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EDITORIAL.

A Happy New Year to all our readers. God can make it so in each and every life.

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS.

As people stand on the threshold of the New Year, they naturally turn to look back over the months that have passed, and with their looking back comes the consciousness of triumph or defeat, success or failure. Many people are driven almost to the point of despair as the enemy comes to discourage over the past with its failures and defeats. They at once begin to make new and good resolutions and determine that they shall not be so overcome in the future, and I am sure they mean it and expect to succeed; but ere the first day of the New Year has passed, their good resolutions have been broken and the new leaf that looked so clean when they turned it over has become smirched and soiled. We hear people whom we believe are Christians, asking the Lord to forgive their many sins. Why are they not saved from sin? I think the Apostle Paul understood exactly the position people are in for he gives us the picture in the seventh chapter of Romans, verse 21. He says, I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. What was that law? The law of sin. Now Paul recognized the law of sin and understood the danger from being dominated by that law. For from that law of sin, or root of carnality, the carnal mind springs up every known sin and disobedience. People generally laugh at the idea of a "Second work of Grace," and so go on in their up and down life, continuing to look back and mourn over their failures and defeats. There never can come complete victory to a soul until they feel a deep sorrow for the presence of carnality, then they will be driven to God and to the cleansing blood. Paul caught the vision, he rises up to say, I thank God through God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Rom. 7-21. For the law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death Rom. 8-2. Praise the Lord. If we then can be freed from the law of sin and death why not have that

freedom? "But now being made free from sin and become servants to God, we have our fruit unto holiness and the end everlasting life. Rom. 6-22. Evidently everlasting life, is conditioned on our freedom from sin. Here then is the place of misunderstanding, people think they need to sin in order to be kept humble. What a mistake, that is false humility, and here is the failure to do the things that we should. We do not need more power! We need to be sanctified wholly. For holiness is power. We cannot be sanctified wholly without the baptism with the Holy Ghost. This then is the key to the situation: Consecrate your bodies a living sacrifice to God and prove his will, to cleanse and purify, then by the help of God you can say with Paul, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Phil. 2-14. Thank God there is victory for his children and power to help us do the right at all times. There is power to help us not only to resolve but carry into effect the good resolutions we make.

We should encourage ourselves in the Lord for the New Year. Our God is the same and if conditions are met, results will accrue. We rejoice with all our brethren and the lover of holiness, in the triumphs of the cause, God has given to us a great heritage, may we fully appreciate it, proving to others its certainty. We must sing, shout, preach and, above all, live holiness, if we expect to see our Lord and dwell with him forever.

SURRENDER BRINGS THE BLESSING.

A lady tells this story: "I sat in the dining room at the Intervale Convention, talking with a dear friend about the baptism for months. As I looked up I saw Mr. B— approaching, and I stepped towards him and said:

"I am going to introduce you to a friend of mine who is seeking the baptism of the Spirit."

He took my seat, and the first question he asked as she afterwards told me, was: "Sister, have you any plans?"

"Any plans?"

"Yes; have you any plans for the future that you would be disappointed if they were not fulfilled?"

She frankly replied, "Yes, I have."

He reached his hand, and took up a blank sheet of paper that lay on the table, and holding it up before her, said, "All your plans must be given up." And pointing to the bottom of the page, he said, "Will you write your signature here, and let God fill in this blank as it seems best to Him?"

She said she shrank back. She saw the whole truth—she must henceforth have no will in regard to her future, and put her name, her amen, to all that God willed. The struggle was sharp but short, and with her eyes still on that blank, she said, "Yes, I will sign my name."

And so she entered the large place where her feet stand today. It was the total self-surrender. The life of blessed inward ease can come no other way. Is it not better to have God plan for us than to plan for ourselves? Who will sign his name to a blank, and let God fill it day by day?—Sel.

TIME ENOUGH TO PRAY.

There is always time enough to pray as we ought. And we ought to pray a great deal—not as we go, merely, but in time apart, in secret, when we are doing nothing else but praying. There is no life so busy, so crowded, that it does not need such a prayer season as a daily habit; and there is none that can not arrange this.

The trouble is not that we have not time to do it, but simply that we do not want to do it. Yet prayer is the chief activity in the effective Christian life. Nothing else that one can do ever equals real prayer in importance and in results. The lack of prayer accounts not only for lack of efficiency, but also for actual break-down in character. The devil has always time to look after the man who has not time to pray. The increasing encroachment of even Christian activities upon our time of secret and fellowship prayer means Satan's increasing advance into our life.

At any cost, we must pray, and pray much. Nothing will cost both the kingdom and ourselves so much as to take time from other Christian service, for prayer is both power and output added to our Christian service.—Sunday School Times.

HOME RELIGION.

The demand for home religion far exceeds the supply. Too many who make brilliant professions on public occasions show little true piety at home. On this subject the late Rev. B. T. Roberts once wrote in the Earnest Christian:

The most detestable of all hypocrites is the person who is all devotion and piety and smiles abroad, and cross and churlish and fretful at home. There are such among both men and women. Abroad they try to pass for saints—at home they lay aside the mask and act out the evil nature that is in them. The conduct of such persons is detestable. He who is polite to other women, and is neglectful of her whom he has solemnly vowed "to love and cherish and protect," richly merits all the domestic unhappiness from which he suffers. Be courteous—especially with your own household. Study to make every one around you happy. Use kind words and gentle tones. Make all the provision you can for their comfort. Teach your children by example as well as by precept to deny themselves for the good of others. Insist firmly on the obedience of your children, but let it be in love. Would you know the measure of conjugal affection? You find it in the untold love which Christ felt for those for whom He suffered and died. "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for it."—B. R. J.

"Tenderness does not mean weakness, softness, ineffectiveness. It is consistent with strength, manliness, truth and bravery. It does not show itself alone in the touch but in unselfishness, thoughtfulness, consideration, forbearance, patience, long-suffering. But, however it shows itself, it is as the bloom on the peach, as spring showers to the earth, as the music of the angels stealing down on the plains of Bethlehem."—H. & L.