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The Preparation of the Bride.

Psalms. 45: 10-15 and Rev. 19: 7, 8.

(A Sermon by Chas. Ballard)

In the 10th verse, it says, "Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget also thine own people, and thy father's house."

This class is addressed as "daughter," and that does not apply to the world at all. The world is at enmity with God, but the class called to be the bride is called "daughter."

Now the first step to be taken is to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. In Galatians 3: 26, we read, "For ye (the true church) are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus."

To exercise faith in Jesus Christ constitutes the individual a child of God. Having exercised this faith they are in a proper condition to hear the call. But there is something else to do besides hearken.

They are to forget their own people and their father's house.

Their own people is the human race. The call is to something higher than humanity. They are to be begotten to a spiritual nature. But the human nature is at war with the spiritual nature and is holding the individual back.

They know what the human nature is, but the spiritual nature they can only see by the eye of faith, they see through a glass, darkly. And even the highest type of human nature is at

war with the spiritual nature. In fact, the higher the type of human nature the fiercer the battle between the two. A good illustration of this found in a poem by Rebecca Fair Doney, entitled "The Christian's Battle." It is a dialogue supposed to take place between the old creature or humanity and the new creature, the candidate for the bride Christ. It reads as follows:

(Old Creature)

Your brother has offended you
Must you forgiveness show
When he has not forgiveness asked?
I really do not know
That you are called to go that far—
He's very much to blame.
Of course I would not slander him,
Nor injure his good name;
But then, I think, I'd show him, too,
That he has quite offended you.

(New Creature)

How can I be a child of God
And not forgiveness show?
Why, he has covered all my sins,
And I must surely grow
In that sweet grace that from the heart
Forgives by word and deed.
I would be like the blessed Lord:
For in his word I read
That he left all the joys of heaven,
To die that I might be forgiven.

(Old Creature)

Your brother has imposed on you;
Says: 'All that's thine is mine.'
It is not right, what shall you do?
Where will you draw the line?
Why should you share your earthly
goods?
Which you by thrift acquired?
That which you toil for is your own;
And you are not required
To give to every one who comes
To seek your help, your bread your
home.

(New Creature)

I've often wished that I had lived
When my Lord left his throne,
And trod this earth in human form,
That I might then have shown
My love to him in service sweet;
But still the suffering Christ
Walks by my side each day and how
Neglected, poor, despised,
still needing ministries of love—
Now here's the chance my love to
prove.

(Old Creature)

Your brother shows no gratitude
For all your kindly deeds.
He surely should express some thanks,
When you supply his needs.
You've loaned, you've given, you've
gone without;
You've helped him all you could;
I really think in counting up,
You've done more than you should.
I'd call a halt, till he has seen
How very kind you've always been.

(New Creature)

What work for thanks then I should lose
A future rich reward;
All service to my brother, now,
Is done to my dear Lord.
Each little sacrifice I make,
Is precious in his sight.
To see my love and zeal abound,
I know is his delight.
For all the wealth beneath the sun,
I would not miss his sweet "Well
done."

(Old Creature)

Your brother slandered you, I hear
And tried on you to throw
suspicious base to injure you;
Told things that were not so;
slandered that you had evil done;
Tells others of his fears,
With coolness meets your looks of love.
And costs you many tears.
You do not owe him in return
A love which he would only spurn.

(New Creature)

It is not my brother you hold up;
'T is not his faults you show,
It is my brother's enemy,
Like you, a deadly foe.
My brother does not do the things
That you lay at his door;
'T is his old creature that one day
Shall trouble him no more.
The New Creation is my kin,
The New Creation does not sin.

(Old Creature)

Your brother claims he walks in love,
Then why is he so mean?
Among many people of the world
There is more goodness seen
than he shows in his daily life;
You know you're vexed with him,
He has such ugly little ways,
And such besetting sins;
He sorely lacks in Christian grace—
Now, how can he win in the race?

(New Creature)

The way is getting narrower,
More steep and rough it grows;
And fewer they who walk therein.

Lord, I would be of those
who walk on to the very end
Through good report or ill—
My chief desire to know and do
Thy blessed holy will.
Complete in me thy work of grace,
That I may see thee face to face.

Yes, the bride must forget her own people, and her father's house. What is meant by her father's house. Adam was the father of the race. And the one called to be the bride is heir to all that would fall to Adam. The principal thing that we inherit from him is death, and sorrow, at least, in the present time, and it ought not to be a hard thing to forget that part of our father's house, so far as our willingness is concerned but even though we are willing to forget it, it is not to be forgotten, and that penalty for Adam's transgression must be met. What then is the hardship that is implied in leaving her father's house? The fact, that Christ, by his sacrificial death purchased Adam and his race and proposes to restore them to the original perfection and glory that Adam enjoyed before he fell, and we now are heirs to the blessings of the times of restitution. We have a glorious home here on earth to be assured to us when the great antitypical jubilee, the times of restitution, returns the ransomed sinners to their Father's house. The bride class is to realize that she has an everlasting home in happiness here on the earth, which she is heir to, but when she accepts the invitation to be the bride of Christ, she must give that all up. She must leave her father's house, and leave it forever. She signs a quit claim deed to all her earthly rights and titles, in order that she may dwell with her husband in the mansion that he has gone to prepare for her, and to which he will come and take her in his own good time.

