

# IN THE FAULTS

What Constitutes a Religious Man. Some Comments on the Topic. Etc. For April 5: "Songs of the Heart." IV. The Men Whom God Accepts." Pa. 24.

It is better to be accepted of God than to be applauded of men. A religious man is not necessarily one who wears some church's label. Nor is he necessarily an ecclesiastical official. He may not even be clear upon various doctrinal propositions. But he is a religious man who seeks after a personal experience of God, and who endeavors to conform his life to the requirements of Jehovah. In the words of the topic, he is a man whom God accepts, even though he be not acceptable to the world and the Church.

Those that seek God, God seeks.—Amos R. Wells. There has been times when the Church over-emphasized doctrine, from a realization of the truth that "as a man thinketh in his heart, so he is." One result of this was that some men substituted assent to certain creedal statements for actual lives of holiness. They believed the doctrines, but they did not practice them. In the present study, the Bible lays stress upon character and conduct, rather than upon anything else.

Who shall ascend into the hill of Jehovah, and who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands and a pure heart, who hath not lifted up his eyes unto falsehood, and hath not sworn deceitfully. Godliness is a universal language. This is the day of clean hands. Not for a generation has there been such an insistence upon private morality in public men. The old school of politicians find themselves in potent and dishonored. The Ten Commandments are being given a place as campaign documents. Integrity today is the most valuable of political assets. The people have so far agreed with the Psalmist that they are determined that the man of unclean hands and impure life shall not ascend into Capitol Hill, or any other holy place of eminence, honor and power.

Only the penitent, the pardoned and the pure may be counted as belonging to the company of God's friends. A few evenings ago I heard a distinguished Christian author declare that the day has passed when men could hold places of honor in the Church simply because of their wealth, or of their eminence in present-day social circles. High as well as lowly must pass the test of godliness, before religion can afford to put her seal upon them. There are apparent some signs that the plain men of the Church and spiritual life will come to be regarded as the great men of the Church. It is to be feared that these pious, honorable, unselfish and helpful men who have passed the test of the Church as "leading laymen" men who did not have these qualities, but possessed, instead, a certain kind of eminence. Small wonder that the Church had recurrent cause to be ashamed of her "leading laymen." Let us be brave enough and Christian enough, to honor those whom God would honor, rather than those who, in one way or another, have secured the honor of the world.

A pure heart is a better credential with God than a fine appearance. The selfishness, the unchristianity, the Christianity, which makes it one of the great world forces, is not wholly an advantage, for it militates against the simple-mindedness, the brave genuineness, the utter frankness of a humble Christian faith. Religion's day of power and wealth and learning has been strongest and has been most when, in unflashy simple-heartedness, she has sought to carry out the teachings of her lowly master. Most of us will confess that we have founded churches, and have lived the lives of the plain people, who have kept their hearts with all diligence, knowing that out of it are the issues of life.

Most people are seriously concerned about making themselves acceptable to men; whereas the thing which they desire can be best achieved indirectly, by making themselves acceptable to God. Moreover, they who care most to please God are delivered from the slavery of trying to please their fellows. Love ever seeks its own: like attracts like; the religious person has an affinity for other religious persons, and a constant desire for the society of God. God's favor is to be won in God's way. After all our striving, it is "in the beloved" which are accepted. Yet, as Hudson Taylor pertinently remarked, "the fact that our holiest things need to be accepted through Christ is no reason why we should neglect to be holy."

NEWS AND NOTES. A joint committee of American mission boards has reported that the majority of missionaries do not advocate naming this generation, or any other time limit, for the evangelization of the world. The criticism of the exclusively foreign character of the Laymen's missionary movement has led the Baptist laymen to suspend their activities until the whole subject can be passed upon by the Baptist convention, which meets in Oklahoma City in May.

