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THE WORLD'S PRESENT NEED

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"There is a common impression," said one of America's greatest preachers of the 19th century, "that the Bible has created a religion for man by a positive enactment. The Bible has not made religion, but religion and righteousness have made the Bible." God has always used righteous and holy men to communicate His truth and make known His will to mankind. He has so ordained that only through the instrumentality of human beings who have overcome themselves can the world be given any considerable spiritual impulse upward. As in the natural universe so in the moral and spiritual world. He works through agents. Through holy, unselfish, consecrated men and women in every age He has brought the human race from brutality and savagery to its present state of civilization. And through similar agents He will continue the work of human progress and regeneration.

A student of the Bible would hardly deny that righteousness, unselfishness and freedom from the domination of the appetites and passions of the flesh and the physical life are the things which the Creator prizes in His children, and that these are the things that bring men into harmony with His life so that they can hear His voice and share His spiritual riches. Nothing can compensate any human life for the lack of these things: God regards nothing as a substitute for them. Correct conceptions of the truth, ceremonials, ritualistic recitals, beliefs, dogmas, prayers, sacred music and any and all services of the church are not such substitutes. All of these are only valuable as they stimulate in the individual the spiritual elements and help him to incorporate in his being and manifest in his life the Christian, the divine, attributes. The development of these attributes is the great aim, the summum bonum, of life. The Bible is not only a record of such development and manifestation, but every page of it is an exhortation or a command to men to make this development the first object of their lives and efforts.

Humanity moves upward only as it develops away from the animal. Mexico may have a church on every street corner and its people may think these churches and attend every service, and they may believe everything that the church teaches, but until they have in their lives something besides gross selfishness, cruelty, brutality, passion and ignorance, they will not be Christians according to the Bible standard, nor according to any reasonable standard. Their belief in Christ has not—will not make of them anything but human savages and brigands, until they are led to go about overcoming the evil in themselves by the development of the softer, the spiritual, the holy, the unselfish, the loving, the divine elements.

Right here is where the church has somewhat failed, is still failing and will continue to fail, until it makes it perfectly clear to its adherents that a belief in Christ and an acceptance of Him as one's personal savior, baptism by a priest or minister, the strictest adherence to and observance of all the tenets and requirements of any church does not alone make one a Christian. There is no warrant in the Scriptures, or in reason, or in human experience for concluding that any or all of these things will save one from anything in this life or the next, unless he "obeys His commands;" unless he becomes His follower, not in words and professions, but in life and deeds. "Thou believest in God? Thou doest well. The devils also believe and tremble." But such belief does not change them from devils into angels of light. Neither will this or any other belief change us unless it be accompanied by earnest and effective prayer and effort to overcome ourselves and to grow into the real, spiritual likeness of the Master.

There is reason to hope that the church may soon come to see this when Dr. Jowett, the pastor of one of the greatest orthodox churches of this country, gives expression to such sentiments as this: "There is a ceremonialism which is blind to the humane. Its scrupulous ritualisms have dried up its philanthropy. It thinks more of etiquette than equity. It esteems genuflections more than generosity. It values the husk more than the kernel. It is Sabbatarian but not humanitarian. My God, deliver me from all pious conventionalities which make me indifferent to the ailments and cries of my fellow-men!" Well might every Christian make the same daily and heartfelt prayer.

How soon might the world emerge from its present condition of warring, inharmonious, selfishness and sin, if the church would forget some of its medieval phraseology and doctrines, and make it clear that one is accountable always for his own life and conduct; that there is no way to cheat or fool God or His laws; that Christ has not saved us while our hearts are black with sin and full of selfishness and animosity; that until we have the spirit of Christ in our lives and manifest it and His principles in our conduct we are none of His, but are yet in our sins. Such plainly is His own teaching and that of every one of His disciples and apostles.

The people of the world have long looked to the church for their ideals and for guidance in the conduct of their lives. The present condition of the so-called Christian world would seem to show that the church has not always measured up to its responsibilities in this leadership. It has not insisted upon a sufficiently high standard for membership in it. To be a Christian is the highest calling in the world, and men and women should not be permitted to assume that they have entered this calling until their lives and conduct give evidence that they not only understand its requirements but are really equipped and fitted for it.

There must be some reform in the old theology before real Christianity with its resulting peace and blessing will come generally to the world. As a distinguished preacher has well said: "As one thinks of God and His character, so will he form his own. While God is regarded as partial, wilful and revengeful, men will continue to be partial, wilful and revengeful, too. Until our theology becomes Christian, we can have no Christian morality nor Christian ethics.

Harding and Coolidge feel like fighting Cox.

Any way, after his visit to President Wilson, Cox can claim to have beat Harding to the White House.

Don't be a sheep. But keep sheep on every farm in the Salem district.

And tell The Statesman why every farmer should do so, for the Salem slogan pages of next Thursday. It is your duty, if you know any one of the many reasons.

Aaron S. Watkins, the prohibition nominee for president, is like old Virginia, he never tires. Watkins

has been a candidate for something in Ohio ever since Hector was a pup, leading his party in some state campaigns and standing around at other times waiting to be drafted.

Amos Pinchot says the third party lost a great chance. One was that they failed to nominate Amos for anything.

French troops are marching on Damascus. Wonder if they are going by the road traveled by St. Paul when he went there to persecute the saints?

As we understand it, William Jennings Bryan proposed doing the juggling of the Cox rib within strictly party lines. A clever boy is William Jennings.

Baptist missionaries are going to cover Borneo in their religious work with automobiles. Just imagine what might happen if the gas gives out. But perhaps the gas shortage has not reached Borneo yet.

