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LOSING OPPORTUNITIES.

What appears to us as difficult situations are frequently God given opportunities.

Jesus said, "All things are possible to him that believeth."

This was a difficult situation where something more than ordinary faith and devotion and effort were needed.

The disciples lost a great opportunity, that never returned to them again, and they brought upon themselves a sharp reproof from the Lord.

It was evidently within their reach and power, but they lacked faith. Jesus said to them when they asked him why they failed—"Because of your unbelief"—Brethren, it is sad to look back after the opportunity is past, and acknowledge to our own hearts, I lost my opportunity. We know of a case at this moment, where certain brethren and sisters have a great opportunity to do a certain thing that will brighten their own christian life, and give them a standing, that they in all probability never will have again, resulting in salvation of many souls, and the establishment of a permanent work, and sad to say that the only thing they are lacking is faith in God, and the burden of souls on their hearts.

Brethren, the tendency of the present day is to shirk responsibility, "by going the way of the least resistance," which we believe is always in the wrong direction, for it is down stream, and any dead thing can go that way. The sad, sad mistakes men have made by saying, I can't do it alone, this is not a new thing, it began with Moses when God wanted him to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt.

Men of faith and courage undertake things. Weaklings stand back and complain of others and their hard and difficult circumstances.

The church may be small, it may be surrounded by many difficulties, some of the problems to be solved may be within, but these are opportunities for the development of the true christian graces. We

can't glory in tribulations if there are no tribulations encountered. David met Goliath full size; he did not ask that Goliath should be diminished in size, nor crippled physically, but he remembered his former victories and was ready to undertake greater conflicts. We can recall many instances. We have noted where people slipped away from responsibilities at the moment when they were most needed, and lost grand opportunities which would have greatly strengthened the cause of holiness, and given great victory and strength to themselves. They have slipped along in their chosen course but unconsciously (perhaps) unmindful, of the loss they have continued to sustain to themselves, and to the holiness movement. This includes many of the ministers and laymen. Some whole families of ability, whose lives, so far as we know, have been spent for themselves and the affairs of the world, and eternity alone will reveal the enormous spiritual loss.

When the Lord sounded the warning: "And what I say unto you I say unto all, watch." No doubt he included they should watch lest they lose these great spiritual opportunities.

When the danger threatens, and the battle looks hard, and the cost in effort or money looks heavy, don't shirk, don't run, but meet the issue, "Be courageous, be strong." "Quit you like men, be strong."

True holiness men should never take "the way of least resistance," when spiritual conflict is involved. Take the "way of holiness." "The redeemed of the Lord walk therein." Marginal note says: "He shall be with them."

PLANNING TO MAKE SOME CHANGES.

We voted last year to make some changes in our way of handling the business at Beulah, viz.: to establish an office where all the business will be done under one man's management, that is, the meal tickets will be bought. The rooms engaged and paid for at the beginning of occupancy, gate fees, ground rents, and water rates, and song books sold, also postage stamps, will all be paid at this office. On the other hand all bills will be presented to the man in charge and will be paid, or bills initialed and sent to the treasurer by him. A man or boy will be engaged whose duty will be to show people to rooms and handle all the trunks and other baggage of people coming and going when needful.

There will still be committees to superintend the different departments but they will not be required to collect the fees nor pay the bills as in the past. We need a competent man or woman to manage this important department, probably a young lady part or all of her time to keep the books and attend to the office.

We have many in our churches who could do this work very efficiently, but the question is if they can devote their time to it during the whole meeting. This is the method used at other camp meetings. Why not Beulah? Why not do our business in a business way?

As all the committees work gratuitously, the probability is that all the salary that will go with this office is free board, and room during the meeting. Hence the

person selected needs be one interested in the success of the meeting.

The work involved is no greater than the other committees do, and the pastors upon whose shoulders the responsibilities of these meetings rest.

This is the secret of the financial success of Beulah and Riverside Camp Grounds.

Brethren and sisters had a will to work and not shirk.

THE ONE-TALENTED MAN.

He couldn't sing, and he couldn't play,
He couldn't speak and he couldn't pray,
He'd try to read, but break right down,
Then sadly grieve at smile or frown.
While some with talents ten begin,
He started out with only one.
"With this," he said, "I'll do my best,
And trust the Lord to do the rest."
His trembling hand and tearful eye
Gave forth a world of sympathy,
When all alone with one distressed,
He whispered words that calmed his breast.

And little children learned to know,
When grieved and troubled, where to go,
He loved the birds, the flowers, the trees,
And loving him, his friends loved these.
His homely features lost each trace
Of homeliness, and in his face
There beamed a kind of tender light,
That made surrounding features bright.
When illness came, he smiled at fears,
And bade his friends to dry their tears;
He said, "Good-bye," and all confess
He made of life a grand success.

—John L. Shroy, in Presbyterian Journal.

IF GOD WILLS.

If we pray for any earthly blessing, we must pray for it solely "if it be God's will," if it be for our highest good; but for the best things we may pray without reservation, certain that, if we ask, God will grant them. No man ever yet asked to be, as the days pass by, more and more noble and sweet and pure and heavenly minded, no man ever yet prayed that the evil spirit of hatred and pride and passion and worldliness might be cast out of his soul, without his petition being granted, and granted to the letter.—Dean Farrar.

We are praying and hoping for a great meeting at Beulah this year. Evangelist Owen is a new worker in this part of the country, in fact a young man in the holiness movement.

There will be several of the men who have been at Beulah and Riverside regularly missing this year. But we trust others will fill up the ranks.

Spurgeon's definition of patience was that it is "impatience with the imp taken out." Christ alone has the power to take the "imp" out of human nature, the carnal element which is the result of the fall. The blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin."

Rev. Leighton Tracy, Missionary in India, expects to return home early in 1920, so he stated in an interesting letter written to Brother and Sister S. Hayden Shaw.