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EDITORIAL

We wish to say "Thank You" to several of our readers, who have written us encouraging letters, expressing their appreciation of our work on the King's Highway. Some have told us that they wish that we would write more, for they like original articles much better than the reprints, some of which they have read before in other papers, and they wonder why more of our people, not only preachers, but layman also, don't write interesting articles for our paper, and thus make it more helpful. Well the editor has asked several to write some, and we have the promise of some that they will, and we will be glad if any of our people will send us some constructive articles. We might open a column in the Highway called "The People's Forum" where any of our people especially the laity would feel free to express their opinions and ask questions, or offer constructive criticism. The editor and Highway committee would welcome such contributions I am sure, and by this means we could make our paper more interesting and helpful. What say you? Who will be the first to send an article to The People's Forum? We have had a very good response to our appeals for renewals for which we want to thank all who have so kindly renewed their subscriptions, some of which were several years' in arrears.

But there are still many whom we expected to hear from but have not yet. And we are thinking that perhaps some have overlooked our appeals, especially that one of Brother Smith's about Timothy Blinkhorn's bad dream. See issue Sept. 15, page 1, first column. One good lady wrote and said she was sending her renewal because she did not want to have a dream like Timothy Blinkhorn had. Well, in case some have not seen our very urgent appeal if we don't hear from them very soon, we will be taking for granted that some have not, and we will be sending a statement addressed to them personally, so they know just how much they owe to the King's Highway, which is the Lord's cause, and we feel for that reason that we must do our best to collect all arrears if possible. Of course this will mean added expense and work for us, and we hope and trust that all of our subscribers will do their best to help us in our work of publishing our paper. Please write us at once and tell us what you can do, for we have to have the money every month to pay our publishers.

Thank you, and the good Lord bless and help you to help His cause. The figures on the little yellow label on your paper tell you when you paid last, so you can easily tell how many years you are back of this year, which is 50. Then figure at \$1.50 a year.

Yours in Christian love,
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REVIVAL CATCHES FIRE

In recent months there has been a remarkable revival going on in the Hebrides, west of Scotland. The man being used of God in this awakening is Duncan Campbell, a Presbyterian minister.

Services are being held simultaneously throughout the churches at night, the Revivalist going from one to another preaching to the people from seven in the evening until six in the morning, and in some churches speaking to the multitudes inside and out.

This awakening is similar to the 1859 Awakening in that people are literally stricken down under conviction, and cries for mercy rise from the audience while the Word of God is being preached.

All the spiritual phenomena of former great revivals are present in this outpouring of the Spirit. Conviction on sin is terrible. No hand-shaking, or "coming forward" in this awakening—but sinners in despair, sometimes for weeks until they pray through to God. The routine of home and business has been in places disrupted while men and women seek the Lord.

During the General Election in Britain, the Secretary of the local Labor Party in a Hebrides town came under conviction. He was a Communist at heart and was engaged to address a political rally but failed to keep his appointment. He was searched for and found in prayer meeting seeking the Lord.

When urged to go to the political meeting, he refused and sent instead this message, "Tell them I have business with God. And if any of them know how to pray, ask them to pray for a poor lost sinner!" The announcement was made at the political rally with such effectiveness that the meeting broke up.—Selected.

BE HONEST . . .

Be entirely honest in trivial matters. A person who borrows a penny should be as careful to return it as if he had borrowed a dollar. If grocers and market men were asked to tell their experiences, they probably would relate stories of small thefts by customers who picked up an apple, a bit of candy or sugar, and had not the least idea that in doing this without payment they were violating the rule of strict honesty.

A girl at school was warned against another because the latter, though very pleasant in manner and amiable in conduct, borrowed hairpins, postage stamps, note paper, and loose change, and seldom took the trouble to return the loans.

Be honest, not merely for the reason that this is the best policy, but for the higher reason that it is right.—Selected.

WHAT IS MY RELIGION DOING TO ME?

While discussing the question of religious beliefs with a friend one day he dropped a remark that started me thinking. Said he:

"The thing that concerns me is not what my religion is doing for me but what it is doing to me."

One might press this question too far, yet here is a penetrating question that should cause some serious thinking.

Religion can make men cruel, or it can make them gentle; it can be an opiate, or it can be an exhilarating crusade; it can be an enslaving ritual, or a revealer of new paths to walk in. What it is depends upon the worshiper and the object worshiped.

Is my religion daily making me more God-like in my antagonism toward sin?

Is my religion filling me with the spirit of victory?

Do my beliefs make me charitable toward others; kind in dealing with the one who fails?

Does my religious belief make me more other-world-minded?

So very often we think of our religion as a means of securing favors from God, and securing to us eternal happiness in Heaven. There is nothing wrong with this conception only that it is but one side of religion. Religion not only does something for us but it does something to us. He whose faith is grounded in love, whose ideal is the God-man even Jesus Christ, will, with each passing day, become more gentle, more gracious, and concerned to help a brother-man in need wherever or whoever he may be.

If your religion is bounded by the performance of certain rituals, mouthing of printed formulas, and discharging endless rounds of required duties, then your religion will make you cold, heartless, and exacting. It will make you a religious machine rather than a living saint.

What is your religion doing to you?

—O. G. W.

THE PULPIT—A THRONE OF POWER

By George W. Ridout

We are suffering today from a weak pulpit and pointless preaching. We have clever speakers but few prophets; we have too few fearless speakers for God and the truth. We have the best paid and best-educated ministry but too much of it is popular, flabby and insipid and stirs neither heaven nor hell.

We sadly lack men to whom the pulpit is a throne of power; we have too many flying kites of superficial thinking instead of men of fire whose utterances burn and whose sermons scorch the wicked. We have too many who coddle the saints and fail to collar the sinner. The American pulpit needs a great awakening!

We cannot praise our God above
 Enough for all His matchless love;
 And when our hearts sink deep in fear
 We have the promise that He is near.
 For all these things, O God, we say,
 "Thanks a million," throughout each day.

—David C. Williams.

Trust to God to weave your little thread into a web, though the patterns show it not yet.—George MacDonald.