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EDITORIAL

KINDNESS

"For He is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil." Luke 6:35.

The above words are from the teachings of our Lord in what is commonly called the "sermon on the mount". In his teaching there, he has been telling his disciples to do some things which are very difficult to do. In fact they are impossible for any one to do without the grace of God. Take for instance verses 27 and 28, "Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you. Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you." Who can do those things, before God has done something for him? There is enough in the above words in the teachings of Jesus, to convince any man, who will be convinced, of his need of a clean heart. The apostle Paul writes. "The carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God neither indeed can be". Rom. 8. Hence, until that evil principle has been cleansed away by the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit men will find it almost, if not quite impossible, to "Love their enemies and to bless those who curse them. But Jesus commands us to do these things, and he expects us to do so. And the reason that he gives for these commands is found in our text, viz, "God is kind to the unthankful and to the evil." So if we profess to be his children, there ought to be a strong family resemblance to our father in our lives. I think that one of the most beautiful graces of the christian life, or of any person's life, is kindness. It is true that it is much easier for some folk to be kind than it is for others. Some are blessed by being born with a kindly disposition, and find it easy to forgive others and to be kind to them. And those persons cannot understand how hard it is for some others who are born with an unforgiving disposition and with a strong aversion to kindness, to forgive their enemies and to be kind to them. But God will sanctify the heart and give grace to all, to be kind to others even to our enemies as our Lord commanded. It does not require any grace to be kind to those who are kind to us. Just human nature alone will do that. But the proof of grace is, that we are kind to the unthankful and the evil, and that we love our enemies. I believe that kindness will help to win men to God when nothing else will. And the man that is down is the one who needs our help above all men. It is a very mean, unchristian-like disposition that jumps on a man when he is down and refuses to let him get up, or to let others

help him up. It does not take much of a man to hold another down, after the enemy has defeated him. But it does take a real man with a heart of kindness, and christian love, to lift a fallen brother up again. There are far too many priests and Levites, who go and look at the man who fell among thieves, and they uncover his wounds again, and go on their way and tell others about what they saw and heard, but do nothing to help the wounded man. And there are altogether too few Samaritans who have compassion on the afflicted and are trying to help them to get on their feet again. I have been sorry about a great many things that I have done in the past. But I have never been sorry for being kind, to anyone. I have been sorry many times because I have not been more kind to the unthankful and the evil. We don't have to justify men in wrong doing, we can go to them and reprove them, but do it in a kindly spirit, as the word commands. "Restore such an one in the spirit of meekness, considering thyself lest thou also be tempted." Gal. 6:1. But let us refrain from unkind back-biting which never helps anyone, not even the one who does it.

"Down in the human heart crushed by the tempter feelings lie buried that grace can restore, touched by a loving heart, awakened by kindness, chords that were broken will vibrate once more."

OUR DEAD

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord." Revelation 13:14.

One of the oldest members of our denomination, in the person of Rebecca Cann, passed away from this life, Wednesday evening, March 28th, 1934, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur D. Cook, Gardner's Mill, Yarmouth Co., N. S., in her 87th year.

Sister Cann had the misfortune to fracture her hip in a fall a little over a year ago, but had quite recovered so that she was able to go about the house. Converted early in life, she was an ardent Christian and seeker after truth. She was one of the few who were sanctified before hearing it definitely preached, and became a charter member of the Reformed Baptist Church at Brazil Lake, N. S. She had kept the richness and fullness of the blessing during the passing years.

She leaves to mourn her loss, four daughters, Mrs. Charles Sollows, Port Maitland, N. S., Mrs. Arthur D. Cook, Gardner's Mills, N. S., Mildred V. Cann, Lynn, Mass., Grace V. Cann of Gardner's Mill, also nine grand children, three great grand children, besides a large circle of other relatives and a host of friends.

The funeral was held on Saturday March 31st, with a short service at the home at 1:00 p. m. after which the body was taken to the church at Brazil Lake, where a service was held, the writer officiating, assisted by Rev. Mr. Gordon and Norman E. Trafton.

There were several beautiful floral tributes, silent yet fragrant testimonies of the love and esteem in which she was held. Interment was in the cemetery close by the church.

P. J. TRAFTON

The death of Mrs. Alice Main of Hersey, occurred at the Madigan Hospital, Houlton, Maine, March 19. Mrs. Main was fifty-five years old, and leaves to mourn three sons, and two daughters: Frank of Beverly, Mass.; Mrs. Stora Emmett, of Crystal, Maine; Russell, Melvin and Mrs. Eugene Brewster, of Hersey; two sisters, Mrs. Thomas Mills of Vanceboro, Maine, and Mrs. Fred DeWhitt, of McAdam, N. B.

Funeral services were held in the Baptist church at Island Falls, Maine, conducted by the writer.

REV. P. W. BRIGGS

The death of Tart Dickinson occurred at his late home, Meductic, N. B., March 19th after a lingering illness of several years. Brother Dickinson had passed the eighty-fourth milestone.

Some twelve years ago he was converted and united with the Reformed Baptist Church in the village here and held true to the end.

He is survived by his widow, who untiringly attended to his needs until the end, and three sons and eight grand-children.

The funeral was held on Wednesday the 21st with prayers at the house at 1.30 followed by a service in the Reformed Baptist Church, conducted by the writer and assisted by the Revs. Mr. Warden and Cecil Grant.

To the sorrowing ones we extend sympathy.

S. A. MULLEN

YOUR LAST WARNING

The Wages of Sin is Death

What a chance to preach a sermon and a word of warning given
To the youth starting on life's pathway which leads to Hell or Heaven.
There is a guide for each Path and it is for you to choose—
One will lead to Glory; follow the other, you are sure to lose.

As you stand upon the scaffold, death staring you in the face
You should give a solemn warning to the living human race.
To shun the ways of evil—go the straight and narrow way
For all who serve the devil will receive the devil's pay.

Which is trouble, crime and sorrow and a life of blight.
You will surely be a loser in life's all important fight.
Satan offers fancy wages and interest beside,
But ask his life-long followers, if they are satisfied.

With deceit and broken promises which he never means to fill
His business here on earth is to butcher and to kill.
He may sow the seed of sin in the heart when young and tender
And will rob you of your Heavenly Home which you should have up yonder.

The seed of sin at first may be very small,
But it will grow like a bay tree, then upon you fall,
Then you can cry and scream until your throat is sore
But the Holy Judge will say that your chance for life is o'er.

He said that you had warning to keep to the right,
But you were determined to rebel, kick and fight.
Once in the devil's clutches which are hard to get apart;
He has many ways to temper and harden the human heart.

And you are apt to listen, no matter what it costs
You may learn to your sorrow that he is a cruel boss;
And the better that you serve him the more trouble you'll get in,
Because he is a liar and the father of wicked sin.

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