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The Hassing of Our Beloved Dean

We regret to announce the death of our well beloved Dean and founder of the Institute.

Mr. Aberhart was stricken with a liver ailment early in April, and entered hospital in Vancouver for special treatment.



WILLIAM ABERHART, B.A.

In spite of the most expert care he failed to rally and passed away to be with his Lord at five o'clock on Sunday morning, May 23rd, 1943.

His thousands of friends will mourn the passing of this great Christian gentleman, and on their behalf we desire to express our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Aberhart and family.

We thank God that He sent into our midst this scholarly and yet humble man, who has been such a help to thousands in presenting the simple gospel story of the Way of Life.

"ABSENT FROM THE BODY-PRESENT WITH THE LORD"

—2 Cor. 5:8

"THE WORD NOT IN THE BIBLE"

Condensed from a Broadcast Lecture delivered by Cyril Hutchinson on May 16th, 1943.

Evangelical preachers often refer to a coming event which they call "The Rapture." Yet when folks search their Bible, they are sometimes puzzled to find that this unusual word is not to be found in the Sacred Volume.

The dictionary, moreover, declares that it has a strange double meaning. Its first, common meaning indicates a great transport of joy, where one is carried away with unutterable delight. The second meaning is most significant and important. The word "Rapture" comes from the Latin word "rapto," which means "to SNATCH AWAY." The full meaning of the word is thus "to fill with joy and to snatch away"!

The Christian uses the word to describe that glorious event foretold so clearly and explicitly in 1 Thess. 4:13-18. This Scripture prophesies that some day the Lord Jesus Christ will descend from Heaven to the airy atmosphere of this earth. With Him will come the souls of all the dead in Christ, and, at the sound of the trumpet and the voice of an archangel, their bodies will be raised from the graves, and then every living Christian on earth will be suddenly caught up, disappear from earth, to be seen here no longer, but to be in Heaven with Christ. That amazing event has been well named the "Rapture," the joyful snatching away! And it MUST take place, as surely as any other prophesied event. The Scripture cannot be broken.

Three pertinent questions arise at once, and demand our careful attention. First, what will it mean to the careless, everyday world as we know it today? How will this greatest event since Pentecost affect human beings? It will undoubtedly produce inconceivable CHAOS! There will be physical chaos. On our railroads there are Christian engineers and firemen, Christian conductors

and trainmen, while many a Christian signalman tends his controls. And they will be suddenly GONE! Their trains will plunge madly on, uncontrolled, until they hurtle to destruction, carrying their human freight to death and destruction! On our roads, driverless cars will careen along, and street-cars, left in an instant by the Christians who once drove them, will plunge on unchecked. On the seas there will be ships without captains, while pilot-less airplanes will fall from the sky. There will be states with disrupted governments, thrones without kings and nations without premiers. Power plants will stop, production will be disorganized and public services will be suspended in many places, as the key-men disappear. There will be mental chaos, too. Many of the world's finest brains will be gone, taking their valuable secrets with them. Chemists, engineers, scientists, generals, admirals will all find ranks depleted by missing ones. And what of the mental anguish of those who seek in vain for missing loved ones at home? It will also be a day of spiritual chaos. What will men believe then? What distortions, what sects will spring up overnight! What lies will be 'taught! The Holy Spirit will be gone, with the Christians, and the world will be left to believe the lies of the devil! What a world will that be!

The second question is important to every thinking person. To whom does the promise of the Rapture apply? Who will go? Who will be left behind to face these things? The Bible answer is clear as crystal. Paul wrote I Corinthians to the Christian folk, the believers on Christ as Saviour. In verses 51-52 of chapter 15 he declared, "We (Christians) shall ALL be changed . . ." Not ONE Christian will be left on earth! Who then will be here? The answer is in 11 Thess. 2:10 and 12. It will not be a question of whether a man is good or bad, a church member or not. The one lest behind will be the one who has "received not . . . believed not" on the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour.

