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PASTOR RUSSELL'S THEORY
"CHRIST AS GOD'S GIFT"

Excellent Sermon is Classified For Public Benefit, and Made Very Interesting.

Rev. Mr. Russell of New York, in a recent sermon said: In order to appreciate the scripture on all subjects, we must handle the Word of God honestly. We must recognize that our Lord Jesus is one person and the Father another person. The oneness between the Father and the Son is that declared by our Master Himself, saying that He and the Father are one in the same sense that He desires all of His disciples to be one—in mind, in purpose, in will, in effort. (John xvii, 21, 23.) Our Lord Jesus is God's unspeakable Gift.

The Scriptures declare that the Redeemer took the nature of men in order to redeem sinners; but that in Him there was no sin. Only a sinless one could give to God a Ransom for Adam, and thus redeem from destruction, not only Adam, but all his posterity, involved in sin and death through him.

The speaker then showed that God set before our Lord a great joy, the influence of which led Jesus to endure cheerfully the bitter experiences of His earthly life. This joy is intimated to have been: (1) His pleasure in doing the Father's will; (2) His privilege of "bringing many sons to glory"—the Church; (3) His pleasure and joy in being by and by the world's Restorer, delivering them from the power of Satan, sin and death. "Wherefore," St. Paul says, "God hath highly exalted Him," far above "angels, principalities and powers, and every name that is named."

An Opposite Course From Satan's.
Pastor Russell then contrasted the course pursued by Satan with that followed by our Lord. Meditating ambitious designs, Satan found an opportunity in Eden. He beheld in our first parents a new order of beings, designed to bring into existence a race that would fill the earth. Satan essayed to be ruler or prince over this human creation; and by so doing, he not only became a rebel against God, but brought sin and death into the world.

Our Lord Jesus pursued an opposite course, and demonstrated His loyalty and obedience. St. Paul intimates that although the Logos was much higher than was Lucifer, yet He was humble, and "meditated not a usurpation," as the Greek text declares. (Phil. ii, 6.) He thought not by robbery to be equal with God. On the contrary, our Lord willingly accepted the Divine proposal that He should be humbled to the human plane for a time, in order to carry out the Father's Plan.

To the Church, Jesus is God's unspeakable Gift. He is indeed a Gift to the whole world, unspeakable in value, but He is more to the Church than to the world. To His footstep followers, He is the "Captain of their Salvation," their "Elder Brother," their great High Priest. Through Him they are privileged to be the Royal Priesthood. Through the merit of the sacrifice of Christ, they are privileged to "present their bodies living sacrifices, holy, acceptable unto God."

The Pastor then said that Justice is the foundation of God's Throne. In the past, endeavors to harmonize Justice with our great Creator's dealings with humanity have involved us in difficulty. We were assured by the prominent creeds that God had knowingly brought mankind into existence under such conditions that the great majority would spend eternity in torture. We perceived no Justice in any such arrangement. But while desisting from criticising the Creator, we could not indorse such a course, nor see it to be in harmony with the Divine regulations governing ourselves. If we are to love our enemies, should more be expected of fallen human beings than of our perfect Creator?

The Scriptures declare only the consecrated Church see the "lengths, breadths, heights and depths of the Love of God," which passeth understanding. This class alone is in any sense prepared to give thanks to God now for His unspeakable Gift. Their thanks go up, not only in words, but also in actions, which "speak louder than words." These thanks ascend as sweet incense to God.

By and by, "All the blind eyes will be opened and all the deaf ears will be unstopped." Then the whole world of mankind, including those awakened from the sleep of death during Messiah's reign, will be in condition to recognize God's unspeakable Gift and render thanks. When wilful evil doers shall have been destroyed, then every creature in Heaven, on earth and in the sea shall be heard saying, "Praise, glory, honor, dominion and might be unto Him that sitteth on the Throne, and to the Lamb, forever," through the unspeakable Gift.

THIRTY-THIRD REUNION

Butler Clan Gather at Monmouth for Christmas Festivities.

An event of considerable interest in Monmouth took place Christmas when the Butler family held its thirty-third annual reunion. This gathering of the Butler clan has been a part of Christmas week there since 1879 and each year has been held in the old home where the first reunion was held. The house was built by J. B. V. Butler, who came to Oregon in 1849, first locating at Oregon City, and in Monmouth in 1872. It is now occupied by his son, J. B. V. Butler, head of the department of

history and economics at the Oregon Normal school. His picture appears in cartoon on the invitations sent out.

