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EDITORIALS

RALLY DAY NOVEMBER 7TH

Sunday, November 7th, has been named Sunday School Rally Day, with a twofold objective: a record attendance, and a special offering to help meet the expenses of work done at "Beulah" during the summer.

We understand that much of the money for the material used, and the salaries of the workers, has yet to be raised. A good offering from every Sunday School, sent in immediately, will help greatly to meet this pressing financial need.

The attendance objective can only be reached by hard work on the part of all. Mere announcements will not be enough. Visiting must be done, telephone calls must be made, letters and cards must be sent, and cars must be used. A special programme may help, although we do not recommend making the entire Sunday School session a programme. That can result in a big crowd that fades away as suddenly as it came, and can hardly be considered a part of the Sunday School. We prefer a short lesson period, giving the visitors a chance to go to a class and see the school at work, and then conclude with a short programme. Let us keep in mind that the great purpose of Rally Day is not to count heads for one special day, but to bring back absent ones and build new material into the school. Let us work for lasting results.

Let pastors and superintendents give strong leadership, and let teachers and all others give wholehearted co-operation, to make November 7 a record day in Sunday School.

E. W. T.

GIVING TO GOD

"Neither will I offer . . . unto the Lord my God of that which doth cost me nothing." Our giving to God ought to be characterized by self-denial and personal cost.

First, there is the cost of having to give. Many would have much more to give to God in consecrated service, if it were not for the cost of obtaining in order to have to give. We are thinking of the cost of obtaining knowledge, of equipping ourselves for Christian service, of developing our God-given talents, and of applying ourselves to our God-given tasks. Paying the price in work, in study, in time, in strength, in concentration, in self-denial, in money, would result in our having much more to offer to God in useful service. No cheap service is acceptable to Him. He demands of us that which is obtained at cost to ourselves.

Then there is the matter of offering to God that which has been obtained at our personal cost. Many, having paid the price, have developed talents, splendid qualifications, and an equipment God could and would use, but the costly offering has not yet been presented to Him. He waits for that offering to be placed upon the altar for His sacred use.

"Neither will I offer unto the Lord my God of that which doth cost me nothing." That was David's purpose. Let it be the purpose and the practice of us all—at all times.

—E. W. T.

"AND FORGET NOT"

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Yes, praise is a voice, why don't we voice it more?

Three voices of praise have been suggested. Each one represents a stage in the praise life. The first voice of praise is for blessings received.

"Were half the breath that's vainly spent
To heaven in thanksgiving sent
Our cheerful song would oftener be
Hear what the Lord has done for me!"

You recall that when Jesus healed the ten lepers only one returned to thank Him. Could that be the ratio of our thanks to God for His benefits?

The second kind of praise is praise for blessings expected. Praise projected out into a future with God, means faith,—faith that brings real and tangible results. Often these results never come, until we believe God sufficiently to praise Him in advance.

The third kind of praise is pure thanksgiving to God,—just for Himself. Such praise seeks primarily no blessing to itself, either present or future but is lost in contemplation, adoration and love to Him, its sovereign God and loving Lord. Hence praise becomes pure worship.

Where are we in our praise? Are the harps of praise hanging silent on the weeping willows? Are we praising God for every good gift to us? Does our praise ever have a future tense and spell faith? Can we be numbered among that rare few who praise God purely for Himself, unmindful of the things given by Himself?

"Beware lest thou forget." (Deut. 6:12).

Do the duty which lies nearest to thee! The second duty will already have become clearer.—Thomas Carlyle.

"If there should arise one utterly believing man, the history of the world would be changed."—McAdam.

So You Are A Parent

Then look at these facts:

Only 1 out of 1,000 is saved after the age of 20.

60% of all Christians are saved before they are 13 years of age.

There are the facts. The greatest possibility of seeing our young people saved is while they are still "under our roof," even before they reach high school. Yet many Christian parents are so indulgent and ignorant they are allowing their children to stay home from church because "they are too young." Then when the parents consider the children old enough to go to church, the children have no desire to go and they "have minds of their own."

Many parents are not trying to lead their children to a personal knowledge of Jesus Christ. "That's the church's job." But when does the church get a chance, and when did God relieve parents of their responsibility?

Parents—receive it kindly—it is time that we awakened!

It is not enough for your children to attend Sunday School; for when they think that they are grown up, they quit attending Sunday school and the church has no contact with them. We need to acquaint them with the church service long, long before they reach their teens. That is the only way to keep them when they reach the dangerous teens. How miserably some Christian parents are failing. Somehow we must keep our children in the church.

That fact comes before me again; it haunts me like a hound—60% of all Christians are saved before the age of 13. Here, amongst our youth is the church's greatest chance of a harvest. Why should we wait, as we have done, until our youth become men and women who are much more unreachable? (Note that fact again). Our greatest opportunity in reaching them and their greatest opportunity in reaching Christ is NOW.—By a Reformed Baptist pastor.

BE CHEERFUL

Cultivate a cheerful disposition; endeavor, as much as lieth in you, always to bear a smile about with you; recollect that this is as much a command of God as that one which says, "Thou shalt love the Lord with all thy heart."

Let us take the pure gold of thankfulness and the jewels of praise and make them into another crown for the head of Jesus. When it is the Lord's work in which we rejoice, we need not be afraid of being too glad. Cheerfulness is most becoming in Christian men. Contentment is the crown jewel of a happy life.—C. H. Spurgeon.

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STRIVE FOR A RECORD ATTENDANCE.

PRAY FOR A SPIRITUAL AWAKENING AMONG OUR YOUTH.

GIVE GENEROUSLY TO HELP ON REPAIRS AT BEULAH.

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