The third question is simply, When will

the Rapture take place? No man can set the date. That is hidden from us. The Book declares that it will take place BE-FORE the time of the Great Tribulation, when the wrath of God is poured out upon the earth for seven years, and BEFORE the Antichrist is revealed to the nations. The Rapture MUST take place before the prophecies of the end-time begin to be fulfilled, for this Age of Grace was hidden from the prophets. Above all this, we read in Titus 2:11-13 that we are to be "looking for that blessed hope, and the GLORIOUS APPEARING of the great God, and our Saviour Jesus Christ." God says, "Look for it!" It may take place at any moment, yes, perhaps TODAY!

Will that not be Rapture for you? Caught away from earth's trials and sorrows, to meet at last our beloved Lord Jesus, whom having not seen, we love! Caught up to see the glories of heaven, prepared by Christ for us, and to meet in unutterable joy, all our Christian loved ones who have gone on before! Surely all our hearts must thrill with the promise of this wondrous hope! God grant that every reader of these words will be found ready for that day, trusting in the finished work of Christ, the atoning blood of Calvary's Cross!

Hitler, in "Mein Kampf," explains the meaning of the swastika, the emblem of his Nazi movement, in these words: "It stands for creative work which is, and always will be ANTI-SEMITIC." Anti-Semiticism lies at the very core of his philosophy. It might bring the matter home to the Jewhaters if a little Nazi swastika were given them to wear!

In a recent radio address, Dr. Walter Maier said, "One of the cruelest deceptions of all is for some of our high officials to tell the people that this war effort will bring in a long era of peace and good will." Any student of prophecy knows that it will not do any such thing.

PEN SKETCHES OF UNFORGETTABLE CHARACTERS

By WILLIAM J. LAING

Mr. Laing is the Pastor of the Bible Institute Baptist Church. His voice is often heard assisting in the service of our afternoon broadcast.

The career of Abraham introduces us to one of the greatest qualities of life that God would have all men possess. He was called to leave country, kindred and home and go out into an unknown land—"and he went out, not knowing whither he went." He travelled under "sealed orders."

Many were the heartaches of such a strange land. He watched his cattle waste away when the pasture failed. The bleating of the thirsty sheep tore at his soul. He loved his animals, but there was no water. He must go down to Egypt. There Abraham got into so much difficulty that finally the Egyptians had to put him out. When he returned with Lot, he had learned his lesson, for when it came time for Lot and himself to separate, he gave Lot the first choice. He knew that, should Lot choose the best of the land, God could make it up to him in some other way. Abraham had learned that when God leads, He can also be trusted to provide.

The testings and trials of the pilgrim journey did not erase this quality from his record, but rather stamped it indelibly upon the page. God later called upon him to lace another stern test—this time it concerned that which was nearest and dearest to his heart, his only son Isaac. God asked him to offer Isaac as a burnt offering. In the face of His promise that "in Isaac should his seed be called" Abraham builded an altar, bound Isaac, his son, and raised the knife to slay him. He accounted that God was able to raise him up even from the dead.

What FAITH! Surely such a character has the right of "honorable mention" in Hebrews II. He has well earned the title, "the father of the faithful."

Monthly Meditation

"GOD HAS A PROGRAM FOR ME"

These are days of many programs. Military leaders have great programs in view. Statesmen are mapping out many intricate and theoretically marvellous plans for a post-war world. Father, you have your plans for your family, haven't you? And Mother, how your heart searches out a program for your little children, and yearns to see them walk in it aright. You young people have great plans for your life, your future, your vocation.

Did you ever meditate on the fact that above all these things, our Heavenly Father has His plans for His children? Would we not be wiser, better, happier people if we first sought His plan for our lives? Does He not yearn for the Christian folk to seek first that way that He puts before them?

