

Pastors Score Business Men Who Make Excuses

NEED RIGHT KIND OF CONVERSIONS

Too Many of Them Are Only Legal Says Rev. William Lampin.

"Evangelical conversion of turning to God," was the subject of the sermon delivered by the Rev. William Lampin of Polo, Ill., at the First Church of the Brethren last evening. In taking for his text, "Repent ye therefore and be converted that your sins may be blotted out," the Rev. Lampin, issued the first invitation to the people to come forward and join the fold. The main part of his sermon was for the purpose of explaining a real or an "evangelical" conversion.

"There are too many conversions at every revival which are not evangelical; they are only legal. The legal conversion is merely turning away from the evil; but the right kind of a conversion is not only turning away from the evil, but also turning to the good. A person to be converted as he should be, must be regenerated."

"The necessary parts of an evangelical conversion are three distinct divine changes," he continued in part. "There must be changes in the heart, life, and in the state or relation; and the things which we have to bring about these changes are faith, repentance and emersion."

Explains Three Changes. He said faith would bring about the change in the heart, repentance would bring about the change in the life and that emersion would bring about the change in the state or relation; and he then proceeded to explain what was meant by each of these changes and the remedy for each of them.

These changes must be in the order named as each one is an outgrowth of the preceding one. By the change in the heart is meant a change from the love of sin to the love of God; and this change can only be brought about through faith. At this stage he gave an example to illustrate his point. He related a story of a man who was wealthy in the goods of this world but who had neglected his religion. The man ignored God until one day his little boy died and the man sent for a minister who instilled the desire for a further knowledge of God into the man. Later the man began to inquire more into religion and to read the Bible until he gave up the love for the worldly pleasures which had led him to sin and he became a firm believer in the God who rules the world.

"This man," said Mr. Lampin, "received the right change in heart which must start every conversion of the right kind."

Must Be Born Again. Mr. Lampin then explained the change in state that must be brought about by the emersion. He said "A change in state means to enter into the kingdom of God and as a preparation for this a man must enter into the first two stages." He stated as his authority for the position he held, Christ's words to Nicodemus, "Unless you be born again of the water and the spirit, you cannot enter into the kingdom of God."

He compared the whole operation to the marriage of two people, where it is clearly seen that there is first a change in heart, then a change in life and lastly a change in the state. Therefore when a man comes to receive the emersion he is treated just as one about to be married, he is supposed to have passed through the other two stages.

At 7:30 this evening there will be a meeting of all those interested in furthering the revival in the south room of the church. At 7:45 Mr. Lampin will speak on "The Sick General" and on Friday night he will speak on "The Gracious Invitation."

COMMON CONCEPTION OF SIN IS ERRONEOUS

Defines it as That Which is Previously Conceived in Man's Heart.

"The common conception of sin is very erroneous," said Rev. Schuyler Rogers in his sermon at the River Park M. E. church last night. "It is very true that man still looks upon the outward appearances, while God looks upon the heart. What men call sin is but the working out in actions of the sin previously conceived in the heart."

"It is usually thought that there was but one prodigal described in Luke 15, but really there were two. One wasted his substance in riotous living; the other wasted his opportunity to imitate and cultivate the father's spirit. One beggared himself in worldly goods and the other in love and sympathy."

But man must come back. He must arrive at the place when he will say 'I will arise and go to my Father.' He must trustingly place himself in God's hands and then the Father can purify the life and glorify Himself through it."

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GREATEST ANTAGONIST OF MAN IS OWN SELF

Sixty Per Cent of Men Believe Devil is Worst Enemy Says Speaker.

That 60 percent of men believe that the devil is their worst enemy and that the remaining 40 percent are really aware that self is man's greatest antagonist, was the opinion of Rev. Edwin Castle at the Linden av. Christian church last night. His subject was "Self or God."

"God has made it plain that it is not necessary to follow Satan," said Rev. Castle. "We cannot sever connections with evil until we are masters of ourselves. The big sins of life, the wrongs against God and man that are so easily discernible that everybody can detect them, are not so dangerous to our welfare as are the petty sins of our private life. The little sins are the ones that are drawing us away from God and those that seek to draw men away from Christianity are God's worst enemies."

