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WISE AS SERPENTS AND HARMLESS AS DOVES.

We frequently hear this saying of our Lord wrested from its proper meaning and made to mean cunning, and art, in catching and holding members in the professed church of Jesus Christ.

The Lord was telling the apostles of their perilous position among ungodly men. Therefore be ye as wise as serpents in times of danger and as harmless as doves. Combining wisdom and simplicity there must be a distinction made between the wisdom of the serpent in preserving its life and the subtlety of the serpent in deceiving and capturing its victim. Jesus called the scribes and pharisees serpents and vipers, because of their subtlety and deception.

We hear the same quotation in connection with the profession of holiness in places where there is strong opposition, meaning by that, that definite testimony, to a distinct second work of grace, instantaneously bestowed, should not be given, and that we should refrain from the use of the scriptural terms, such as a clean heart, sanctified wholly, perfect love, and cleanseth us from all sin, etc., etc. The same text is quoted by some preachers who can preach and testify to holiness at a camp meeting, or in a holiness convention, but in their church at home they assume that they are using wisdom in withholding the bread of life from the hungry dissatisfied souls under their care. It may be indeed self preservation for in this way the preacher retains his pasture and gets his bread and butter. And that wise leader in the church holds his position, but in fact it is the cover thrown over cowardice, and soon the dove of peace takes its flight from their hearts.

All this is done at an awful cost which eternity will reveal. It is a sacrifice of golden opportunity, of manly heroism to preach the glorious gospel, when it costs us something to do it. It is a sacrifice of joy from his own heart, it is a sacrifice of what might be accomplished by faithful loving preaching and testimony in the hearts and lives of others.

DEADLOCK

Is probably the best word to indicate the condition of several churches in which no seeming progress is being made. The membership is composed of people who either believe in or profess to have the experience of entire sanctification, and an equal number, or, in most cases, a larger number who are opposed to it. Both sections are loyal to their church and denomination and have no reason to leave it and yet both are hampered. It is a difficult problem to solve, but we should keep in mind that it is God's work we are engaged in, and if things are not just as harmonious as we would like in the church, we can by the grace of God have a cheerful, bright, and joyful experience, but in order to retain it we must be active, or in the words of Paul, always abounding in the work of the Lord. No wholly sanctified person can retain a bright, joyful, experience and be inactive, neither can they retain it and spend their time complaining about others. Move on beloved let others do as they will.

A COMMENDABLE CHANGE.

We are glad to note that the Christian Witness Company have decided to exclude patent medicine and investment concerns advertisements from that excellent paper, which is certainly a good move as it is an act of faith which will certainly meet the approval of thousands of their readers. In our opinion no religious paper should advertise anything that cannot be recommended to their readers as really beneficial to them. Some so called religious papers of today are a conglomerate of politics, general news, patent medicines and other advertisements, with just enough directly religious matter to serve as seasoning to make the rest palatable. The excuse is we cannot run the paper without patent medicine advertisements. Many hotel men say much the same thing, we cannot run a hotel without rum. We hope the day will soon come when Christian people will patronize an out and out Christian paper and patronize a hotel that won't sell rum.

ELDER G. W. MACDONALD.

With the close of the year 1902 departed to be with Christ the worthy editor of the KING'S HIGHWAY. He was at one time a minister of the Free Baptist denomination, but when the movement for deeper spirituality assumed large proportions in that body, he, with others, was pressed out, and became one of the prominent leaders of the new denomination. He was held in high esteem by his brethren and by many others outside the religious body to which he belonged.—"The True Witness," H. A. Giffin, Editor, Weymouth, N. S.

How the church needs men and women who are dead to sin and the world and themselves today and alive to the will of God, to the touch of the Holy Spirit, and to the spiritual needs of the church, and this old world on its wild race after wealth, fame and pleasure. We must be dead indeed to sin. Not etherized nor suppressed but a violent and painful death, crucified. Knowing this that our old man is crucified with him that the body of sin might be destroyed that henceforth we should not serve sin. Rom. 6:6.

Alive unto God, every faculty quickened by the indwelling Spirit, partakers of the divine nature. There will be life in our songs and testimonies, and prayers, and preaching, life in all we undertake for God.

ENTIRE CONSECRATION.