Dr. Bob Jones, President of the Bob Jones College, writes of the following experience: "I decided to travel to Birmingham, Alabama, though the road there was mostly mud and clay. I had faith to believe that the Lord would get me there. Down the country road, about ten miles on my way, my car slipped into a ditch. I couldn't get it out. I said to myself, 'This is funny. I can't understand why the Lord has let this happen.' But there I was in the ditch in the pouring rain. I got out of the car, and walked up the road to a simple little country house.

"I knocked on the door, and somebody said: 'Come in.' There was a man with a lot of children around him. He was trying to dress one dear little fellow. 'I'm in the mud,' I said, 'and I thought you could get a mule and pull me out.' He looked up at me, and tears were running down his face. 'I'll help you as soon as I get the children dressed,' he said. 'I'm not much good at dressing children. I never had this to do before. I buried their mother yesterday.'

"My heart went out to him. There is nothing so pathetic as a man trying to

care for a lot of children. I told him ! would help, and took a little girl on my lap. Her stockings and shoes were torn, but I put them on.

"After we got the children dressed, I asked, 'Are you a Christian?' He said he was not but that his wife was. 'I ought to be,' he said. 'She talked to me a lot about it. I have these children to raise.'

"I put my arm around him and said: "We'll stop right here and settle that." I had prayer with him, and led him to the Lord Jesus Christ. Then together we got the car out of the mud, and I said to myself: 'I know now why God stopped me here. He wanted me to help put over His program. That wife's prayer reached over the battlements of heaven and pushed my car off right here.' It is worth getting in the ditch to help God in His program."

That was God's program! He wants to make our lives after His plan, to prepare every detail, so that "all things work together for good." Above all, He plans to use your life and mine to bring others to Christ. And our part? Simply to consciously, daily, yield our life, our will, our all to Him, and to His direction. GOD HAS A PROGRAM FOR ME!

DICTIONARY DEFINITION

PRIDE—Unreasonable conceit of one's own superiority, whether as to talent, wealth, beauty, accomplishments, rank, office, or other distinction, with corresponding contemptuous feeling toward others; inordinate self-esteem.

By ignorance is pride increased; they most assume who know the least.—John Gray. "JESUS CHRIST, THE SAME, YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND FOREVER."

To the Blind He is Light .- John 8:12:

"Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world; he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."

To the Learner He is truth.-John 14:6.

"Jesus'saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me."

"And my refuge, my Saviour"

THE WONDER OF THE BOOK

By PROF. DYSON HAGUE, M.A.

The wonder of the Book grows on us as our experience is enlarged, for the more deeply we search it the more we feel that the Bible is not merely a book, but The Book. As Sir Walter Scott once said: "In the whole world it is The Book; all other books are mere leaves, fragments."

Yes, it alone is the universal Book—the eternal Book. It is the Voice; all others are merely books for the hour. The Bible is the book for all time. It stands alone; unapproachable in grandeur; as high above all other books as heaven is above earth, as the Son of God above the sons of men. THE WONDER OF ITS FORMATION

One of the first things about this Book that evokes our wonder is the very fact of its existence. Anyone who has studied the history and origin of the divine Word must be struck with wonderment at the mysterious method of its foundation. That it ever was a book, and is today THE Book of the world, is really a literary miracle. For there never was any order given to any man to plan the Bible, nor was there any concerted plan on the part of the men who wrote it, to write the Bible.

The way in which the Bible gradually grew is one of the mysteries of time. Little by little, part by part, century after century, it came out in fragments and unrelated portions, written by various men, without any intention (so far as we can tell) of anything like concerted arrangement. One man wrote one part in Arabia, another wrote another part in Syria; a third wrote in Palestine, another in Greece and Italy; some writers wrote hundreds of years after or before the others, and the first part was written many hundred years before the man who wrote the last part was born.

(To be Continued)

Since Hitler began his programme of systematized hate, over 2,000,000 Jews have been massacred.

