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EDITORIAL

LIVING FOR JESUS

"He died for all, that they should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again" (2 Cor. 5:15).

The above words have been demanding our attention of late. They state that in dying and rising again for our salvation, Christ purposed that we should cease to live for ourselves and henceforth live for Him. They imply that Christ's death for us demands such a consecration and devotion to Him.

Most people who will read these words have ceased to live for sin and the world. That was settled in a true repentance. But have we ceased to live for ourselves? Are we living wholly and gladly for Christ? Actually those are searching questions. Perhaps a careful examination of ourselves, of our doings, of our motives; of what we do with our time, our strength, and our talents, might give some of us to see how little we really live for Christ, and how much we really live for ourselves. Many give just enough place to things spiritual to give something of a religious touch to their quite self-centred lives.

It is recorded that George Muller testified, "There was a day when I died; died to George Muller, his opinions, preferences, tastes, and will; died to the approval or blame even of my brethren and friends; and since then I have studied only to show myself approved unto God." Of General William Booth it is written, that he gave as the secret of his great and useful life, "God has had all there was of me." Both of those men ceased to live for themselves and lived wholly unto Him Who died and rose again for them. And it is to such a death and devotion that we all are called.

Let us, at this Easter season, with thankful hearts, appropriate every blessing Christ has provided for us through His sufferings and triumph, but let us also consider the purpose and demand of His great sacrifice. He died and rose again for us; let us cease to live for ourselves, and let us love Him and live for Him devotedly. —E. W. T.

THE ALLIANCE TREASURER'S APPEAL

We would draw your attention to the Alliance Treasurer's appeal printed on this page. We rather thought that there must be some neglect of the General Fund, for at the Alliance Session it was decided to pay several hundred dollars to The Highway from that fund, to make possible its continued publication. But so far we have received but \$30.00 of the amount voted to us, plus a few small amounts from a few of the churches. Needless to say the Highway Fund is low. In fact, we are in debt.

The total budget assessments were sufficient to fully pay the Superintendent's salary and to supplement the Highway Fund. The present need, then, is for a full payment of the budget to the General Fund by all churches. Let Pastors and churches respond immediately.

—E. W. T.

THE ROCK OF TRUTH

I believe that when Christ, before and after His Resurrection, treated the Scriptures of the Old Testament as being of Divine authority, He set a seal upon them which I dare not disregard. I believe that Christ was infallible, and that when criticism questions the accuracy of His attitude, it is wrong, whatever its conclusion may be.—Dr. G. Campbell Morgan.

An Easter Prayer

Bring resurrection daily to my heart,
Master, I pray;
No special season would I set apart
In ritualistic way,
But let my purpose so reflect Thy living
That through my touch may pass divine life-giving,
And seeing Thee in me, some soul shall say,
"The Lord is risen today."

Let each day's road recall Emmaus' story,
And luminous be.
May those with whom I travel glimpse Thy glory
Because I walk with Thee.
Wide open be my home to friend and stranger,
Offering rest from toil, retreat from danger;
And youth find understanding sympathy
Since Thou dost dwell with me.

Like Marys three, let each dawn find me ready
My gifts to bear.
At sepulchres of lost hopes hold me steady,
Trusting a Father's care.
With Thee, may I accept the cross, unshrinking;
Like Thee, still love the multitude unthinking;
Till, in the fellow-man whose load I share,
I see Thee. Risen, there.

—Maude Hardie.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO MINISTERS AND CHURCHES

To Our Churches:

There are two very urgent needs before us apparent in our General Fund.

Our Superintendent received in February on salary, rent and traveling expenses, 50% of his remuneration for services rendered; in March 30% and so far in April I have only 10% of his income available for the month.

Also please note, from the Churches for 1953 Minute Books I received \$85.00 to meet a bill of \$342.00 for our Minute Books.

I am under pressure to place these needs before you for immediate action, largely because as yet in this church year I have not heard from 25 of our Churches relative to this General Fund.

Please respond to this appeal at once so I can meet our regular investments, as I personally would not care to, but may have to list these delinquent churches.

Alliance Treasurer,
R. H. Parks, Calais, Maine

EASTER, THROUGH THE TUNNEL

The resurrection hope takes the sting out of death.

Too many Christians suffer from the fear of death, though we are sure they do not fear as others do. But the flesh is weak, and we shrink from death. The cure for this is to be found in a fuller confidence in our Heavenly Father and in the assurance of immortality.

"Ian Maclaren" used to be fond of relating the following beautiful little story, as serving to allay the needless fears of God's people when they enter the valley of the shadow of death. There was a dear old Scotch lady who wanted badly to go to the city of Edinburgh. But for years she could not be persuaded to take the railway journey because of her great dread of the tunnel through which she would have to pass. One day, however, circumstances arose which compelled her to take the train for Edinburgh. For a while her fears were great, and her agitation increased as the train on its journey drew near to the dreaded tunnel. But before the tunnel was actually reached the old lady, worn out with excitement, dropped peacefully off to sleep, and when she awoke it was to gladly discover that the tunnel had been passed.—Selected.

ARE WE YIELDED . . . ?

The fulness of the Spirit means the coming of Christ into the life to possess it and control it. On the one hand, it is the yielding of one's whole self without reserve to God, and, on the other hand, it is God's appropriation for His own use of that yielded self. Whether or not this experience has emotional accompaniments depends largely upon one's temperament, and is not of the essence of the matter. But high above and beneath the accidents of individuality are the unalterable laws on which all spiritual life is conditioned.

Either we are yielded to God, or we are not; either the Holy Spirit is in possession of us or He is not.—Dr. W. Graham Scroggie.

"Has my prayer life been sacrificial? Has it cost me anything in time, strength, vitality, love?"

THE EASTER MESSAGE

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Christ, all found their power in the Risen Christ. "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me."³ "We are more than conquerors through Him that loved us,"⁴ and by His own death and resurrection He has made us partakers of His power and glory.

Dr. John A. Hutton, writing in THE BRITISH WEEKLY (March 21, 1940), used these words: "Jesus hath abolished death! If this is true, then the whole world must be aware of it. For after all, death is the great ground of fear. The amenities of civilization fail us here . . . Mere enlightenment does nothing to help us, face to face with death. Jesus Christ hath abolished death by dying and rising again."

Because of Christ's victory, you too may have victory—not only over the power of death but over the trials and problems of life. His resurrection power is available to all those who will trust Him, and Him alone, for their soul's every need.

References (1) Philippians 3:10. (2) Acts 2:24. (3) Philippians 4:13. (4) Romans 8:37.
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