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EDITORIALS

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT: PRAY ABOUT IT

"Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Phil. 4:6.

"Nothing everything," what a vast scope is covered here! Every concern of life, even the most minute, is included. Every need that arises, small and great, is embraced. This is the divine prescription for anxiety, the soul-quieting balm for those who are troubled with life's burdens and problems.

They come to all of us, the cares and concerns that seem too heavy and too great. Oftimes they are disquieting if not distressing. They snatch the song from our lips and the melody from our lives and tempt us to fret and worry.

We need to remember ever and always that "the eye of the Lord is over the righteous and his ear is open to their prayers," that "your heavenly Father knoweth what things ye have need of."

The fragrance of the flower and the flight of the bird are reminders of the faithfulness of Him who "careth for you."

About the burden that weighs you down, the problem that perplexes you, don't worry about it, pray about it!

EDITORIAL NOTES

Life Begins at Eighty

Mrs. Chas. E. Cowan, world renowned missionary and author, recently celebrated her 80th birthday. Mrs. Cowan has rendered a splendid service in the Kingdom of God, as co-worker on the mission field with her late husband, Rev. Chas. E. Cowan, founder of the Oriental Mission Society; as author of several fine books, among them the well known "Streams in the Desert" devotional classic; and for the past fifteen years as president of the O. M. S. Since her 65th birthday, Mrs. Cowan has visited twenty-eight different nations in the interest of missionary endeavour.

Retiring as president of the O. M. S., to continue as president emeritus, this venerable servant of the Lord says: "A new life has begun and I am looking ahead to the glorious

future," and uses Edward Markham's lines to express her outlook:

"I am done with the years that were,
I am done with the dead and old,
They are mines worked out,
I delved in their pits,
I have saved these grains of gold.

"Now I turn to the future for wine and bread,

I have bidden the past adieu,
I laugh and lift hands to the years ahead,
'Come on, I am waiting for you!'"

Minister Denounces Infant Baptism

Rev. W. N. Crandall, United Church minister of Ontario, dropped a bomb-shell into his presbytery (Peterborough) last month, by denouncing infant baptism as unscriptural, stating that he had refused to baptize infants because of a desire "to get back to the teachings of Christ." Mr. Crandall contended that there is no record in the Bible of Christ baptizing infants or commanding his followers to do so. The presbytery has requested the minister's resignation claiming that Mr. Crandall "obviously misunderstands infant baptism," but this action has been answered by the accused declaring his intention to "stand by his belief" that because an infant has not reached "the age of discretion" it is incapable of making a choice permitting it to be received "into the congregation of Christ's flock as a member of the family and household of God."

Graham Revivals Continue

The remarkable revivals under Evangelist Billy Graham continue to spread. Ever since the Los Angeles meeting of last fall people have thronged to hear Dr. Graham wherever he has gone.

In March 40,000 people overflowed the University of South Carolina football stadium, with an estimated 10,000 turned away. In April Dr. Graham spoke to 50,000 people on Boston's famed Commons. At the Columbia, S. C., meeting former Secretary of State James Brynes sat on the platform and after 2,000 people responded to the invitation to seek Christ the well known American statesman threw his arm around the evangelist and said: "I've been with statesmen, presidents and kings, but this is the most thrilling moment of my life." Dr. Graham says three things produce these revivals: The prayers of thousands of Christians, the power of the Holy Spirit, and the preaching of the Word of God.

EIGHTY YEARS YOUNG—A BELATED TRIBUTE TO REV. PERCY J. TRAFTON

By W. Edmund Smith

Hail to this brother of eighty years,
A hero so long in the fight.
Who has kept so clean and true and strong
In the battle for God and right!
We greet you on this your natal day
And wish you Godspeed on your way.

You have travelled, brother, a long, long way,

Through the days and the years gone by;
And you've made it just one step at a time
In your pilgrimage to the sky.

Your step may be slow but your soul's on the wing;

Me thinks you may hear the angels sing.

You plucked glad flowers in youth's spring-time

From the seeds that others had sown;
You gathered in Autumn after Summer's toil
From a planting that's all your own.
And on your way to the judgment seat
From what you have sown, you begin to reap.

We think more of death when the step grows slow

And the hair that is left grows white,
And we lift our vision from things below
To the things that are out of sight;
You have an account in the Bank above
Built up by deposits of faith and love.

Not death but life is the shout you raise
As you near the end of the way.

May your days be prolonged and your joy lift high,

For this your true friends all pray.
For you, more years may be in God's plan—
You are stronger than when your life began.

You can't think of death as a monster drear
That can only disaster bring;

Your faith is firm and you fear not death
Since Jesus has pulled out the sting.
Through life and death, through Eternity's dawn

Your good works for Christ shall follow on.

We drink to your health in the cup of God's love

That overflows from the brim;
May you journey on with the wife of your youth

In a love that never grows dim.
We ask in your prayers you may have a mind

For us younger folks who are coming behind.

SIMPLE SPEECH

Ministers are advised to use simple language in preaching. The advice is sound and should be accepted and practiced. But be it remembered that this does not mean to use forms of speech that are cheap and trivial. Simplicity and shallowness are by no means synonymous. In fact, simplicity is more nearly synonymous with dignity. Great thoughts may be simply expressed. One makes a mistake when he assumes that in order to make himself understood he must descend to the language of the street. The Bible sets a fine example in simplicity. Simplicity in language is a gift which any minister might well covet. It is not easy to acquire. It must be attained by careful, painstaking study, but it is worth any effort that may be required. It is easier to fall into the way of high-sounding verbosity. But sense and sound do not always travel the same road. Give us the simple thought couched in simple style and it sufficeth us.

—Gospel Messenger.

A CHRISTIAN IS—

A mind through which Christ thinks,
A heart through which Christ loves,
A voice through which Christ speaks,
A hand through which Christ helps. —Sel.