Radio Sunday School Notes

By Superintendent Charles R. Pearce

Friends of the Sunday School will be glad to learn of the splendid results of our lessons among the children.

As the final lessons are being returned



to us, we are delighted to read the answers of so many who have decided to give their hearts to the Lord Jesus Christ.

We have decided to keep in touch with our children throughout the summer months through

the medium of a monthly magazine for children.

The name chosen for this leaflet is "His Jewels." It is our sincere hope that this additional service will be the means of further blessing in the thousands of homes where it may find entrance.

Extra copies mailed free upon request.

Truly the host of friends who make our work possible will also be partakers in that rich reward promised to those who spread the blessed Gospel of Salvation. It is indeed a most humbling thought that He has made us administrators of this small part in the Great Plan of the Ages.

Please pray that each one of us may be found faithful—always abounding in the work of the Lord. (1 Cor. 15-58).

Only one life,
'Twill soon be past;
Only what's done for Christ,
Will last

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PROPHETIC NEWS

By Cyril Hutchinson

"NOAH'S ARK, AND ITS MESSAGE FOR TODAY"

Since the message on this subject was broadcast over C.F.C.N. on February 28th, so many enquiries have been received concerning the reports of the finding of the



remains of Noah's Ark, among the everlasting snow and ice of Mount Ararat, that we believe all our readers would like us to publish at least a brief review of all the information at our disposal. We cannot, of

course, confirm these reports, but we feel that their persistent recurrence points to a real discovery having been made. We look to the post-war future for definite and new confirmation of these things.

The Bible record declares that, as the Flood subsided, the Ark rested in the Mountains of Ararat. (Gen. 8:4). Of necessity, so great a structure must have remained there, and was deserted by human beings as the water-level fell, and the rarified air, and the accompanying cold closed about the ship. Centuries later, the ancient his-Berosus the torians take up the record. Chaldean wrote in 260 B.C., "It is said that there is still some part of this ship in Armenia at the mountain of the Corydaean (Ararat), and that some people carry off pieces of bitumen to use as amulets for averting mischief." Nicolaus of Damascus, in 30 B.C., wrote: "There is a great mountain in Armenia, called Baris. One carried in an ark came on shore here after the Flood. Remains of the timber were a great while preserved here." And in 90 A.D. Josephus, the great Jewish historian, declared that the remains of the Ark were still to be seen in his day, in a place called "The place of descent," apparently named when Noah descended from the mountain. Remember that these were secular historians with no interest in defending the truth of the

Old Testament.

Apparently no further notice was taken of these things until in 1883 an earthquake shook Mt. Ararat. The ice which extends for more than 3,000 feet below its summit broke loose in tremendous quantities, burying whole villages under its avalanches. The outcome of this was reported in the Chicago Tribune of August 13, 1883. The article declared that Turkish commissioners, appointed to investigate these avalanches, saw a structure of very dark wood protruding from a glacier. After enormous difficulty, they climbed up to it, and found a huge and broken ship, made of the ancient and practically imperishable gopher wood of Scripture, which grows only on the plains of the Euphrates. Affecting an entrance, they found that the interior was divided into partitions 15 feet high, but they could only enter three of these, all others being full of ice. How far the Ark extended into the glacier, they could not tell.

Now for more recent reports. In 1939, Rev. Frederick G. Coan published at Claremont, Calif., his book, entitled "Yesterdays in Persia and Kurdistan." In chapter 16 he tells of meeting Archdeacon Nouri of the Nestorian Church of India, a man widely read and widely travelled, and whose reputation withstood the closest scrutiny. This man said he had made three attempts to scale Mt. Ararat before he finally succeeded. On the third ascent, he, too, saw the old Ark, wedged in the rocks, and half filled with snow and ice. He, too entered inside, and found much the same condition as the Turkish commissioners reported.