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MISSIONARIES are not yet admitted to Tibet, the newspaper has been started in Lhasa, and as is now the fashion throughout China public lecture halls and reading rooms have been opened. "Ralph Connor," the author, or Rev. Dr. W. Gordon, as he is known to his friends, is one of the preachers in the Chapman-Alexander campaign which opened in Philadelphia in the middle of March. These meetings have brought together a larger array of evangelistic workers than were probably ever before gathered into one working force. London newspapers have published an appeal to the British public to take cognizance of the extraordinary and unparalleled conditions in China. An aroused public sentiment is needed to preserve the "Open door" for trade, justly of China by foreigners, and to take advantage of the unique opportunity for benevolent and missionary work. Distinguished clergymen of all denominational connections sign the appeal.

The Young Men's Christian Association has issued two booklets which are of great interest to immigrants coming to the United States. One is "The Country to Which You Go," a brief statement of the geography, history and government of the nation. The other is "How to Become a Citizen of the United States." Both give lists of associations all over America to which the immigrant is invited. A meeting of extraordinary importance was recently held in Chicago, looking toward the federation, or even closer union, of all the brotherhood organizations in American Protestantism. Mr. James L. Houghtaling, the founder of the Protestant Episcopal order, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, was chairman, and representatives were present from the Brotherhood of Andrew and Phileas, the Presbyterian Brotherhood, the Brotherhood of St. Paul, of the Methodist Episcopal church, the Men's Movement in the Presbyterian church, from the two official committees which are arranging for the organization of national brotherhoods in the Congregational and Episcopal denominations. Another conference will be held shortly.

The fact that in one province alone, in a single year, 5,228 girls were purchased and sent into slavery for various purposes, is cited by the Missionary Review of the World as evidence of the need for continued missionary work in Japan. The idea of setting apart Wednesday afternoon for the religious instruction of public school children, being propagated by a special committee, with headquarters in New York. Dr. G. U. Wenner, a Lutheran clergyman, is the original author of the plan, which seeks to have boards of education excuse from school on Wednesday afternoon all children who will attend religious instruction from the churches with which their parents are identified. Various denominational leaders endorse the proposition. SEVEN SERMONS. Life is a progress and not a station.—Emerson. The greatest of all faults is to be conscious of none.—Caryle. Let a man contend to the uttermost for his life's set prize; For his life's impute to each frustrate ghost.—Browning. Duty is never uncertain at first; considering a duty is often only explaining it away; deliberation, only dishonesty.—Robinson. Let a man stand where he will, there is a chance to be and to do; ways without number of bearing the crosses of love and making its sacrifices.—Hamilton Mabie. It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong is, how hard the battle goes, the day how long; Faint not—fight on! Tomorrow comes the song.—Babcock. Do life's plain, common work as it comes, certain that daily bread and duty are the sweetest things of life.—Stevenson. RELIGIOUS THOUGHT. Gems Gleaned From the Teachings of All Denominations. God's companionship results nearly always in better lives morally and spiritually.—Rev. Bowley Green, Baptist, Providence, R. I. OUR STANDARDS. A man's life will not be any higher or deeper or nobler than the standards he has lifted and principles he has held.—Rev. C. E. Locke, Methodist, Brooklyn. EFFECT OF CHRIST'S RELIGION. The religion of Christ not only gave man a sublime notion of his Creator, but gave him the notion of himself.—Cardinal Gibbons, Roman Catholic, Baltimore. DON'T BE THOUGHTLESS. If we only keep the words "don't be thoughtless" ever before our mind's eye we would be changed men and women and, as a result, would find this world a very different place to live in.—Rev. George Downing Sparks, Episcopalian, West Hill, N. Y. SPIRITUAL POSSESSIONS. The things granted to us all without partiality by Providence by our "asking," "seeking" and "knocking" are the spiritual possessions which are the unfailing cause of real success in life.—Rev. Hiram Vrooman, New Jerusalem Church, Providence, R. I. SPIRITUALITY. Genuine spirituality is blood red with human vitality. It is in touch with common, natural things and thoughts; it pours the divine into current life and makes it throbb with truth, justice, kindness, charity.—Rev. Dr. John F. Carson, Presbyterian, Brooklyn. CULTURE'S SURE TEST. Our attitude to money is a sure test of culture; we should neither love it nor hate it, hoard it nor waste it, worship it despite it, or we should appreciate it for what it is, and realize what it cannot do.—Rev. Dr. Frank Crane, Congregationalist, Worcester, Mass. WHOEVER MOVES FORWARD IN HARMONY with the great spiritual laws of the universe and finds in Jesus his pattern for a better life, he will find in the man who is the man of this day of struggle and testing wins against circum-