Consecration to be scriptural must be entire. There can be no such thing as partial consecration. No bride is partly consecrated to her husband. She is wholly consecrated to him, or if not, then, the terms of the marriage compact are broken by her lack of consecration and in the sight of God she is a flirt. Her affections are not with her husband and the marriage tie is only a form. And, as it is with the bride so is it with him who is the other partner to the contract. His fealty and loyalty to his bride must not be interfered with by counter affections. His heart can not be divided between his wife and some other object of affection. Hence we see that the intent of the marriage contract and that which the law only accepts, is complete consecration and fidelity on the part of both wife and husband.

The scriptures use this figure as the only illustration to set forth the spiritual relation existing between the church, the bride, and the Lord Jesus Christ, as the bridegroom. Consequently, those who are consecrated believers belong wholly to God. They can not claim privilege of exemption from any of God's claims upon them through His word. They and all they have belong to God, for His service and for His glory. Their time belongs to Him, their talents, their influence, their world store, their capital, their bank deposit, and all their income and interest belong to God, and belong altogether to Him. And what relation do they hold to God? They are stewards only. Having consecrated all to God, their right of possession is transferred from themselves to God. He then becomes sole owner and proprietor of themselves and all they had, and they are stewards only. This is entire consecration. Now, beloved, are we consecrated?

A. L. B.

DEAD AND ALIVE

Is an old saying used as expressive of a stupid person, but how grand the life that has reached the experience indicated by the words of Paul to the Romans. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Rom. 6:11.

ADVICE TO A YOUNG PREACHER.

That eminently pious and successful winner of souls, Rev. David Stoner, after suffering and almost dying from an overtaxing of his powers, gave the following timely advice to a young preacher: Take care of your health. Do not shout and scream. Is it strength of voice that saves souls, or the influence of the Spirit? If it is not strength of voice, do not kill yourself before the time. If you scream yourself into consumption who will thank you? Will the church of Christ? Will those who love you? Will those souls thank you, that might have been saved by your longer life? Will Jesus thank you? No; but devils may. Avoid a cough as you would the plague. Take your work as you can bear it, especially until you get seasoned. Your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost. Take care how you sap its foundations, destroy its furniture or harm roof.—A. Sims.

A HINT FROM GOD'S WORD.

When thou makest a dinner or a supper call not thy friends nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen, nor thy neighbours; lest they also bid thee again and a recompence be made thee. But when thou makest a feast call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind, and thou shalt be blessed. Luke 14, 12-14.

A. THORNTON.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Third District met with the church at Lubec on March 19th at 7 p. m. First meeting was led by the pastor Bro. Grass. A number of visiting brethren were present. Bro. McMillan from Calais, Bro. Babcock from Grand Manan and Bro. Fred Moses from Trescott. These brethren assisted very much in all the services. Bro. Sherwood was also present and contributed much to the interest in the meetings.

On account of the sudden death of Bro. Scribner of Lambert Lake, the pastor was called away on Friday morning and by his request Bro. Bubar was called to have charge of the services. Meetings were held three times each day till Sunday evening. The attendance and interest increased from the first. Special social services were held each a. m. and afternoon, with preaching in the evening. Friday evening preaching by the writer, Saturday evening by Bro. McMillan. Good congregations present.

Sunday was a day of much power and great blessing. At 10.30 preaching by Bro. Babcock. The Lord helped our brother wonderfully to set forth the precious truth of full salvation. The saints had a feast of fat things. At 2 o'clock preaching by Bro. Sherwood from I Cor. 3:1-4. A good practical sermon.

In the evening again at 7 o'clock preaching again by the writer from I John 3:8. The house was filled with a large congregation, many coming from the city and from the surrounding villages a number standing in the hall during the entire service. The Lord Himself helped us to put in the sword of the spirit, and the awfulness of sin was seen in the light of God's eternal truth. The spirited singing added much to the interest of all these services.

Bro. and Sister Bubar are remaining this week with the church, and special services are held every evening. We are praying that God's power may be mightily poured out upon the people. Notwithstanding the hindrances, God is blessing those who are right with Him. God has a few clean consecrated people here whose lives back up their testimony. May their number be increased.

BUSINESS SESSION

opened at 2.30 Saturday afternoon. A good attendance. Bro. A. L. Bubar, chairman. Minutes of last Quarterly meeting were read.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—Rev. Z. B. Grass, Chairman; A. L. Bubar, Sec'y.; Bro. E. Kelly, Treas.; Bro. Babcock, HIGHWAY agent; Devotional Committee Bros. Kelly, Babcock and D. Grass. The committee reported to the meeting.