The final report at hand is that of a Russian, Vladimar Roskovitsky. He states that during the last war he was stationed at a lonely air-outpost, 25 miles north-west of Mt. Ararat. While circling the mountain by airplane, he and his companion saw on the south side, a tiny blue lake, still frozen on the shady side, and at the overflow end they saw a ship, with stubby masts, a rounded deck, and a flat cat-walk across the length of it. As they flew closer they

saw that it was a huge thing, as long as a city block, about one-fourth under water, and with a great doorway, some 20 feet square in one side. The other side had been partly dismantled.

A report of their discovery was sent to the Czar, and Roskovitsky declares that an expedition was sent to investigate the matter. He says that they, too, reached the Ark, and made exact measurements of it. also taking numerous photographs. They found within the Ark, numerous small rooms, and some very large rooms with high ceil-These large rooms had fences of great timbers across them, while many of the small rooms had tiers of cages, with rows of tiny iron bars along the front. Everything was coated with a wax-like paint resembling shellac. On the peak of the mountain was found the remains of a stone altar, with the burned remains of some of the timbers from the Ark. This is the report of Vladimar Roskovitsky. He also states that a few days after the reports and photographs were sent to the Czar, the government was overthrown by the Bolsheviks, and nothing more was ever heard of the matter. He believes that these godless men destroyed the records of so marvellous a discovery.

We leave our readers to weigh this evidence. We have not presented it to prove that the Flood took place, for various lines of scientific evidence amply prove that fact. Instead we would remind you of the prophecy of our Lord, as recorded in Matthew 24:37. "As the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." We believe that we are getting very near the time of Christ's Second Is God reminding us of these things by permitting the discovery of something that tells of the days of Noah, and the judgment that fell upon THAT sinful generation? Perhaps by these means He is calling to men for the LAST TIME to take heed, to flee for safety into the Greater Ark, the redeeming love of our Lord Jesus Christ!

IT'S A FACT

That the Evolutionary Theory can be mathematically disproved. Here are facts and figures. The world-census of 1922 gave the total population as 1,804,187,000. Beginning with one pair, the race must double itself 30.75 times to produce this number. By the chronology of Hales, it has taken an average of 168.3 years for each time the human race has doubled itself. By the same computation, the Jewish rate of increase is to double itself in a little over 161 years. This places Noah as living some 5,177 years ago.

Now many evolutionists, in their most moderate estimates, claim that the human race is 2 MILLION years old. If they doubled only ONE-TENTH as fast as the Jews, this would be 1,240 times in 2 million years! Earth's population by now would be 18,932,139,737,991 with 360 other figures following! If man originated only 100,000 years ago, and doubled one-tenth as fast as the Jews, there would now be 4,660,210,253,138,204,300 people on earth! The mind can better grasp that when we say that there would be 2,527,570,173 for every man, woman and child now living!

If the race began only 10,000 years ago, and increased at the Jewish rate, it would now be 2 billion times as great as it actually is! We just have not enough people on earth, nor enough human remains in the earth, to meet the unforeseen requirements of the fantastic theories of the evolutionists! Let them explain it!

CHORUS OF THE MONTH

I'm on the Faith Line, the good old Faith Line.

'Tis the Line that takes us thro'
To the land beyond the blue.
I'll tell the story from here to glory,
How the Saviour saves and keeps and
satisfies.

Our Readers Enquire

From a friend in Stettler comes a most interesting question: "Will you explain the meaning of Col. 2:20-22?"

ANSWER: These verses contain the question, addressed to the Christian, "Why are ve subject to ordinances?" The Christian is pictured as being dead in Christ, and, therefore, in a spiritual sense, not in the world. Some have thus thought that the Christian is to have nothing to do with any ordinances, such as baptism or the Communion Service, or the laying on of hands. If the verses are read through without the explanatory parenthesis, it will be at once seen that the ordinances here referred to are not the ordinances found in God's Word. but those which are "after the commandments and doctrines of MEN." churches have added to their religious exercises ordinances that have no foundation in the Bible Paul exhorts the Christian to have nothing to do with these, as they are "to perish with the using."