stances and out of temporary failure rises to a victory that lasts.—Rev. C. R. Minard, Baptist, Denver. TO SUCCEED AS A CHRISTIAN. You will never be much of a success in the Christian life until you have become fully consecrated yourself. It is not the profession you make, but the life you live that counts. The people who live with you, who look you in the face day after day at your work, are the ones who can judge of your religion. They know whether it is the real thing or not.—Rev. Dr. S. Edward Young, Presbyterian, Pittsburg. PRAYER. We pray on a plain, while prayer is a resident of the hilltop. Prayer is not a substitute for work. It is the complement of endeavor. We are to go to God with clean hands and ask for help that we have not in ourselves. And there on the hilltops the soul alone with its God can work out every problem and every difficulty that life brings as well as peacefully impart its success.—C. G. Grier, Universalist, Spokane, Wash. A MIGHTY FORCE. Enthusiasm is a glowing fire, the heat of which warms the heart and kindles in the soul noble and worthy actions. It has burned for every successful man, diffusing its genial rays around his path, lighting the way to a life of doing and construction, of honest effort and faithful performance. There is an energy in every one, but it will lie latent, dormant, until kindled into life by this sacred fire of enthusiasm, and then it becomes a mighty force, a giant power, and nothing can withstand. Energy is the lever that can raise the world, but enthusiasm is the fulcrum.—Rev. Dr. Madison C. Peters, Baptist, New York. DRILLING THE TONGUE FOR HAPPINESS. Upon all those who are ambitious to make the world happier and better rests the obligation of drilling the tongue into utter truthfulness, purity and refinement. Not by spasmodic efforts, not with occasional hints and gleams of good cheer, are men to use the tongue in the interest of happiness. To daily drill the tongue as an instrument of happiness and influence is to enter into the fundamental conception of living. Nor is this law binding only upon those happy persons who are said to be good entertainers. Some there are who are so fortunately organized that they exhale benefactions upon any company into which they enter. Unconsciously, and without purpose, they all the bearings of life, lessen friction, provoke laughter and good cheer as naturally as flowers, that do not struggle to throw off sweetness, as the cedarwood, that without effort gives off fragrance. The law of happiness making, however, is not confined to the few gifted individuals; it is binding upon all of every rank and station, and of every temper and disposition. Ministering happiness through mercy and sympathy. Men cannot be ridiculed into love or scourged into goodness. Gentleness is the mightiest form of manhood, and the true man is he who initiates those knights who carried a sword and helmet and sword hit. What lashings can never do soft words accomplish. Ministering happiness through mercy and sympathy, the tongue hath a ministry of instruction and inspiration and is the almoner of universal bounty. Fortunate indeed is the company that has such an individual who goes through life curing sorrows, allaying discontents, healing enemies, sweetening bitter fountains, scattering happiness and joy, and crowding a room with sweet odors.—Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, Congregationalist, Brooklyn. Bible Study XXVI. Part VIII. The Passion Week. Monday and Tuesday, April 1 and 2. A. D. 30. Text Mt. 21:1-7. Mk. 11:1-10. Lu. 19:28-48. Jo. 12:12-19. Memory verse: "Ye shall not see me henceforth in sorrow, nor shall ye see me henceforth in weeping. Lesson verse.—Mk. 11:9. 1. What is the meaning of "Passion Week?" 2. What had been the watchword since leaving Galilee? 3. What were His followers expecting Jesus to do? 4. What had marked the three years of ministry? 5. In time, how does this ministry compare with the others? In significance? 6. Which gospels record it? Which is fullest? 7. What is the special point in all of them? 8. What did the disciples do at the Crucifixion? The road traveled. 9. What writers mention two animals? Where were they found? 10. What was said to the owners? What would the words indicate? 11. On which animal did the Christ ride? What prophecy fulfilled? 12. Name the companies in this march?

