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Ps. 42 Last Part of 3

WHERE IS THY GOD?

In the journey of life there are many stretches that are not pleasant. When we reach these stretches we feel that we are traveling through a waste howling willingness. Our fellow travelers are not congenial, sympathetic, understanding. When we weep and mourn they laugh and mock.

But in our pilgrimage we have some bright sunshiney days. The company in which we are journeying is congenial sympathetic and understanding. Together with joy we sense the presence of God. We feel his peace and power and believe they are at our disposal. Every step we take seems to bring us nearer to God. We feel that we are journeying through green pastures and beside still waters. We are conscious of God's presence and talk ^{and sing} about him and pray to him.

Some times we journey a long long way with some comrades but never see the beauties on the way nor hear them sing the songs of Zion. But the right kind of comrades are persons with faith and hope. They see through cloud and gloom the sun that is shining. They shun the crowd that is whining and hear the voices of those who sing and pray.

It is ours to so live that no one will have to ask Where is thy God?

May we remember that people are expecting to find God in his temple and that we his children constitute that temple..

PRAYER

Our God and Father we know thou art present. All about us we see manifestations of thy presence. And we are anxious to share thy attributes, to live above fear and frustration. We wish always to be what the Lord Jesus has declared us to be the Light of the world and the Salt of the earth.

May we with earnestness and sincerity be able as we journey to sing, Christ liveth in me.

.....AMEN.....

Jan. 6 '52

Eph. 2:13

M

BUT NOW IN CHRIST JESUS YE
WHO SOMETIMES WERE FAR OFF
ARE MADE NIGH BY THE BLOOD OF
CHRIST.

To be deprived of contact with a friend, a loved one, a benefactor depresses and causes great discomfort. But to be deprived of contact with God the giver of every good, and perfect gift is an awful thing. And this^s just what the Edenic catastrophe did for^s and all man kind. And this was the condition in which Jesus found the human race when he came into the world. But he had not been in the world very long when he announced his program.

The program he announced was to reestablish that relation that man had with God before the great transgression, to reconcile man to God and to make ~~and to make~~ it possible for him to regain the abundant life.

This is the record of the reception that was accorded him: He came unto his own and his own received him not. His beneficiaries were blinded by their own conceit. Though in bondage corporally and spiritually they were not looking for some one like Jesus to deliver them. So they saw no beauty in. And when they learned that he had come to deliver them they despised him. But the report of his coming also tells us: as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons or children of God.

While through the centuries they who rejected him have kept much of the world filled with doubt, fear and misgiving, There were those who saw and still see his BEAUTY and to whom he is the fairest among ten thousand and altogether lovely.

Let us be glad and rejoice in the fact that we have been attracted by his beauty and have been drawn out of darkness into his marvelous light. Let us walk therein work therein and WORSHIP therein.

.....AMEN.....

Jan. 13 '52

Ps. 119:89

M

FOR EVER, O LORD, THY WORD IS
SETTLED IN HEAVEN.

We are not always right in our decisions and conclusions concerning things with which we have to do.

But the place where things are made and those who make them have much to do with the valuation we place upon them.

We just naturally attach more importance to laws made in the Congress at Washington than we do to the laws made in some back woods country town.

With similar impressions we consider the words of our text. We feel that the word that comes out from Heaven, from God demands our most serious attention.

We live in a world that is noted for upheaval, change, revolution. And it is not so much that we find fault with what we have, but we just wish something new. And we allow this feeling to effect every phase of our life. We see it in our DOMESTIC life in our SOCIAL life, in our EDUCATIONAL life and even in our RELIGIOUS life.

A child of God needs constantly to read the words of our text and be reminded of the fact that we are serving a God that does not change, but is the same yesterday to day and for ever. We need to have at least one phase of our life that does not change that it is settled in Heaven.

In the time of doubt and fear let us remember that Heaven is our Supreme Court and that God is our Chief Judge. And that we can trust always to render to render a just decision for every one.

Because God is just let all of us seek citizenship in his Kingdom.

May all of us count it a great privilege to have the Lord Jesus for our advocate before the bar of God.

.....AMEN.....

Jan. 26 '52

Eccl. 9:F.P. 10

M

WHATSOEVER THY HAND FINDETH
TO DO DO WITH THY MIGHT.

In God's service there is no place for reservation, withholding. God can not help us be what we should be and what he has planned for us to be until we have given over to him our whole being to be moulded and shapped and used according to his plan. He must have the body mind and spirit.

When in his hands God will give us zeal and enthusiasm. His work that lacks these attributes loses much of its usefulness and value.

The work you do in the service of God is greatly effected by those who are associated with you. They either help or hinder. Some are whole souled body mind and spirit, with such you can do things worth while, things helpful to your fellow man and pleasing to God. But there are other coworkers who are just the opposite in their effect. And some times you wish they were not on the job with you at all.

Let us remember that there is grear variety in God's work and we should always when possible select that phase of work which we can do best and render the best and most helpful service.

Service that is rendered simply to gain praise and popularity does not do much if any good.

If we are earnest and sincere in our endeavors we can always tell whether our service is doing good or not. If the service you are rendering always induces adverse criticism from your coworkers and those who know about the work you are doing you may be sure that your work is not doing good. On the other hand if in your work you have helped the weak to gain strength, the indifferent to become interested and concerned, the selfish tight fisted to b3come liberal generous and altruistic you will make no mistake in labeling your work good.

Let us not be satisfied in seeing others using their might in what they are doing, but let us endeavor to do the same.

.....AMEN.....

REMARKS
HOLLY TEMPLE ANNUAL BANQUET
January 14-1952

Brother Bonds and Brethren it is a pleasure indeed, as it always is, to be with you to night.

