

### Too Few Give Any Help to the Preacher, Says Sunday in Sermon

Sermon at the tabernacle Friday: The difference between the twenty-eighth and twenty-ninth chapters of Second Chronicles is much like the difference in some churches today. One time you see great enthusiasm and every one burdened for the salvation of souls and the advancement of the Kingdom of God. At another time there is a depression; the church is abandoned for the haunts of pleasure; the church is dead and lifeless and too much like an amusement bureau. You see it in families; you have known of families whose very name was synonymous with everything religious, but who allowed something to creep into their lives, and now you seldom, if ever, see them at church.

You have seen it in churches, you see an individual always ready to help the preacher and do anything for Jesus; now he never helps in any way, and, if anything, is a hindrance instead of a help to the preacher.

Ahaz was an idolater of the greatest sort. As you live in your home, so will your children be. The judgment of God will fall on your and your home. One trouble with a great many communities, the wrong thing going there first, and started the Godless, irreligious, sneering caste. That's what's the matter with lots of towns, and they never amount to anything until a lot of those old loblows die off.

There is no worse sin a Jew could have committed than gathering the vessels of the house of the Lord together and cutting them to pieces as Ahaz did. At last he died. He had lived such a Godless, dishonorable, irreverent, irreligious life that when he was dead they would not disgrace the sepulcher where the other kings were buried by placing his body therein. They did not bury him in the corporate limits of that city. From a parental standpoint, Hezekiah had much against him. He had a Godless, irreverent father, but his mother was one of the most noble women who ever lived.

**Influence of Mothers.** I have known a mother make success in life who had an old materialist, irreligious reprobate for a father, but I never knew of one to succeed who had a Godless, card-playing mother. The mother can usually hold her son to everything good and noble that she follows herself. The trouble with many is that they are outgrowing the confines of the home and are turning it into a boozing joint and gambling hell. He had a Godly mother. Corinth might have been called a city of gods. They had shrines and temples to every known god but the true God. You are going crazy over culture clubs; libraries and morals are going down. You are getting back to the heathen days; wealth and culture didn't save Greece, and it will never save America.

The women of Corinth were not respected for their virtue, but the woman who could boast of the most paramours and most debased character was respected. You can put a library on every corner and let every church member be a college graduate and that will never save you from hell. You need the old-time religion. You don't need more culture or money, but a floodtide of redemption. You can have your clubs, literary societies, Keesley cures; you can go into the red light districts and the stams and have a girl add a few ruffles to her dress to lengthen it, you can scrub the hobo, but that will never save any one.

**Gospel of Cleanliness.** Do you suppose God wants to look through eyes red with the dissipation of the night spent in debauchery? Do you suppose God wants to work with hands that are lifting a beer glass one moment, a deck of cards or a novel the next? Do you suppose God wants to use feet that can walk into a boozing joint or a house of ill-fame one night and into church on Sunday? Never. You wouldn't walk into a church where the janitor had dumped last winter's ashes in the aisle, or where the cattle could stroll through, and gaze. The Holy Spirit will not live among a lot of Ilmberger cheese, Anheuser-Busch or Pabst. It will not swim in tobacco juice up to its eyes. You have a right to keep your body clean.

The most powerful organization ever organized was the Society of Jeausits, or Jesus. It was so powerful that it was ordered suppressed by the pope at Rome and by the Parliament of Paris. No member had a mind or will of his own, but found the will and mind of the superior and followed that. No one ever went alone, but always two by two. If the alone, but always two by two. If the church would put these two principles into practice the power would be incalculable. When any one sees you they should see the will of God manifest in you. It is not the will of God that any church member should be a boozing-fighter or a gambler.

For eighteen years there had been no song in Israel. Religion is inseparable from song. From the days of the reformation when Martin Luther walked through the streets singing, through the days of Wesley and of Whitefield, of Moody and Sankey, down to your day, religion has been inseparable from song. You'll never draw nearer to heaven you do sing. When you are God, be a lifter, so, do something to be a lifter. You may not be a prima donna, but contribute your little mite and do something for the Lord. More Psalms were written and sung in the temple. The United Presbyterians are not so far off. They're biblical. The twenty-fourth Psalm must have been sung in the temple, and the twenty-third Psalm David used to sing before King Saul to cheer him from the melancholy and sad moods.

**As to Singing.** Many a life knows no song. They seem to say: "Where is the joy that once I knew when first I loved the Lord?" It's back there where you left it. When you started to play cards, and dance, when you started reading your Bible and started reading a novel, or the Philistine, and that's a little sheet I wouldn't have in my house to kindle a fire with. If you have one in your home burn it. Right back there where you sidestepped your virtue and winked at another woman. You know where you left it, and you know how many years you'll have to go back to find it. Some will give five years, some twenty-five.

It is the things you do that condemn you. Faith claims to deliver us from the devil and give us power to keep from doing the things we know we should not do. I claim Jesus Christ can remove desire. I used to play cards and be and cheat just like many of you, and I've just as good a right to play cards, but if I did, you wouldn't walk across the street to hear me preach; I've got just as much right to put my arm around a woman and wait over a dancing floor as you have, but if I did you wouldn't think much of me, and I wouldn't give three whoops in perdition for you if you did. Jesus Christ will remove desire. The more you trust him the more happiness he will give you.