Another important question comes from Kindersley, Sask.: "Why must a woman cover her head when she prays? Does this mean another covering besides her hair? Who are the angels in I Cor. II:10 against which she needs this protective covering?"

ANSWER: In 1 Cor. 11:5 we are clearly told that the woman must cover her head when she prays or prophesies in the church. That this covering is something besides the hair is evident from the fact that the man must have his head uncovered. This does not mean that he must have no hair! In verse 7 we read, "A man indeed ought not to cover his head." This, of course, refers to putting on a head covering. A woman should thus be careful to wear a hat or other covering when she prays or prophesies in the church. Now why should she do We are only told "because of the angels." This must refer to the fallen In Noah's day angels, or evil spirits. angels left their high estate, and allied themselves with women here on

Their progeny were so wicked that God found it necessary to destroy the earth with the Flood. Thus a woman is told to cover her head in token of her submission to man, and to God (verses 7-9), and this becomes then her "power" or protection against the wicked spirits that seek her downfall.

GOD'S DOING

The story has recently been released to the press of a British submarine which sank to the ocean bed in a disabled condition. After two long days, hope of saving the entombed men was abandoned. Explaining to his men that they did not have long to live, the commanding officer distributed a sedative to his men to quiet their nerves and aid them in going to sleep in order that they might die peacefully, but first requested them to sing "Abide with me."

One sailor who was affected more quickly than the others by the sedative, swooned and fell heavily against a piece of equipment, thus releasing a jammed lever which was keeping the oxygen from being released so that the submarine could rise to the surface of the ocean. To the amazement of the entire crew, in a few moments the submarine was on the surface, and a few days later arrived safely in a British port. Who dare deny that this was God's doing, and marvellous in our eyes?

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ARE YOU A SHAREHOLDER?

Eccl. 11:1, Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days.

THE RACE THAT CHALLENGES

By Mabel C. Giles

Everybody loves to watch a race. Indeed, there is an indefinable something about a race which captivates the interest of young and old. It has always been so. The Greeks and Romans delighted in the race. Admiration for a race well-run still exists today. It is a joy to note the zeal with which the runners enter into a race. Down through the ages God has taught His children lessons by drawing attention to the runners in a race.

In Psalm 15:5 we read, "And rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race." The comparison is plain, for truly there is a joy in the heart of the able runner as he enters the contest. Visualize a race. Watch the faces of the runners, as they stand ready to begin. All are alert and eager. The signal is given. The race is on. One leads, others follow; some increase their speed as the race proceeds; others fall back; the leader takes his eyes off the goal and glances backwards; instantly he is surpassed; two men at the end of the line drop out, discouraged and exhausted. The race is over. Rewards are given; first prize, second prize, third prize, for rewards vary; to some the reward earned is not a tangible reward, just the inner satisfaction of knowing that they have done their best; to others, there is not even that compensation, for in their discouragement and weakness they ceased to take part in the race. How like the real race—the race that challenges!

Every believer is a runner in a race that challenges the very best that is in him. Read I Cor. 9:24 to 27. As Paul thinks of the difference between the ordinary race and the race in which the Christian is engaged, he writes, "Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we an incorruptible."

As you meditate upon the Christian race, note the zest with which some enter into it, and watch them as they proceed; observe

that a number become discouraged and lag behind, that some look backward instead of keeping their eyes forward, while others continue joyfully and with energy increasing as the race proceeds. How we wish that these discouraged ones might have grasped the glorious promises of Rewards, which shine out from the sacred pages of God's "For the Son of Man shall come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He shall reward every man according to his works." (Matt. 16:27). "Thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just." (Luke 14:14). "And, behold 1 come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be." (Rev. 22:12). The doctrine of Rewards is vital to the Christian, for it helps prevent discouragement and is an incentive to service.