The brief words that I shall use in expressing my feelings to night I am asking the privilege to make them allegorical. And in so doing your BUSY little church becomes a SHIP and Brother Bonds your worthy Pastor becomes a Captain.

During the last three or four days, with a great deal of interest, we have been reading about a Captain Carlsen Captain of a large ocean steamer on her way to New York taht was caught in one of those terrible ocean storms that finally overcame her and carried her with her valuable cargo to the bottom of the ocean.

When Captain sensed what was about to happen he made up his mind to stay with his sinking ship as long as he could possibly do so. But he advised his crew to get on the first rescue boat that came along and save themselves. Today his home city and indeed all the world are singing his praises and honoring him.

Captain Carlsen reminds us of Col. Linberg who was the first to cross the ocean by plane.

When a ship is in a storm there is always some one who is courageous and able to give counsel and advice. Some times the advice is to abandon the ship and some times the advice is to stay on board.

Your church here is a Ship a part of the great fleet that is sailing the great sea of time bearing men women and children into the haven of eternal rest.

And it is a pleasure and a great joy tonight to be with Captain Bonds and his worthy faithful crew as he stands upon the bridge and says all is well and the sailing is FINE.

Jan. 17 '52

Luk. 10:42 G. H. Bapt. Ch.

BUT ONE THING IS NEEDFUL: AND
MARY HATH CHOSEN THAT GOOD PART,
WHICH SHALL NOT BE TAKEN AWAY
FROM HER.

This is a busy world in which we are living. And it is our duty early in life to find out what are the most important things that need to be done. And to find out from one who really knows what is most important.

I think we can truthfully say the world is divided up into departments. So it is not safe to consult man about the most important thing that needs to be done, because each man is mighty apt to say that what he is doing is the most important, and needs most of all to be done.

But we are not dependent upon any one of these men to tell us what is most important and needs most of all to be done. The reasonable and logical thing to do is to ask one who knows and has concern for every phase of life and he will tell you which **phase** of life has the first claim upon you. This is practically and unintentionally what Martha did when she asked Jesus to have Mary come and help her do what she was doing.

Let us learn from this scripture:

- 1-That we can not serve Jesus acceptably until we find out just what he wishes done.
- 2-That your service to the Lord Jesus should always be such as will bring GROWTH-ADVANCEMENT-EDIFICATION to you.
- 3-That when we serve the Lord Jesus acceptably THAT SOME **THING** we receive from ^{him} is not just for some **special** occasions when every thing is going well but it is for all times. It shall never be taken away from you.

Let us not busy ourselves finding fault with Mary because she is not helping us in what we are doing. Remember she has an engagement with JESUS.

.....AMEN.....

Feb. 3 '52

Matt. 16:24

M

THEN SAID JESUS UNTO HIS DISCIPLES,
IF ANY MAN WILL COME AFTER ME, LET
HIM DENY HIMSELF, AND TAKE UP HIS
CROSS AND FOLLOW ME.

Many noted renowned, secular and religious LEADERS had gone before Jesus. But none of them constituted a pattern for him.

Many of the leaders that had gone before Jesus had showed prospective followers glowing pictures of the HONOR, GLORY and Territory that would be theirs. When things material were being considered this line of procedure with propriety could be used. But the Master is dealing with something entirely different, for he had nothing to give, he had no place to lay his head. But he had and still has something far better to give to all who were willing to deny themselves and take up their cross and follow him.

We have reasons to believe that there were and are many who would follow the Lord Jesus without the promise of HONOR, GLORY and Territory if they did not have to deny themselves and bear the cross which was and is to them a symbol of Shame and Dishonor. But this is the only way that we can prove ourselves able and qualified to follow the Lord Jesus.

We find it easy to deny every thing and every body but ourselves.

But as in physical life so in spiritual life, we need to deny ourselves so as to keep FIT, HEALTHY and STRONG.

We need frequently to be examined to determine our SPIRITUAL condition whether we are weak or strong.

It will not do us any good to have the cross that we are to bear thrust upon us we must TAKE it.

Let us take time and learn what we gain when take our cross upon us and follow the Lord Jesus. We gain a place among the world's BEST, We become the Light of the world, and Salt of the earth.

May we always recognize the privileges that are ours if we follow the Lord Jesus.

.....AMEN.....

Feb. 10 '52

Dan. 3:15

M

NOW IF YE BE READY THAT AT WHAT TIME YE HEAR THE SOUND OF THE CORNET, FLUTE, HARP, SACKBUT, PSALTERY, AND DULCIMER AND ALL KINDS OF MUSIC, YE FALL DOWN AND WORSHIP THE IMAGE WHICH I HAVE MADE; WELL: BUT IF YE WORSHIP NOT, YE SHALL BE CAST THE SAME HOUR INTO THE MIDST OF A BURNING FIERY FURNACE; AND WHO IS THAT GOD THAT SHALL DELIVER YOU OUT OF MY HANDS?

For many the music of men drowns the voice of God. But for others the VOICE of God is so sweet that it attracts the attention of every creature and the birds hush their singing.

There are many for whom God's voice is not only a means of articulation and communication but it is the greatest of all musical instruments in the ^{world} or in heaven.

For all occasions MUSIC renders helpful service. Whether you are down sad and depressed or happy and full of joy music helps you. At the sound of music you are more happy and your joy is greatly increased. If you are sad and depressed MUSIC chases away sadness and brings hope and gladness.

It is said that nothing does more to inspire men on the battle field than music. It makes them BRAVE and courageous. So the army has with other equipment a band.

But in order for music to be effectual it must ^{be} music with which the army is familiar. There are certain kinds of music that fails to inspire, rather it depresses. More power and inspiration is added to the music when we are familiar with the instrument that is being used.

We get most out of the Word of God when we use the method that Jesus used when reading and teaching it. Jesus used PICTURES, ANALOGIES to illustrate the meaning of the word.

