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Editorial.

WILL YE ALSO GO AWAY?

From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him. John 6.66.

This action on the part of our Lords' disciples could have no other effect upon him than great sorrow for them. It is a very sad statement when carefully considered.

He had marked out the true path faithfully, and up to this point they had listened to his teachings and beheld his miracles which manifested his power, but when he pressed upon them the need of a complete transformation of their inner life, that they must so partake of him that he would live in them, then, "Many of them said this is a hard saying; who can hear it?" Jesus replied, "Doth this offend you?" "What and if ye shall see the son of man ascend up where he was before?"

If they were staggered in their faith when he told them of an inner manifestation of his power, what would they think should they have the privilege of seeing him ascend to heaven where he was before?

Does history repeat itself? Paul had a like experience where the people listened to him for a time and then turned away.

What faithful preacher of the deeper things of God, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, of entire sanctification, purifying the heart by faith with the transforming power in the heart and life, faithfully, kindly and lovingly presented, has not had his heart torn and saddened by seeing those who at first listened to him with marked attention, until he pressed these things home as absolutely essential to ensure salvation, forsake him?

Here is a temptation point, on the part of the preacher to accommodate his preaching to these people rather than lose them, here is also a temptation point with the church to turn against a true and faithful preacher, because some of the young people are determined to go into sin and worldly pleasure and leave the church and go where nothing is said of heart purity and holiness of life and separation from the world. Then the church cries out, we must have a change of pastors. Beloved, stop and ask yourselves solemnly before God, Why do

we need a change? Who am I taking sides with? So sad as the situation was, as sorrowful as it was to see people deliberately turn away from the truth our Lord taught them, and as awful as it was for those people to turn away from the only one who could save them. The Lord let them go, and then turned to the twelve, (the church) and said, "Will ye go away also?"

"And walked no more with him." Why? For the same reason that people turn away from the doctrine of an indwelling Christ today. They do not believe in holiness that involves a complete separation from the world. They are willing to go part way, but not willing to surrender themselves in a complete consecration of their spirits, souls and bodies to be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Brethren, in these testing times which we frequently meet, let us turn to our Lord, when he asks us if we are going with the crowd? like Peter did, and confess our unwavering faith and allegiance to him.

A PLEA FOR PROHIBITION.

I have been very much interested lately on the many written articles on prohibition which which have been appearing in the papers.

There surely can be only one safe course to take and that is a prohibitory law. One that is so tightening and so binding that not only liquor dealers, but liquor manufacturers shall feel its iron grip.

We talk about the honors of war, the desolate homes, the broken hearted wives and mothers. All down through the ages, has not liquor been causing all these things, not only for one year, two years, or three years, but for ages their sting has been going on.

Would not any mother rather see her husband or son fall a victim to the German shell, than to fall a victim to alcohols awful curse? Is it not better to fill an honored grave than a drunkards grave? And yet England and our fair Canada permits this to be done by allowing a traffic to be carried on for what? For a revenue it may bring in.

But this surely is God's day of vengeance. Have all the heart broken cries, and agonized prayers from wives, mothers and children fell on the ear of a prayer answering God for nothing? Not so, and we fear England will go down, and down in the great struggle until she frees herself from this awful bondage to which her people are slaves.

With her mighty right arm let her first slay the liquor traffic and with her left she can easily disperse the Teuton foe, for God will give her the strength and the victory.

But we are hopeful. Note the following from the Family Herald and Weekly Star:

WHOM DO WE MEET?

In our prayer meetings we meet one another; and it is well worth while for Christians to come together often if only to encourage one another by friendly looks.

In our prayer meetings we meet strangers, and a cheery word to them may brighten their whole week.

In our prayer meetings we meet our pastor, and he has a chance to give us his special bit of advice and exhortation.

Best of all, in our prayer meetings we meet the Lord Jesus Christ.—A.R. Wells.

"ALMOST HOME!"

The above words were uttered recently by an aged saint in a testimony meeting. He arose tremblingly, with difficulty straightened up over his staff, and then poured forth words such as can only come from the lips of one who walks and talks with God. He related his trials, not with a whine, but as incident only to the marvellous deliverances of his Saviour. His face shone with a light unearthly, the frame grew erect and kingly, and the gestures held in them something never taught nor acquired in schools of elocution.

He told how in early youth the Holy Spirit had pungently convicted him of his sins; how through repentance and faith in Christ he had obtained pardon; how later, he had sought and found the "second blessing," and how through the changing years the glory had held. As he passed these epochs the tide of triumph rose and the glory from the other land came down.

Heartstrings vibrated and recollections of other days when old-fashioned religion dominated the services, came throbbing through memory's doorway. The aged saint spoke with an eloquence, emphasizing the pardoning and cleansing power of the blood.

"I am eighty-nine years old," quavered the white-haired pilgrim, and through them all the dear Lord has kept me. For seventy years I have walked with God. Soon after my sins had been forgiven the Lord sanctified me wholly. Although I have greater trials this year than I have ever had before, God delivers and keeps me. I feel the presence of the Holy Ghost now!"

It is hard to describe with what unction these words were uttered. The dear old man's age was forgotten, for the baptism of glory made him young again. One got a glimpse of the City and its inhabitants, lighted by the glory of the Father, as the climacteric words fell from his lips, "And now I am almost home!" A mellow hush fell upon the people, the stars came twinkling forth, soft, silvery, moonlight fell and the rhythmic beat of seas upon other shores broke on the listeners' ears. Faith saw heaven and the angels and loved ones, with Christ as King, through the gates ajar of the World Eternal.

Under the holy hush of that heavenly visitation we determined to live holy, so that when life's sunset rays gleamed golden across the silver bars of time we, too, could say, "I am almost home."

Christian Witness.

BONDAGE AND ADOPTION.

"The natural man neither fears nor loves God; one under the law fears; one under grace loves. The first has no light, the second painful light, the third joyous light. He that sleeps in death has a false peace; he that is awakened no peace; he that believes true peace. Th heathen baptized or unbaptized has a fancied freedom, the Jew or legalist a grievous bondage, the Christian the glorious liberty of the children of God. An unawakened child of the devil sins willingly; one that is awakened sins unwillingly; a child of God 'sinneth not.' The natural man neither conquers nor fights; the man under the law fights, but cannot conquer; the man under grace is 'more than conqueror.'"—John Wesley.

Bishop John P. Newman was brought to Jesus by a man saying: "My boy, God wants your heart."