

A friend said, "Mr. Moody, let us go to other end of the ship and pray." The evangelist replied, "Not so, Sir! We stand right here and pass buckets and pray all the time!" Moody believed that prayer and work were two things that should never be separated.—Truth.

### DOES IT PAY?

To "have a good time" at the expense of an uneasy conscience.

To lose control of temper at the expense of losing a friend.

To cheat a corporation or any one at the expense of robbing our own souls.

To go to Church on Sunday if we plan to go to the devil during the week.

To make an enemy if we can make a friend.

To conform to worldly standards and by so doing fail to be transformed into the likeness of Christ.—Truth.

### THE SECRET OF SUCCESS

Someone asked Francis of Assisi how he could accomplish so much. "This may be why," he said. "The Lord looked down from heaven and said, 'Where can I find the weakest, littlest, meanest man o'neath?' Then He saw me and said, 'I've found him. I will work through him; he won't be proud of it. He'll see I am only using him because of his insignificance.'"—The Alliance Weekly.

### IMPORTANCE OF THE HOLINESS CAMP MEETING

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As the season is here for these annual "Feasts of Tabernacles" we are reminded of their importance. No other one single agency in this nation is doing more to preserve alive the faith of our fathers among the common people than the camp meetings, whose tents are lifted under the summer's sun. They are broadcasting stations for the truth of full salvation, and a theological training school for all who attend.

Out of them come young people for the ministry at home and abroad, together with leaders in every walk of life. To let them die would be to bury orthodoxy in less than a generation. They are the only great gatherings where God's Word is fully honored and the atonement fully proclaimed. Let us take care that they hold to their original design and that they be not eclipsed by catering to ecclesiastics as special leaders for special causes, who themselves have never lifted so much as a finger to have holiness become a power in their churches, and who would, if they could, eliminate them as they are, or place them under denominational control.

Let the camp meeting be friendly to all good works, but positively free from either ecclesiastical patronage or control. Let their glad songs and shouts run on unfettered like rivers to the sea. Let no man be exalted above another only as the Holy Ghost puts upon them his own seal and approval. Keep their streams free from bigotry, compromise, narrowness, censoriousness, and full of love and undying loyalty to the truth and experience of holiness of heart and life. May God forever bless the camp meetings, their promoters, their workers, and the eager multitudes who attend them. Let this be the best season in half a century.

### THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

#### THE DIVINE COMMAND

Rev. H. S. Wilson\*

"Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward."—Ex. 14:15.

This to the children of Israel was a divine command, given at a time when it looked unreasonable. Everything seemed to be lost as far as Israel was concerned, for they had forgotten for the time being that God was with them. They seemed to have forgotten that all things were possible with Him.

The enemy was pressing them hard and presenting the difficulties, hardships, and losses they would suffer if they did obey. But God's command was still, "Forward!" Why? He (God) wanted to lead His people to a land of promise, and He wanted to make of them a separate people. Today God wants to lead us into a greater and better experience, an experience of power and usefulness and happiness.

God's command to Israel was "Forward!" God's command to us today is, "Forward!" Never yet have I read where God ever gave the command, "Retreat." It is ever onward.

"Let us go on." Heb. 6:1.

"Let us run." Heb. 12:1.

There are a great number of scriptures which speak to us with the command "Walk," and let us heed the words of the text and go forward.

There are things which would hinder progress. The world, the flesh, and the devil. The world to Israel meant hostile nations and heathen associates, with their influence. To us today it means the world with all its so called attraction, and if we get flirting with the world, our progress slows abruptly and soon comes to a halt, yea to backsliding.

In the awful conflict that is going on in the world today, we sometimes read of a commander withdrawing his troops for strategical reasons; the reasons are generally that the enemy commander is the best strategist, and all such withdrawals are defeats.

Battles are not won in retreat. So if we are to win we must not go back. So many of our people these days seem to think that they can go back and pick up some things which they left behind at conversion, but to say the least, this is not going forward.

We read in Galatians 2:18: "For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor." The way forward is, "To forget the things which are behind, and reach forth unto those things which are before, and press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

It is very necessary in times such as we live in today that we as God's people take some new territory for Him. Almost everybody and everything seems to be going the other way, but God still commands, "Go forward!"

Our precious young people (God bless them) will need great grace in these days to carry out God's command, but I hear the writer of the Corinthians saying, "God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye ALWAYS having all sufficiency in all things, may abound unto every good work."

So let us one and all buckle on the whole armour of God and go forward in the power of His might conquering and to conquer.

This command of God's if obeyed is all for our benefit. God's great purpose is to lead

men from sin to salvation, from regeneration to sanctification, and from earth to Heaven.

The command is to go forward, but we do not have to go alone. Did not Jesus say to His disciples, "Lo, I am with you alway?"

Let us take new courage as we consider Him who will go with us all the way, as some one has said, "all the way from earth to Heaven." He will provide the grace and give us the victory. Praise His name! Let us go forward.

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### THE GOSPEL SHIP

Emigrants for Emmanuel's Land should lose no time in having their places secured, as only one voyage is made from our shores to that happy country.

The vessel's name—The Gospel Ship. Matt. viii. :23.

Port from which it sails—the City of Destruction. Ps. cxiii-4; Isa. xix-18.

Destination—Emmanuel's Land. Isa. viii-8; Heb. x-14.

Time of Sailing—Today. Heb. iv.-7; 2 Cor. vi. 2.

Price of Passage—Without money. Isa. iv. 1; Rev. xxi. 17.

Captain's name—Jesus Christ. Matt. xiv. 25; Mark iv. 37.

Crew—Converts and ministers. Matt. xiv. 23; Eph. iv.

Passengers—Sinners saved by grace. 1 Cor. 1, 2; Acts 6.

Sea over which it passes—Time—James iv. 14; Rev. x. 3.

Light-house—The Holy Scriptures. 2 Cor. vi. 4; Isa. 58.

Compass—Truth. Ps. xliii. 3.

Sails—Faith and Love. 1 Thess. i. 3.

Wind—The Holy Spirit. John iii. 8; Gal. v. 22, 23.

Helm—Grace. Eph. iv. 5; 2 Thess. ii. 16.

Anchor—Hope. Heb. vi. 19.

Passengers are supplied with everything on the voyage.

"My love shall supply all your need."—Phil. iv. 19.

"And yet there is room"—Luke v. 22.

### TEN REASONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

It will sweeten home life and enrich home relationships.

It will dissolve misunderstanding and relieve friction.

It will hold boys and girls to the Christian ideal and promote their lasting welfare.

It will send us out to our work in school, home, office, store and factory, determined to glorify God.

It will give strength to meet disappointments and adversities.

It will make us conscious of the presence of our divine Friend and Helper.

It will hallow our friendships with guests in the home.

It will reinforce the work of the church, the school and other agencies helping to establish Christian ideals throughout the world.

It will honor our Heavenly Father and express our gratitude for His mercy.—The Christian Digest.

Repentance without amendment is like continually pumping without mending the leak.—Dilwyn.