So as we study this scripture let us think of ourselves as a part of God's great ARMY on the battle field commissioned by God himself. May we be mindful of the fact that we have music in our army so sweet and inspiring that we cannot hear the instruments that men are playing.

.....AMEN.....

Feb. 24 '52

Matt. 24:12

M

AND BECAUSE INIQUITY SHALL ABOUND,
THE LOVE OF MANY SHALL WAX COLD.

Love is a very delicate plant, it will not grow and thrive anywhere.

One of the ruling qualities of LOVE is warmth. Love melts the ice bergs of DOUBT, FEAR, PREJUDICE and HATE.

There can be no progress in christian life except you have FAITH and CONFIDENCE. Then you must have COURAGE.

When the temperature begins to go down if we wish to make progress we do not let the spiritual fire go down. LOVE will not grow cold if we keep the spiritual fire burning.

It is important and essential that you have the right kind of fuel. That which blazes up readily and then has nothing more that it can do does not help you make progress in spiritual life. We must have a constant burning fire.

If we wish to keep our LOVE in tact we must do all in our power to destroy INIQUITY. Dont hesitate to enter a crusade against every kind of iniquity. Dont get the idea that your crusade against iniquity is meddling with other people's business. Let us remember that Iniquity will not abound if LOVE keeps WARM and ACTIVE.

An effectual religion must manifest itself everywhere and at all times. It must not be satisfied with being good. But it must be good to counteract the power of SIN.

Let us remember that none of us can do so much to keep love warm and active as young men and young women, boys and girls.

.....AMEN.....

Mar. 2 '52

Jno. 14:6. 6:55

M

JESUS SAID UNTO HIM I AM THE WAY,
THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE.
THEN JESUS SAID UNTO THEM VERILY,
VERITY I SAY UNTO YOU, EXCEPT YE
EAT THE FLESH OF THE SON OF MAN,
AND DRINK HIS BLOOD, YE HAVE NO
LIFE IN YOU.

In this world nothing has real value without LIFE. And the more real life you have of the greater value you are. Hence the historic words of the Lord Jesus: I have come that ye might have life and that ye might have it more abundantly.

Life is that quality or element that makes it possible to do that we are intended to do. The more you have of real life of the greater value you are.

No one is so much in need of an abundant life as the christian the disciple of the Lord Jesus.

Others may have life just for themselves as individuals. They use not their life for what it was given to them, to do things that only they who have life can do.

There are certain things that you can not do if you do not have LIFE. The world was never more in need of LIFE than it is today. You may think you can, but you can not LOVE, you can not LABOR, you can not SUFFER without LIFE.

Intelligence and love of popularity may make you endorse the BLOOD BANK idea. But it takes LOVE LABOR and SUFFERING to make you give your blood.

Let us see why Jesus gave his BLOOD.

He was the only one who had the BLOOD that could do what needed to be done. He had to bring PEACE to God and Salvation to man. It is through his BLOOD we are reconciled to God.

May we joyfully accept what the Lord Jesus has done for us and prove ourselves worthy of the sacrifice that he has made for us.

.....AMEN.....

Apr. 6 '52

Mark 14:10,11

M

AND JUDAS ISCAROT, ONE OF THE TWELVE, WENT UNTO THE CHIEF PRIESTS TO BETRAY HIM UNTO THEM. AND WHEN THEY HEARD IT THEY WERE GLAD, AND PROMISED TO GIVE HIM MONEY. AND HE SOUGHT HOW HE MIGHT CONVENIENTLY BETRAY HIM.

We have reasons for believing that Judas loved the Lord Jesus as did the other disciples and wished him to triumph over his enemies.

Then Judas was anxious to have more money in the treasury. So he conceived the idea of giving Jesus a great opportunity to demonstrate his limitless power and he would have the opportunity to show what a great business man he was and what a good treasurer he was.

Judas failed to do two things that should always be done if you wish and expect success in the Lord's work. He SHOULD CONSULT AND PRAY WITH HIS BRETHREN. Then He SHOULD HAVE LAY HIS ENTIRE PLAN BEFORE THE LORD JESUS. Judas would have thereby saved his reputation and himself untold agony grief and pain and death.

May we learn how to do the will of God before we attempt to do his work.

In order to make proper and profitable use of the Lord Jesus we must know;
~~we must know~~ WHERE, WHEN and HOW to use him.

May our constant association with the Lord Jesus qualify us to live above yielding to temptation.

.....AMEN.....

Apr. 13 '52

I Cor. 15:19

M

IF IN THIS LIFE ONLY WE HAVE HOPE
IN CHRIST, WE ARE OF ALL MEN MOST
MISERABLE.

There are some problems with which we are so familiar, we know so well we do not wonder and ask questions about. Then there are some other problems that are so puzzling and difficult to understand that we are inquiring from every one that we meet and think he knows anything about the subject.

Hence it is thought wise and helpful to have clubs and fraternities where we can meet and study knotty problems and come to some definite conclusions, at least for ourselves. Then we can have fellowship and work together.

I think of no place where such a system is more needed than in the church. And I think of no place where we can have the aid to do this that we find in the church. And these aids are increasing each day by leaps and bounds.

There is no excuse for christians being in the plight in which so many of the early christians were and causing so much wrangling discord and ill will. We have no book better nor none so good as the Bible to use as a text book. Each one of us should aim to have one for himself.

We are to be borne up in the storms of life by HOPE which is an anchor for the soul that reaches within the veil.

Let us consider the VALUE of HOPE .

HOW HOPE IS OBTAINED. WHEN WE NEED HOPE MOST.

This HOPE is like the HOPE of the HOPE CHEST.

HOPE PROMPTS TO MAKE SACRIFICE.

