As Bayard Taylor finely sings:

He who would lead must first himself be led;
Who would be loved, be capable of love
Beyond the utmost he receives; who claims
The rod of power must first have bowed his head,
And, being honored, honor what's above.
This know the men who leave the world their names.

First, get the ability; then, consecrate it. To consecrate one's ability is to devote it to the highest uses God opens for it. For instance, we quote Rev. Clarence A. Vincent, "Henry Ward Beecher would have made a splendid auctioneer. His keen wit, his commanding voice, his great body, his striking face and head, his power over men, would have made him a prince at the block. The sale of the young slave-woman from his pulpit one Sunday morning proves what he could have been



The man on the stage who does the trick of escaping from firmly tied ropes submits to the bonds with a smile. He knows he can get out of the ropes that are being knotted. Put the same man in the woods and let Indian captors bind him to a tree for torture and he would struggle to the last against the bonds.

When the stomach is diseased there are bonds being woven every hour about the organs dependent on the stomach—heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, etc. The folly of mankind is to passively submit to the fastening of these bonds with no effort to escape until the pain they cause arouses fear.

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