MAKES WARM ATTACK UPON MANY PARENTS

"Ragtime and silly, nonsensical, trashy songs with vulgar and suggestive immorality bearing covers of glaringly colored pictures are found on the pianos in many professedly Christian homes in South Bend," declared Rev. Joseph C. Ludgate in his sermon last night at the Grace M. E. church. "What have they seen in this house?" 2 Kings, 20:15, was the text of the sermon.

"What have they seen in your house in the matter of reading?" asked the evangelist. "Trashy novels, highly sensational yellow journals, silly, sentimental, love-sick books, with the blood and thunder wild west thrillers, the comic supplement of the Sunday paper is the only mental food that many young folks in South Bend homes have for their Sunday reading."

"What have they seen in this house in the matter of amusements? In many South Bend homes cards, dice, dominoes, checkers, billiards, pool and other games of chance, with waxed floors for dancing. Did you ever stop to ask God's blessing upon your cards, billiards, dice, pool, dancing, theater-going and movie entertainment? If you cannot pray over your amusements they are all wrong and of the devil."

WARNING TO THE YOUNG IS GIVEN

Cannot Drink Few Social Glasses and Come Out Unscratched.

A warning to the young was contained in the message of the Rev. Walter C. Morris of the Wesleyan M. E. church, Marietta and Sample sts., last night, when he took for his text the words, "As ye sow, so shall ye reap." Three converts were confessed.

"Be not deceived. God tells us as a warning not to rely upon the flesh. Sin is so deceitful it eats away the foundation of a man's faith; it will fall him when he least expects it. Like a house built upon sands so is the foundation of a man built upon the sands of his self-confidence. Rather than trust in God, and stand with God, they have stood alone, and have fallen."

"Environments do not make the man, but man the environments," said Rev. Mr. Morris, in explaining how it comes that men in positions of trust, respected by their employers and neighbors, have fallen when encountering strong temptation.

"They rely too much upon their own strength. That is why people of good moral families, putting too much trust in previous good character, have experienced the unsoundness of the sands of self-confidence. 'Oh, while they're young let them live. Let them have a good time while they are capable of enjoying it. Wait until the bloom of youth has left their cheeks before making them settle down. They are only sowing their wild oats.' How often do we hear people say these things? They do not take into account the uncertainty of time. They forget that there is coming a reaping time."

"Everyone is sowing the seeds either of righteousness or sin. He that soweth the seeds of the flesh reaps corruption; the seeds of the spiritual life, reap life everlasting. As the weed sin does not need cultivation. It increases so rapidly that before the sinner is aware it has choked out all conception of God. The important thing to remember is that we are all sowing seeds; we cannot be neutral in this respect. 'This is the sowing time; a reaping time is coming. There is a harvest of the present and a harvest of the future. The hospitals are full of wrecks and ruins of men and women once healthy and strong who now are reaping the harvest of the sowing. Like some of us, they thought that they could stand self-indulgence. With health and youth they thought they could stand any amount of dissipation and corrup-

tion; now they are undeceived. How many young men think they can drink a few social glasses, smoke a few cigarettes, court a few girls, and come out unscathed. Indeed they imagine they have reached the zenith of life in so doing. If they were to visit the hospitals they would bear witness to the fact that God will not be mocked. Be careful that you do not sow so that you'll have a harvest you cannot take care of. "Beside the harvest of this world there is the more terrible one of the life to come. Some people have already sealed their eternal destiny. People right here in this neighborhood are going to their destruction. There are plenty of them all over this town. In the Alps of Italy there are numerous black crosses marking the deaths due to accidents. There could be similar crosses in all of our churches representing those souls who, though living in the flesh, are dead in the sight of God. Turn aside from the deceit of sin before it is too late. Delay means defeat. Consider the awfulness of hell. If our hell were only in this world we could be glad, but it goes through all eternity."

