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### EDITORIAL

From whence come wars? James 4-1. James not only asks this question, but he answers it, and tells us where wars originate, namely, in the hearts of men, who lust for power and territory. How true are the apostles' words today: Ye lust and have not, ye kill and desire to have, and cannot obtain, ye fight and war, etc.

The words of Jeremiah of old come forcibly to our minds now as we think of the possibility of another awful war. He said the heart of man is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked who can know it. It is terrible to see how lightly human lives are held by men who are in power. For the sake of a few acres of land they are ready to sacrifice millions of lives. That depraved nature which man became partaker of when he fell, expresses itself in every phase of life. In national, economic and domestic life. Even the religious life of our country is not free from it. The Apostle Paul found it working in the church at Corinth. He said, whereas there is among you envying, strife and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men? The greed for gain, and lust for power which is the cause of the present war as it also has been of all past wars, is an expression of that same spirit operating on a large scale which you find in political circles—social and church life, and also in the homes. People have become so accustomed to bickerings, strife and expressions of hatred in the ordinary walks of life, that no one thinks them very serious, and multitudes of people who are very much disconcerted and shocked at the thought of another war, are harboring that same spirit in their own hearts which provokes wars on a large scale and they don't seem to be disturbed at all about it. One would think that those who are so much opposed to national wars where so many lives are sacrificed would want to get rid of that spirit of hatred and murder which is in their own hearts. The inspired writer says, whoso hateth his brother is a murderer, and if he says he loves God and hates his brother, he is a liar. If the members of the professing Church of Christ would humble themselves and cry to God for deliverance from that carnal spirit which is enmity against God, and which God hates, they might have more power with God in prayer to stop the wars between nations. "Thou hypocrite first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote of thy brother's eye." Mat.

7-5. Well there is only one cure for war, and not very many seem to be seeking it.

As Dr. Jowett says: It is not leagues of nations, or international councils, nor peace conferences or scraps of paper that can outlaw or end war. These surely have been faithfully tried in recent years, since the last great war, and have failed utterly. No! they don't reach the source of trouble which is sin in the hearts of men. And for which there is only one permanent cure. The application of the fore-mentioned external remedies which our statesmen tried and hoped would prevent war, only suppressed it for a time. The cure for this internal thing called sin, which, let me say again, is the cause of war, is the cleansing power of the precious Blood of Jesus applied to men's hearts in response to their faith, and obedience to Him. Where this is done, the spirit of hatred and fight is taken away. And men beat their swords into plow-shares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

### THE MESSAGE OF THE LORD

Text: "The Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the broken hearted; to proclaim liberty to the captives and the opening of the prisons to them that are bound." Isaiah 61:1.

Isaiah is called the evangelical prophet. He was a prophet with a message, not only of the coming of a Messiah but also a message for his day and people. Truly, he was a man with a message and not as a lot of so-called prophets of today. Let us notice his message.

#### 1. A Message of Freedom.

To proclaim liberty to the captives and the opening of prisons to those that are bound. How many sin slaves there are bound with fetters held captive in sin's prison grinding in the Philistine's mill.

Slaves of lust whose bodies and minds are depraved given over to passion.

Slaves of fashion whose god is style and at its temple do they ever worship. Pride makes slaves who sell their modesty for the sake of a fad. God has for every slave of every evil habit a sin severing, bond breaking, prison opening salvation which will set the captives free. We sing of the land of the free and the home of the brave but millions are slaves to sin. But he that the Son makes free is free indeed. There has been an Emancipation Proclamation of long standing declared, signed with the Blood of the King Emanuel. Will you not make it yours?

#### 2. IT WAS A MESSAGE OF GRACE.

A transformation of beauty for ashes.

A. Beauty of grace for ashes of condemnation. Through Christ you can say there is now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus who walk not after the flesh but of the spirit.

B. Beauty of Christ's life for ashes of self life.

C. Beauty of Victory for ashes of defeat.

Are you a defeated soul? There is victory in Christ. Turn your ashes to beauty through Christ.

#### 3. A MESSAGE OF COMFORT FOR THE BROKEN HEARTED.

To bind up the broken hearted. Jesu, the good Samaritan is still able to pour oil into the broken hearts and to give joy for sadness and laughter for tears and finally bring us to a land where sighing shall flee away and God shall wipe away all tears.

#### 4. IT WAS A MESSAGE OF WARNING.

The day of Vengeance of our Lord. Reject mercy and vengeance is sure. Turn down love and love rejected turns to wrath. Sinner friend, backslider, accept God's message of hope for if you fail to vengeance is sure. Be not deceived, God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.—Victor Glenn.

### PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS

Faith teaches us to depend upon God's promises in the greatest extremities.

Responsibility can only be met by the conscientious discharge of duty.

Obedience to God always brings results and many times far beyond our highest expectations.

Obedience is economy; disobedience is expensive.

The call to go forward shows there are reasons for swift obedience as well as earnest prayer.

Walking with God means ordering the daily life under the continual sense that we are under the great Taskmaster's eye.

Walking with God implies a constant, quiet sense of the divine presence which forbids that we should ever be lonely.

The secret of all failure is our failure in secret prayer.

We are never so high as when we are on our knees.

If we would be much to God we must ask much from God.

He who prays puts, not God alone, but his spiritual life to the test.

Let us ever bear in mind that real faith not only believes that God can, but that He does answer prayer.

We can go to God for supplies in His name if we use all we get for His glory.

Prayer gives God the opportunity of speaking to us and revealing His will to us.—The Holiness Worker.

### THE WORD OF GOD . . . .

"I have worked at the Bible, prayed over the Bible, lived by the Bible for more than sixty years, and I tell you there is no book like the Bible. It is a miracle of literature, a perennial spring of wisdom, a wonder-book of surprises, a revelation of mystery, an infallible guide of conduct, and an unspeakable source of comfort. Give no heed to people who discredit it, for they speak without knowledge. It is the Word of God in the inspired speech of humanity. Read it for yourself. Read it through. Study it according to its own directions. Live by its principles. Believe its message. Follow its precepts. No man is uneducated who knows the Bible, and no man is wise who is ignorant of its teaching. Every day is begun at its open page. It lies close at hand in all my work. I never go anywhere without it, and in it is my chief joy."—Samuel Chadwick.

John Wesley: "Sanctification in the proper sense is an instantaneous deliverance from all sin, and includes an instantaneous power then given always to cleave to God."

Bishop W. F. Mallalieu: "From the very first years of my ministry to the present time I have held with Adam Clarke, Richard Watson, John Fletcher and John Wesley, that regeneration and entire sanctification are separate and distinct, one from the other, and therefore received at different times—both received by faith—and the last one the privilege of every believer as the first is of every penitent."—Sel.