May we feel the need of this HOPE and strive to have it every day.

.....AMEN.....

Mar. 30 '52 II Tim. 2:15. Isa. 30:21. Jno. 14:6
Jno. 8:32.

STUDY TO SHEW THYSELF UNTO GOD, A
WORKMAN THAT NEEDED NOT TO BE ASHAMED,
RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF
TRUTH.

AND THINE EARS SHALL HEAR A WORD BE-
HIND THEE, SAYING, THIS IS THE WAY,
WALK YE IN IT, WHEN YE TURN TO THE
RIGHT HAND, AND WHEN YE TURN TO THE
LEFT.

JESUS SAITH UNTO HIM I AM THE WAY,
THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE: NO MAN COM-
ETH UNTO THE FATHER, BUT BY ME.

AND YE SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH, AND THE
SHALL MAKE YOU FREE

In the world every department of life is trying to make things more convenient and more easy. But there are certain things that the world can not change. In such cases wise intelligent people, in order to have things go more smoothly, without friction they adjust themselves themselves to these things or leave them out of their life entirely.

In no phase of life can we succeed if we close our ears to the VOICES of the past. Nor can we accomplish very much if we do not give attention to the voice of the present. Then we must be patient and hear those who are speaking for the future.

Many great and good things we learn from teachers and scholars of the past.

But in our RELIGIOUS life we must get our QUE from the Lord Jesus the one who could say I am the way etc.

Let us study the word from which MISSIONS or MISSIONARY is derived.

Let us remember that the Lord Jesus is always has been and always will be the HEAD of all Missionary Endeavor. He was the first one to call and commission his Disciples to be MISSIONARIES.

Missionaries have always been the leaders in all SOCIAL and RELIGIOUS movements. They were the first to give life to our Educational movements.

Let us keep in touch with our MISSIONARY HEAD-QUARTERS that our work may be INTELLIGENT and EFFEC-TUAL. Ill. AUTOMOBILE. WOMEN. TAXES and OTHER DEBTS.

Let us learn as to where we can invest our Lord's MONEY where it will do the most good.

May 4 '52

Matt. 20:L.C.22

M

THEY SAY UNTO HIM, WE ARE ABLE.

Those two young men, in whose behalf their MOTHER had appealed to the Lord Jesus to give them places of distinction in his KINGDOM, the one on his right hand and the other on his left hand.

The first thing Jesus had to do in answering this MOTHER was to make her understand the nature, the character of the KINGDOM that he was establishing. He made it clear to her that the RULER on the throne in the KINGDOM would be despised, rejected and finally condemned and executed on a cross with two thieves occupying ~~the~~ the places, one on the right hand and the other on the left. As all good loving foresighted mothers she saw and understood the situation and had nothing more to say. But she had done some thing to her two sons that was not easily undone. She had filled their mind with high lofty aspirations. But the aspirations were carnal, temporal secular.

Jesus made this mother see Golgotha and Calvary, the Crown of Thorns, on his head, Nails in his hands and feet and the Spear in his side, he made her hear him cry out My God why hast thou forsaken me?

Let the Holy Spirit teach you the meaning of his THRONE. Then you can teach others.

Let those whom you teach understand the meaning of, the Position that Jesus occupies and what they must share with him.

Why do we wish to be associated with Jesus? Are we thinking about the possibility of having our temporal needs, Loves and Fishes, supplied?

Do we covet the honor that we see those who occupy high temporal positions enjoy?

Let us understand that to be intimately associated with the Lord Jesus means:

like our Lord we must often bear our cross alone.

The Joys and Delights of the christian life are sufficient to induce any one to follow the Lord Jesus. But we must prepare for the hardships also that we must meet. Let us do it.

.....AMEN.....

May 11 '52

Luke 7:15

M

AND HE THAT WAS DEAD SAT UP, AND
BEGAN TO SPEAK. AND HE DELIVERED
HIM TO HIS MOTHER.

The Mother who is the subject of our thought at this time was a widow. Just how long she had been compelled to bear the family burden alone we do not know. But we do know that during a part of her widowhood she had a son that we have reasons to believe was associated with her in the home. He knew the burdens his widowed mother had to bear. Just how much, if at all he shared these burdens we do not know. Like many sons he might have been very faithful and done his whole duty and was a source of great comfort to his Mother.

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But there ^{are} many other ways that we may think about him. He might have been an invalid and a great care to his Mother which made his death a source of greater pain and grief.

This son might have been careless selfish and wayward. But the fact that Jesus saw ~~fit~~ fit to bring him back to life and deliver him to his Mother leads us to the conclusion that he was a good son and a source of great comfort to his Mother.

reasons

We have many ^{to} believe that there are many sons and daughters who, for one reason or another, so far as being a comfort and being helpful to their Mothers and Fathers is concerned, are DEAD and are greatly in need of the Jesus touch.

We can not do better in celebrating Mother's Day than to get children who are dead in so many ways to get in touch with Jesus the the great source of life that they may come to life again and become a blessing to Mother and others.

Mothers do not take a mental journey with your children, who are dead in so many ways to the tomb. Wait, let Jesus touch your child that he may live again and become a blessing to you and to the world.

.....AMEN.....

May 18 '52

Acts 2:L.P. 47

M

AND THE LORD ADDED UNTO THE
CHURCH DAILY SUCH AS SHOULD
BE SAVED.

To save man and getting him back into the position he occupied with God before the Fall in the Garden of Eden required the most herculean task known to man. Indeed it was a task too great for man. Hence the words of our text telling us what God alone could do and did do.

To this day if men women and children are to be drawn back into the position where they can be saved God must draw them. With all his skill and ability man can not do it. He writes scientific treatises, he writes volums on Psychology and Philosophy and gives them all to his lost fellow man hoping to save him. But he does not succeed.

