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THE LOOKING BACK PREACHER.

"No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

There is no mistaking the fact that this was applied by our Lord to preachers, no doubt it is equally true of any man, as the text says "no man" etc, but the subject he was dealing with was preachers.

But few men will condemn themselves, yet there is some attitude of the heart that Jesus calls "looking back," and whatever that is, is an awful sin as it unfits the man for the kingdom of God. It is not necessarily an outbreking sin, it may be simply looking for a pleasanter or more lucrative position. It may take place while a man is preaching regularly as looking back may be in the object of his preaching which may be dollars interest of the salvation of souls. It may be his desire for the comfort, and ease of this life, instead of the sacrifice he formerly made for the gospel sake when he first entered the ministry, in any of these cases, he wont own up that he is looking back but will make excuses for his conduct. The man who starts out with a burning zeal for souls, but now has an absorbing desire for money has certainly turned his eyes back in the direction of the world. His unfitness "for the kingdom of God," may be a condition of heart and life that has come to him so gradually that he has scarcely been conscious that he was drifting into it and the source from which this state came, as intimated in the verses preceding the text, may be from his family, and personal friends.

One said "Lord suffer me first to go and bury my father." Another said "but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at any house."

Again; A man may be so far deceived as to think he is all right with God, because he is not committing known sin. He may be engaged in honorable work, and worthily respected. He may keep up regular family, and public worship. But he has ceased to plough, his field is uncultivated, the seed is not sown, the harvest cannot be gathered, souls in consequence are lost, and he himself unfit for the kingdom of God.

It is an awful, but none the less a

sad fact that in these days, that the ministry use more soothing lotions than gospel ploughs. The truths that tear, and break up peoples hearts, are unpopular, the disturbing declarations of God's word are unpleasant to them, and here begins the temptation to tone down the truth, and take off the new edges and sharp points that cut and prick the heart and stir the conscience. It is a sad mistake to please the multitude at the sacrifice of the truth and ultimate loss of the souls of both preacher, and people. The world never needed true men of courage to steadily hold the gospel plow than now.

OUR MISSIONARIES.

We wish to call the attention of all our churches, and Missionary Societies to the fact; that if we are to get a box, or boxes to our missionaries by Christmas we must begin to get the articles gathered up, and started as soon as possible, please let the work begin at once. Get good second hand clothing for men, women, boys and girls to clothe the naked. Then remember that we have four (possibly five) children at the Mission Station for whom clothing can be made. Also sisters Saunders and Kirstead. It will be a great help to them to have their sewing done so far as possible in the home land. For they practically have seven Sundays in the week as they are preaching the gospel daily.

Let the ladies of the "Missionary Societies," and the children of "The Mission Band," and all who wish to help enter this work heartily.

WOODSTOCK MISSION SOCIETY.

Owing to the absence of so many members on account of the holiday season the regular monthly missionary meeting for August was not held until September 7th instant. The meeting opened at 7.30 by singing "Keep the Music Ringing," Scripture reading by president, 47 Psalm. Prayer by Bros. Wiggins and Baker and Sister Trafton. Singing "I Will Go." Sister W. B. Wiggins in absence of our organist took the organ. Reading of minutes of last meeting by the secretary showed a good attendance and interesting meeting for July. The corresponding secretary on being asked for a report showed he had been very lax in his duty, which we trust will not appear again. Music by Sister Baker's Sunday school class "Keep in Line With Jesus." Recitation "Little Soldiers," by Lillian Barker. Duett "Alone With God," by Messrs. Arnold and Moores. Recitation "Little Blossom," by Maudie Dow. Trio "I'll Wait," by three girls. President Sister W. B. Wiggins read a very interesting letter from our missionary Sister Keirstead telling of their progress in mastering the Zulu language and telling of the fluency with which Faith and Paul, our young missionaries, could talk in Zulu. Solo "Have Faith in God," by Brother Moore. Address by our past pastor Rev. W. B. Wiggins.

Intermission for paying of dues called forth a very interesting part of the programme by Sister S. A. Baker showing to the meeting many articles of native work from South Africa, consisting of mats, bracelets, ear rings, costumes worn by both sexes, and other articles too numerous to mention, but all showed a large amount of intelligence and causes one to feel that back in that dark mind if brought to the knowledge of the truth must develop something to the glory of God. Meeting then closed by singing "Shining More and More." Benediction by Pastor Rev. S. A. Baker.

