

"WHY SEEK YE THE LIVING AMONG THE DEAD? HE IS NOT HERE, BUT IS RISEN."

So Luke informs us that very early in the morning certain women came to the sepulchre with spices to anoint the body of the Lord Jesus, but to their astonishment they found the sepulchre empty. However, their fears were turned to rejoicing when the two heavenly messengers revealed to them the glorious news of the resurrection. The angels also reminded them of Christ's own words to them, a few days previous, in regards to His suffering and resurrection, which when brought to their minds was remembered and understood.

As we think on these things we wonder how these close associates of Jesus could take in so little of the resurrection truths taught them so plainly by our Lord. Instead of them waiting those three days in blessed expectancy for their risen Lord, we find them seeking the Great Life Giver among the tombs. The fact is, Adam's race has been prone to forget the plain teachings of Jehovah and seek to satisfy themselves in empty tombs. We have those today who will turn from the sane, beautiful Bible account of creation and seek to satisfy themselves on a vague theory which is built on a supposition, a series of contradictions, and has nothing to inspire man to live for but the little he may add to the slow progress of the race which, according to their ideas of the past, cannot be very noticeable in a million of years. Besides this, they offer man a cold, hopeless grave and a dog's death. It looks as if these folk have quite forgotten the blessed truth of the Resurrection.

Another class who are quite as zealous as were the Marys, and as much devoted to their purpose, are yet seeking for the body of the Lord Jesus. Since they have not been able to find it as yet, I suppose they are quite ready to join in with the chief priests in declaring that the disciples came by night and stole His body away. Otherwise they would have to evaporate it, or deny the plain facts of scripture, which they do. And since the adherents to this faith are denying Christ a place in their hearts now, depending on a millenium to prepare for the Judgment, and since the Bible plainly declares that the wicked shall not be resurrected until the thousand years are expired, we feel we have here another party looking for the Great Life Giver among the empty tombs of false hopes. Paul in discussing the great doctrine of the resurrection, said "if Christ be not risen (from the dead) then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain." Thank God, He is the first fruits of them that slept.

Then we have the mammon seekers; the lodge joiners; the modernists; the agnostics; and the atheists; all denying the words of Christ, and Christ Himself, who is "the way, the truth and the life," and are seeking for truth among the rubbish of cold, hard reasoning and speculations.

But, praise God, Mary never got a chance to use her spices. That glorified resurrected body of our Lord needed no earthly balms to preserve it. The prophecy of long-standing had been fulfilled. "Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither shalt Thou suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption."

I was not at Joseph's tomb that morning when the Son of God came forth, neither was I near those golden gates when a million voices, in glorious triumph, shouted: "Open wide ye golden gates and let the King of Glory come in," but I know the witness, and feel the presence of that "Blessed Comforter which is the Holy Ghost,"

who has come to abide in my heart, the "proof" of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ said, "If I go away I will send Him (the Holy Spirit) unto you." And if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you.

Let others seek their Christ in the supposition and theories of men, but the believer seeks his Christ at the right hand of the majority on high. And, like the angels, cries out in jubilant praise, "He is not here, but is risen." F. A. DUNLOP.

#### QUARTERLY MEETING

District No. 1 Quarterly Meeting met with the Woodstock church, beginning Thursday evening, March 7th, and lasted over the Sabbath. Rev. L. T. Sabine had charge of the first meeting and preached from Num. 14:24. Caleb had another object. God's leadings are to better things. Israel was on the border of a great blessing. Caleb had another spirit than the other spies, one of allegiance and faithfulness as well as obedience, cheerfulness and promptness. God wonderfully rewards all such.

Friday afternoon Rev. G. A. Rogers was the speaker. Text from Romans 10:14. "Why dost thou judge thy brother?" Self-judgment is good. Man's weakness should be checked by himself. You know the remedy. Sometimes too much talking, too little praying; will get farther ahead if we judge ourselves.

Friday night's meeting was given over to Sunday school work and will be reported separately.

