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#### THE C. E. TOPIC-Jan. 31.

BY AMOS R. WELLS.

EVERY CHRISTIAN CALLED TO BE A MISSIONARY.

Luke 24: 44-49.

Christ's command to go into all the world and make disciples of every one, was manifestly addressed to more than the handful of followers that listened to him, for it was a command absolutely impossible for them to fiulfil. Christ was speaking to them, but also through them to his followers in all ages. He was speaking to you and to me as certainly as if he stood by our side and those earnest orders beat upon our ears.

The missionary power of the church depends upon the singleness of heart with which individual Christians hear this message, each considering it quite literally addressed to himself. A call to go as a missionary? All have received that call. Some one has truly said that we need a call to stay at home, if any of us are to be excused from going.

Some—the majority—are called to stay at home. Many of these, however, are called to let their dear ones go, gladly and proudly. The day after one of Hudson Taylor's meetings in England he received a letter from a widow telling him that the day before she could not put jewels or money into the contribution-box, but she had long been keeping back her daughter, who desired greatly to go, and now she was ready to make that supreme gift. Many a mother truly goes as a missionary in the person of her child.

If we are not called to do this, certainly we are called to furnish some substitute for ourselves. There is a school-teacher with a salary of \$1,000. She lives on one-half, and with the remainder she supports a missionary in China, from whom she receives a letter every week. It has been said of this woman that she lives the life of the angels, who "serve him day and night," for at the antipodes her substitute is working while she sleeps.

We could all do as gloriously, if we were equally unselfish. Job counted it a merit that he had never "eaten his morsel alone."

"I am debtor alike to the Jew and the Greek,"

The mighty apostle cried;
Traversing continents, souls to seek,
For the love of the crucified.

Centuries, centuries since have sped;
Millions are famishing—we have bread,
But we eat our morsel alone!

The Arabian prince in the fairy-tale took a tiny tent from a walnut shell. It grew and grew till it covered his whole kingdom. So, from small beginnings, the Christian's interest should expand, till it spreads as wide as the kingdom of God.

But too often our religion is of the sort that Dr. Burrell calls "centripetal piety." The kingdom will some, Christ will reign over all; but ah, how ashamed many of us will be, when it comes, to see that we have had no share in bringing it!

We wait Thy triumph, Saviour, King; Long ages have prepared the way; Now all abroad Thy banner fling,

Set time's great battle in array.

O fill Thy church with faith and power,
Bid her long night of weeping cease,
To groaning nations haste the hour
Of life and freedom, light and peace.

#### # # # DON'T AND DO.

Having been requested by the chairman of the Press Committee to write something on committee work, or missionary matters, although my time seems limited and the hours full of work, I would gladly devote some of the minutes to help in this way, could I but interest some disinterested one in the work of the kingdom.

When as a people, society, or church, we learn to put most important things first, learn loyalty to Christ, then, and not till then, will all of our many committees do efficient work. Putting first "the kingdom of God and his righteousness," we have the promise of all else needed.

If asked to act on a committee, don't say, "I have no time to serve on a committee." Don't kneel before the Lord, or in your testimony say, "I want to do more for my Lord and Master the coming year than I have done in the past," and then the first opportunity for service refuse to work, making some excuse, or shirking your responsibility as an active member of your society.

Attend the committee meetings regularly. Consider these a previous engagement. Here is where the "loyalty to Christ" comes in,-if an invitation should come to you for anything outside, on the evening of your prayermeeting, missionary meeting, or any of the committee meetings, you are to attend, put God's work first. You are working for the advancement of his glorious kingdom. I think all departments of the work to-day may be under the head of "Missionary Work." The highest aim and object of each Endeavorer should be to win souls for his kingdom. In order to do this work for our blessed Master, we shall need the power he alone can furnish. Let us study to know his will, and, knowing it, be willing to do it. Let us be faithful in the small duties that come to us; and may we hear the "Well done, good and faithful" of the Master.

Yours in the work,

Woodstock, N. B.

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#### NOTE

"Does the reading of a text of Scripture at the monthly meeting really meet our pledge obligation?"

Though, of course, in no way officially authorized to be an exponent of the C. E. pledge, the editor does not hesitate to answer this question in the negative: the reading of a verse may fulfil the letter, but it does not fulfil the spirit of the pledge.

The question points to the growing practice, upon the part of far too many of the active members doing no more than "read or recite a text of Scripture," or even a poetical quotation, often merely a literary one from a favorite author. As the general rule, it will be found that those who do this, as their regular practice, are not among the ranks of the most spiritual.

No invariable rule can be laid down. Occasions arise when no words of our own can as well express what we wish (out of the heart) to say as will the words of the Spirit or those of a fellow mortal. If a member has had some previous promise of the Lord, or some words of an uninspired writer, strongly impressed upon his heart and mind as best to be used,—in this case use them.

It will be usually found, however, that many of those who seek to thus fulfil the pledge do not have any text burned into the heart before the meeting. It generally comes to pass that some come to the meeting with nothing to say, and in the meeting select almost any text to read or repeat. Their object is not so much to express their own experience, to help the life of the meeting, but simply and only to keep the letter of the pledge.

Can those who are unable to thus satisfy their heart's hunger and thirst to "do as much as in them lies" to glorify the Lord—can such be in a healthy spiritual condition? Can it really be possible that a whole month has passed without any new experience, without any fresh reason for thankfulness, without any clearer revelation of the Divine will? This does not seem possible, provided the spiritual hunger and thirst has been such as it should be, will be, enjoyed by every healthy life.

I think we are justified in this conclusion: the real secret of inability to "tell others what the Lord has done for us" must be sought for, generally, in the soul's poverty of knowledge. It also appears true that the secret of ability to speak for Christ-the writer is not speaking of lip, but of heart ability; between these two there is the difference between death and life -is to be found in the fellowship which has existed between the Saviour and the saved. If we desire this ability, it must be sought for in deepened communion. If our heart is filled with the knowledge of Christ, out of that richness it will ever find much to bring forth. Remember, we must bring forth "new things." Much of the lack of interest in our monthly meetings is due to the too frequent repetition of what has been told dozens of times and in much the same language.— Morning Star.

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