But after lost man has been drawn into the Church by the spirit of God man can do for him that which saves and bring him back into proper relation with God. The church is like the trap that puts man in the position where he can be caught by God's spirit.

The church needs to and must understand that a person is not entirely saved simply because he joins the church. In so doing he simply gets into the position, where if he uses the means placed at his disposal where he may be entirely saved.

May we never get the idea that there is saving power in rituals and forms. They are simply tools that help us as christians to do our job.

We do not have to tell you that you may meet read your rituals and forms and sing your hymns . But if you fail to do what the Word of God teaches you are not saved.

If we would be saved let us be drawn into the church by the spirit of God and do what the Word teaches then we are saved.

III. Use of Hospitals

.....AMEN.....

May 25 '52

I Jno. 2:12,13

M

I WRITE UNTO YOU, LITTLE CHILDREN,
BECAUSE YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN YOU
FOR HIS NAME'S SAKE. I WRITE UNTO
YOU FATHERS, BECAUSE YE HAVE KNOWN
HIM THAT IS FROM THE BEGINNING. I
I WRITE UNTO YOU, YOUNG MEN, BECAUSE
YE HAVE OVERCOME THE WICKED ONE.

Upon our first consideration of this scrip-
ture we are struck with the fact that John seems
entirely to forget MOTHERS and SISTERS in his
correspondance. But I think he has not forgotten
them. He evidently means to include them, because
he knew that in the household where there were
FATHERS and CHILDREN and YOUNG Men there would be
MOTHERS and very likely SISTERS who would be just
as concerned if not more concerned about Religi-
ous matters than the FATHERS CHILDREN and young
MEN.

The particular thing about this scripture
that attracts our attention is that John the au-
thor recognizes three outstanding important in-
clusive elements in the church. Those who consti-
tuted these three elements had lived in such a
way as ^{to} merit recognition.

These Children had qualified and some-
thing had been done for them that had not been
done for all children; their SINS had been for-
given for the sake of the Lord Jesus. John found
great pleasure and joy in corresponding with them.
And we have every reason to believe that John's
Letter was an inspiration to them. Whether speak-
ing figuratively or literally CHILDREN whose sins
have been forgiven get great pleasure out of let-
ters coming from a person like Staint John. Dont
forget that a good letter from a person like
Saint John is always in order.

Fathers whether in the home or in the
Church or other organizations if they are like
these Fathers to whom John is writing are very
much needed. For they have knowledge that not
every man has, they know God and are ^{prepared} effectually
to introduce him to others.

Then John wrote to the young MEN because
they were strong and had overcome the Devil. In
every age everywhere YOUNG MEN have great bat-
tles to fight with the Devil. The battles they
have to fight are too numerous to mention. But
when you know a YOUNG MAN who has fought with the
Devil and has overcome has been victorious he is
a good person with whom to correspond.

In all our christian activities let us
recognize all these characters named in our text
and communicate with them: they will do us much
good and we will help them bear their burdens and
fight their battles.

.....AMEN.....

Jun. 1 '52

Matt. 22:14

M

MANY ARE CALLED, BUT FEW
ARE CHOSEN.

God is a good loving Father and he wishes every one to have a chance to be among the CALLED so that they may have a chance to be chosen.

In every walk of life there are two classes of people, the CALLED and the CHOSEN. The crowd constitutes the CALLED and the few constitutes the chosen.

The few know they must qualified, even though they are called in order to be chosen. Hence they deny themselves of many things that they see others possessing. They go to school, read good books attend enlightening lectures.

The few know that there is a race set before them. So frequently they examine themselves and have others test them.

The few who are chosen know their DIET, DRESS, COMPANY, BUSINESS and VOCATION must be up to the KING'S standard. He knows he must not depend upon man's opinion and decisions. He knows that if he does he will be cast out into utter darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Let us remember that all of us have been invited to the MARRIAGE FEAST of the KING'S SON CHRIST JESUS our LORD.

We shall know by reading the Invitation the bill of fare and that it is a FULL dress affair.

Let us refrain from partaking of everything that is offered us before the FEAST so that we may have a good sharp appetite for the FEAST.

.....AMEN.....

Jun. 8 '52

Jno. 12:32

M

AND I, IF I BE LIFTED UP FROM THE
EARTH, WILL DRAW ALL MEN UNTO ME.

The Lord Jesus uses here an expression that has a universal application. For every one and every one worth while with which we have to do is governed very largely by the position that they occupy.

There are times when some things and some persons are at an advantage when they occupy a lowly position. So it is said of Jesus that he humbled himself and became obedient. This is a rule, a law that is especially true for those who seek to know and do the will of God.

But let no one deceive you and make you believe that you must occupy the lowly secondary place always in order to do the will of God. There are times when it is just as contrary to the will of God for you for you to be lowly as it is some times for you to be high and lofty in your attitude.

Often we defeat ourselves and deprive of great blessings by failing to elevate those who would become our benefactors.

History is filled with the record of those who like our Lord have sought high lofty positions not alone for themselves, but that they might draw men into the way of life and the pursuit of happiness.

May each of us recognize our responsibility to elevate those who are unselfish and wish to be in the position where they can draw men into the way of LIGHT and LIFE.

.....AMEN.....

Jun. 15 '52

Matt. 6:9,10

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VEN HALLOWED BE THY NAME. THY
KINGDOM COME, THY WILL BE DONE IN
EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.

In creating the world and all (including man) that is in it our Heavenly Father established a relationship for his children that makes us one great universal family.

To learn this one great lesson will solve one of our most difficult problems. It will teach us that God is our FATHER and all we are brothers. It will teach us that we must ~~treat~~ our fellowman where ever he may be just as we are taught to treat our brother in our homes.

