

## TEXT OF BILLY SUNDAY SERMON

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et devils enough in hell to make you sin if you don't want to sin, and there are not angels enough in heaven to make you decent if you don't want to be decent. I will tell you what to do. Go home, look into the mirror and say: "God there is the old lobster in there that is to blame. There is the wisp—that fellow right there?" No, not if you are without Jesus Christ, I wouldn't trade places with you for the world. In it with thy husband, the man that sits by your side, the man whose name you bear, the man to be true to whom and keep the vows you made amidst the perfume of the wedding blossoms, and the assembled company, you and I, and the angels in heaven, and the devils in hell, and the man who is the father of your child, or children, the man by the sweat of whose brow the money is earned that bought the dress you have on, or the home that you live in, or the automobile you will ride home in, or the carfare that will be paid, or buy the food you eat?"

"Is it well with thy husband?" the man you swore you would love, honor, cherish and obey, the man whose name you have woven into the fibers of your heart—is it well with thy husband?"

"Has your master gone to heaven?" asked a man of a southern dandy who had been the servant of a man for 35 years. "Did your master go to heaven?"

"No, ma'am never went to heaven," he asked.

"Why not?" he asked.

"Well, I been with him for 35 years, I've packed his grip and trunk, everytime he went away, and he always told me how long he was going to stay, and how long he was going to live, and with him for 35 years, and he never talked about heaven. He never went to heaven."

Oh, there are a lot of prominent men and women who when they die and you read their obituary notice you won't need to guess twice where they went. They put God out of their lives—no thought about God.

A friend of mine was preaching in an eastern city. He had gone down in the audience to speak to the people and induce them to give their hearts to Jesus Christ, and a woman on the front row jumped to her feet and cried out:

"Pray for my husband; he is seated by my side. I believe he is listening to his last sermon. God is giving him his last chance. And then she sat down weeping."

If a lot of you women had had some concern for your old reprobate of a husband, he wouldn't be keeping somebody on the side now and disgracing you.

"Pray for my husband; he is by my side, and I believe he is listening to the last sermon he will ever hear. I believe this is his last chance."

Listen, just like you. Some women went to my friend and said:

"Do up on the platform and rebuke what we consider the energy of the flesh."

My friend said:

"If you consider it, I will give you the privilege of going to the platform—but they refused to go."

The next afternoon before the evening service these same women went to him with the tears trickling down their cheeks and said:

"Forgive us for our lack of interest and sympathy. Won't you join in our prayer to God to forgive us?"

We heard that at 4:30 that afternoon that man was a .32 caliber bullet crashing through his brain and he is dead.

I believe the spirit of God gave that wife notice that that man was and I believe that his service is the hell of God for some of you telling out your funeral sermon. I believe that some of you are just as truly doomed as if you were in hell instead of this city.

"Is it well with thy husband?"

"Is it getting night?" asked an old Scotch lady, 92 years old.

"Yes, Janet," answered her husband two years her senior, "it is getting night."

She thought it was the close of another day, but he knew it was the end of her life.

"Husband, are the boys all in?"

"Yes, Janet, the boys are all in."

The last one had gone to heaven four years before.

"Husband, I will soon be in, won't I?"

"Yes, Janet," said the old man, as he thought that he was going too. "It won't be long."

She was still for a long time and they thought surely she had gone, but after awhile, they saw her eyes tremble and she said:

"Husband, if you will soon come in too, won't you?"

"Yes, Janet," he said, as he kissed first one cheek and then the other. "It can't be long, it can't be long."

They thought surely she had gone into the skies but she seemed to come back and she slipped her thin, transparent arms around his neck and then she whispered in his ear as she drifted out with the tide:

"Then the Lord will let us all in together, won't He?"

"Is it well with thy husband?"

"How often the wife is on the one side with her little brood, while the man she calls her husband is over here with the devil's gang! Isn't it pitiable?"

Must Keep Children In.

I have tried to imagine father and mother seated in their homes contented and their children gadding around—and the average law will girl can learn more devilry between sundown and 10 o'clock, than all the Sunday school teachers can eradicate in a year.

"Would you have us keep our children in from morning to night?" said a woman.

"No, keep them in the house from night to morning."

And I will thank God Almighty when the curfew will ring in every city and hamlet in America, and if the parents don't keep their children off the streets that law will grab them by the back and any-where else it can get a hold of them and pitch them into the do-or-dar of the home.

Why, the average little frim-

headed essay that hasn't sprouted long skirts yet—well, you don't judge by them because old dames have them short too, you can't tell whether they are 12 or 28. Like a preacher friend of mine one time, he went out of church one Sunday morning and a woman came up dressed in dirty sort of dress with a Gainsborough hat, all dolled up, and she said:

"Good morning, Doctor?"

He said: "Why how do you do, little girl?" and he natted her on one cheek, "how are you?"

Just then one of his elders came up and after she had gone, he said: "Do you know how old that little girl is?"

He said: "No."

He said: "Well she is 28."

