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EDITORIAL

PAUL'S CHARGE TO PREACHERS

He that heaven is all.

Preach the world, II. Tim. 4-2

We get some idea of the importance which the Holy Spirit attaches to His word, and also of the responsibility which the man assumes who undertakes to preach it, by the solemnity of the charge which the great apostle delivers to Timothy. Note, the preceding verse: I charge thee therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead, at His appearing, and His kingdom. Preach the word. Notice, please, the solemn charge is made in the presence of God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,, and the Judgment will take place at the appearing of Jesus or when He comes back

The apostle tells Timothy why he delivers this most solemn charge to him. See the following verse: "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine." It is believed by a great many religious workers that the time is already here when people generally do not want to hear the plain, simple preaching of the whole gospel which the apostle calls sound doctrine, and many preachers knowing this, are trying to give the people what they want, instead of what they need. So, instead of preaching on such Bible subjects as sin, confession, the devil, depravity, the carnal mind, hell, the wrath of ·God, salvation, the atoning Blood, regeneration, sanctification, holiness ,the grace of God, the love of God, the power of God, faith, hope, and what God requires of men to fit them to serve Him here and to fit them for eternal life; the preachers are preaching on abstract themes and social service, subjects which are not vital to the salvation of men's souls, and will not convict men of their spiritual needs; and when men are not convicted of their need of salvation by the preaching of the word, they will rarely make application to Jesus for the remedy. And modernistic preaching which writes question marks over many essential doctrines of the Bible does not produce conviction in its hearers: but will rather destroy men's faith in the word of God. Some preachers will preach on some of the above named subjects, but never mention others, which are just as vital to men's spiritual needs. When the apostle wrote, Preach the word, he meant all the word. We heard a preacher speaking not long ago from a text of scripture where the apostle was exhorting Christians to holi-

ness, and it was one of those texts which very

clearly teaches that holiness is received as a second work of grace, and to our disappointment, that preacher did not even refer to the subject of holiness in his message. And the thought which came to this writer's mind then, was something like this: Well, if that is the kind of preaching that our people are listening to, I don't wonder that there are not more seekers after the experience of heart holiness. Paul said, so we preached and so ye believed. If some folk did not get under conviction and seek the experience of entire sanctification or holiness, under my preaching, I would critically examine my messages. The same apostle wrote to one church, God has called us to holiness, and I am sure that many of my readers will agree with me when I say that all preachers ought to be preaching on this subject, but especially would we expect those preachers who belong to so called holiness bodies to emphasize this great scriptural, doctrinal truth, and to strongly urge those converted, babes in Christ, to go on unto perfection. Perhaps we will say more on this subject in next issue.

JAPANESE BOMBING PLANES STOP-PED BY ANGELS

The United Church Record relates the following remarkable incident:

"Rev. A. A. Caswell, a missionary in China, gives an account of a most remarkable incident in a recent issue of the Holiness Era. He describes Dr. Charles Kimbers' experience with soldiers of both the warring nations (China and Japan). Dr. Kimbers is a veteran, having spent all his time on the mission field, and is familiar with the language and philos-

ophy of both nations. "Dr. Kimbers received two letters in the same mail, one from a Japanese and the other from a Chinese. The Japanese told of a young Japanese flier who had received orders to lead ten planes in an air attack on a defenseless Chinese city. With this commission in view, he flew toward the city, leading the other nine machines. As he approached the city, he saw before him a multitude of angels with drawn swords, blocking his way. Believing them to be only cloud formations, he flew ahead, but was stopped by these beings. He was a devoted Buddhist, but the incident made such a deep impression on him that he turned about, and his squadron followed him. It was further related in Dr. Kimbers' letter that he was executed for not carrying out orders.

"In a letter from the Chinese, an account was given of the fright the inhabitants of the defenseless city had experienced upon hearing that ten planes were coming to bombard their city. A devoted Chinese pastor had fallen upon his knees and prayed that God would somehow hinder those planes from coming. For several hours he struggled with God in prayer, until he saw the squadron approach; then suddenly he saw the leader irresolutely swerve back and forth, after which he turned back the same way he had come, followed by the other nine machines." (God does answer His people's prayers.)—Oriental Pentecost.

Since 1915 the birth rate has fallen by onethird. As a result of this, in New York the elementary schools have lost 150,000 pupils during the past ten years; and last year the high school enrollment for the first time showed a shrinkage.—Signs of the Times.

CORRESPONDENCE

North Head, N. B.

Dear Highway Friends:

As we are well on our way into a new year, we feel we are somewhat behind in asknowledging the wonderful way in which God has cared for us during the past year.

Through the kindness of His good people here, all our needs have been supplied. Praise His dear name! They truly have many pleas-

ant ways of caring for us.

A few months ago the women of the church had a lovely surprise party for Mrs. DeLong in the form of a birthday supper which was climaxed by a three tier birthday cake, and delicious home made ice cream. Following this, was a shower of pretty handkerchiefs and cards as well as other nice gifts.

Then at Christmas time the women met at the parsonage again and packed over thirty boxes of good things to eat, for the poor and shut-ins, after which a tree was unloaded, including gifts for each one of us from the "Ruth Class," and the same week we received a substantial purse of money from the church, much more in fact than we'd ever thought of, considering the way the fishing industry has been, etc., so we feel very much indebted to those who sacrifice for His cause, and have a great desire, year by year, to be able to more fully represent Christ to the Church and community, as our hearts were touched also in receiving gifts of money, etc., from those who are not church members at all.

We also want to thank all those who so kindly remembered us with beautiful cards.

God bless you!

Our services are real times of blessing these days. Al lthe new ones are pressing on, and our young people are growing, as they fill their places with happy hearts and faces.

This will gladden Brother Dow's heart as he certainly laboured faithfully among us, and endeared himself to our hearts, both in the home and in the church.

We can't forget the kindness of our good women then either, as our pantry shelves were never empty of good things during the revival. But we must not take any more space, this time.

God bless all the Highway family. Yours, happy in His service,

REV. G. A. AND MRS. DeLONG P. S.-We miss Sister L. C. Watt very much from our church services these days, as she is making her home at Waltham, Mass., from now on. Will those who pray, kindly remember her as she is very lonely at times.

SCATTERING THE BIBLE

A patient in the American Hospital in Turkey was given a Bible and carried it home to his Armenian village, proud of owning it. But a Moslem mullah snatched it from him, tore it in pieces and flung it into the street, where it lay until a grocer picked up the pieces to use as wrapping paper. Soon these were scattered all over the village as wrapping for cheese, olives, and other purchases. It was not long before customers began to ask the grocer if he had any more such wrap-

One day a Bible colporteur was making his rounds through Turkish provinces and was amazed to find one hundred persons eager to buy Bibles although no Christian teacher had ever been at work in that village.-Evangelical Christian. Anno Inhimsed on Jase vibnis