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EDITORIAL

The King's Highway wishes all its readers, and all men everywhere a Happy New Year. May the coming year be the very best in all our lives in service to our God, and to our fellow beings.

Let no one excuse themselves, for we are without excuse, we have the promises: "Lo, I am with you alway," and "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you."

LIVING FOR CHRIST

Human life is a journey—it begins at the cradle and ends at the grave. The years as they pass are as milestones on the way. How varied are the experiences of individuals as they pass over this route, but all have the same termination in death. Death in all probability will be to us what life has been—a defeat or a victory. Our days are passing like a weaver's shuttle, so rapidly. The New Year dawns, but it is soon left behind and on we go, passing milestone after milestone, and so many only thinking of the present, in the gratification of the self life. But this does not bring satisfaction in any way, for all is vanity. As we are passing another milestone it might be well for us to stop a short time and look back over the way; as the old year is dying has the life we have lived been satisfying to ourselves and to our Lord? Have we always manifest that kindly spirit toward others who have differed with us? It seems easy to be kind to those who agree with us. Have we always manifested the spirit of forgiveness? We fear sometimes that we in hating the sin that caused the fall, show the wrong spirit to the fallen. "To err is human; to forgive divine."

Have we always spoken the word of cheer and comfort? We fear sometimes we neglect those who love and sacrifice the most for us; we fail many times to give the word of appreciation until it is too late, then we have a rude awakening. There are many other lines on which we might write, but one more thing we might ask: "Have we paid our obligations to humanity during the past year?"

The apostle expressed the right thought, the thought that should concern every professed follower of Jesus, "For to me to live is Christ." Phil. 1-21. To live Christ in our every

day life is the only satisfying way. To be able to do good to them that hate us, and bless them that curse us, and pray for them that despitefully use us and persecute us, is what the Lord intended, and he it is who will enable us to perform. If this is to be our attitude toward our fellow beings, what then should our attitude be toward the Lord himself? It would seem to us that ours should be a life of total abandonment to him, then whatever comes into our lives we can say, "Praise the Lord," for "all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called of God according to his purpose." There is much of humanity about us, but God wants to clothe us with his righteousness, so that we can do the things that are pleasing to him. Let us go forth into the new year with a deeper determination to faithfully serve our God in holiness, and righteousness the balance of our earthly career, then for us to die, will be gain. A greater future is ours if we press in at the open door.

THE NEW YEAR

Beneath the moonlight and the snow
Lies dead my latest year;
The winter winds are wailing low
Its dirges in my ear.

I grieve not with the moaning wind,
As if a loss befell;
Before me, even as behind,
God is, and all is well!

His light shines on me from above,
His low voice speaks within;
The patience of immortal love,
Outwearying mortal sin.

Not mindless of the growing years
Of care and loss and pain,
My eyes are wet with thankful tears
For blessings which remain.

—Whittier

TAKING AN INVENTORY

At the close of the year, the business world closes its offices, stores and banks to the public. What are they doing? Taking an inventory. If it is necessary for the business world to take an inventory, how much more it behooves the Christian to close his doors to the outside world for a little while and get into the secret closet and take an inventory of the past year. Go over your accounts to see how they stand before God and heathendom. Have we increased or decreased in our spiritual life in sending the Gospel to the heathen. Have we taken advantage of every golden opportunity that has been granted us, or can we recall many that are lost?

All the opportunities which were granted to us during the past year are gone forever, and of the thirty-six million, five hundred thousand who have gone to their graves, two thirds are from heathen lands. Never will we have another opportunity to tell them about the Twenty-third Psalm with its green pastures and still waters, or about the Fifty-third chapter of Isaiah with its glorious story of Christ as our Substitute on the Cross and as our Intercessor before the Throne, or about the sermon on the Mount with its lofty morals and beautiful Beatitudes, or about the parable of the Prodigal Son, telling us of God's immutable love as a Father, or about the Fourteenth chapter of John with its infallible cures for troubled hearts, or about

the Twenty-first chapter of Revelations which gives us a panoramic view of the Celestial City whose Builder and Ruler is God, where no pain or sickness can enter: No crepe on the door knob is seen, where earth's sorrows and cares are forgotten, and no tempter to annoy, no parting words ever spoken, and where there is nothing to hurt or destroy.

Oh, beloved, we must work the works of Him who has redeemed us while it is day, the night cometh when no man can work.

I praise God for the golden opportunities He has granted me during the past year, and the way He has helped me to take advantage of them. I have seen souls start for Christ in the railroad trains, automobiles, steamboats, street meetings and churches, and I find that God is no respecter of places. Truly, His convicting Spirit is omnipresent. I have seen approximately five hundred souls start for Christ during the past year, and the end is not yet. Hallelujah!—W. F. Miller in Oriental Missionary Standard.

HOW STANDS THE ACCOUNTS?

It is customary in the business affairs of life to balance accounts occasionally. These balancings often make some startling revelations. In the business of the Christian life there should never be any very great length of time allowed to pass without making the most careful investigation of all the accounts. The gains and losses connected with every department of the business should be frequently and closely figured. All parts of the business found to be unprofitable, however desirable and pleasing they may seem to be, should at once be closed out.

Reader, what do you find upon an investigation of the record of the year now passing out? Are you involved in any bad investments? If so, cease at once your present relations thereto. Do not wait for the first of the new year to bring yourself into right relations with all your religious responsibilities. The new year may never come to you. What thou shouldest do, do; and what thou shouldest do, do quickly. The success or failure of a whole life often depends upon the decision of an hour.

How stands your account with God? Does it show faithfulness through all the responsibilities of the past year? Have you entered the open doors to usefulness as you have been enabled to see them? Have you turned a deaf ear to the suggestions of the enemy? Have you abhorred evil? Have you been enabled to constantly cleave to that which is good? Are the clouds all gone from your moral sky? Are all your business affairs with the Lord so satisfactorily adjusted, that, should the Master come as a thief in the watches of to-night, he would find you ready? If not, what reckoning do you make of your use of the opportunities afforded you during the past year? Do you count it a success, or a failure? Are you ready to face the transactions of the past year just as they now stand?

"THE OLD YEAR AND THE NEW"

The New Year to which we have arrived, reminds us that the stream of Time flows swiftly on, and is rapidly bearing us to the boundless ocean of eternity. And thus will the hours, and the days, and the years roll on until we are swept away into the fathomless future, there to realize for ourselves the mysteries of an endless being, the nature of