Many people right where they ought to go on, increasing in their desire to help in the world. You are interested in their education. Good! We have got the finest public school system in the world and we tax the people, and if a man has no children and he has property it is a just right tax to educate the other people's kids.

We have got the finest public schools on the face of this earth. We manifest great concern in their laws. I believe they ought to be in the school instead of in some underground workshop. They ought to be in school, they ought to be in the parks. I believe in a minimum scales of wages, I believe in that which is going to uplift humanity, all that. I believe in anything that will make life easier and living conditions better.

All honor in the father and mother who will work and deprive themselves of even the comforts of life in order that their boy may get an education and not have to work all his life as you were compelled to do because you hadn't the opportunity and with great concern for their health; when they are sick you will send for a doctor, that is if you have got any means. That is a good one, isn't it?"

And you work to earn three meals a day for them. You will work to get them a bed to sleep in and warm clothes to wear when it is cold.

All honor to you; but if your children walk the streets and if they can say that a stranger taught them to pray and taught them all they know of the Bible and they go home and hear nothing but oaths and blasphemy and never hear the name of Jesus Christ except in profanity, what about that? You have got concern for their education, but what about their immortal souls?

Automobile bodies can be given the appearance of leather with new fabric to be cemented to the metal.

## MAKE PLANS FOR 1922

Osage County Fair Board Perfects Organization With Bigger Fair in View.

PAWBUKKA, Nov. 29.—A meeting of the directors of the Osage County Fair association has been called for Monday, December 5, in Pawhuska, when the organization will be perfected for this year and plans made for the next fair.

It is expected that department superintendents for the fair will be appointed Monday, so that they can begin early to secure promises of exhibits. The association intends to greatly increase the size of the fair in 1922, which will be the fifth held under the free fair law. Old settlers' day and an historical pageant showing the development of the Osage nation will be features.

Free fair directors elected in November are: Pawhuska, George Labadie and George Albert; Sikee, A. E. Leary, Jr.; Hoxley, Frank Rush; Hoxley township, Frank Frye and J. E. Woodie; Blackdog township, A. A. Huels and Joseph Younger; Bigheart township, J. E. Landis and G. W. Blakeman; Fairview township, A. C. Hunsaker and J. H. McNew; in Bigbill and Caney townships elections were not held and the present directors will be recommended to the county commissioners for appointment. They are Frank Braden and C. H. Rhodes of Bigbill and James Taylor and Mark Howman of Caney.

Building Electric High Line.

PAWBUKKA, Nov. 29.—Work is in progress on the construction of an electric high line from Billings, in western Noble county, to a point eight miles west of that town where connection will be made with the high line of the Oklahoma gas & electric co., now building north from Garber to Hunter and Lamont. All the towns mentioned will thus be furnished with electricity and it is to be extended likewise to other towns in this portion of the state. It is believed the connections will be made by January 1.

Proposals for Cotton Gin.

CHELSA, Nov. 29.—President Jeffords of the chamber of commerce is interesting some of the farmers here in the location of a cotton gin. In case sufficient acreage is guaranteed it is said arrangements can be made at once with some experienced men to build a plant here.

## PROMISES BIG FLOUR MILL

Conditioned on Building of Really Competitive Railway.

PONCA CITY, Nov. 29.—In connection with Ponca City's present drive to secure an east and west railroad, announcement has been made by D. J. Donahue of the Ponca City Milling company that the state's greatest flour mill will be erected here, provided the road is built so as to guarantee a competitive line and one that will penetrate a different section of the state and country than that touched by the Santa Fe.

The proposition of another road is now pending before several companies in a position to build into this city.

## NAME PARK FOR BOY SCOUTS

Recognition of Services of Boys Who Planted Hundred Trees.

PONCA CITY, Nov. 29.—At the suggestion of former Mayor W. H. McFadden, a campaign is now in progress by the local Boy Scout organization to have the city commissioners give one of the city's new parks the "Boy Scout" name in connection with the work of the boys in planting a hundred trees in the park.

The commissioners are working also on another new park, which was given to the city by J. W. Lynch, an early day citizen, now deceased, and the suggestion has been made to the commissioners that this be christened "Lynch park."

## IN NEED OF A PIED PIPER

Army of Rats Playing Havoc With Towns of Northern Oklahoma.

PONCA CITY, Nov. 29.—A pied piper with the very strongest drawing powers is needed in northern Oklahoma, at the present time, because of a horde of rats that is evidently sweeping over this entire community.

At times they seem to be traveling overland in numbers, particularly at night time, as nearly all automobiles on the country roads in this community report seeing many of them along the roadside. Local authorities are planning a anti-rat campaign in the near future.

Reject "Jim Crow" Provision.

PONCA CITY, Nov. 29.—Local movie theater owners have notified the chamber of commerce that they will not provide "Jim Crow" sections for negroes. This matter came before the chamber recently, when presented by former Mayor W. H. McFadden, and a resolution was adopted asking the theaters to make such provision. It is understood a move is now on foot to force the installation of sections for negroes.



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