

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.—1 Pet. 3:8

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DIG DEEPER

Folk have a habit of running away from difficulties in life and in nine cases out of ten they run into a set of worse conditions. A lad once asked Henry Ward Beecher if he could find him an "easy place" in which to begin his business life. Said the great preacher curtly, "I only know of one easy place in life and that's the grave." If life is getting difficult for you don't run away from where you are but dig deeper into that very spot. Re-examine and re-explore that very situation and over and over again the remedy will disclose itself, right there under your very nose. The biggest obstruction in the world is your own nose!

There is a good story in Holy Writ that can be quoted in support of this advice. The army of Israel had set out upon a very heavy campaign and found itself at last upon a barren and waterless plain. The soldiers were mad with thirst and there was no water. The leaders inquired of the Lord for advice and were told to dig ditches on that very plain. Wonderingly they carried out the advice and up through the deep trenches they dug came welling the water they so urgently required. It had been under their feet the whole time!

G. K. Chesterton in one of his essays describes amusingly how once he went out upon the South Downs of England on a sketching expedition. Seated on the Downs he suddenly discovered that he had brought with him no white chalk. There he sat deploring his negligence, his sketching held up for want of chalk. Later it dawned upon him that he was actually sitting on hills of white chalk! He was surrounded by an illimitable wealth of the very thing he believed himself to be without. He had only to dig deeper!

On the football field there is a mystical operation upon which the success of the player most intimately depends. It is called "getting your second wind." Just when you feel at your last gasp after the first heavy onslaught at the game, your body accommodates itself to the new rhythm of movement and settles down to its work. The moment of apparent defeat turns to victory. Don't let things get on top of you. Dig Deeper. As Browning says:

Sudden, the worst turns best
To the brave! —Selected.

COULD YOU "SAVE ONE"?

Some one has remarked that one's responsibility as a Christian is not to save the world but to "save one." The statement has a sharp point. You see, we generalize too much. Collectively we carry on the evangelistic enterprise and the missionary program; we keep the church open for those who want to come; we pray for the world but as individuals we do not bother to "save one."

Note that Andrew found Peter and "he brought him to Jesus," and "Philip findeth Nathanael" and brought him to Jesus.

Of course it seems so small to bring one when

we remember the millions in need of saving. But let us remember that the fault is just here. We shall not do much toward saving the world until the individual Christians each "save one." We are lost in the maze of lofty ambitions which overlook the very means of accomplishing the thing we desire.

If any preacher should in a hundred sermons and prayer-meeting talks get his people possessed of the "save one" idea and if each of these people should save one each year and if each of those thus saved should save one, that church would have a growth and usefulness beyond any one's hopes. Is it too simple to try?—Selected.

OUR NEEDS

We Need—

Faith, lest we feel that God can not fulfil His promises.

Courage, lest we feel that the enemy will win the battle after all.

Vision, lest we are satisfied with little things and God's second or third best for us.

Loyalty, lest we get the notion that the house of God is open for our entertainment.

Convictions, lest we become jelly-fish-like and good for nothing, a sort of a "good God and good devil" individual, you know.

Love, lest we become unkind and unchristian, perhaps even trying to force others to our opinions rather than show them the "more excellent way."

Integrity, lest the temptation prove too much for us.

Grace from God, out of which can come in abundant supply all remedies for character and defects.—The Sky Pilot.

PRACTICAL

True holiness will manifest itself perhaps more clearly in making a prayer. It leads its possessor to look out for the interests of another, as well as his own. It does not take advantage of the weakness or ignorance of others. It deals as honorably with a woman or a child as with a keen, experienced man of business. Job, in maintaining before his fellow men his integrity, says: "I was eyes to the blind, and feet was I to the lame." (Job. 29:15). Where one with whom he was dealing could not see an advantage that of right belonged to him, and Job could, he made it known to him. The holiness that does not lead to the strictest integrity in all business matters is of no value whatever, as far as saving the soul is concerned. It is altogether spurious. It has not the seal of God upon it. One who has true holiness has ingrained in his very being the rule laid down by our Savior: "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets."—The Sky Pilot.

Mothers, keep praying for your boys. Your prayers will follow them after you are gone and your dead faces will come up before them.

CALL FOR WITNESSES

Frances Ridley Havergal

One day Frances received in a letter a tiny book with the title "All for Jesus." She read it carefully. Its contents arrested her attention. It set forth a fullness of Christian experience and blessing exceeding that to which she had as yet attained. She was gratefully conscious of having for many years loved the Lord and delighted in his service; but there was in her experience a falling short of the standard, not so much of a holy walk and conversation as of uniform brightness and continuous enjoyment in the divine life. "All for Jesus" she found went straight to this point of the need and longing of her soul. Writing in reply to the author of the little book she said: "I do so long for deeper and fuller teaching in my own heart; 'All for Jesus' has touched me very much. I know I love Jesus, and there are times when I feel such intensity of love to Him that I have not words to describe it. I rejoice, too, in Him as my 'Master' and 'Sovereign,' but I want to come nearer still, to have the full realization of John 14:21, and to know 'the power of His resurrection' even if it be with the fellowship of his sufferings. And all this, not exactly for my own joy alone, but for others. So I want Jesus to speak to me, to say 'many things' to me, that I may speak for Him to others with real power. It is not knowing doctrine, but being with Him, which will give this."

God did not leave her long in this state of mind. He Himself had shown her that there were "regions beyond" of blessed experience and service; had kindled in her very soul the intense desire to go forward and possess them; and now, in His own grace and love, He took her by the hand and led her into the goodly land. A few words from her correspondent on the power of Jesus to keep those who abide in Him from falling, and on the continually present power of His blood ("the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin") were used by the Master in effecting this. Very joyously she replied: "I see it all, and I have the blessing."

Some time afterward, in answer to my question, when we were talking quietly together, Frances said: "Yes it was on Advent Sunday, December 2nd, 1873, I first saw clearly the blessedness of true consecration. I saw it as a flash of electric light, and what you see you can never unsee. There must be full surrender before there can be full blessedness. God admits you by the one into the other. He Himself showed me all this most clearly. You know how singularly I have been withheld from attending all conventions and conferences; man's teaching has consequently had but little to do with it. First, I was shown that 'the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin,' and then it was made plain to me that He who had thus cleansed me had power to keep me clean; so I just utterly yielded myself to Him and utterly trusted Him to keep me."

"I would distinctly state, that it is only as and

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