They have revised the statement that any boy born in the United States has a chance to become president. Now it is any boy born in Ohio.

The Democrats who prayed for a third party split in the Republican ranks have blown out the gas and gone to bed.

It is getting so these days that a minister must not only know how to preach, but raise chickens and engage in general farming in order to get along. The line about a laborer being worthy of his hire has been relegated to limbo.

IS LIFE WORTH LIVING?

The old, old question has been raised again by Sir Auckland Campbell Geddes, who recently astonished the graduates at Princeton by tracing the great war to America. His theory that the world conflict was caused basically by the shortage of foods throughout the world, arising from the depletion of American supplies, which hit Germany especially hard, was a new one. That shortage, he said, was due to the vast increase in population in this country which intercepted the food that used to go to Europe and "was the principal cause in making the European war inevitable."

Sir Auckland will find it difficult to convince Americans that his theory is the right one.

Nor will most of them share his pessimism about the world being filled with millions of waiting workmen who are asking, is a life worth living which at the end leaves us with nothing achieved except having avoided being starved to death and having produced children who will follow in our path?

We know that, despite the war, conditions for working men everywhere are far superior now to what they were 50 years ago, and there is every reason to expect they will continue to improve. The war has brought more power to the masses in Europe and Asia. Although conflicts are still going on in Turkey, Poland and elsewhere, and there is a vast amount of suffering, the common people have gained rights that but for the great upheaval they must have waited many years to obtain; and as things settle down they will find that life still holds delights that there is joy in struggling upward, and that the gospel of despair is the worst thing to listen to.

SPEED, ENDURANCE, EXPENSE.

A railroad engine, our exemplar hitherto among the works of man for speed and endurance, runs 150 or 200 miles in perhaps four hours without stopping. The Larsen all-metal airplane has made approximately 1200 miles in less than 11 hours on 105 gallons of gasoline, or less than a heavy automobile would use in that distance.—New York World.

MR. FIRESTONE SAYS WE HAVE LOST OUR BALANCE.

The following is a widely circulated statement of the great automobile tire manufacturer, H. S. Firestone:

"Industry has hit too fast a pace and must slow down to let agriculture catch up with it if the country is to regain balance. Industry everywhere is faced with a grave crisis, new problems regarding raw material, transportation and other of its elements presenting themselves daily. We have taken too many boys off the farms, thus reducing the number of food producers. And we have brought them into the city to work without providing

sufficient housing facilities. We seem to have lost our balance and there will be no peace for us until we get the right proportions of industry, agriculture and religion into our daily lives. Whatever happens we can not afford to get very far away from the primary principles of life and there is no plan like the old one."

HOW TO PRAY.

Don't put off praying because you are so busy hustling for a living that you haven't time to go home and kneel down. Just offer up a silent prayer while you are standing up at work, and if you mean it and don't make it too long it will get a hearing ahead of the prayer offered by the man who has been on his knees for an hour. — Arkansas Thomas Cat.

RUNNING ON WHEELS.

The state of California has run out of automobile license plates and it may be several weeks before the expected renewal of the supply can be had. A carload of steel tags lasts no time at all in a state where the motor vehicles are already blithely approaching the million mark. If the auto makers could keep up their coast deliveries it would surprise no one if California surpassed the rubber-wheel record of New York within a few years. The state is gaining fast. — Los Angeles Times.

HYMN OF THE INFIDEL.

There is no use—we live, we die,
As beasts we're born, as beasts we die;
And love is naught, or heaven or hell;
And Chance is king of storms that blow.
He careless takes or giveth life
(Which is itself but a breath
Of mist that's lost in endless time)
And crusheth weak and strong with death.

We come from void, from realms of shade
To find immensity of life
We cannot grasp, or e'en conceive,
And Chance is God of peace and strife.
All thoughts, all works, all loves are naught
But shadows faint that have no mass
Nor substance, but that Chance has lent;
And these with death to nothing pass.

We die—and that is all we know.
The grave ends life. Oblivion is ours, and nothing lies beyond.
The dead are dead, nor live they on.
Obliterated eternally.
We will not want, nor pleasure find,
Nor work, nor even rest or sleep—
For we will nothing be, and blind.

There is no use—we live, we die.



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FUTURE DATES

August 2, Thursday—Marion County Veterans' association meeting at Silverton.
August 3 to 14—Buyers' week convention in Portland.
September 4, 5, and 6—State convention of Artisan Lodge, Salem.
September 6, Monday—Labor day.
September 27 to October 2—Oregon state fair.
November 2, Tuesday—Election day.

As beasts we're born, as beasts we die;
And love is naught, nor heaven or hell!
—ROBERT A. HAVEN.

Two Big Buildings Made of Oregon Materials

PORTLAND, Or., July 28.—The

new Labor Temple and the \$2,000,000 plant of Montgomery Ward & Co., now under construction here, will be monuments to the quality of Oregon-made building material. Both structures are being built principally of concrete brick manufactured here from Oregon raw material.

Florida has 250 clear days a year.

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Women's Oxfords, Black Kid, Military heel, Mid-Summer Sale Price...\$5.25

Growing Girls' Pumps in Patent Leather and Black Kid, School heel, sizes 2½ to 7, Mid-Summer Sale Price...\$4.75

Growing Girls' Black Kid School Heel Oxfords, sizes 2½ to 7, Mid-Summer Sale Price...\$5.00



Childs' Patent Leather Mary Janes, sizes 5 to 8...\$2.45

Children's Mary Janes in Patent Leather and Black Kid, sizes 8½ to 11...\$2.75

Misses' Mary Janes in Patent Leather and Black Kid, sizes 11½ to 2...\$3.75

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