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EDITORIAL

STIR UP THE GIFT OF GOD

Elsewhere in this "Highway" there is an article by Dr. O. G. Wilson, on "Guarding the Holy Flame." It needs to be read and heeded. Paul exhorted Timothy, his "son in the faith," to "stir up the gift of God" that was in him. "Stir to a flame," is the R. V. Evidently Paul likens the gift of the Holy Ghost, with the accompanying Pentecostal experience, to an inner fire, needing constant attention to keep it burning brightly.

Dr. S. Chadwick speaks of this inner fire as "the miracle of Pentecost," and a kindling of "the fires of Christ's soul in the souls of men." He says further, that those who experience it "receive, realize, and reproduce His mind, His heart, His life. His zeal becomes the all-pervasive character of their lives. They manifest His fervent devotion to the will of the Father, His holy passion for reality and righteousness, His consuming zeal for the salvation of the lost. Continuing, he speaks of it as "religion at flame-heat," and says, "It kindles a fervent devotion to God, a passion for righteousness, a consuming desire to seek and save the lost, and impassions every element of compassion."

This "miracle of Pentecost" is greatly needed today. Many seem to have a sanctification without it. One wonders sometimes if, in our carefulness not to overstate the meaning of holiness, we understate it. We stress that it is "the perfection of love," and rightly so. But God's perfect love, shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost, does more than give us a kindly attitude toward those who would hurt or try us. Perfect love experienced is Christianity at flame-heat, or white-heat. It is the fire of heavenly love burning in the soul, manifesting itself in a supreme devotion to God and a selfless service for the rescuing of the multitudes for whom Jesus died.

"Stir to a flame the gift of God," is the exhortation many need to heed. Their spiritual coolness is the proof. The neglect of the inner fire has resulted in a dying flame. Christmas Evans has told in his diary of a time when he was convicted of a cold heart. He said, "I went to a sequestered spot, where I walked to and fro in an agony as I reviewed my life. I waited three hours before God, broken with sorrow, until there stole over me a sweet sense of His forgiving love. I received from God a new baptism of the Holy Ghost." A like tarrying before God would bring to many the reviving they need.

AFRICA CALLING!

In our last issue we wrote a little in support of the Superintendent's appeal for money for Home Mission work, and we hope there has been a ready and liberal response to the call. This issue brings calls for further giving to help meet the heavy demands. There are appeals on pages two, four, and five.

On the Missionary Page we have inserted again the urgent appeal from Africa for \$750.00, first inserted some months ago. When the appeal first appeared the Moncton Church immediately sent \$200.00. Apart from that \$130.00 has been sent in, making a total of \$330.00. Such a poor response to an appeal so urgent, for a people near heathen and so needy, ought not to be treated lightly. It has had me thinking for days. We find ourselves wondering what God is thinking. Surely we can do better.

In this pastor's home a portion of the tithe is set apart every week for foreign missions, and we have urged our people to do the same. Of course we are raising more money for foreign missions, and so we are for every other part of the work both local and denominational. What we do feel every Christian ought to do. We owe it to God and we owe it to the heathen. Will you take a few moments to kneel and pray about this call from Africa?

"Can we whose souls are lighted
With wisdom from on high,
Can we to men benighted
The lamp of life deny?"

—E. W. T.

DIVINE COMPANIONSHIP

Over and over again I find the same promise given to God's children: "I am with thee." Well did that all-wise God who spoke it know the want and necessities of man's heart. Well did He know that nothing cheers and supports us in trial like companionship, that nothing so nerves and sustains us in the hour of trial as a strong friend near.—Bishop Ryle.

"The mission of the church is missions."

CAN YOU PAY YOUR PLEDGE NOW?

At Beulah and Riverside Camp Meetings of 1952 many of our good people made pledges to assist us in meeting denominational obligations. One of those obligations was a \$3,000 note plus \$270 interest on a \$9,000 principal indebtedness. Through the fine and ready response given the appeal made, this note was paid and the interest saved as our kind creditor notified us that if the \$3,000 note was paid when due he would cancel the \$270 interest.

Another obligation included in our special appeal was that of a \$1,000 note, plus interest on \$2,000, due in March. Would all those who have not paid their pledges do so as soon as possible so that we may be able to honour this note when it is due? Send pledges to Rev. R. H. Parks, Milltown, Maine, please.

Let Paul's exhortation also be a reminder to others that the inner fire needs our prayerful attention daily.

E. W. T.

GOD IS WHISPERING

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of those who are trained to silence, where God speaks in the realm of solitude. This sense is our spiritual hearing which differs from our physical sense of hearing in that it can detect the whisper of the spirit of God. It is important for us to develop this spiritual sense of hearing because no life is normal until it can detect God's whisper. When this inner voice is heard, it becomes the motivating force of every life that is "hid with Christ in God."

God's whisper arouses our consciousness and stimulates our zeal for the things which are spiritual. It will direct our steps. It becomes the priceless treasure of our life. This voice cannot be transferred from one person to another. Each individual must hear for himself regardless of his vocation. Let us constantly seek this priceless treasure. This voice is a priceless treasure because, when it is heard, there is an assurance that sweeps over the soul that dispels doubt. It strengthens us in weakness, cheers us when we are in gloom. When we are confused, perplexed, or tempted, this voice echoes forth in the darkness as an unmistakable challenge to all the forces of evil. It is God's whisper that gives direction in times of decision. It helps us to keep our spiritual poise.

I cannot tell you what the still small voice is saying. Each soul must hear for himself. But God's whisper is encircling the earth. The portals of glory are ringing with His voice. God has a secret to tell us—Listen! God is speaking the message we need. This message may be heard if we take time to be silent. "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the spirit saith . . ."

*Bethany Bible College.

HOLY SWEETNESS

"He opened not His mouth"—Isaiah 53.7

How much grace is required to bear a misunderstanding rightly, and to receive an unkind judgment in holy sweetness!

Nothing tests a Christian character more than to have something said about him. This is the file that soon proves whether we are electroplate or solid gold. If we could only know the blessings that lie hidden in our trials we would say, like David when Shimei cursed him: "It may be that the Lord will require me good for his cursing this day."

Some people get easily turned aside from the grandeur of their life work by pursuing their own grievances and enmities, until the life gets turned into one little petty whirl of warfare. It is like a nest of hornets: you may disperse them but you will probably get horribly stung and get nothing for your pains, for their honey is not worth a search.

May we receive more of the spirit of Christ, "Who, when He was reviled, reviled not again, but committeth Himself to Him Who judgeth righteously."—Selected from Heart and Life.

Are you careless about the Second Advent of Christ? Alas, many are! They live like the men of Sodom and the men of Noah's day. They eat and drink, and plant and build, and marry and are given in marriage, and behave as if Christ were never going to return. If you are such a one, I say to you this day: Take care. — Bishop Ryle.