To learn this lesson will make us see that from God's viewpoint ~~that~~ there is no N. no S. no E. no W.

God is our FATHER from every viewpoint. It is a big fatal mistake ~~mistake~~ to think of God as the one who unites us from a spiritual viewpoint only. God has made provision for us in every phase of life.

One of the greatest blunders that could have been made was made when men otherwise wise and good men established what is known SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE. We can not get rid of God in any phase of life that way. God insists on being in every phase of life in which his children are found either to bless or curse.

Let us stop just calling God father. Let us treat him as Father. Let us treat him as children should ~~treat~~ their earthly fathers.

In a way greater than our earthly fathers could ever be, God is anxious to have a part in all the affairs of his children. That in which he can not share in your program you better cut it out.

Remember that if you are a christian, if you are really God's child that you are no longer your own, but that you have been bought with a price even with the blood of Christ Jesus our Lord and Master.

We must make a place for him in our BUSINESS, in our WORK and PLAY, in our SOCIAL AFFAIRS, in our POLITICAL AFFAIRS, in our FRATERNAL AFFAIRS. Remember you can not how ever hard and faithfully you may try, let God rule in one part of your life and exclude him from all the rest.

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As we think of this day as our father's day let us keep in mind that every day is our HEAVENLY FATHER'S DAY.

.....AMEN.....

July 6 '52

I Cor. 3:9

M

FOR WE ARE LABOURERS TOGETHER WITH
GOD.

Those with whom we labor have much to do
with the CHARACTER and VALUE of what we are
doing.

To know with whom we are laboring has much
to do with our interest and zeal.

One of the best ways to enlist and hold
laborers is to be able to show them that the
outstanding ONE with whom they will be labor-
ing is VERSATILE and RESOURCEFUL. He knows all
about the work that needs to be done.

We must recognize in God's SERVICE:

The CHARACTER of our ASSOCIATION. We must seek
associates who are resourceful and versatile.
We must seek those who go beneath the SURFACE
in their knowledge of what is to be done. We
must seek those who are able and willing to do
in more than one way. *His Service*

We must recognize in God's SERVICE:

The GLORY and DIGNITY to be found there in.

That it is a CONSTANT service No STRIKES, no
LAY OFFS.

In God's SERVICE we must keep always be-
fore us the GREAT AIM of the SERVICE

We must not lose sight of the COMPENSA-
TION that is prepared for those who labor in
God's SERVICE.

We should be able always to make known
the VALUE of God's SERVICE and for whom are
its BENEFITS.

There is always a MARKET for what is pro-
duced by those who are colaborers with GOD.

Let us keep in mind that there is only
one way to keep fit as a laborer with God. We
must eat the flesh and drink the blood of his
SON. Those who fail to do this have no LIFE
and therefore have no interest nor power.

May we regularly partake of that which
the Lord Jesus has provided for us in his body
and blood, that we may FAITHFUL, EARNEST labor-
ers with our God.

.....AMEN.....

July 20 '52

I Kin. 17

M

GOD'S COMBINATION FOR SERVICE

God's SERVICE is the most comprehensive service known to man. God's WAY is no one track way. Those who wish to be accepted in God's service must have capacity for more than one opinion and he must be able to occupy more than one place one position. He must know how to be abased and how to be exalted.

One in the SERVICE of God must know how to be conspicuous today and how and willing to be hid away out of sight to morrow. There are times when you will be of far more value out of sight than when you are in evidence. Let God tell you WHEN, HOW and WHERE to be hid away.

God has a BROOK for every one who is engaged in service for him that will serve us as long as necessary. It is good for our BROOK to dry up some times so that God can carry out his PROGRAM.

God has provided the BILL of fare for every one of us according to his knowledge of our need. We better give attention to the way that he has arranged to get it to us. You better recognize the inferior and use it if God has selected it to serve us.

Our children are very much in need of the service that only God's appointed servants can render. It is good for mothers and fathers to release their children at the proper time to God's appointed servant.

God's Prophet has the power to give new LIFE to our children.

Let us learn from Elijah how to live a helpful and successful life in the service of God.

.....AMEN.....

Aug. 3 '52

I Cor. 2:2

M

FOR I DETERMINED NOT TO KNOW ANYTHING
AMONG YOU SAVE JESUS CHRIST AND HIM
CRUCUFIED.

The Apostle Paul, the author of our text was one of the most versatile best educated men of his day. He had attended the great schools of his day. He could converse with the GREEKS and ROMANS and he had learned much from them and said he was debtor to both the Greek and Roman. But he had not made so great a study a study of any people or individual as he had made of the Lord Jesus. And he found in him that which made him write these words, CHRIST IS ALL AND IN ALL.

So when Paul was preparing a message to deliver to the Corinthians a Greek people he decided to spend his thought and time about one who was superior to all their great characters and one who had done more for the human race than any other man had done or could do.

Paul knew what the Corinthians needed and he knew what it would cost him to give it to them. And here in our text we read his decision. He decided to pay the cost. These two Letters to the Corinthians give us a comprehensive idea as to how successful he was.

Let us consider the many ways Paul might have preached to the cultured Greeks at Corinth. He could have preached to them about their POETS their Doctors, their Lawyers, their Military men and their Philosophers. But Paul knew that these people could never gotten acquainted with the Lord Jesus that way.

Let us see what one gets who chooses the CRUCIFIED CHRIST as the subject for study and discussion. He gets an EXEMPLAR that he could always trust and follow.

He would get a Teacher that would make known to him what he needed to know.

He would get a LEADER that he could always follow with FAITH and CONFIDENCE.

He would get a SAVIOR that will save to the uttermost.

May we have courage to make decisions like the Apostle Paul.

.....AMEN.....

AND HE THAT SAT UPON THE THRONE SAID, BEHOLD I MAKE ALL THINGS NEW.