Once, when my wife was ill, the doctor said she should have beer. I ordered

a case, then thought about it, and said: "Wife, I'll see you in your coffin before I'll give you beer." I think the doctor was a liar, and the doctor who prescribes beer is nothing but a Jackass. I used to go to theaters. Some shows are rotten, some only half bad and some good; some actors are as good as you or I. But I haven't been inside a theater for twenty-five years, except to preach the gospel. I don't want to go. And I can go into any theater in the country and not pay one cent. In the summer time a ball player is flush and lends money to the actor; in the winter time the actor has cash, while the ball player is hitting the free lunch counters, and some of them eat so much bologna sausage they come near having hydrophobia. They lend money to each other. I used to hit the booze, but don't any more. I haven't touched a drop for more than a quarter of a century. I haven't any desire. God has taken the desire away, and He'll do the same for you if you give Him a chance.

**Lord Will Care for You.** I give my heart to Jesus Christ, and curl up on the paw of the Lion of Judah, and then say: "Come on." The Lord will take care of you, and He'll remove the desire. It is the motive God looks at and not the act. What motive prompted you to join the church? Was it because you thought you could be a better man or woman? Or was it because you thought it would get you votes, or trade; was it to afford you an opportunity to walk down the aisles late to show what fine funds you swear? God will judge according to the motive.

Do you lean toward the world and sin or toward the church? What is your trend? The ball player gives the trend to the ball and causes it to shoot straight into the hands of the other player, or to bend and curve this way or that, by the twitching of his fingers and his wrist. There is a point some place between heaven and earth which is known as the point of equipoise. Anything in that point will stay hanging unsupported in midair. If it deviates up, it will go to the sun; if it deviates down, it will fall to the earth.

You are balancing between the devil and the church. Which point draws you? The Spirit of God will come in and help you over the acts you fear in the world, and help you do something nobler for the good of humanity.

God shows some a duty, but they refuse to obey; He shows some a hill to climb, but it is too steep and they refuse to tread it because it is rough and dark, and they will never be blessed in the world.

God may not ask your life, but He wants you to be ready in case He wants it. If He thinks I can advance His cause better in the coffin than out, I am ready. I believe God, do you? If you do, don't loan yourself to the devil. Your husband wouldn't stand it for you to live with him part of the time and the rest of the time with another man. And God says you cannot serve God and mammon.

He began with the priests. That was

the first act of the first month of Ahaz's reign. If God would convert all the preachers until they would stop fighting their little theological sham-battles and stop preaching hypnotism and shams and fol-de-rol and anarchy, and clean up, you'd see the greatest tidal wave of religion since the Pentecost.

Stop your wordiness, burn the cards, break the jugs and bottles, and then you'll have more influence and take the word of God to church and teach your children to love truth and hate a lie, and you'll see the greatest tidal wave of religion that ever swept the land. You are going to the devil.

Second Ahaz cleaned the inner part of the houses of the Lord. You'll find that represented in the Sunday schools, the teachers and officers. One-half of the teachers in the Sunday schools never had a religious experience and they try to teach your children of the Lord on Sunday and through the week go to card parties, theaters, drink beer or champagne. And you never even read the Bible in your own home. No wonder the children are growing up like wild asses. If I took a superintendency of a Sunday school I'd never allow a teacher to bring a lesson help into the building.

**Must Restore the Bible.** Restore the vessels of the house of the Lord. We must restore the Bible; bring the Bible back to the home, the church, the Sunday school and the pulpit. Many preachers are unfortunate to have been followers of higher critics who took their sermons from literature or novels, and not from the doctrines in the book of God. Some have stopped reading and their efforts are nothing more than literary compositions. The preachers have got a hard job to bring the Bible back, establish it in the prayer meetings and in the homes. There was never a time when more subtle influences were at work to get people to sneer at the Bible. You ought to know by a sermon if you are lost. No more platitudes go. Prayer is not merely a performance. It is when the heart feels what the lips say. It is not an attitude of the body. One of the biggest farces of the church today is the prayer meeting. There are scores of church members who do not go. You say you can't go. You lie. You can come here night after night, but can't go to prayer meetings. I want the preachers to take a good look at you; they'll not see some of you again until the next revival. They are glad to know you, to get acquainted with you. They never see you except at a funeral or a wedding or a reception.

Kindle a fire in your heart; start family prayer; do something for Christ, and begin to sing. The church needs purifying, and when it is clean, it will again begin to sing and take the place in the world it ought to have.

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**CORRECTING THE LIST OF TABERNACLE TRAIL HITTERS**

Sorting out of the cards slipped by trail hitters has resulted in reductions of the first count figures. The number announced Wednesday night was 278. Later count gave the correct number as 212. The number announced Thursday night was 138 and the later count was 115.

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AUTOMOBILE QUARTET

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