Saturday morning service, led by Rev. P. Briggs, was mainly a social service. A good time was spent in prayer and testimony, getting fortified for services yet to come. The afternoon service was the business meeting, with Rev. L. T. Sabine in the chair. Ministers present were: L. T. Sabine, H. S. Dow, P. W. Briggs, G. A. Rogers, I. F. Keirstead, E. W. Lester and Lic. Hollis Kimball. Delegates present were: Woodstock, Mrs. F. Pickle, Flora Brown, Mrs. R. Harding; Hartland, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Rideout, Burpee Dow, Mrs. A. R. Sippelle; Lower Brighton, Mrs. E. Jennings, Margaret Barker; Maple Ridge, Earl Sharp; Upper Hainesville, Thos. Whitten; Meductic, Mrs. H. Kimball; Greenbush, Wayman Wright; Marysville, John Mitchell; Gordonsville, Mrs. David Duplissea, Gertrude Lloyd and Maud Campbell.

Officers appointed were: Rev. E. W. Lester, president; Rev. L. T. Sabine, vice-president; B. M. Colpitts, secretary-treasurer; Rev. H. S. Dow, Highway agent. Devotional Committee—John Mitchell, Wayman Wright, Flora Brown.

Had letter reports from: Marysville, Royalton, Southampton, Gordonsville, Waterville, Frederickton, Meductic and Maple Ridge; and verbal reports from others. Several of the churches have had special services and report much good done. Altogether, the reports are encouraging.

The next Quarterly Meeting is to be held at Hartland on June 6th.

Rev. I. F. Keirstead brought up the matter of branching out a little this summer in the way of tent meetings, opening up new sections. He said "if the people won't come to us, we must go to the people."

Bro. Dow said there are times when we do well to hold our own. Some come and hear, reject the spirit and go away hardened, lose interest, and will not put themselves in the way of help. Our forces become depleted, we get desperate and cry unto God. He will come to the rescue. God has called us to preach holiness. After a discussion, a real profitable one, a committee was ap-

pointed to look after tent work and the procuring of a tent, etc. Said committee are: Revs. I. F. Keirstead, E. W. Lester and H. S. Dow.

Rev. I. F. Keirstead was appointed to report our meeting to the Telegraph and at the same time make mention of the fact of the Temperance Alliance still keeping alive, and the move made towards supporting prohibition candidates, which has our hearty support.

Saturday evening service. Bro. P. W. Briggs spoke from 1 Cor. 10:1-6. Examples were recorded to give us warning. Getting under the cloud is typical of getting out of sin into grace. All had the privilege. The leaving of bondage is a definite experience. The first step after conversion is baptism. The time has come when we must take sides with God.

Sunday morning, Love Feast, in charge of Lic. Hollis Kimball. He read the lesson, "the woman at the well." A good time was enjoyed in song, prayer and testimony. Preaching at 11 o'clock by Bro. I. F. Keirstead from Ephesians 5:26-27. No word in the English language more misunderstood than the word "church." The church are those called out from the world, separated from it, saved from things that hinder our service to God. The union of Christ and the church, closer than any other union, a vital and loving union. Love has a stabilizing power.

Sunday afternoon Rev. G. A. Rogers spoke from 2 Thes. 5:23-24. Things to notice,—Who is the writer? To whom addressed? What is written? Not written to unsaved or backsliders, but to all the holy people, to the church. Paul, the greatest preacher. Sanctification means set apart, saved or holy, to cleanse from moral corruption. Preach it because the Word of God teaches it. Characteristics: Workers of faith, labors of love, patient in love, example to all that believe, glad that in these earthly vessels we can have Christ enthroned.

Sunday night service, Rev. H. S. Dow preached from Matt. 27:22. "What shall we do with Jesus, which is called Christ?" Pilate is before Christ, not Christ before Pilate. Man was never confronted with a greater question. What we do with Christ now will determine what He will do with us in the future.

The preachers all fitted in fine, no misfits. God was honored in the preaching. One soul got reclaimed Sunday night and several raised their hands for prayers. The presence of God was manifest. The saints were encouraged and strengthened.

B. M. COLPITTS, Sec'y.

Tilley, N. B.

Dear Brother Trafton:

You will please pardon my neglect, hope to do better in the future. Praise the Lord; He wonderfully saves and keeps.

Yours in His love,

MRS. RUBIE GOODINE

Seal Cove, N. B.

Dear Brother Trafton:

You will find enclosed money for the Highway. It is always a welcome visitor in the home.

Yours in Him,

EDGAR RUSSELL

Yarmouth, N. S.

Dear Bro. Trafton: Am sending money order for renewal on Highway. We feel that we could not do without it; it is food to our souls.

Yours in Christian love,

P. B. HURLBERT.