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EDITORIAL

YOU HAVE A PART

"How shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach except they be sent? (Rom. 10:14-15).

This list of questions is really an appeal for the spiritually unprivileged, the people referred to in the words of verse 14: "They have not heard." The meaning is, they have not heard the Gospel with its message of salvation through Christ. How many that would be in Paul's day we do not know. The number today, as we are so often told, is more than half the world's population.

Our scripture describes them as being without a preacher, without knowledge, thus without faith, and so unable to pray. All that adds up to their being without salvation in this world, and without hope for the next.

That brings us to think of the spiritually privileged, and their responsibility or obligation to the unprivileged. What do we owe to the millions in heathen darkness? What is our responsibility to the spiritually unenlightened at home and abroad? What ought we to do to give them the same spiritual privileges that we enjoy, and the same eternal hope that we have? Paul's words suggest two things. One is preach. "How shall they hear without a preacher?" is a question raised. Someone must preach to them. Someone must be God's messenger to them, God's missionary to them. The Lord must have those who heed His command and go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

But not all can go in person. Such people need to ponder another question asked: "How shall they preach except they be sent?" That was Paul's way of saying that those who cannot go and preach ought to do all within their power to send those who can and will go. And that takes in praying and paying.

According to the command of Jesus we can pray people into the spiritual harvest fields. He said, "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth labourers into the harvest." Then we can pay some people on to the harvest fields. Through our prayers and liberal giving we can send and support them.

All of us have something to do, and what we can do we ought to do. Let us do it, gladly, for Jesus' sake, and for the sake of those who have not yet heard.

E. W. T.

IT IS TIME TO BEGIN

Already nearly six weeks of the new church year have passed. By the time this issue of The Highway is received and read more than two months of the year will have gone. It is time for all churches to start paying their denominational budget.

We suggest this, first, because our denominational work and workers must be supported regularly throughout the whole year. Then, it is much easier to pay budgets when the raising and paying of them is spread over the year.

An early start will make it easier to pay a full budget and more.

E. W. T.

PLATFORM POINTERS

Came Pentecost with its baptism with fire. The disciples no longer tried to cultivate a protective resemblance to the world; but stood out from it courageously, and challenged the strongholds of sin in the name of Christ. They had the very courage, sanity, the power of Christ Himself * * * They who were formerly paralyzed by fear began to implement a world-compassing evangelism, and within three generations they had carried the gospel to the uttermost parts of the Roman Empire. Joe Brice, in "Pentecost."

SPEAK OUT FOR JESUS

You talk about your business,
Your bonds and stocks and gold;
And in all worldly matters
You are so brave and bold.
But why are you so silent
About salvation's plan?
Why don't you speak for Jesus,
And speak out like a man?

You talk about the weather,
And the crops of corn and wheat;
You speak of friends and neighbors
That pass along the street;
You call yourself a Christian,
And like the Gospel plan—
Then why not speak for Jesus,
And speak out like a man?

Are you ashamed of Jesus
And the story of the cross,
That you lower His pure banner
And let it suffer loss?
Have you forgot His suffering?
Did He die for you in vain?
If not, then live and speak for Jesus,
And speak out like a man?

I'd like to tell the story sweet
Of Jesus. Wouldn't you?
To help some other folks to meet
Their Saviour. Wouldn't you?
I'd like to travel all the way
To where I'd hear my Jesus say:
"You've helped my work along today."
I'd like that. Wouldn't you?

—In NOW.

A SELFLESS, BLEEDING CHRISTIANITY

The church must adopt austerity measures if she is to match the brand of Communistic consecration that is changing a world. Suffering, personal sacrifice, and sentimentalism are nothing to Communists. A revitalized, bleeding, sacrificing, selfless, praying, militant Christianity is the only answer to the world's need of Christ and Him crucified.

A battle of ideologies is on, and the fate of the world trembles in the balance, with Communism about to take over. We must match sacrifice with sacrifice, zeal with zeal, self-denial with self-denial, if the tide of Communistic aggression is to be stemmed.—Clay Cooper.

SILENT VICTIMS

The most bruised people on this planet, the naked, the hungry, the fallen among thieves, the sick, the imprisoned in mind and soul, are the twelve hundred million illiterates.

These millions have never had a delegate anywhere, are voiceless, for they cannot read, nor write nor vote. "What a pity," you say, "that they cannot read." But the real tragedy is that they cannot speak, they are the silent victims, the forgotten men, driven like animals, mutely submitting in every age since the pyramids were built. It is a human weakness not to realize suffering till we hear a cry. The illiterate majority of the human race does not know how to make its cry reach us.

Few people realize that one thousand million people now illiterate will probably become literate in this century. What a terrifying task we confront as the millions of illiterates learn how to talk and read. There looms up the almost overwhelming task of providing them with literature. Millions will be literate soon—before we are ready. They will surge in upon us like a tidal wave before we are ready.

These new literates constitute a major world problem. It is difficult for us to realize how stupendous is this situation. The curve of literacy, which has been nearly stationary in Asia and Africa since the dawn of man, is now turning upward. The present trend of that curve indicates that we may expect within fifty years that 500,000,000 new readers will step out of the silent ranks of illiteracy and speak for the first time. That is the most stupendous, the most arresting, the most ominous fact perhaps on this planet.

Nothing can stop it now.—Dr. Frank Laubach.

THE LIFE OF HOLINESS

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routing, so the sanctified find that Satan is not dead, and the spirit world is still opposed to the Spirit of Christ. But God has made provision for a life of blessed blood-bought victory; a life where God is a conscious reality, and where we are living under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. It is He who produces a life in the power of the Spirit, characterized by holy boldness in doing the will of God and finding ability to overcome the assaults of the world, the flesh and the devil, and to discover power to pray aright.

It is not a life, however, in which is found freedom from temptation or the possibility of falling, but a life of victory maintained as a result of a moment by moment reliance upon and obedience to the indwelling Spirit.

The life of holiness is a human life devoted fully to God and filled with His Spirit. At the gateway to this life there is a crisis of surrender, cleansing and infilling which leads to the life of holiness. The objective of this crisis in the life of the believer is that we might become holy in all manner of living.

May we end where we began by reminding ourselves that the test of all our profession is the ethical result—are we holy in all manner of living?—Emmanuel.

"We must steep our sermons in our hearts before we preach them."

"The kernel of all sin is living to ourselves."
—Dr. A. Maclaren.

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