S. H. CLARK,

Reporter for missionary society.

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EXPERIENCE.

"Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my life, my soul, my all."

I have often been impressed to give my experience to the public, so with God's help will do it now.

Being early taught by Christian parents to love and fear God, I had from my earliest recollections very serious thought of God and heaven. Later in life I was the subject of deep conviction. Sometimes after returning from a gay party late at night I would be afraid to go to sleep for fear that I would wake up in hell.

Not until I was 20 years old did I decide for Christ. At that time there was a revival in our town and I made up my mind I would get religion at any cost. But this going forward to the altar to be prayed for seemed something I could not do, so I resisted the Spirit until I nearly lost my soul. I think I endured a little of the torment of the lost.

I well remember the Sunday evening when God set me free. The text was from Job 23:3-3. During the service I decided to go forward when the invitation was given. Still I hesitated. Then a voice said to me, "you are getting your last chance; if you do not decide tonight you will be lost." Then I said "I will, Lord," and as I arose to go forward I felt the load of sin lifted from my heart. When I reached the altar it was all gone and I was so light and joyous I could praise God for what he had done for me.

As I came out of the church everything seemed to be praising God. I never saw the stars shine so brightly. Truly I could say with the psalmist, "The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament sheweth his handiwork." When we are made new creatures in Christ Jesus old things pass away, behold all things become new. I went on my way rejoicing taking great delight in going to meeting and also in attending to my large class of young women.

God manifested himself to me since in a most wonderful manner. I had longed to know more of God and holiness, and wondered if holiness was for me. I read that without holiness no man should see the Lord.

About this time that great revival broke out in the eastern states. As I read about it I longed to be there. "Delight thyself in the Lord, and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart." It came to pass that I was sent to Boston on business and was there four weeks. I had the privilege of attending the morning meeting at 8 a. m. in the Old South Church. This was a wonderful time of power. The holiness meeting was next to heaven, I thought. I entered this as a seeker. For two weeks I struggled with doubts and fears. One Sunday evening I went home from church very much burdened and I said I will not sleep knowingly until I get the blessing. I do not know how long I prayed. I think I must have gone to sleep. I never knew. It seemed I was in a building and was told that was heaven, and to look through a glass on the wall; so I said, "this is the glass St. Paul speaks about." As I looked I saw a large place or room. On one side there seemed to me to be a large white throne and in the distance white robed figures moving toward it. They moved nearer the glass and began to sing. It filled me with glory. I felt I was being overcome by the power of God and I said how true it is "that no man shall see God and live." I fell prostrate on my face. Do not ask me to describe that singing, for earth has no language by which it can be described.

The next I remember I was on my

knees to pray, but I found that all my wants were satisfied. "With Christ we have all things." "All fullness dwells in Him." Then prayer turned to praise. This state of mind lasted for days, until I came home. No wonder the psalmist called for his soul and all that was within him to praise God.

Our minister did not preach holiness except in a general way—did not teach it as a separate work of grace (although I think the most of them believe it now), so I did not get much help and my zeal began to slacken.

I now pass over a period of years in which time I had married and went to another town to live. After a time my husband died; it seemed to crush me, and every night for a short time I would tell the Lord not to let me wake up in this cold world again, but take me to himself. But the Spirit spoke to me and said I was doing wrong, that I must go and see some one who was in more trouble than I, so I went to see a young widow who had lost her husband under very painful circumstances. As I went into the room she said, "I guess you have lost your confidence in God now." I looked at her for a moment, raised my hand to heaven and said: "Though He slay me, yet will I trust in Him." You see, our Lord who is always watching over us will not suffer us to be tempted over and above what we are able to bear, but will with the temptation make a way of escape, His grace is sufficient. God gave me a great victory over the enemy by this act and I could then say, "Thy will be done."

At this time a friend sent for me to go to New Brunswick to stay awhile. When I arrived there I found they had commenced revival services. The first night I went there was a powerful meeting, the minister asked all who wanted to get baptized for service to come forward I went with the rest the spirit said to me are you prepared for this? you know it means something to live a consecrated life here, I answered "yes Lord" anything only fill me with power.

