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EDITORIAL

THE CHURCH GOD BLESSES

Scripture and experience agree in teaching that the body of Christian believers which is to enjoy the blessing of the Lord upon its services and labours must of necessity possess and retain certain qualities or characteristics.

The faithful church will be blessed of the Lord. The group which is faithful in its adherence to the truth, walking in the light of revealed truth and living in obedience to the will of God will as a consequence enjoy the smile and favour of the Lord. Added to faithfulness in personal obedience must be loyalty to the standards of the Word of God. Prominent and influential people must never be allowed to occupy a place in the active membership of the church while refusing to conform to the standards of the Word in respect to Christian character and conduct. Too many churches have lost the blessing of the Lord by lowering their standards to accommodate someone who was not willing to take the humble way of Christ's salvation. Moreover, there must be faithfulness in service if the blessing of the Lord is to be enjoyed. "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing bringing his sheaves with him." Psalm 126:6. Diligence in the promotion of the various phases of our church work will "pay off" in a growing Sunday School, an enlarging congregation and souls coming to Christ.

The prayerful church will be blessed of the Lord. No church can be blessed without prayer and the more prayers we have, the more blessing we will enjoy. Prayerlessness always results in spiritual coldness and barrenness, while a revival of praying always brings the blessing of God upon His people. "Whenever God proposes to do anything, He first of all gets His people to praying." The prayerful church will have in addition to its public prayer meetings, intercessors who spend time in the secret place and rally for special meetings devoted entirely to the ministry of prayer.

The missionary church will be blessed of the Lord. No church can retain her spiritual vigour and freshness if she absorbs the benefits given of God. If blessing is to continue to flow there must be an outlet and missionary work is one of the best. Every church that has given major emphasis to the task of evangelizing the unenlightened has been signally blessed of the Lord. The more we give for

missionary work, the more we are able to give, and, of course, the more we are blessed in giving. If we decide that we have just enough to care for ourselves and leave the responsibility of sending the light to the heathen to others, we shall soon lose what we have. On the other hand, if by faith and in the spirit of love we give a portion of what we have for world evangelism, God will prosper all other phases of the church programme.

The Lord is still blessing by the "pouring out" method. Individuals and groups are proving the faithfulness of the Almighty to give unsparingly to them that qualify for His rich gifts. How is your church getting along?

GUEST EDITORIAL

THE MISSIONARY IS A SOUL WINNER

What is your idea of a missionary? His primary purpose is to preach the Gospel and to win souls to the Lord Jesus Christ. "But," you say, "not all can preach." True, but all can give the Gospel message some way. One who is a real missionary has a passion for the lost of earth. As one hymn writer says:

"Give me the passion for souls, dear Lord
A passion to save the lost."

In being a soul winner, one is obeying the command of Christ, for did not the resurrected Christ commission His workers to go and teach all nations? And the eleven obeyed, "and they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them." Too many "modern" missionaries go forth all right but preach reformation, stage clean-up campaigns, work out a social gospel, and do everything else but win souls to the Lord! We believe when a man or woman is born again by the Spirit of God, he will clean up. First the heart is cleansed, then "other signs" following. True, some have to be taught how to live, but get the heart right, and the desire will be there to live pleasing to the Lord.

A soul winner, a real missionary is willing to put up with most anything to win souls to Christ. He will be like the Apostle Paul, who was willing to become all things to all men that he may win some to the Lord. It will mean sacrifice, and sometimes a whole lot of it. It will mean keeping all hours, for one must be willing to "go" any hour of the day or night to pray with the lost. It will mean getting your "hands dirty." We think of a great soul winner, yes, in this present generation, who while walking along the street late at night found a poor drink-soaked wretch in a filthy gutter. The man was so "out" with drink he was almost dead. The man of God half-carried and half-dragged the drunken man back to the mission, bathed him with his own hands, made coffee for him to sober him up, and preached Christ to him. The man got saved and is today preaching the Gospel to others who are like he was at one time. What if the man of God felt himself above picking a man out of the gutter? The other might have died in sin.

Our Bible says, "He that winneth souls is wise." We cannot depend on our wisdom for soul winning. We have to be wise as serpents, yet harmless. We have to be ever on the alert, recognizing opportunity when it knocks. We need God-given wisdom.

A missionary goes where he is sent, and stays where the Lord has placed him. He does not undertake soul winning for a thrill, but there is a thrill when one leads another to the Lord. Winning souls is work, it means knowing your Bible, it means being able to quote

Scripture correctly and intelligently. It means spending much time on one's knees praying for the lost. It means being obedient to the voice of the Holy Spirit.

The heathen are not all in India, neither are they all in China. Visit your neighborhood, begin right next door, and you will be surprised at the number of people in your own vicinity who knows nothing about the saving grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Those who want to be missionaries for Christ need not bemoan the fact that they cannot go to a foreign field, but the field begins right at your own doorstep as Jesus told His own: "Ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem (at home), and in all Judea (in your own vicinity), and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Begin witnessing right at home, then the Lord will lead you to other places.—Editor, Christian Life.

THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

Revival Fires Burning in Boston

The great revival in California under the ministry of Evangelist "Billy" Graham, has been duplicated in shorter edition in Boston, Mass., a campaign beginning in Park Street Church, of which the able and evangelical Dr. Ockenga is pastor, out-grew the capacity of the church, and moved to the Mechanics Building, with a seating capacity of about 5,000, and for the final meeting to Boston Gardens. 16,900 people crowded New England's largest indoor arena, and an estimated 10,000 were turned away or could not gain entrance. The "Boston Post" gave headline publicity to the meeting and reported the attendance as the largest in the history of the Gardens, which has had some of the most famous of the political, entertainment, and sports world as its guests, among them Mr. Churchill, of England. 2,500 and 3,000 people responded to the Gospel call, and according to the "Post," hit the "sawdust trails." According to reliable reports, three things feature Dr. Graham's great revival campaigns, the co-operation of scores of evangelical churches, much prayer, and simple, straightforward Gospel preaching.

World-Renowned Athlete Converted

Among the converts of the Los Angeles revival was the Olympic athlete, Louis Zamperini. Miraculously spared from death in the Pacific battles of the last Great War, he realized that the hand of God had saved him from death repeatedly, but failed to repent and turn from sin. Following his conversion he declared: "I have had 100,000 people burst into applause as I won the World's Championship. That was a thrilling moment, but it was nothing to be compared with that night when in the great tent meeting I raced down the aisle (and I mean raced) and met Jesus."

Dr. Maier Translated

While travelling on a street car in Kansas City, Mo., on January 11th, I was startled to hear an announcement over the radio that Dr. Maier had passed away. Dr. Maier's voice was well known to hundreds of thousands of radio listeners to the "Lutheran Hour." He was respected by multitudes as an earnest and a fearless preacher of the Gospel and the announcement of his untimely passing, he was

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