God honors those who serve Him with the whole heart and soul. "And whatso-ever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance for ye serve the Lord Christ." (Col. 3:23-24).

Are you disheartened by human opposition? Think of what the Master said, "Blessed are ye when men shall revile you and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for My sake. Rejoice and be exceeding glad, for great is your reward in heaven." (Matt. 5:11-12).

Every believer, at some time or other, must choose between the reproach of Christ and the treasures of Egypt. May the choice made be identical with that of Moses, "Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater than the treasures in Egypt, for he had respect unto the recompense of the reward." (Heb. 11:26).

The devil and his agents labour without ceasing to entice Christians out of the race, to make them lag behind. Read I Peter 5:8 to 10 and Eph. 6:11 to 17. There is only one way to resist the devil, and that is to claim victory through Jesus Christ, to continue "stedfast in the faith." As we

look to God daily for grace and strength to give us victory over Self and all temptations, He does enable us to go on in the race, in His strength.

Four crowns, symbols of Rewards, are mentioned in the Word, viz., the crown of joy, the reward of ministry (Phil. 4:1 and I Thess. 2:19); the crown of righteousness, which is the reward for faithfulness in testimony (2 Tim. 4:8); the crown of life, the reward for faithfulness under trial (James I:12 and Rev. 2:10), and the crown of glory, the reward of faithfulness under suffering (I Peter, 5:4 and Heb. 2:9).

(God wishes us to be zealous in the race to the very end. "Blessed are those whom the Lord, when He cometh, shall find watching." (Luke 12:37).

Not for a moment would we give the impression that the Christian who lags in the race, who ceases to run, may be lost. The one who is redeemed by the blood can never be lost. (John 10:28 and 29). But he can lose his reward, "If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss; but he himself shall be saved yet so as by fire." (I Cor. 3:15).

Christians, are you running with all your strength in the race that challenges? Think of that glorious day, when He shall reward those who have served Him faithfully to the end!

KINDNESS

"And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you."— Eph. 4:32.

I expect to pass through this life but once. If, therefore, there be any kindnesses I can show, or any good thing I can do to any fellow beings, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.—Mrs. A. B. Hegeman.

A Christian worker is good. A worker is Christ is better. Christ in a worker is best.

HE'S COMING SOON

He's coming! Christ's coming!
And nearer, still nearer,
Lo! out from the darkness His visage grows
clearer;

The Lord of all glory, The Man of God's story, All excellence summing, Is coming, now coming!

'Tis He who has gathered God's thoughts and fulfilled them,

'Tis He who has met all our longings and stilled them,

The Omnipotent Word, God's Son and our Lord;

Who, sweetening our trials, as they grew severer,

Himself has become, hour by hour, still the dearer:

O air, earth and clouds, bear the echo along,

He's coming, just coming! the words of our song.

Do we know Him; not His doctrines, Not His wisdom, love, and power, But HIMSELF, the Friend unfailing In afflictions darkest hour?

Is He with us as a PERSON; Not a presence, vague, unreal, But a living, loving Saviour, Who our every need doth feel?

Is He with us now, `abiding?
Is He chiefest, and the best?
Would our home be sad without Him?
Have we each His perfect rest?

If we have, we know just dimly What the life of heaven will be: But the joy will there be grander, For we then our Lord shall see.

-Charlotte Murray.

The head of Allied naval power in the Mediterranean, and the head of the British Eighth Army in Tunisia are both sons of Christian ministers. Better than that, both Admiral Cunningham and General Montgomery are outspoken Christians.

The magazine "Protestant Voice" has a cartoon setting forth the fact that the liquor interests boast that 20 battleships could one would be better off-except the liquor be bought with the taxes collected from them in one year. The catch is that 80.

BATTLESHIPS could be bought with the money paid for liquor in a year, and every men! We wonder if our enemies are preferring liquor to battleships?

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