This scripture appeals to most every one, especially to those who are YOUNG, young in age and young in MIND. There are many reasons why young people like the new. But the main reason is because they are NEW themselves. Then they have a greater chance to succeed with the new than they have with the old.

This scripture is a statement, an announcement in which we are all interested from two viewpoints, from the SUBJECTIVE viewpoint, when we think about ourselves and from an OBJECTIVE viewpoint when we think about others and things outside ourselves.

It is not always so, but when things are NEW they are supposed to be better than the old.

It will be to our profit to know WHAT and WHO are included in the ALL THINGS here in our text. And we are anxious most of all to know if HUMAN BEINGS are included. And we do not have to worry over this Question very long for the scriptures tell us that he who is born again of the Spirit he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

While thousands of things are to be made new we have time now to consider just one that is the HUMAN being who comes to us in three forms, CHILD, MAN, WOMAN or rather MAN, WOMAN, CHILD. We are to consider briefly MAN in general and ourselves in particular. We shall do well to ask ourselves What is involved in this NEW creature NEW creation. And when we consult the BIBLE our guid book which tells what as NEW creatures we are and what we are to do, we find that we are not exhibiting our new life as we might and as we should.

Let us see what we as new creatures are and are to do: We are the LIGHT of the world . We are the SALT of the earth. We are LABORERS with God. We are DISCIPLES of Jesus, His ~~#####~~ ~~###~~ PUPILS. We are to run with patience the race set before us. Love our NEIGHBORS as ourselves. Love our ENEMIES. Do good to them who spitefully use us. Be ANGRY and sin not.

.....AMEN.....

Sept. 7 '52

I Jno. 1:7

M

BUT IF WE WALK IN THE LIGHT, AS
HE, (GOD) IS IN THE LIGHT, WE
HAVE FELLOWSHIP ONE WITH ANOTHER,
AND THE BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST
HIS SON CLEANSETH US FROM ALL SIN.

This text has in it some very beautiful and strong analogies that will help us to understand the position that as christians we occupy and what required and expected of us. The analogies show us that our pilgrimage to our heavenly home is made by walking. And that we must keep our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace.

These analogies remind us that if we would make our pilgrimage in safety, we must have light, the best light real light by which to walk. We are taught that if we are making our pilgrimage as we should we are in the RIGHT way and we have LIGHT and are required to have FELLOWSHIP with our COMRADES for their good and ours.

These analogies teach us that however valuable a remedy may be for a malady except it is taken according to directions it will not do any good, and indeed it may harm us fatally.

I think we make no mistake when we say all of us who are christians wish to be free from sin. And we take the remedy that cleanses sin but we are not cleansed. And we ask what is the trouble? If we read the 1st Chapter of the first epistle of John we will find our what the trouble is.

We must make much of the word of God. Let it be our LIGHT and our Salvation. We must let the word of God tell us what course to pursue and what things to do. SHIRLEY'S BIBLE CLASS.

As the children of God we must have a program that has been dictated by the Holy Spirit. Then and not until then we shall have fellowship one with another. Then with joy we can SING, PRAY and WORK together.

So long as we seek to have others do our will instead of God's will we can not have fellowship, we can not be free from sin, nor can we walk in the LIGHT. And if we are not walking in the Light do not be surprised if God's children fail to follow you.

.....AMEN.....

Oct. 5 '52

Jno. 14:19

M

YET A LITTLE WHILE AND THE WORLD
SEETH ME NO MORE; BUT YE SEE ME;
BECAUSE I LIVE YE SHALL LIVE ALSO.

Here we have two good movements, providing they are operated by those who know values, know how to live and know how and what to see. For some it makes no difference being deprived of the privilege of seeing some of the world's great personages and objects. For thou they see them every day they see no value in them. Indeed they would rather have these personages and objects hid from them, for then they will have good excuse for not seeing and using them.

However great and profitable one may be if you do not see him and see him as he really is he is of little or no profit to you.

It is sad and depressing to know that this old world in which we live and by which in so many particulars we are governed and controled has no practical vision of Jesus any more. For this very reason the children of God the disciples of the Lord Jesus need to let the world know that we see the Lord Jesus, need to let the world know that he is still for them the bright and morning STAR, the ROSE of sharon and the Lily of the valley. May all of us let the world know that he is our greatest attraction.

Constantly the world needs to be reminded of the fact that for us Jesus was crucified and that he was buried and rose again and makes it possible for us to share the new life with him.

Let us see what this new life does for us.

- 1-It makes it possible for us to see Jesus.
- 2-It makes it possible for us us to understand Jesus' program.
- 3-It makes us anxious to work with Jesus .
- 4-It makes it possible and easy to to suffer with Jesus.
- 5--It makes it possible for us to suffer with Jesus, and work with our brethren.

Because we see Jesus and he has made a most wonderful impression upon us Let us do all we can to help others see him, love him and serve him.

.....AMEN.....

Oct. 26-52 Isah. 2nd Chapter

Isah. is known as the Evangelistic Prophet. ~~at the~~

Even though at time Isah. wrote this Scripture God's cause was not very promising he had faith in Jerusalem and the things for which she ^{stood} was the CHURCH of that Day.

She must give God's Law to the people. She was to judge and rebuke the people for their sins.

He tells them what their attitude shall be towards War

He make it clear that the only way for them to be right and was to walk in the light of the Lord.

He calls their attention to the fact that they ceased to trust God and were depending on their Money and their other Material Possessions for their prosperity. They had gotten where they were making idols and worshipping them.

He makes known to them the fact that the day is near when God will pull down the high and lofty that fail to serve Him.

He tells them that they shall go into Rocks and try to hide from God.

He tells them that they will throw away their idols when God asserts himself.

His last word warns them against following sinful men.

