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Editorial.

THE PREACHER AND HIS AUDIENCE.

This, we believe to be a subject worthy of the most careful and prayerful consideration. The audience are the preacher's guests, and he is rightly expected to have something of real value to set before them, and if he is a servant of God—God provides him with the very things that that audience needs.

But he needs to be a skilled workman, to rightly divide the word of truth.

With all the fine qualities inherited from two previous generations and a genuine conversion and the gift of the Holy Ghost that came to Timothy by the laying on of the hands of the Apostle Paul. And having been reared amid Christian influences from his infancy, Timothy had need to "study," to shew himself approved unto God, that he might be a workman that need not be ashamed.

It is beyond question, an imposition on an intelligent audience to be compelled to listen to a meaningless lot of repetitions, which are utterly barren of spiritual life or food, accompanied by a lot of awkward gestures that only produces a mortified feeling and pity for the person who came before them with good intentions and nothing else.

To have the Word of Truth in book form's one thing, but to rightly divide the Word of Truth to the hearts, consciences and minds of the audience, and produce spiritual results, involves a knowledge of the portion of the word preached and its special mesage to that particular audience. And it seems to us that there are marked distintions to be drawn between the doctrines it teaches, as existing between justification, consecration and entire sanctification. The Holy Spirit is a reprover to the world, but a comforter and guide to the Christian.

The word is a cuting lash to the rebellious sinner, but it is a lamp to the feet and a light unto the feet of the child of God. But what we are trying to say is that we as preachers should come to the people with well thought out, prayed out, studied out, to the point messages of edged truth so clearly defined, that it will divide the "joints and the marrow, and the soul and spirit, and be a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart," revealing

to people that "all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do."

Preparedness is a constant need of the Gospel preacher.

PRESENTATION.

On the occasion of the anniversary of 25 years of happy married life, a number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Good of Moncton met at their home, in the way of a surprise, on the evening of the 12th of August, and after spending a short time in social conversation and in singing, the following address was read to them.

Mr. and Mrs. Good—Dear Friends:

It is with great pleasure that we call on you this evening for the purpose of congratulating you on the arrival of the 25th anniversary of your wedding day.

During the years between that memorable event and the anniversary of tonight you have had the supreme consolation of knowing that the passing of the years have served to strengthen the ties of mutual love and devotion to each other. Faith in God and confidence in each other have overcome all the difficulties of life, and your little ship of state is now proudly sailing on life's ocean, with the prow set firmly toward the land of eternal sunshine.

We congratulate you also on the fact that a well-trained family is your honorable possession,—children whose devotion to their parents is a source of joy and delight.

Success in life is not always measured by profitable financial investments, and so we would fain believe that you both have sought to follow the wise advice that Agur the prophet gave to others, and closely followed himself, when he said: "Give me neither poverty nor riches, and feed me with food convenient for me."

We also congratulate you both on the youthful beauty and vigor of life that you both are enjoying tonight, and which the passing years have only proved that a happy heart is the best tonic to preserve that beauty.

In coming here tonight your friends have sought to surprise in more ways than one, and one of the ways we sought to disturb your peace of mind is by humbly asking you to accept this little token of our esteem of you both, and appreciation by us all of your noble life and Christian character.

At the close of the address, Mr. and Mrs. Good were presented with a set of silver knives and forks, desert spoons and a fancy piece of hand-painted china. The presentation was made by Mrs. E. Tingley and Miss Eva Berry.

Mr. and Mrs. Good, though taken by surprise, were equal to the occasion and responded to the address in brief but well chosen replies.

The friends then served the refreshments they had brought with them, and a very enjoyable evening was spent by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Good appreciate the kind thoughtfulness of their many friends, wishing them the return of many more wedding anniversary days.

"You will find as you look back upon your life that the moments that stand out are the moments when you have done things in the spirit of love."

True greatness is in the character, never in the circumstances. No matter about wearing a crown, make sure that you have a head worthy to wear a crown.—J. R. Miller.

WIRELESS.

(Rev. E. Teter.)

Luke 15:7. "I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons that need no repentance." Again Luke 15:10, "Likewise I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth." Again: Matt. 18:10, "Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones: for I say unto you, that in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven." Again: Heb. 1:14, "Are they not (the angels) all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?"

From the above Scripture we learn several things. One is that when a soul is saved, the news reaches heaven and causes rejoicing. Then it follows that the inhabitants of heaven know what is going on in the earth. A second thing apparent is that each convert has angels to look after them and these angels do always behold the face of the Father in heaven, hence it equally follows that they receive orders from heaven in this care taking. As there are no "wires" literal between here and heaven, it is "wireless communications."

Another deduction is fairly made, which is this: in the soul's conversion, the instrumentalities that lead to it will also be known, hence it is and will be known just how much you or I had to do in the matter of getting a soul saved. Suppose a soul is saved in the church of which you are a member. The news goes to heaven producing joy in the presence of the angels. Following that news it will be perfectly natural for the question to be raised, "Who is their minister? Who of the members helped? Who prayed? Who exhorted? Who went personally to the lost soul, and encouraged it to repent?"

Again: It will be perfectly natural to ask, "Who built the church house in which the meeting was held?" I will give an illustration. Last fall I was in a new church building where meetings were being held. Souls had been and were being saved in that building. In looking the matter up, I learned that one sister who had inherited some money put every dollar of it into that house. Now, do you suppose that when the news goes to heaven of a soul converted in that house that her name will not be mentioned? "Why, that is the house that a certain woman gave all the money she inherited from a certain estate, to build!"

Let us leave the United States and go to Africa. The news goes to heaven of a soul repenting in Africa. There is joy in the presence of the angels over it. Do you suppose that is all that they will talk about? I guess not. The question of "Who started that mission in Africa? Who supports it? Who goes there to preach to that people?" There will be a whole edition of news circulated in heaven over the matter.

Take India. Let a soul be born into the kingdom there. The news goes right to heaven. In this as in other cases all that stands connected with the matter will come up before the inhabitants of heaven as an item of news and as a matter of rejoicing.—Wesleyan Methodist.

When a Christian gets wrong himself, it has a very bad effect on many others—in his estimation. The same rule works the other way—when a person gets right, it wonderfully helps other folks; they suddenly become very desirable neighbors.