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## EDITORIALS

### PURPOSE IN TRAVELLING

Recently when preparing a message from John 4, we were impressed again with the statement concerning Jesus: "And He must needs go through Samaria." From verse 3 we understand the meaning of that statement to be, that having left Judea to go into Galilee, it was necessary for Jesus to go through Samaria. But was there not another reason why He must journey that way? We think so. The Samaritan woman and the people at Sychar needed His message and ministry.

In any case, even if the "must needs go" was not because of the needy Samaritans, it is evident that Jesus linked travelling and soul-winning. He did not just journey to reach a destination. He travelled with a two-fold purpose.

In these days of much travelling perhaps a good question to ask and answer is: why do we go places? Have we been anywhere of late, or at any time, to try to win a soul to Jesus? We have probably made business trips, pleasure trips, visiting trips, or perhaps have just gone riding; but have we tied any soul-winning efforts into any of those trips or visits? Or was it all pleasure and business?

Commissioner Brengle has recorded that James Brainerd Taylor met a traveller at a watering trough one day, and during the five minutes their horses were drinking, he so preached Jesus to the stranger that he was saved, and afterwards became a missionary in Africa. Like his Master, his purpose in travelling was twofold.

Let us also follow the Master's example. Then, whether travelling for business or pleasure, or for both, we shall help others to journey in the will of God, and toward the Heavenly City. E. W. T.

### MISSIONARY TREASURER'S REPORT

Have you read the Missionary Treasurer's report on page 7? The statement that funds are low, and that missionary giving is behind, ought to be sufficient to get us busy remedying that situation immediately. We must not

let our missionaries and the foreign missionary work suffer.

Doubtless with some it is a matter of neglect; with others it may be lack of concern, although we hope not. We ought not to be guilty of either. We firmly believe that holiness and missions are inseparably linked. A missionary man may not be a sanctified man, but a sanctified man is a missionary man. He has a missionary heart. He prays for missions, gives liberally to missions, and is a candidate for the foreign field if the Lord so wills. Acts 1:8 surely means that a personal Pentecost gives one a world vision, and a passion to "girdle the globe with salvation, and holiness unto the Lord," regardless of the cost.

We hesitated to write this at this time, seeing this issue of the paper contains a special appeal for Bethany. But the day's pay for Bethany is something to be given in addition to our regular giving to the work of the Lord, and by most people has already been pledged.

Let us keep our pledge to Bethany and then give attention to this further important matter as soon as possible. God will help us do both. E. W. T.

### THE CONQUEROR'S SECRET

(From Page One)

There is a way to rejoice instead of habitually enduring strains. The spirit of the age is to hurry, hurry, hurry! Haste almost always puts us in a strain. Unless we take time to be holy, strain will block our reasoning power, dim—or put out entirely—our vision of God, cause us to give way to anger, make us irritable and undesirable.

The burdens of life will strain you to the breaking point if you attempt to carry them alone. Throughout the Bible God asks us to let Him fight for us. He promises victory and abundant joy to those who permit him to general their lives.

There is a way by which we can build the world we prefer to live in. Unto each of us the Lord has given a mind with which to think and the power to make decisions. Whether we admit it or not we choose the world in which we live. Circumstances do influence our decisions but the deciding of an issue rests entirely with the individual.

No one makes me serve God. Granted that others can make it difficult for me to serve Him, no one can actually keep me from walking with Him except myself. Today we must choose whether we will accept or reject Jesus, whether we will be kind or mean and hateful, whether we will pray or blindly stumble through life, whether we will walk in the way of holiness or unrighteousness, whether we will do unto others as we would have them do unto us or just plain do them. We may do absolutely nothing about these issues. If we do not act that, too, is our choice.

To each of us God has given opportunities—raw material—that may be used or abused or rejected. The opportunity to go to church, to hear God's Word preached, to read the Bible, to pray, to decide for or against Him are before each of us. God will not force you against your will to take up any of these things. The decision must be yours. Whatever world you chose to build, whether it be good or bad, you must live in it.—Wesleyan Methodist.

## Let Us Give that Bethany May Grow

B. C. Cochrane

"What hath God wrought!" could well be the exclamation following a survey of our work over the past few years. Sometimes I wonder if we recognize to what extent the hand of the Lord has been upon us.

Churches which a decade ago were too large for the congregations attending, have been enlarged, in some instances almost doubling their seating capacity, and now they are filled in regular services and the Sunday School attendance congests the enlarged facilities. New churches have sprung up here and there in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Maine, with some of these newer projects presenting church buildings which are among the finest we have in our denomination. In eight years the total giving of our churches increased more than \$100,000, from \$57,000 in 1945, to \$164,000 in 1953. Capable consecrated workers, male and female, have come forward to offer themselves in such number, that it has demanded an aggressive programme both at home and on foreign fields to provide tasks for the willing workers.

No development within our denominational sphere, during this recent upsurge, has been more remarkable or significant than the establishment, growth, and influence of Bethany Bible College. Born in weakness and faced with almost insurmountable difficulties in the beginning, Bethany has developed strength and prestige with the passing of but a few years. Until at present, though less than ten years of age, she is within reach of becoming a recognized and respected centre of Christian education. The fine student body, 500% larger than that which enrolled the first year, bespeaks the confidence that young people and their parents have in the advantages which Bethany offers. The faculty and staff now serving the School are richly gifted, well trained, and deeply consecrated to their task. One would travel far to find an educational institution comparable in size to Bethany with as fine and capable a group of teachers. Given the advantage of leadership of the type we now have in our Bethany teachers and workers, and this vitally important branch of our work cannot help but go forward.

But if this child, which for its age is so hardy and healthy, is to reach full stature, it must be loved and supported liberally and faithfully. Bethany is still of tender years. What she can do for our work now is good but not good enough. We need more buildings, more teachers, improved facilities, so that the ambitious and promising young people of our church and denominational constituency may have opportunity to gain the fullest as well as the finest preparation for life service.

Our giving to Bethany is the most practical expression of our appreciation of the school and our faith in it. Your day's pay contribution will assist towards a continued advance in this important branch of our work.

He who commands the evangelization of the world, Himself holds the key of David, "openeth, and no man shutteth," and goes forth with each faithful servant to set before him the open door into which He would have him enter.—Hudson Taylor.

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