(Continued next week.)

Stirring Things Up.

Gertrude is 4 years of age. She faces the world fearlessly, looks it squarely in the eye, and if it doesn't track exactly to suit her she tells it things. Her mamma had gone away the other day and left Gertrude in the care of her grandma, and, after a clash of wills, Gertrude had been put into a room to remain for a specified length of time. "If you stir out of that room before I tell you may," cautioned grandma severely. "I am going to spank you." Gertrude stood with arms akimbo for a moment and then retorted in a tone of finality: "Well! When you spank me you will find that business is certainly beginning to pick up in this neighborhood."—The Argonaut.

3,000-Year-Old Story.

Do you know which is the oldest work of fiction?

It is the "Tale of Two Brothers," written over three thousand years ago by the Librarian to King Merenptah, the supposed Pharaoh of the Exodus.

The story was written for the amusement of the king's son, who afterward reigned as Seti the Second. He has signed his name in two places on the manuscript, and these are probably the only surviving autographs of a king of Egypt.

The "Tale of Two Brothers" is written on nineteen sheets of papyrus in a bold hieratic hand. It was purchased in 1857 by the British museum from a Mme. d'Orbinev.

Shedd

J B Cornett was an Albany caller Monday.

Geo Coon was an Albany visitor Saturday.

Geo Crume returned to Shedd Friday after visiting friends in Brownsville.

Mr and Mrs E W Shedd spent Tuesday in Albany. They have just got home from Newport.

L O Coates, our local phone operator, transacted business in Albany Tuesday.

Mrs Rev Reid left Monday evening to visit over night in Al-

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bany with her mother, Mrs Baltimore. From there she went to Portland for a visit with friends.

Mr and Mrs Tom Hover spent Friday at the home of Mr and Mrs Geo Dannen.

Mr and Mrs Henry Freerksen have been ailing for the past few days.

The infant daughter of Harold Couey has been quite sick, but is doing nicely at the present.

Andy Shearer has just arrived from eastern Oregon for a visit with friends and relatives. He expects to return soon.

Ralph Dannen and wife were visitors at the Earl Oxford home Wednesday and Thursday of last week. Mrs Oxford is a sister of Mr Dannen.

A D Elder spent Sunday with his family. Mr Elder is working as bridge carpenter for the S P.

H J Farwell had the misfortune to lose a fine yearling calf lately by her getting her neck broken under a wagon.

Miss Margaret Dawson, who had been spending the holidays with her parents, has returned to her school at Medford.

Robert, son of Walter Moore, is reported sick with bronchial pneumonia.

Janet Arnold has received a new Bible from the U P Sunday school as a reward for bringing in the most new pupils in the late contest.

Mr and Mrs F H Brock of Hoskins, who had been visiting relatives here, have returned home.

A car of hogs was shipped from here this week.

S P Brock has moved a small house on his place for his tenant.

Mrs Robert Arnold and her daughter Viola, and Alva Croft transacted business in Eugene from Thursday until Saturday of last week.

The little son of Rev Van Winkel is reported quite ill.

School Notes

In the upper and lower classmen game played Dec 22, the lower classmen won. It was a great victory as there was much strife to determine which would win.

We have returned from a very enjoyable vacation, anxious to renew our work and begin the new year with fresh determinations and good resolutions.

Mrs Cross has taken over the Teachers Training class and has made plans to teach them some very necessary methods.

The basket ball girls had a splendid practice last Monday evening.

The Christmas exercises proved quite a success. The hall was well filled with people and also prettily decorated by the Sophomore class. Thank You Sophies. The "Bird's Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens, was well

played and acted by the upper grade pupils. The Christmas tree yielded its many gifts to the distributors, who in turn gave them to the owners with the admission of Santa Claus.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly falling to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

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Methodist Church Notes

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Jesus teaching forgiveness.

If ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly father will also forgive you. Matt 6: 14.

Did we ever store up thoughts in our minds like these? "He did me an evil trick and I'll get even with him." "I'll never forgive him as long as I live." Under such conditions, can we pray the Lord's prayer and feel that we are forgiven for our trespasses? Three words will suggest to us the great truths of this lesson's parable.

"Debt!" We owe a great debt to God—the love of our hearts and the service of our lives.

"Grace!" God's grace to those who have confessed their debt to him.

"Duty!" Since God has shown such great grace to us, we should show the same grace to our debtors. Shall we take man's way? No, God's way.

The Official Board met at the parsonage on Monday evening. Some plans were put in motion, which if carried forward by the church supporters will mean much to the future success of the church. Will you lend a hand?

Mrs Geo Brund and Mrs Nellie Sawyer, sisters of W D and Lyman Marsters, were visitors at the Sunday morning service.

About eighteen of the Epworth Leaguers journeyed to the home of Merle and Leroy Straley on Tuesday evening and had a very pleasant social time.

Bro Cook will organize the boys of our town under twelve years into the Junior Scouts this Wednesday evening.

The W F M S will meet this Friday at 2.30 at the home of Mrs D Taylor; Mrs Standish is the leader. All ladies are welcome.

The King's Heralds will meet Saturday p m at the parsonage. Let's get busy for the new year and be glad of life because it gives us a chance to love and to work and to think every day of Christ.