SOUL MUST BE IN HARMONY WITH GOD

"A man cannot be comfortable for any time when he comes into contact with Christianity," said Rev. A. V. Babbs last night at the Stull Memorial M. E. church. "The Word is so strangely construed that it brings unrest to the soul, if it is not entirely in harmony with God. 'The soul was never meant to be an unclean thing. But since it has become so, it must become reconciled to God by repentance. 'Repent that your sins may be blotted out, when the time of refreshing will come.' The pastor named four requirements for true repentance: Conviction, sorrow, confession and turning away. 'There is a strange relief to the soul just in telling its sinful condition,' said Mr. Babbs.

"Our true state is apparent to God. Each heart is open to him. It is the business of these meetings to make men realize their true state, and having realized, to repent." The pastor called attention to the last clause in his text, which might also be translated "in order that the time of refreshing will come." "When even one soul has come to Christ, it sets the church on fire with zeal for the new life," Mr. Babbs said in explanation of the other way of translating his text. The pastor said that he was well pleased with the manner in which The News-Times has been reporting his sermon, and felt that he owed the paper deep gratitude for its assistance in his work.

"How We May Know That We Have a True Conversion," will be the subject of the sermon tonight. The attendance is increasing rapidly, and the interest of the church members is growing in a very gratifying way.

SOUL WINNER IS CONSIDERED HERO

Is Greater Than Soldier on the Battlefield Says Rev. R. I. Champion.

"A man who will go out and win a soul is a greater hero than the soldier on the battlefield," declared Evangelist Dr. R. I. Champion, before a large assembly at Trinity M. E. church last night. He took for his text John, first chapter, 11st verse, "He first findeth his brother Simon and saith unto him 'We have found the Christ,' and he brought him to Jesus."

At the beginning of his sermon, Dr. Champion urged the congregation to have prayer lists to aid them in their salvage of souls. He then told the touching story of a little boy who was sick when Billy Sunday

came to his town for a campaign. The boy died during the revival, and in his bed was found a sheet of paper with the names of 16 boys, all cancelled, indicating that they had given themselves to the church. The subject of the sermon was, "The Man Who Fished and Caught a Whale." In it, Dr. Champion declared that there are four qualifications necessary for persons who hope to win others to the church. First comes sincerity and devotion. Sincerity does not mean a long face and sour expression, but just being a man "on the square."

"A man who is a cheat and a crook cannot win souls to Christ because the unsaved one's reply is sure to be, 'How can I hear what you say when what you are keeps thundering in my ears?'" asserted the evangelist. "To win souls, a man must know positively that he is saved himself. He must pray, and see his God face to face. When we can really say to ourselves 'Jesus has come!' as Andrew did, then we are on the way to be true fishers of men. A soul winner must also be a Bible student. Nothing is so impressive as the word of God when we are talking to people about their souls."

"We must be wise and practical, as Andrew was. As soon as he heard of the arrival of Jesus he was anxious to shout it all over the world. When a man can say in his heart, 'I have found the Messiah,' the unsaved man will surely be ready to listen to him, because of the zeal that the true knowledge of Christ brings to every man. Also, to do God's work, he must have good common sense and lay aside all formality. Formality kills the true revival spirit. The women are naturally more formal than the men, and therefore should try harder to avoid the vice.

"Leave your silks and satins at home, except on Sunday," cried the evangelist. "Wear comfortable clothes to these evening services and come prepared to smile, extend the glad hand of welcome to all and to shout with all your might." Dr. Champion announced that tonight he will begin a series of sermons on "Things New and Old."

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Rev. A. Hunter Kenna, pastor of the Epworth Memorial church, who is conducting his revival entirely alone, leading the singing, conducting both afternoon and night services, but is meeting with extraordinary success, having had in all eight converts to the faith since the revival began. The latest convert is a woman, 73 years old, who was baptized at the services last night.

The program of sermons for the rest of the week, as announced by Rev. Kenna last night, is as follows: Thursday night, "What It is to be a Christian"; Friday night, "Why Should I be a Christian?"; Sunday morning, "What is a Christian Church?"; Sunday night, "Why Should I Join the Church?"

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