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### KANSAS CLUB NEWS

Matters of Interest to Women About the Doings of the Kansas Clubs.

On account of Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker, the general federation president, receiving an invitation from President Roosevelt to attend a conference at the White House, May 18 and 19, the date of the state annual convention of the federation in Kansas has been changed to May 19, 20, 21 and 22, just one week later than was previously announced. On this date Mrs. Decker will be present at the federation with 2,000 shrubs including snowballs, purple lilacs and spirea canthotid which will be distributed by the forestry committee, Mrs. W. Johnston, chairman, at Mills store, April 9th, the day before Arbor day. Every club woman in Topeka will be expected either to plant or to give some one who will plant, two of these shrubs. Mrs. Watson's generous gift will mark her administration as particularly gracious and memorable way. The members of the forestry committee who will assist Mrs. Johnston in the distribution of the shrubs may secure them at Mills on the 9th. Tickets were given out for the shrubs at the meeting Thursday and women who did not secure them may get them from their club presidents. Some of the clubs will plant their shrubs collectively in public parks or school grounds. Already plans have been made by clubs to plant at Sumner school, Willow park and Crittenton home.

Mrs. Watson's husband, Mr. F. W. Watson, is a nurseryman and had the shrubs sent from France. Each shrub will be packed in moss and wrapped separately.

Mrs. Watson has expressed a desire that the forestry committee of the federation, which is now one of the sub-committees of the civic department, may develop into one of the strong departments of the federation.

Mrs. A. A. Godard and Mrs. J. D. McFarlan presented a protest against the unkept condition of some of the lots in the Topeka cemetery. It was voted to put the matter in the hand of the civic committee and the committee will consult the management of the cemetery.

Mrs. C. J. Evans and Mrs. W. A. McCarter spoke of the dramatic entertainment which Miss Maul Scheerer of Chicago will give at the high school April 15. The proceeds from the entertainment will be divided between the grade teachers' association and the education committee of the federation.

After the business meeting a musical program was given by Miss Grace Wilcox, Mrs. W. H. Rowley, Mrs. S. A. Scott, Mrs. W. A. Harshbarger, who gave piano numbers; Mrs. Edwin W. Franks, Mrs. Thomas and Miss Walters, who sang, and Miss Mary Clark, who gave a violin solo. Miss Ingraham, teacher of elocution at Bethany college, gave two numbers, "Apple Blossoms" and "The Brook." Afterwards a social hour was enjoyed and the women looked at pictures which were placed on exhibition by Mrs. Helen L. Francis and Miss Lindsay. The programme was in charge of the art committee, Mrs. A. O. Wellman, chairman.

From Mrs. Kate Applington, of Council Grove: "The circulars concerning the new 'American collection' for the traveling art gallery have just been issued. MacEwen and Knight of Paris, (America) are residing in Topeka and have sent four reproductions of their latest salon successes. There will be twenty-eight negatives made especially for this collection of pictures that have never before been reproduced for sale. I have a set of most interesting letters from thirty-three of our best artists telling me which pictures are of their own; they think are their best ones, and helping me to get permission to have them photographed—they have sent notes descriptive of these pictures. These I will use in the explanatory notes that will appear in the book and on the matted pictures. Clubs should send in their orders for the art gallery now as the orders will be listed as they are received. All letters should be addressed to the traveling libraries commission, state house, Topeka.

The Nauticus club will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Higgins.

The Chalfont club will meet with Mrs. George Moon April 5. Quotations from Whittier.

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