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EDITORIAL

"GIVE YE THEM TO EAT"

"Eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions for those for whom nothing is prepared" (Nehemiah 8:10).

We have here two important aspects of Christian experience which ought not to be neglected. We do need to "eat the fat and drink the sweet." The feeding of our souls is very necessary and we should be satisfied only with the best of spiritual food. It is true that the spiritual babes are exhorted to desire the sincere milk of the word, that they may grow thereby, but it is also written that "strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age." But while we are feasting ourselves we ought not to forget those for whom nothing is prepared. While at Beulah Camp many spoke of the spiritual feasts being spread. They said their souls were being fed with rich truth. They were eating the fat and drinking the sweet. Such feasting ought to result in an increased desire and effort to send portions to the spiritually hungry, both at home and abroad. Feasting ourselves ought not to be the end. Feeding others ought to be the result.

The hungry multitudes still wait for the bread of life, and the divine command is, "Give ye them to eat." Some we can feed with our own hands, and if we can we ought. To others portions must be sent, and our responsibility is to pray and pay for the sending. We owe it to ourselves to "eat the fat and drink the sweet; we owe it to others to "send portions for those for whom nothing is prepared."

E. W. T.

FIRST THINGS FIRST

When David Livingstone's body was taken back to England, crowds thronged the streets to pay tribute to the noble missionary. An elderly man among them was heard to sob aloud, and people wondered at his deep grief. It was revealed that he and Livingstone had been friends in their youth, and, as an ambitious young man, he had scorned Livingstone's choice to give his life for Christ in Africa. With a life of selfish interest behind him, the man saw with regret who had made the wiser choice, and he cried out: "I put the emphasis on the wrong world."—Sel.

KNOWING CHRIST!

Is our religion a living, vital thing that binds us with the cords of love to One whom we know and trust? No matter how you and I busy ourselves about religious things, the whole business is pointless, purposeless, and profitless unless we know Christ our Saviour. Remember the supreme aspiration of Paul: "That I may follow Him."

—Dr. Donald Davidson.

BLESSINGS FROM PRAYER

It is impossible to overestimate the effect of a good man's prayers; they are as streams or trees, which go on flowing and bearing fruit long after they were originated. The legacy of a good man's prayers is of priceless worth. He may have long since passed to his rest; but God remembers them, and answers them in blessing to the next generation.

—Dr. F. B. Meyer.

DEAD WEIGHTS

Dr. John Benjamin Magee

I've been a dead weight many years
Around the church's neck.
I've let the others carry me,
And always pay the check.
I've had my name upon the rolls,
For years and years gone by;
I've criticized and grumbled too;
Nothing could satisfy.

I came to church just when I pleased,
And stayed away as well
I've never felt tied down to work,
Not even for a spell.
My face looked like a death mask there
Expressionless as mud;
As a Christian church member,
I surely was a dud.

I've been a dead weight long enough,
Upon the church's back.
Beginning now, I'm going to take
A wholly different tack.
I'm going to pray and pay and work,
And carry loads instead;
And not have others carry me
Like people do the dead.
"I myself never hung as a dead weight." (2 Cor. 12:13, Moffatt Translation).

IN OUR TRIALS

In actual suffering, joy is impossible except by actual union with Christ. Then, even when we are in the whitest heat of the furnace, we have the Son of Man with us; and if we have Him, the fiercest flames will burn up nothing but the chains that bind us, and we shall walk at liberty in that terrible heat, because we walk with Him.—Dr. Alexander Maclaren.

"SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES"

Since I began to search the Scriptures diligently the blessing has been wonderful. I have read the Bible through one hundred times, and always with increasing delight. Each time it seems like a new book to me. Great has been the blessing from consecutive, diligent, daily study. I look upon it as a lost day when I have not had a good time over the Word of God.—George Muller.

SPEAKING OUT OF A CLEAN HEART

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laugh of silliness and folly. A minister with a clean heart, aflame with love, met a girl who had offered herself for the slum work. She was giggling and chattering in a way that convinced him that instead of being filled with the Holy Spirit she was empty. He wanted to speak to her about her soul, but hardly knew how to begin, so he was silent and prayed in his heart for her. Afterwards she said, "I looked at his face, and said to myself, 'There is a holy man, a man dead to sin. But I am alive yet.'" And that sight of his face led her to seek and find, and now for years she has been a most useful and devoted worker. The very presence of such a man is a rebuke to sin and half-heartedness and folly, and is a mighty inspiration to goodness.

After the overthrow of Sisera and all his host, Deborah and Barak sang a song of triumph and thanksgiving, and closed it with these words, "Let them that love him be as the sun when he goeth forth in his might." (Judges v:31).

"Come," said a distinguished Scotch professor to a German sceptic, "and I will show you a student that will make you think of Jesus."

"There is no difference between him and The Book", said his fellow-townsmen of a Chinese convert.

"Ye are the light of the world", said Jesus; "ye are the salt of the earth".

Full of Power

Such lives are full of healing, cleansing, helping, comforting power; and such may be your life, my brother, my sister, no matter how dark your surroundings, if you will consecrate yourself entirely to God, take up your cross and follow Jesus, and seek, ask for, and receive the Holy Spirit's power.

"O, make my life one blazing fire of pure and fervent heart desire,—the lost to find, the low to raise, and give them cause Thy name to praise, because, wherever I may go, I show Thy power to every foe!"

SLOW MESSENGERS

"Go ye" (Mark 16:15). "You are angry," said a Negro fellow traveller to Dan Crawford, at the end of a fifteen-mile trek in the tall grass of Central Africa. "Why do you say so?" "Because you are silent," was the reply. "Tell me more about it." "In our language," answered the black man, "we say that if a man is silent, he is angry. This is why we know God is angry—because He is silent. God is silent." The intrepid missionary was cut to the heart. He opened his pocket Testament and read to the man the first verse of the Epistle to the Hebrews. Much more, he went to work at translating the New Testament into the language of his Central African brother, and at building schoolhouses in which the people might be taught to read the Word which God had spoken in Jesus Christ nearly two thousand years before. God was not silent. But the messengers to whom He had committed His Good News had been slow to tell it as He had bidden them, unto the ends of the earth.—From Vision and Power.