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## EDITORIAL

### CONCERNING THE COLLECTION

We have been asked by the president of our Foreign Mission Board to make our Easter offerings for missions the largest we have ever given. Certainly this is an appeal that will be responded to by every church and every individual. There are definite reasons why we should set a new record in Missionary contributions this year.

The need of our work was never greater or more challenging. Not that there is danger of our having to abandon the good work begun in Africa many years ago. No, the work shall continue under God, until Jesus returns for His own. But there is need of new workers. Some of the faithful workers who are now on the field need rest, and new workers must be sent out to relieve them. Moreover, the expansion of our work calls for greater financial outlay. We are fortunate in having missionaries who not only aim to keep alive the churches that have been established, but to push out beyond to open new areas and bring the gospel with all its attendant benefits to those who sit in darkness. For the establishment of new churches, schools, hospitals, etc., there is need of the most liberal contributions to the Easter Missionary Offerings that we are capable of making. God forbid that souls should be without the gospel because of our withholdings!

Not only does the need of our African call for record contributions, but present circumstances make possible our responding to the call. Money is more plentiful than it has been for many years. The financial status of most people makes it possible for them to give five dollars now as easily as they could have given two dollars ten years ago. Churches that would have staggered under a fifty dollar objective for a missionary day can now aim expectantly at seventy-five or one hundred. Other churches that in less prosperous times would regard one hundred dollars as a maximum may now go on to one hundred and fifty, two hundred or more. If every man would "give according to his ability" on Easter Sunday the total for the day would be a glad surprise to us all.

Let us heed the call that has sounded forth from Africa's shores. Let us under God, meet the challenging urge to lengthen the cords and strengthen the stakes of our

Foreign Missionary enterprise. To this most worthy cause let us one and all "give as the Lord has prospered us."

## THE GREATEST DEATH IN HUMAN HISTORY

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poster gave those great representative powers a relief. Such was the condition confronting the Christ. He lived under a dictator. He lived in the midst of caste and untouchables, hatred and cruelty. The Sinless in the midst of sin—sin of every color and degree. The Just among the unjust. There was never a day when there was so much at stake.

The leader dead! The cause lost! The hope of Israel in the tomb! Did you ever ask yourself the question, what was in that tomb, that tomb where the dead Lord was laid? Without the resurrection of the Christ, faith would be vain, the sin problem unsolved; there would be no resurrection of the human body, for He is the firstfruits of them that slept. There could be no future hope. There could be no Christianity, for Christianity could not have survived a month with a dead Christ.

Death with all its gloom! But it is dark when there is no glimmer of hope. "We trusted, yea, and certain women also of their company made us astonished, which were early at the tomb; and when they found not the body, they came saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that He was alive. And certain of them which were with us went to the tomb, and found it even so as the woman had said: but Him they saw not." There was an unknown traveler who appeared in their company and said, "O, fools and slow of heart to believe that the prophets have spoken; ought not Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory? And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, He expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself." What a fellow traveler, though unknown to them, and what a Scriptural message! This friendly Companion sought to encourage the discouraged. The friendly Companion interested in humanity's deepest need! He opened up the Scriptures. He caused their hearts to burn. It was not merely a heart warming, it was a heart burning. They were encouraged in the midst of their gloom. Yes, it was the dead Christ in the world's greatest blackout as an unknown Traveler, seeking to encourage the discouraged, seeking to help the helpless, endeavoring to carry on! Can that be so today? Was the world's Redeemer alive and they did not know it? In their helplessness and despair there was a faint glimmer of hope. Certain ones at the tomb reported that He was alive. Is that so?

Could He who stooped to the manger and became man without the aid of man, He who was evidently born of a virgin and lived a virgin life, never committed a sin, never did a wrong, never needed to offer an apology, never needed to ask for forgiveness, not even of God the Father, the Holiest among the Mighty and the Mightiest among the Holy; could He who emptied Himself of the glory which He had with the Father before the world was and became poor that we might be rich; could He who healed the sick, cleansed the lepers, gave sight to the blind, caused the lame to walk, the deaf to hear, forgave sins, filled the world with kind looks

and kisses; could He who by His word, "Peace be still," calmed the turbulent sea of Galilee, He who by the little permissive word "Go" relieved a poor helpless man of a legion of devils and left him completely whole; could He who in the chamber of death where a little girl of twelve years lay in its embrace, say, "Little darling, come forth," and she came forth; could He who showed supremacy over nature, disease, demons, sin and death, He who by raising the dead and by dying Himself conquer death; could this glorious, victorious Christ, the Redeemer and Saviour of the world—could He conquer His own tomb and rise again? Could the Christ of such triumphs in the days of His flesh now turn the tragedy of Calvary into the triumph of the resurrection? Could the Christ who in the days of His flesh conquered all powers arrayed against Him now turn the blackest of Saturday's blackouts into the brightness of a blessed Easter Sunday? What do you think? We shall see!

\*This is the first of two Easter messages contributed to The Highway by Dr. Peter Wiseman, Wilmore, Kentucky.

## THE MISSIONARY CHURCH

The church had met on an early Sunday e'en,  
There was Simeon called Niger, there was  
Lucius of Cyrene,  
There was Manaen, whose mother suckled  
Herod lately dead.  
And they gathered in the evening for the  
breaking of the bread.

Now a ship stood in the harbour, from Attalia  
it came,  
And it brought two missionaries, Paul and  
Barnabas by name,  
And they walked to church together, and they  
joined in praise and prayer,  
And they found a hearty welcome when they  
went to worship there.

For they told how God used them in a wonder-  
working way,  
How the Word proclaimed with power, found  
men ready to obey.  
How the devil had been busy; they'd been  
stoned, and left for dead,  
But the Lord had brought them home again.  
"Praise God," the people said.

For that church had sent them preaching at  
the bidding of the Lord,  
And had prayed for them each Sunday when  
it met to hear the Word,  
And the triumphs they recounted with a  
humble thankful heart  
Were the triumphs of the church at home that  
truly did its part.

When your church has come together, and  
a missionary's there,  
Do you praise the Lord for victories in which  
you've had a share?  
Are you sending forth the preachers? Are you  
praying, paying, too?  
Well, the Lord will keep you praising every  
Sunday if you do. —Selected

The Christian that does not believe in foreign missions believes that two-thirds of the earth's population should perish without hope.

How many more millions must die before the Church of God moves forward? "If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth."—Temple Evangelist.