Oct. 19 1952

Matt. 5:16

M

LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE BEFORE MEN,
THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR GOOD WORKS,
AND GLORIFY YOUR FATHER WHICH IS IN
HEAVEN.

Let us remember that we let our light
shine by what we THINK, SAY and DO.

When we fail to let our light shine we
make it impossible for our fellow man to see
what we are doing and therefore fail to coop-
erate with us. And again when we fail to let
our light shine we deprive God of the glory
to which he is entitled. And when we deprive
God of his glory we lessen his attractiveness.
Hence men are not readily drawn to him.

May we be assured that we need to study
and find out how to let our light shine so
so that men can see our GOOD works and glo-
rify our God.

Do not let your light shine so that it
will just show yourself, but no good WORKS.

Do not wait to get to some special place
to let your light shine. But let it shine
wherever you may be.

Let your light shine all the time, not
simply on some special occasions.

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not simply on some special occasions.~~

Let your light shine by your LOVE and
KINDNESS.

Let your light shine by your PATIENCE.

Let your light shine by your COOPERATION
with your BREATHREN-COWORKERS.

Let your light shine by your HONESTY.

Let your light shine by your LIBERALITY-
GENEROSITY.

Let your light ^{God's} shine by the CONSECRATED
USE you make of HIS WORD and all the
AGENCIES THAT God has placed at your dis-
posal.

Let us do these things that we may be
God's COLLABORERS.

.....AMEN.....

Nov. 2 '52

Rom. 12:1

M

I BESEECH YOU, THEREFORE,
BRETHERN, BY THE MERCIES OF
GOD, THAT YE PRESENT YOUR
BODIES A LIVING SACRIFICE,
HOLY, ACCEPTABLE UNTO GOD,
WHICH IS YOUR REASONABLE
SERVICE.

To serve God acceptably means more than reading the Bible, SINGING and PRAYING. There are some things that we usually regard as material, secular that have nothing to do with our spiritual life and activities.

But what our text tells us shows very clearly, beyond a doubt that our entire being must be kept fit and used when we attempt to render God acceptable service.

Hence we are under obligation to take the very best care of our bodies.

As no other people we must be careful about our DIET, DRESS, ASSOCIATES and our EXERCISES, ACTIVITIES.

WE must be constantly in possession of the right kind of life a life that God has passed upon if we are going to render God REASONABLE ACCEPTABLE service.

May ever keep in mind what Jesu has told us if we would render God acceptable service.

Jesus has told us NOT TO FORSAKE THE ASSEMBLING OF OURSELVES TOGETHER. He has told that we MUST LOVE ONE ANOTHER. He has told us that except we PARTAKE OF HIS BODY AND HIS BLOOD THAT WE HAVE NO LIFE IN US.

Let us resolve that by God's help we will give our bodies more attention and endeavor to lift them to higher plains.

.....AMEN.....

Nov. 8 '52

Ps. 133:10

M

TEACH ME TO DO THY WILL; FOR
THOU ART MY GOD: THY SPIRIT
IS GOOD; LEAD ME INTO THE
LAND OF UPRIGHTNESS.

We all are pupils or we need to be. To get on well in this world we ought to know many things that we do not know. Now I think we do not need a long argument to convince us that we are all pupils. Pupils need teachers good teachers who will unlock the doors and let us have wisdom knowledge and truth that will qualify us to sail our own little barque over the rough tempestuous sea of doubt fear and misgiving.

Now let us not lose sight of the fact that good teachers need and must have good pupils pupils that will be studious who will study problems that need to be solved.

We have many whom we would like to number among our friends. Most of them are lay friends whose experience and efforts have them proficient in many ways. But none of them have measured up to what we call real leaders or teachers.

The psalmist has discovered what we all must discover if we are going to be good studious pupils must realize that God is not only a good teacher, but that he is a good Leader.

Let us like the psalmist study God and find out what he can do for us. There is so much doubt and fear in the world that men do not know whom to follow.

Let us trust God and believe that he can and will lead us into a land of uprightness. He will lead us into a land where we shall find men that we can believe and trust.

May we be willing to leave behind some things that we may become possessors of the rich things that God has in store who are will to study and become lovers of the real and good.

.....AMEN.....

Nov. 16-52 Isa. 3:1 Chptr.

I
God's Interest In The
Food Market.

II
The Character Of Our
Citizens And Rulers
Is Determined Very
Largely By Our Attitude
Toward God and His
Law.

III
When A People Reject
God And His Law They
Drive Away From Them
Men Of Ability and Power.

IV
People Show Their Real
Character In Confine-
ces. If You Observe Close-
ly You Will Know Them
and Treat Them Accord-
ingly.

V
The Wickedness Of
The People Shall Plung
Them Into War

Nov. 16 '52

Rom. 14:12

M

SO THEN EVERY ONE OF US
SHALL GIVE AN ACCOUNT OF
HIMSELF TO GOD.

The Apostle is announcing a fact here, which if properly observed and believed will save the children of God much trouble and worry. And he will be less concerned about what man thinks and says about him. He will shape his life and govern his deportment according to what God teaches him.

The Liberty into which Christ has brought us gives us privileges and rights that we should regard above all of the opinions of men.

We need to study and as far as possible and become as thoroughly acquainted with this being that God has committed to us to care for.

With this liberty wherewith Christ has made us free we should be better able than we are to care for our entire BEING, BODY, MIND and SPIRIT.

We are with ourselves or should be more that we are with any one else and therefore we should know better than any one else just what each department of our being needs. We should always remember, if we are intelligent as we should be we know better that any one else how we are effected by that in which we indulge.

We should be very careful as to how we sit in judgement upon our fellowman as to the bill of fare he has for his entire being.

Let us close this message by repeating together once our text Rom. 14:12 .

.....AMEN.....