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EDITORIAL

PROPERLY ADJUSTED CHRISTIANS

"I have learned in whatsoever state I am therewith to be content." Phil. 4-11.

We hear much these days about proper adjustments, that is having things properly adjusted so as to get the best service and satisfaction. And to make things run smoothly we need proper adjustments in business, in social, and domestic life. When considering machinery mechanics know that if any machine is to do its best work it must be properly adjusted. We hear of watches that are adjusted to all positions, and temperatures and hence are reliable timekeepers and very satisfactory. Now what is true concerning the ordinary things in life is also true concerning Christians; if they would run steadily, be successful, please God and make the goal which is heaven hereafter, they need to be properly adjusted.

Perhaps there is no better example of a properly adjusted Christian on record than the great apostle Paul. In addition to the words at the beginning of this article he also wrote, "I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: everywhere and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:12-13. We notice also that in his letters to the churches as he introduces himself we find him in a variety of positions. Sometimes he introduces himself as an apostle of Jesus Christ, sometimes as a servant of Jesus Christ, and in writing to Philemon he introduces himself as the prisoner of Jesus Christ. Now it would seem that there is quite a difference between being an apostle, a man holding an important position endowed with special apostolic gifts, able to lay hands on the sick and heal them, and to convey the Holy Ghost to believers, and to raise the dead, etc., and in being a prisoner confined to a cell, deprived of one's liberty and perhaps with no hope of anything better in the future to look forward to than a tragic death which was the apostle's experience; but herein is where he showed that he was properly adjusted to all positions in life, he had learned to be content whether he was an apostle, a servant, or a prisoner.

Some good folks will do very well, run quite steady if you keep them in a place of responsibility or leadership, but they don't like team work, or just serving in ordinary places in the Lord's work on a level with other people. I have known some to take a rule, or ruin attitude. They would boss the church, have their own way, or ruin the work so that no one else

could do anything. Some other good folk would do very well in the church as long as they had a chance to be active, and feel that they were doing something that could be seen; but should they be overlooked and not given much work to do, or if they should be laid aside through illness so they were not able to do active work or shut in, or imprisoned so to speak by circumstances, they would sometimes yield to discouragement and perhaps suffer defeat or a lapse of faith.

Now it is very obvious that Christian people need spiritual adjustments so that they can feel that they are in God's will all the time and in the place that God would have them or at least in the place that God permits them to be. Whether it is a place of leadership, or just ordinary service, or that they are confined to home or bed through illness or weakness of body, or because of circumstances they are greatly hindered from doing all they would for Jesus. To feel that they are prisoners, and yet prisoners of Jesus Christ not of the enemy or of circumstances; but because Jesus wills it so. The great apostle never gave the enemy credit for being able to make him a prisoner. He was always the prisoner of Jesus. Some one has said:

"Life sometimes seems to hem us in as by prison walls. It may be by some physical affliction, or by invalidism, or by poverty, or in some other way. But there is truth in the old lines, "Stone walls do not a prison make, nor iron bars a cage." There is a way of escape. The Apostle Paul in a Roman dungeon was able to share in the pastoral labors of young Timothy and to bless millions in his own and later centuries who would never hear his voice. John Bunyan in Bedford jail accompanied Christian in his journey from the Village of Destruction to the Celestial City. Stevenson from his invalid's couch roamed the far corners of the earth and saw things which he described for the pleasure of countless readers. Circumstances may hem us in, but they cannot permanently imprison us so long as we hold on to courage and faith. us so long as we hold on to courage and faith."

When Madam Guyon was imprisoned in the Bastille for her faith in the word and testimony to salvation from sin, while being deprived of her freedom she expressed herself in the following words:

"A little bird I am,
Shut in from the fields of air;
And in my cage I sit and sing
To Him who placed me there—
Well pleased a prisoner to be,
Because my God it pleaseth thee."

If we would know how to make these spiritual adjustments let us go to Paul's epistle to the Romans, chapter 12:1-2, "I beseech you therefore brethren by the mercies of God that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice holy, acceptable unto God which is your reasonable service, etc., that we may prove what is that good and acceptable, and perfect will of God." A complete consecration of ourselves to God, and faith in the atoning blood and the promises of God for the cleansing of our hearts, will bring the baptism with the Holy Spirit on our souls or inner life which will be the greatest factor in making properly adjusted Christians.

Humor is an effective weapon for disarming hostility.

The man without purpose lives on, but he enjoys not life.

Life is a succession of lessons, which must be lived to be understood.

OBITUARY

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

Mrs. John Arnold

The Reformed Baptist Denomination has suffered the loss of one of its oldest and most highly esteemed members when on Nov. 3rd at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Short, Brown's Flat, Kings Co., N. B., Mrs. John Arnold, at the advanced age of 91 years, passed to be with Jesus.

With faculties well retained till near the last, Sister Arnold enjoyed meeting her friends, among whom were many who attended the Beulah Camp-meeting each year. The deceased was an esteemed member of the church at Woodstock where she spent most of her life, and where the funeral services were held from the home of her son, Guy, on Thursday, Nov. 5th, with interment at the Methodist Cemetery.

Besides those already mentioned there are left to mourn, one daughter, Mrs. E. E. King of California, and one sister, Mrs. F. H. Hale of Vancouver, B.C.

The pastor of the Reformed Baptist Church, Rev. L. T. Sabine, conducted the services, speaking from the words, "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints". The singing was rendered by members of the choir.

To those who feel the loss of a dear one, the church and friends extend sympathy.

LENDING LIBRARY, DISTRICT NO. 1

Books received and accepted by Committee as on October 1st, 1936:

- Around the Tea Table (Dr. Talmage)
- Barabbas (Marie Corelli)
- Ben Hur (Lew Wallace)
- The Bank of Faith (William Huntingdon)
- The Christ of the Gospels (H. C. Morrison)
- The Christ of the Mount (E. Stanley Jones)
- The Christ of the Indian Road (E. Stanley Jones)
- Christ and Human Suffering (E. Stanley Jones)
- Christ of Every Road, or Studies in Pentecost (E. Stanley Jones)
- David (Agnes Scott Kent)
- Fifty Missionary Stories (Belle M. Brain)
- Gold and Spices (Wm. G. Findlay)
- His Brother's Keeper (Charles M. Sheldon)
- In His Steps (Charles M. Sheldon)
- Life Sketches and Sermons (Rev. H. C. Morrison)
- Lectures to Young Men (Henry Ward Beecher)
- Overcoming the World (Charles M. Sheldon)
- Pilgrim's Progress (Bunyan)—four copies
- Story of Mary Jones and Her Bible—two copies
- Sunshine and Smiles (Bud Robinson)
- Stephen—A Soldier of the Cross (Florence M. Kingsley)
- Touching Incidents and Remarkable Answers to Prayer (Shaw)
- Taylor, Hudson (Broomhall)
- Truths that Transfigure (George B. Kulp)
- Uncle Tom's Cabin (Harriet Beecher Stowe)
- Work of Faith Through George Muller (two copies)
- Williams, Richard—Patagonian Missionary (Hamilton)

There is a courtesy of the heart; it is allied to love. From it springs the purest courtesy in the outward behaviour.

There is no happiness for him who oppresses and persecutes; no, there can be no repose for him. For the sighs of the unfortunate cry for vengeance to heaven.—Pestalozzi.