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And an Highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The Way of Holiness.—Isa. 35-8

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CHRISTMAS

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THERE IS no time of year more sweet than Christmas. The richest and sweetest memories of our lives cluster around this hallowed season. Unfortunate indeed has been the child that has been brought up in a home where there was no spirit of Christmas.

How fitting that there should be a time above all others when we each endeavor to make someone else more happy, and to forget our own selfishness. There is need for just such a season in the busy year, and when more suitable than at the birth of our Blessed Lord? How anyone could think on this blessed event and not become more tender, more thoughtful of others, more thankful and less selfish, is hard to understand.

Of course we all know that with many, the real significance of the day is unseen, and all kinds of abuses are apparent, but that need not hinder you and me from getting all there is out of it and putting real significance into it.

The matter of giving presents is abused, when some favored child is deluged with more gifts than he can use or appreciate, while some neighbor child has an empty stocking. Real money is wasted on some pet of the family, while heathen children grope in their blindness and the cause of God languishes because of no funds to forward the work.

I sat in a room once the day after Christmas where a child was showing his toys and gifts, and I counted sixty different articles, and some of them costing several dollars. The child was surfeited and could not enjoy anything very much. I wondered what God thought of it when within a few rods could be found crying needs for money.

I once saw a widow who considered she had nothing to give to the church, but rather felt the church should help her, step up to the counter and pay six dollars for a doll for her young daughter to smash and tear to pieces, and the very next Christmas eve I saw the same woman buy another doll at nearly the same price for the

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