



The Young Highway

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"Let No Man Despise Thy Youth, But Be Thou An Example..."

— Editorials —

THANKSGIVING

Every time I walk into a church on Thanksgiving Sunday and see it decorated with vegetables, fruit and the many products of the natural harvest, I am reminded of God's faithfulness in the common things of life. So often we pray, "Give us this day our daily bread." By this prayer we are recognizing our dependence upon God. It seems so logical that we should give Him special thanks on this Thanksgiving Day for answering our prayers.

David often thanked God for His goodness. Every heart that experiences the joy of the harvest season should, like the psalmist, "Praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men".

Isaiah expressed the joy of thanksgiving like this: "They joy before Thee according to the joy in harvest". Such a response on the part of God's people is so natural because the harvest joy is so reasonable. The prosperity of our land so much depends upon the abundance of our harvest. It was because of this that our forefathers held their first thanksgiving festival.

This joy of thanksgiving is world wide. This is so significant in that God provides for all mankind. Every creature is dependent upon Him. Because of this fact we must feel something sacred or holy about thanksgiving. To men of the Old Testament the thanksgiving joy was a holy joy. They thought of the harvest joy as an act of worshipping God. They brought the first fruits of the land and presented them to God with thanksgiving. Surely we can learn from God's people of the past, that we must not merely be thankful for a good harvest. We must remember our debt to the one (God) who blessed the labour of our hands.

A GREAT MISSIONARY FAMILY SAILS FOR RHODESIA

Early in October Dr. and Mrs. Emmett and their daughter Bethany Joy will sail for Africa to take up missionary work in Rhodesia. Many of our young people have had the privilege of hearing these talented missionaries on their farewell tour of our churches. Their messages have been full of vision and faith—Great men and women of all ages have both. These missionaries have helped us to feel the challenge, with them, of the great work in Rhodesia.

The educational and medical ministry together with the spiritual ministry these honoured servants will perform, demands much of our young people. Together we bear the gospel to thousands as we stand behind this family which is so consecrated to God.

Africa is a land of turmoil. The spotlights are focused upon this dark continent from every quarter of the globe. Ought we not to focus our thoughts, our prayers and our giving upon the work of our missionaries in that land? Let us become intercessors for our missionary servants and their work. By our faithfulness in prayer, sickness will be turned into health, ignorance into knowledge, superstition into certainty, darkness into light, and sin into salvation. These are all essential if the heathen are to know the power of God's grace.

We urge our young people to place this great missionary family upon their prayer lists. Pray for them daily and God will reward you just as often.

The King's Highway

"Holiness Echoes"

PERFECTING HOLINESS

By B. Carradine

The words "perfecting holiness" show something that has not up to that time been obtained and enjoyed. One meaning of the word "perfecting" in the original is "to bring to an end", "to finish", "to complete". Surely there is a perfecting of holiness, a blessing called entire sanctification, and when it is accomplished, we above all others know it.

PERSONAL CLEANSING

By E. F. Walker

This is the Sanctification Jesus prayed His disciples might have — a personal cleansing from sin, in order to live a holy life. Made pure in order to sustain devotion to God. A pure heart, full of holy love. Beyond this we cannot go in this world; but short of this we ought never to rest. We cannot serve God here with a perfect service; but nevertheless, like Asa, we may have a perfect heart all our days. (2 Chron. 15:17).

THINK ON THESE THINGS

(1) As flowers carry dewdrops trembling on the edges of the petals, and ready to fall at the first waft of wind or brush of birds, so the heart should carry its beaded words of thanksgiving; and at the first breath of heavenly flavour, let down the shower, perfumed with the hearts gratitude.

—H. W. Breecher.

(2) Gratitude is the memory of the heart.

(3) Do not let the empty cup be your first teacher of the blessings you had when it was full. Do not let a hard place here and there in the bed destroy your rest. Seek, as a plain duty, to cultivate a joyous sense of the many kindnesses of God in your daily life.

—Alexander Maclaren

(4) The more we thank God for His mercies, the more we see how merciful He is.

W.E.G.

A YOUNG FOOTBALL CHAMPION'S TESTIMONY

"The other kids in school would often laugh at me because I refused to take a cigarette or a drink with them; but I thought it amusing that they tried to get me to do it, so I laughed right back at them.

"I've always taken pride in turning down alcoholic beverages and tobacco, rather than ever feeling it was something to be ashamed of.

"Any child should take pride in the fact that he doesn't drink or smoke. Other people who do may tease him, but deep down inside they wish themselves that they didn't.

"Good athletics who don't indulge in these are that much better. One should never measure his greatness by others, but by what he himself can do. By observing training rules, and not smoking or drinking, any athlete can do even better."