

The King's Highway

An Advocate of Scriptural Holiness

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

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THE WORLD'S HEART CRY

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We are told that a thousand million heathen are marching from the cradle to the grave, without God, without hope and without salvation. How appalling! We cannot believe for a moment that this vast multitude are satisfied to live in such midnight darkness, for there is something in the human heart that yearns after better things. This yearning or heart-cry, is for something they cannot explain; it is surely for the Living God, and for the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Their idols made with hands, without life, gives poor satisfaction to that down-trodden race of slaves, for whom Christ died.

We cannot begin to comprehend the greatness of our God. He knows every language; He understands every dialect; He hears every heart cry; and sees the deep hunger of the soul, while His great heart of love goes out to them in pity. He wants to save every one, so in the Divine plan. God has commissioned His servants to carry or send them the glad tidings of salvation.

The words of a heathen woman should stir us. She said "Tell your people how fast we are dying and ask them if they cannot send the Gospel faster". A Bible woman said to me one day in Africa, "Nhosikazi, do all the white people across the great waters serve the Lord?" I almost blushed for shame when I had to say no, they do not. Again she questioned, "Have they always known about God," and I answered yes, they have. She immediately knelt down on the stone floor of our kitchen, and with tears streaming down her cheeks, prayed most earnestly for the white people who knew about her loving Father, yet did not serve Him.

When we meet people who say they are not interested in Foreign Missions, for there are enough heathen at home, or "we do not believe in sending money so far away," our hearts are pained, for we realize they have not visualized the great need of the foreign work, even if they do profess to be children of God. How mean these excuses will appear in the last great day.

Existing conditions in our so-called Christian lands, are most deplorable, thousands are as destitute of eternal life as the heathen are. Therefore Home and Foreign Missions must go hand in hand. When the home work is neglected, the foreign work suffers; how important then it is to keep the home fires burning, as it were. New fields must be opened up; new interest awakened, and new work established. This comes by waiting upon the Lord with much prayer and supplication in behalf of lost souls.

Every church should be a Missionary church in order to carry out the Master's command, of evangelizing the world.

It is heart-breaking to hear of consecrated workers, who have spent the best part of their lives in laboring for their Heavenly Father, being recalled on their meagre salaries cut to a minimum, while souls are perishing for the Bread of Life.

When more people will deny themselves of some luxuries, or give more of the money they are spending on the pleasures of the world, the home and foreign work will both advance faster; for they are equally important. Then more souls will be saved; God will be glorified, and Heaven will rejoice.

"Dusky hands are reaching for the Bread of Life
Far across the rolling sea;
Shall they perish in their misery and strife,
Shall they always hungry be?"

"Send the Gospel tidings over land and sea,
Let the hungry souls be satisfied,
Till the power of Jesus sets the captives free,
O lead them to the Master's side."

THE CHURCH THAT WINS

By Rev. Peter Wiseman

The church that wins is the church that has a world-vision. We mean by "a world-vision" a vision not only of a local need but of the need of the world, and the obligation involved in that need, and the possibilities of the realization of the vision in actual accomplishment by a glorious task; for a vision without a task is a dream, and a task without a vision is a drudgery; but a world-vision and a task is the hope of the world. Where there is no such vision the people perish. Blessed is the church with a world-vision!

The church that wins is the church that can rise to the challenge of the twentieth century and meet the need and demands of her young people, even on issues of life-long customs; do it in the spirit of the early Apostolic church; do it by a respect to the wish of the majority of the church, ministry and laity; do it in love; do it willingly and cheerfully, even though it may hurt; do it for Jesus' sake and the advancement of His kingdom. We must always realize that because a thing has always been in a church is not a sufficient proof that it is right. The question is, is it Scriptural? To illustrate, one church has one mode of water baptism, another church has the opposite mode. Both cannot be right in every respect re their position. Blessed is the church that can meet the challenge, and go on with God!

The church that wins is the church that in her legislative councils elects her officers and enacts legislation under the supervision of the blessed Holy Spirit, as did the early Christian church; and is, therefore, saved from religious bribery and political wire-pulling. Blessed is that church because she honours the Holy Ghost:

The church that wins is the church that realizes that her future is not assured by loyalty to orthodoxy, as may be interpreted by that church; but by the Christian spirit of faith that works by love. The ancient Jewish church stood for orthodoxy, yet she had no room for the Christ, the Redeemer of the world, when He came. Orthodoxy alone cannot save; indeed, if in the letter only it may kill. There can be no victory, and, in consequence, no future without the burning love of God in the soul. The realization that we are "saved to save", the "go ye and

disciple all nations" must be put into action. Blessed is that church

The church that wins is the church that will by a careful walk with God seek to retain her former glory while adjusting her attitudes. She realizes that a true friend, a true member, will tell the truth and do all possible to readjust matters in the light of God's word. She realizes at least she should, if she does not—that there may be those who pose as friends of a church who may support by their means and conversation, yet by their action curse that church and the cause for which she came into being; for bitterness, enmity, jealousies, inconsistent living are serious blights in church membership, either in the ministry or among the laity. In the last analysis such friends are really enemies to a holy cause. Blessed is the church who realizes her true friends, and retains her former glory!

The church that wins is the church that will refrain from dogmatizing on issues that divide the best people on earth, God's sanctified people. Realizing as she does the mystic body of Christ, the wonderful unity of that organism, with Christ as Head, she will seek by every legitimate means possible to unify in order that there may be a divine unity that will convince the world (John 17:21-23). Anyway, holiness unifies opinions and theories divide. Blessed is that church that works for unity, and as a body is united!

The church that wins is the church that is saved from sectarian bigotry. It would be amusing, if it were not so serious, to hear members of denominations talking about the sectarianism and the bigotry of other denominations, sister denominations; how they think there is no person just so good as themselves; how their church is the only church, and such like. While listening one cannot help appreciating the wish of Robert Burns, "that we might see ourselves as others see us". Blessed is the church that is loyal to its mission, yet free from carnal sectarianism; that has loyalty from her members yet can and does give to other God-ordained movements the spirit of cooperation without the paralyzing effect of bigotry; that lives in the 13th chapter of first Corinthians; shows love and not hate; that by so doing will honour God. She will do unto others as she would that they should do to her, and by doing this will help herself, and further her cause. That church wins. Blessed is that church!

The church that wins is the church that can readjust emphasis and still keep emphasis on deep spirituality; for instance in infancy of a church, in her new found experience in God; with the inspiration of a new church, the tendency is for those in office of trust, with, of course, others cooperating, to enforce upon all certain convictions, opinions and customs, which in after years may prove to have been rather unfortunate, unwise, and even detrimental. The church that readjusts such things in the spirit of Christ and through it all keeps emphasis on the great essentials, and keeps spiritual, is the church that wins. A good illustration as to how a church should deal with non-essentials is found in Acts

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