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EDITORIAL

A SACRED TRUST

The apostle Paul, in his letter to the Church at Philippi, declared: "I am set for the defence of the Gospel."

In this statement the inspired writer sets forth two important facts. (1) the gospel will have enemies who will launch destructive assaults against it; and (2) it is the duty of the God-called minister to oppose these assailants and protect the pure doctrine of salvation by faith.

The apostle to the Gentiles was consistently true to this holy responsibility. With zeal and faithfulness he withstood every enemy of the truth. If a preacher or a church would venture to deny what the gospel declared or condone what the gospel condemned, Paul would renounce the offenders in no uncertain terms. He "withstood Peter to the face because he was to be blamed" when his personal friend and fellow-apostle yielded to the influence of Judaism and exposed the Gentile converts to legalistic demands contrary to the doctrine of grace. He put the trumpet to his lips and sounded a warning clear and loud to a church that he founded and to which he was deeply devoted, when that assembly compromised and sheltered iniquitous persons within its fellowship, threatening severe measures if the guilty were not dealt with according to the standards which called for a clear separation of the clean from the unclean. And when those who "professed to be apostles and were not" preached salvation by some means other than Christ alone, this champion of the faith cries out "let them be accursed!"

It is this spirit of loyalty to truth that has preserved a saving message. Because some men have loved God more than self, have been more devoted to the message they preach than the generation to which they have ministered, and would rather languish in a prison cell or perish at the stake than be unfaithful to a Divine call to declare the "thus saith the Lord" because of this we still hear and know the Gospel which is "the power of God unto salvation."

Those who minister to this twentieth century need this spirit. With an eloquence that compares favourably to the "tongues of men and angels" and an excellency of speech and wisdom which deceives the unwary, many men who have graduated from modern theological institutions are propagating "another gospel" which reduces Christ to the status of "one of the prophets" and

robs Him of all that is essential to His substitutionary work of redemption. Denying the reality of the virgin birth, the deity of the Saviour, the virtue and atoning merit of Calvary's atonement, and the physical resurrection of the Christ, these modern prophets of falsehood have smitten the foundations of faith and set multitudes of people adrift on a sea of confusion and bewilderment. Putting no difference between the holy and profane, they label any standard which calls for separation from sin as Puritanic and outmoded, and call for an alliance with the world which allows for a standard of living in many cases below the level of common decency. Personal repentance and regeneration as necessary qualifications for participation in the fellowship of Christ's Kingdom are discarded by these false teachers, and they have become the fathers of a generation of spiritual illegitimates, church members who know nothing more of religion than ritual and ceremony, people to whom the experience of the new birth is as great a mystery as it was to Nicodemus.

"Who is on the Lord's side?" Who has the call of God upon him, and the Spirit of God within him? Let all who are thus honored, thus blessed take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, and go forth to relentless warfare against these enemies of righteousness.

Men of valor are needed, men who seek not the smiles nor shrink beneath the frowns of a compromising age, who will go forth in the strength of God to oppose the wrong and defend the right, choosing death rather than life, and having such a fervent devotion for the cause we defend that, remembering the price paid by those who have "resisted unto blood, striving against sin" sing as they go forth to battle, "How sweet would be their children's fate, if they like them should die for Thee!"

C. E. I. PLANS MEMORIAL

Chicago Evangelistic Institute, a full salvation training institution in the great Illinois city, has launched a campaign to raise \$300,000 for the erection of a Memorial Building "to worthily enshrine the memory of our late leader," Dr. Iva D. Vennard. Rev. Harry Jessop, D. D., of England, who succeeded Dr. Vennard as president of C. E. I., is regarded as one of the nation's outstanding Bible teachers and is well known among the holiness people as an able preacher and gifted writer.

A NEW SEMINARY

The Free Methodist Church of America, is formulating and carrying out a plan for the establishment of a Theological Seminary. This Group is blessed with men highly qualified to head such an institution, spiritually and academically, and the Seminary established, will doubtless be a worthy addition to the educational facilities designed to train ministers and Christian workers for full salvation service.

NATIONAL HOLINESS CONVENTION

The seventy-ninth annual convention of the National Association for the Promotion of Holiness will convene at Cleveland Bible College, Cleveland, Ohio, April 9-12, 1946.

Speakers for the Convention include Drs. Paul Rees, Peter Wiseman, Z. T. Johnson, G. Arnold Hodgkin, D. Shelby Corlett, John L. Brasher, C. W. Butler, Harry Jessup, John Paul, G. W. Rideout, Bishops L. R. Marston and C. V. Fairbairn.

Dr. C. I. Armstrong, president of the Association will preside over the meetings and one of the greatest Conventions in the history of the organization is expected.

HE COMETH LATE

The strings of camels come in single file,
Bearing their burdens o'er the desert sands,
Swiftly the boats go plying on the Nile—
The needs of men are met on every hand,
But still I wait
For the messenger of God who cometh late.

They set me watching o'er the desert drear,
Where dwells the darkness, as the deepest
night;
From many a mosque there comes the call to
prayer—

I hear no voice that calls on God for light.
But still I wait
For the messenger of God who cometh late.

—Author Unknown

onight. I do pray that God will give us a
blessed day in Him—this I also pray for you
and that God will richly bless and help you
very day.

Yours in His blessed service,
GLADYS KIERSTEAD

Hartland Mission Station,
Natal, South Africa,
January 6th, 1946

Dear Friends:

Perhaps you would like to hear how we spent Xmas here at the Mission Station. It was a very warm day and one almost had to stretch the imagination to think that it really was Xmas. The people who work on the farm and some of the Hospital patients wanted to watch us open our gifts, so after breakfast they were called in. Grace got her harp out and we sang some carols and had a prayer in Zulu. After that we were very busy opening gifts to the accompaniment of loud hurrahs from the natives as each thing came in view. It seemed that everyone did all they could to make my first Xmas in Africa a very happy one.

On Wednesday our Quarterly started. We were so glad to have Brother Kierstead with us and very sorry that Gladys could not come, on account of the boys' illness. I attended as many of the business sessions as possible and found them very interesting (either Grace or Charlie interpreted for me). But it is a great thrill when one can follow along and understand words here and there and make one's

A FAITHFUL PASTOR

Dr. Conant tells of a pastor who, passing a big department store, felt a sudden impulse to go in and talk to the proprietor on the subject of his salvation. Finding him, he said: "Mr. T., I've talked beds and carpets and bookcases with you, but I've never talked my business with you. Would you give me a few minutes to do so?" Being led to the private office, the minister took out his New Testament and showed passage after passage which brought before that business man his duty to accept Jesus Christ. Finally the tears began to roll down his cheeks, and he said to the pastor, "I'm seventy years of age. I was born in this county, and more than a hundred ministers and more than five hundred church officers have known me as you have, to do business with, but in all those years you are the only man who ever spoke to me about my soul."—Sel.