The meetings lasted all winter—I was happy in the services visiting the sick and dying for a year and a half during my stay in New Brunswick.

I still continue in the same work finding that God's goodness is none the less with years, but, "So I am with you always even unto the end."

MARGARET PERKINS, N. S.

Ministers and Churches.

The Mercer Settlement church is to be re-opened on the 30th instant.

Rev. A. H. Trafton received a very cordial welcome from the people on the Yarmouth County circuit and is much pleased with the outlook.

On Sunday 2nd instant Rev. W. B. Wiggins B. A. preached in the Woodstock church at 11 a. m. Rev. A. Hart at 7 p. m. The pastor assisted Rev. H. Archer in a funeral service at Lower Brighton at 10 a. m. the same day.

A note from Licenciante P. L. Cosman states, our home is at Knoxford. We find the people very kind. Last Sunday was a good day. We are looking forward for a year of victory through him who hath saved us, and washed us in his own precious blood.

Rev. J. H. Coy preached at Green Bush Sunday morning 9th instant and will preach (W. V.) at Green Bush and Meductic on the 16th and will take up regular work on that circuit.

Notwithstanding the pastor is doing considerable outside work the interest, in the St. John church is good. Several were at the altar for prayer Sunday evening 9th instant. We are of

the opinion, that the secret of the good interest in the church is because the pastor is kept in the revival element while doing outside work, and brings some of the fire house with him. The church wont freeze to death if the pastor keeps on fires. Some churches need to keep the fire going to warm up their pastors. They can truly say we have a nice pastor.

A good time was enjoyed at the quarterly meeting held at Westchester Station last week. The church was much helped by the services.

The editor expected to attend the quarterly meeting at Beals, but an account of a funeral service and other work was detained. Rev'ds A. L. Bubar, H. Smith and the pastor Rev. H. H. Cosman were present.

Licenciante W. J. Hamilton has withdrawn as one of our preachers. And the Alliance Executive committee have requested Rev. J. H. Coy to assume pastoral care of the Meductic circuit for the remainder of the year which he has consented to do.

Rev. A. Hart (Pentecostal) is supplying the Pentecostal church at Oxford N. S. in the absence of the Pastor.

Interesting union meetings are held every Sunday at 3 p. m. in the agricultural building near the trotting park, under the auspices of the Woodstock W. C. T. U. Rev S. A. Baker preached to a large and attentive audience on the 9th instant and if the day is fine he will preach again at an opening meeting near the same place, at the same hour, on the 16th instant.

Rev S Greenlaw writes: We have the church (Millville) nearly finished in repairs. It will be repaired Sunday 23rd instant. They have spared no pains, nor expense to make it comfortable and attractive. It will do credit to the village when completed. Instead of the old tower, a steeple has been built and a bell will be added. While the church has been undergoing repairs the prayer meetings have been regularly sustained with deepening interest. The Forresters kindly gave us the free use of their hall. The work on this circuit goes on about as usual.

The meetings at Marysville are well attended and interest good. The Pastor Rev. G. B. Trafton gave the hand of fellowship to two new members on the 9th.

The Hartland Praying Band are enjoying much blessing in their work. They held two meetings at Cloverdale on Sunday 9th inst and several persons were forward for prayer.

Rev H C Archer baptized one young man at Victoria Corner on the 9th instant. The meetings at Hartland are good and Sunday congregations large.

Rev. J. and Mrs. Gravinor spent a few hours in Woodstock on the 14th. Brother Gravinor will preach at Central Southampton an 10.30, and at 7.30 p. m. on the 16th instant.

Let all the churches pray, plan, and work that God may give us the grandest revivals during the coming months ever known to us. "Ask and receive that your joy may be full."

The Kings Highway would be a blessing in every house in the land it is filled with the best spiritual messages to be gathered, safe and sound to the core.

We want the Kings Highway published weekly, the one hindrance is "money." If all our present subscribers will procure one new subscriber each, we will be able to do it. Will you try?

Every man falls in his heart before he falls in his outward life.

There are no crown-bearers in heaven who were not cross-bearers here below.—Spurgeon.

No appeal is quite so powerful in the end as the call, "Come and suffer."—Mazzini.