The following delegates were present:—Calais church—Bros. L. McMillan, A. Sprague and Sister Bubar.

Lubec—Bros. Kelly, Tyler and Sister Z. B. Grass.

North Head—Bro. Babcock.

The church at Calais reported by letter from the clerk saying "The interest in our meetings is good. The pastor and church are united in fighting the good fight of faith. Although we have many difficulties to contend with, our pastor is standing true to the cause of holiness and so we are pressing on towards victory. We believe much good was done at our last quarterly meeting held here.

Our Mission Society holds a missionary meeting every month, and much interest is taken. We hope to take a \$10 block in our Mission Station in Africa. The Sunday school is still in good running order. We have made a new enrollment, putting the school upon a true basis. The Superintendent and teachers are true and faithful in their work. We pray God's blessing on your work at Lubec.

GERTRUDE YOUNG, clerk,

The church at Beals, Me., also reported by letter from the clerk, saying, "The pastor is doing a good work considering the opposition he comes in contact daily. Preaching and prayer services mostly well attended. Cottage meetings are also held in outlying districts. A union is springing up between us and the other churches. We have a very interesting and profitable Sunday School. We purpose to take up a silver collection in our school once every three months for Bro. and Sister Saunders. We pray God's blessing upon you all while you meet in the Quarterly Meeting.

OCTAVIA E. WALLACE, clerk.

Lubec church—Reported by Bro. Kelly. "Few in numbers. There are some who are faithful and true. Have been much blessed lately, spiritually and financially. Congregation is increasing. Lost one true and faithful member recently by death. God is with us still and we are getting settled down in His will." Sister Grass, "the Lord has led a number of us to give a tenth of our income to God. We are all His people."

A. L. Bubar, Sec'y.

Highway Acknowledgments.

Rev. A. Stairs, Raynartton, N. S., April 1904; Geo. Miller, Lower Southampton, N. B., July 1904; P. S. Jones, Moncton, N. B., March 1904; Mrs. Jas. Scovil, North Head, Dec. 1903; E. P. Green, Seal Cove, Dec. 1902; W. J. McLeod, Apohaqui, Dec. 1903; Hallet Cole, Caledonia Corner, N. S., Jan. 1904; Mrs. J. D. Shaw, Hartland, July 1903; Mrs. Chas. Knox, Upper Haynesville, April 1904; Mrs. Wm. Versy, Millville, April 1904; Mrs. Thos. Brawn, Millville, Feb. 1904; Mrs. Wm. Brawn, Millville, Feb. 1904; Mrs. Henry Blaney, Millville, May 1904; Mrs. A. J. Hoyt, Millville, Dec. 1904; R. B. Burt, Millville, Dec. 1903; Mrs. Jas. Liston, Millville, April 1902; Henry Hoyt, Millville, Dec. 1902. Daniel S. Clark, East Newbridge, March 1904; Miss Amelia J. Simonds, Narrows, 1902; E. D. Miller, Royalton, Dec. 1903; John Baily, Penniac, Dec. 1903; Mrs. John Estey, Jacksonville, June 1903; Mrs. C. N. Blissdale, Fort Fairfield, Me., Jan. 1904.

TESTIMONY.

Hosanna to Jesus, I am filled with his praises, and I am kept under the precious blood, by keeping his commandments.

A. THORNTON.

Hartland, N. B., March 18th.

DIED.

January 17th, 1903, at Finney Cove, N. S., of consumption, Samuel Bent, aged 23 years. He was a fine young man and loved by all who knew him. May his rest be sweet.

At Finney Cove, N. S., March 2nd, of paralysis, Wm. Hogan, aged 54 years. Brother Hogan had been unwell for some time from the effect of previous shocks, but was out around within an hour of the time that he passed peacefully away. He was a close friend of the writer, and we believe through our humble efforts he found the Saviour. We tender sympathy to the widow and eight sons and one daughter. C. S. HILYARD.  
 On February 28th, at Easton, Me., Mary J., wife of Joseph B. Nichols, aged 70 years and 10 months. She was a lover of the HIGHWAY and its work. She was eminently a Christian, and passed away in the triumphs of faith, a worker in the vineyard of the Lord, being faithful unto death and has now received her crown of life and we trust not a starless one.