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PRECIOUS NAMES

There are names that are great in the annals of history, because of some great achievement or deed of valor.

There are names that are familiar in every household, because of their faith in God and their willingness to suffer for the cause they represented; we think of Luther, Wesley, Knox, Fletcher and others, who wrought mightily for truth and righteousness. These individuals no doubt looked back to proclaim the virtues of a precious mother. How many folk speak of that one who has gone as my precious mother. No name so dear in the human family as mother. It carries a weight of significance because there is associated with it the qualities that made it so; Love, sympathy, suffering, patience, sacrifice, these are all found in that precious name, mother. The white flower is a beautiful tribute to those precious mother's departed, who sacrificed so much of time and comfort, to help us to right choices and lasting enjoyment. Many have sacrificed comforts and endured hardships, that their posterity should enjoy present benefits. These mothers trusted in a Saviour who was indeed precious to them. It was in the secret place of prayer, where they poured out their hearts to Him in fervent petition, for grace and courage to face the hardships and sacrifice they endured.

Jesus is the name precious to the human race. He became sin for us, who knew no sin, that we through His suffering might become heirs of God, and joint heirs with Him, to the riches of grace.

In the time of anguish sorrow and pain, how many times we have heard that expression fall from lips, precious Jesus, why? Because there was a confidence deep down in the heart, a reliance on that One who could and does give help in every time of need, so that sacrifice became a delight.

DO THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES PRESAGE THE END OF THE GOSPEL AGE?

I am afraid a great section of the Church has lost its glorious vision of the returning Christ; and who doubt the power of the God of Daniel to see the end from the beginning; also the words of II. Peter 1:16-21: "For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eye witnesses of his majesty. For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory. This is my beloved Son, in whom

I am well pleased. And this voice which came from Heaven we heard when we were with him in the holy mount. We have also a more sure word of prophecy: whereunto ye do well that ye take heed as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts."

Also II. Peter 3:3-18, "Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts; and saying, Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation."

If this is not enough evidence, please read Paul's II. letter to Timothy, Ch. III.: "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their ownselves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemous, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy. Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, inconsistent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof; from such turn away." Also read II. Thess. 2 chap. Please have patience and I will offer just one more passage at present: Luke 21:24-37, "And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations; and Terusalem shall be trodden down by the Gentiles, until times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars, distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth; for the powers of heaven (or governments) shall be shaken. "And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

"And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. 'Verily I say unto you, this generation shall not pass away till all be fulfilled.'" These are a few prophecies, wherein the church should take heed, as to a light shining in a dark world (I. Thess. 5:8 verse).

"For when they shall say, "Peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day; we are not of the night, nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober." To all who say, there is nothing in prophesy, I would advise, take heed, for he who revealed his will in old times, by his prophets and apostles, is at this time speaking in tones of thunder today; to all who will hear and believe; and who prophesied of these days, also prophesied. Rev. 18th and 19th ch. and 21 ch. 8th verse.

It is very unsafe to presume on God's word, lest we hear that dread voice from heaven, "Oh Church of God to thee it is spoken, thy glory has departed from thee. The handwriting is on the wall, and the soothsayers are frankly puzzled; Daniel knows his God, and trusts him; and praise be to his holy name; God knows and trusts his Daniel.

Trusting you will publish this for Christ's sake, I remain,

Your humble servant, of the year ALLEN S. BRAWN

Young People's Column

LETTING OUR LIGHTS SHINE

Let your lights so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Matt. 5:16.

When we feel our need of God and confess to Him our past, our eyes are opened and things look different. Old things pass away and all things become new.

We realize what a great sacrifice it was for our Saviour to come to earth and give His life a ransom that we might be saved. For one who has been so unselfish we are glad to let our lights shine and walk so close to His side that the people will see we are following the meek and lowly Nazarene.

When we are tested and tried we can go to Jesus and unload our cares on Him. For the word says "Casting all your care upon Him; for Me careth for you." 1 Peter 5:7.

In doing this we receive strength to let our lights shine before an unfriendly world, which someone has said, "Is reading our lives more than their Bibles."

It encourages our hearts as Young People to know we have One to go to who understands, and proves at all times a never failing friend.

We see many about us becoming discouraged, but if we trust Jesus and talk to Him often and read the Book He has left us to be our guide, we shall not become discouraged, for in so doing we shall receive strength to keep continually pressing on, remembering the words of the great apostle who said "Forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Phil. 3:15, 14.

We are sometimes looked upon as radical and when things are said that hurt we can show the spirit of Jesus and let our lights shine. Jesus was despised and rejected so we as his followers must expect the same.

It is a wonderful experience to have the consciousness of being ready and have Jesus for a guide. He truly is a wonderful Saviour and I want to be one of the lights that will show forth the love of Jesus and help to influence some soul to accept Him.

We as Young People of the Reformed Baptist Denomination hold up a high standard. Instead of becoming discouraged and letting things of the world creep in, we shall press on and be witnesses for Him.

Let us as Young People beware of the danger which befell the foolish virgins. For Scripture records, that when the bridegroom came their lights had gone out.

Let us press on that we may be numbered among those who had their lamps trimmed and burning, ready for the coming of the bridegroom. If we live in this relationship we shall be able to let our lights shine before men, and they will glorify our father which is in Heaven.

Your sister in Christ,

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The Gospel of Christ is the only hope for the world. Any plan for the salvation of mankind, for the peace, progress and prosperity of the human race, which leaves Christ out, is fore-doomed to failure. Therefore to "preach the Gospel to every creature" is the imperative duty of Christian men and women everywhere, and is the greatest service which any one can render to humanity.—World Dominion.