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EDITORIAL

In our last editorial on "Revivals," by some mistake in the printing office, a line or two was left out, near the conclusion of the article, which seemed to take some of the teeth out of it, and made it sound rather weak. This is what we wanted to say, in the last paragraph: "But if we do not have revivals our boys and girls, for whom Christ died, and for whom we have prayed will be lost, and many of our church members will become Luke-warm, or cold, and backslide. And there will be nothing left but the dead gray ashes of profession, where once there glowed fires of spiritual fervor and power, and God will spue us out of His mouth. 'Lord teach us to pray'."

Since writing these articles we picked up a book on prayer, by Dr. R. A. Torrey. Some things he said in that book helps to confirm us in our opinion, that the great need of our time, to bring about revivals is more men and women who really give themselves to prayer. We will quote here a few things which Dr. Torrey writes in his book:

"Mr. Moody's wonderful work in England and Scotland and Ireland that afterwards spread to America had its origin on the manward side in prayer. Mr. Moody made little impression until men and women began to cry to God. Indeed his going to England at all was in answer to the importunate cries to God of a bedridden saint. While the spirit of prayer continued the revival abode in strength, but in the course of time less and less was made of prayer and the work fell off very perceptibly in power. Doubtless one of the great secrets of the unsatisfactoriness and superficiality and unreality of many of our modern so-called revivals, is that more dependence is put upon man's machinery than upon God's power, sought and obtained by earnest, persistent, believing prayer. We live in a day characterized by the multiplication of man's machinery and the diminution of God's power. The great cry of our day is work, work, work, new organizations, new methods, new machinery; the great need of our day is prayer. It was a master stroke of the devil, when he got the church so generally to lay aside this mighty weapon of prayer. The devil is perfectly willing that the church should multiply its organizations, and deftly contrive machinery for the conquest of the world for Christ if it will only give up praying. He laughs as he looks at the church today and says to himself: 'You can have your Sunday schools and Young People's Societies, your Young Men's Christian Associations and your Women's Christian Temperance Unions, your Institutional churches and your Industrial Schools, and your Boys' Bri-

gades, (and we would add, your Boy Scouts and Girl Guides and C.G.I.T.'s and Christmas programs), your brilliant preachers and revival efforts too, if you don't bring the power of Almighty God into them by earnest, persistent, believing, mighty prayer. Prayer could work as marvelous results today as it ever could, if the church would only betake itself to it."

Of course it should begin first in the pulpits of our land. Every preacher should become an intercessor, and feel like the apostles of old who said, "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ as though God did beseech you by us: We pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God," II Cor. 5:20. And again they said, "It is not reason that we should leave the word of God and serve tables," etc. "We will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the Word", Acts 2-4. Note brethren, these words, "give ourselves continually to prayer." I am wondering how many of those who read these lines will do this, until we can become intercessors to stand in the breach.

Rev. Samuel Chadwick writing on the importance of prayer, says: "The conviction deepens that the supreme need of the Church is the spirit and habit of prayer. There are many other needs. There is need of laborers and of friends, of wisdom, and of reform, of simplicity and of friendliness, but the need of prayer transcends them all. There is no substitute for prayer, but to prayer all things are possible. This is a truism of the Christian faith. Nobody denies it. All history confirms it. If only the people of God could be baptized into a passion for prayer, life would quicken, miracles would return, souls would be saved and coffers would overflow." "Lord teach us to pray."

Well Christmas time is here again and the editor of The King's Highway wants to thank all those who have contributed articles for our columns, and have sent in renewals and new subscribers, and thereby have helped us in our work. And to all our readers we want to say we wish you a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

H. S. D.

CORRESPONDENCE

North Head, N.B.

Dear Highway Readers:

Just a line at this time by way of a brief report of our Anniversary services held Nov. 7-11th inclusive.

Our speakers were, Rev. H. C. Archer, Rev. F. A. Dunlop and Rev. B. C. Cochrane. We were pleased to have these brethren with us, and can truly say that every message was preached with God's blessing accompanying it.

The Anniversary service on Thursday evening was interesting and impressive. Bro. Redmond, our faithful clerk, read a detailed report of the church history in the last fifty years. We greatly appreciated the work done in connection with this.

Something also of note we feel to mention is the fact that Sister Naves has been our church organist for thirty-five years of faithful service. May God reward her for it.

We were sorry that Bro. L. C. Watt was unable to attend this service, being the only charter member living. Remember him dear ones in your prayers.

Rev. H. C. Archer brought the Anniversary sermon. His text was, "I thank God and took courage", Romans 28:15. This was a very encouraging and blessed message.

Bro. Dunlop gave us the closing message Sunday evening from text Matthew 23:33. "How can we escape the damnation of Hell?" Four

souls knelt for pardon at the close of this forceful sermon, for which we thanked God.

The church as a whole seemed to get new strength and blessing and we are trying by God's grace to help make it a church that will stand for Holiness in the next fifty years, if Jesus carries.

Yours in His service,

REV. G. A. DeLONG

St. Andrews, December, 1939

Dear Highway Friends:

Christmas Greetings:

As the old year is passing away, I am reminded of my yearly letter to you.

Trust you are all enjoying a measure of physical health, and spiritual strength "as your day." No doubt you have had your testings, sorrows and joys as well as myself, and found the grace of God sufficient for every emergency.

I spent seven weeks at Beulah after the Camp Meeting, in Eugene's cottage, with a niece and her young son for company, which made it pleasant for me, as well as associating with old friends. Brother H. C. Archer carried on the services with some assistance of brother ministers. He was ever busy and preached the Word in its fulness; our souls were edified and greatly blessed under his ministry.

I left Beulah in August to visit a dear heart-broken widow at her old home in Jemseg. We had beautiful fellowship together.

While there I had the pleasure of supplying two Sunday services for the U. B. pastor, Dr. Greenwood, assisted him in two communion services and spoke at their missionary meeting. At my first service, five men and women stood, requesting prayers of God's people.

Then, I gave chloroform for a doctor to a patient that had been bitten by a poisonous spider—she suffered greatly and at one time we despaired of her life; after three months she can only keep about the house a little.

I went to Fredericton with my friend for a few weeks, until she moved to an apartment. Called on old friends and attended a meeting of the W. C. T. U. after which I went to Keswick for a week end, then on to Millville where I had about two weeks with my only sister and her family. On my way home I had two days in Woodstock and found Mrs. Baker much improved in health; was glad to see other friends also, reaching here via St. Stephen, after an absence of five months, having enjoyed the association of old friends and made new ones, of whom I learned to love.

And now, regardless of world conditions, let us be of good courage, pray much and be of service to others.

The Prince of Peace still lives and reigns.

May His peace abide with each of you during this glad Christmas season and throughout the New Year.

The Lord bless you.

Lovingly,

IDA M. KEIRSTEAD

Beals, Maine

Dear Brother Dow:

Enclosed find check for two years subscription to the King's Highway. We thank God for the gift of His dear Son Jesus, who gave His life for us and has delivered us from the bondage of sin. Praise His name.

Your brother,

C. H. BEAL