Each year has seen an increasing number of grandchildren until last year 80 people were gathered at the party. The third floor of the house is given over to the ball room. For those who do not care to dance games are provided and a huge table is kept supplied all evening.

A part of the program on the occasion has been the initiation of new brothers or sisters-in-law into the clan. This consists of a long session of ghosts, tubs of water, winding stairways, etc. The novice, instead of riding the goat is required to kiss the Barney stone.

Sons and daughters who with their children will attend are N. L. Butler, of Portland, O. Butler of Salem, Mrs. F. W. Fenton of McMinnville, Mrs. S. L. Ground, Mrs. G. T. Boothby and Mrs. W. J. Mulkey of Monday.—Polk County Itemizer.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Geo Jones and wife were in the city Thursday.

Mr. Rickman is building an addition to the house he recently purchased in North Independence.

James & Walker are papering and painting the new offices in the front of Hanna Bro's building.

FOR SALE.—Four good residence lots at a bargain.—J. W. Wiltse.

Mrs. Cuthbert and daughter, Anna, returned this week from their visit in southern Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hosford, of Portland, are visiting with Mrs. Hosford's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Claggett in this city.

FOR SALE.—Single comb, Buff Leg horn cockrels, \$1.50 each. Inquire of Geo. Heck, Monmouth, Ore. 32-36.

We are now taking orders for slab wood at \$3.50 per cord delivered in city limits.—The Chas. K. Spradling Logging Co.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned executor of the estate of Charles N. Sharp, deceased, has filed his final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, and that Saturday, Jan. 18th, 1913, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the County Court room in the county court house at the City of Dallas, Oregon, has been appointed by said Court as the time and place for the hearing of objections to the said final account and settlement thereof, and the closing of said estate.

W. E. CRAVEN, Executor of the estate of Charles N. Sharp, deceased.
B. F. Swope, Attorney.
Date of first publication Dec. 20, 1912

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTRIX

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Sine Anderson, has been duly appointed as the Executrix of the estate and last will and testament of Christian Andersen, deceased, by the County Court of Polk County, Oregon, and that she has duly qualified as such Executrix.

Therefore all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same properly verified to the undersigned Executrix at her residence at Independence, in Polk County, State of Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice. Date of the last publication of this notice is January 3, 1913.

Dated at Independence, Oregon, this 28th day of December, 1912.

SINE ANDERSEN, Executrix of the estate and last will and testament of Christian Andersen, deceased.
Frank W. Fenton, Attorney for said Estate.

Annual Shareholders' Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers State Bank of Independence will be held the second Tuesday in January (January 14, 1913), between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., at the bank, for the purpose of selecting a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

C. W. IRVINE, Cashier.
Dated this 5th day of December, 1912.

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NORTH BOUND	
Leave—E. Independence	7:37 a. m.; 10:55 a. m.; 1:39 p. m.; 3:37 p. m.
Arrive—Salem	8:30 a. m.; 11:20 a. m.; 2:00 p. m.; 4:00 p. m.
Arrive—Portland	10:00 a. m.; 1:20 p. m.; 4:00 p. m.; 5:35 p. m.
SOUTH BOUND	
Leave—Portland	6:30 a. m.; 8:40 a. m.; 11:00 a. m.; 2:25 p. m.; 5:00 p. m.
" Salem	8:30 " 10:10 " 1:00 p. m.; 4:30 " 6:30 "
Arrive—E. Inde.	8:47 " 10:28 " 1:18 " 4:47 " 6:48 "
" Albany	9:40 " 11:10 " 2:00 " 5:30 " 7:30 "
" Eugene	11:30 " 12:40 p. m. " 7:30 " 9:00 "



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Happy New Year



In this, our first message of the New Year, we wish to express our appreciation to the public, for their patronage during the past year, and of what we value even more, their confidence and cordial good will. We realize that the public's interests and our interests are mutual and whatever helps one helps the other.

In extending our thanks to the public for their patronage during the past year we pledge ourselves that during the coming year we will use our most earnest efforts to merit the continuation of the pleasant relations which have existed in the past.

Accept our sincere wishes that the New Year may bring you happiness and prosperity.

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