

"Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth."  
—ECCLES. 12:1

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

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### REVIVAL REMINDERS

The spirit of revival is our response to God's love for lost humanity.

Feeling this urge of rescue, Jesus said, "I must work the works of Him that sent Me while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work."

Prayer, mighty prevailing prayer, is always a necessity in the church, but revival prayers are the prayers of the harvest.

"United we stand, divided we fall" is as true of the Church in its revival as it is true of all other organized forces.

Evangelical churches were born in revivals of religion, and however great the cost of maintaining revivals they must do this to live.

Revivals are times when the spirit of unselfishness must be in evidence. Interests and cares of a minor character must be pushed into the background that the soul may have its chance to prepare for eternity.

The paralytic of Bible times was saved and healed by the help of four loving and persevering friends who carried him to Jesus. Why not follow this lead and organize to do personal work for the revival?

Soul winning is God's work of grace carried on by the ministry of the Holy Spirit. God honors us by giving us a place in His work and all the labors and sacrifices of the revival season should be considered in that light.

Whatever difficulties may develop let us never yield to a bitter, vindictive or accusing spirit, and thus leave the work in worse condition than it was before. Close your heart and mind to the spirit of discouragement, and as a dependable follower of your Lord persevere unto the end.—Wesleyan Methodist.

### THE EMPTY PEW

I am an empty pew. I vote for the world as against God. I deny the Bible. I mock at the preached Word of God. I rail at Christian brotherhood. I laugh at prayer. I break the Fourth Commandment. I am a witness to solemn vows broken. I advise men to eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow we die. I join my voice with every atheist and rebel against human and divine law. I am an empty pew. I am a grave in the midst of the congregation. Read my epitaph and be wise.—Church Bulletin, First Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh.

### THE CHRIST OF CALVARY

Annie Johnson Flint

Christ does not save men by His Life,

Though that was holy, sinless, pure,  
Nor even by His tender love,

Though that forever shall endure;

He does not save them by His Words,

Though they shall never pass away;

Nor by His vast creative power

That holds the elements in sway;

He does not save them by His works.

Though He was ever doing good;  
The awful need was greater still,

It took His Death, His Cross, His Blood  
Men preach today a cross-less Christ,  
A strengthless Saviour, vague and dim.

They will not see their sinful state,

They will not own their need of Him,

They will not know the Lamb of God,

Despised, rejected, crucified—

That were to humble into dust

Their boasted intellect, their pride.

Yet no man cometh unto God

Save by the Son alone; He saith

The deathless life for which we long

Can only—ever—come through death

Not Bethlehem or Nazareth

Stern Justice's uplifted hand could stay;

To Calvary the soul must go

And follow Jesus all the way.

### HOW TO BEHAVE IN CHURCH

"That thou mayest know how thou oughtest behave thyself in the House of God."—Saint Paul in 1 Timothy 3:15.

1. Come at the appointed time, not five or ten minutes late.

2. Be in a prayerful mood. Worship God and refrain from talking to others.

3. Maintain a reverent and attentive attitude during the service. Join heartily in the singing and other parts of the worship.

4. Encourage the preacher by your thoughtful and earnest attention. Do not read the calendar or hymn book during the sermon or reading of the Scriptures.

5. If sitting at the end of the pew, either move along to make room for others to enter or stand so that they may pass. Show a friendliness to all whom you meet, especially to strangers.

6. Offer a silent prayer for the people, for the minister, and for yourself and others in need.

7. Except when necessarily obliged to leave early, remain reverently until after the benediction.—Adapted from "Church Life."

### CHRISTIAN PERFECTION . . .

As taught by Wesley

It is nothing higher, and nothing lower than this: the pure love of God and man; the loving God with all the heart and soul, and our neighbor as ourselves. It is love governing the heart and life, running through all our tempers, words and actions. Absolute or infallible perfection I have never contended for. \* \* \* I still say, and without any self-contradiction, I know no folk living who are so deeply conscious of their need of Christ as Prophet, Priest and King, as those who believe to be, cleansed from all sin—I mean from all pride, anger, evil desire, idolatry and unbelief. These very persons feel more than ever their own ignorance, littleness of grace, coming short of the full mind that was in Christ; \* \* \* are more convinced of the insufficiency of all they are, have or do, to bear the eye of God without a Mediator; are more penetrated with the sense of the want of Him than ever before.

It is well that you should be thoroughly sensible of this: the heaven of heavens is love. There is nothing higher in religion. There is, in effect, nothing else. If you look for anything but more love, you are looking wide of the mark. You are getting out of the royal way, and when you are asking others, 'Have you received this or that blessing?' if you mean anything but more love, you mean wrong; you are leading them out of the way

and putting them upon a false scent. Settle it then in your heart that from the moment God has saved you from all sin, you are to aim at nothing more, but more of that love described in the Thirteenth Chapter of First Corinthians.

### AFTER BEULAH—WHAT?

The Spirit of Beulah always carries with it a sense of joy. Everything at Camp Meeting works to the end to supply an added portion of the "Joy of the Lord." Smiling faces, gentle dispositions, Christian fellowships, good preaching, wonderful singing, all work together for our good. How often the writer has wished, and no doubt most of his readers have, that the Spirit of Beulah would continue after the last benediction has been pronounced in the Tabernacle I have also wondered, is it too much to expect this wholesome Christian atmosphere to continue when we have returned to our respective homes and churches? The scripture says, "The Joy of the Lord is their Strength." Not strength at Beulah only but always.

We have strong Christians at Beulah—are they as strong at home? Testimonies ring clear, liberty prevails, God blesses, are these things manifest at home. Are all churches and communities full of "Joyful Beulah Christians," or does the glory depart when the Camp is left?

After Beulah—What?—Formality, dryness, deadness, depression or Love, Joy, Peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, kindness.

Let us see to it as men and women that we do our utmost to retain and keep the fire of God upon us.

### IS LIFE WORTH WHILE?

Life's not worth while to any man,

When all is figured in,

Who leaves God out of aim and plan

And spends his years in sin;

For in the end he'll lose his soul

And miss his heav'nly crown,

And then regret, while ages roll,

The things that took him down.

But for the man who loves the Lord

And does his holy will,

There waits in heaven a rich reward

Beyond the reach of ill;

Therefore he labors, toils and prays

And wears a sunny smile,

And knows while even here he stays

That life is well worth while.

To bless the lives of other men

While on our journey here

By noble deed, or with our pen,

Or by our words of cheer,

Likewise enables us to see

It's truly great to live,

And never vain for you and me

To love and serve and give.

—Walter E. Isenhour

### BETTER

Better is a little with the fear of the Lord, than great treasure and trouble therewith.

Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith.

—Proverbs.