

# "THE SAME LORD IS LORD OF ALL, AND RICH UNTO ALL," ROM. 10:12

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Peter and Cornelius, Acts 10:30-48. Golden Text—"The same Lord is Lord of all, and is rich unto all that call upon Him."—Rom. 10:12.

This lesson follows almost immediately upon the one last Lord's Day. Peter was still continuing his labors in the city of Joppa, when a series of events began which taught him his final lesson. Up to this time his vision of the Gospel work had been so narrow, that he could not conceive how God could or would take into account the people of other nations.

Over at Cæsarea, which was the seat of the Roman government in Judea, lived a man named Cornelius, captain of a company of about a hundred soldiers who were stationed there. The most interesting thing about this man was his status religiously. He had evidently, from association with the Jews, acquired faith in, and become a worshipper of the one true God. He was very devout, having the two characteristics of every devout soul, prayerfulness and liberality. One day, while at prayer, an angel appeared to him and said, "Cornelius, thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before thee." Then he told him to send for Simon Peter, giving him explicit direction as to where to find him, and carefully stating the purpose for which he was to come,—to show him what he ought to do. Why did not the angel tell him what he ought to do. Because that would not have been consistent with God's plan of salvation, which provides for the preaching of the Gospel by men. There are people today who are waiting for a miracle to convert them, when the fact is, that even in the days of the infant church, people were never converted that way. Many times miracles were necessary to bring the preacher in touch with the sinner; but always the preaching of the Gospel followed, and was God's means as it is to-day, to bring men and women into His kingdom.

Cornelius delayed not, but immediately dispatched two servants and a soldier to Joppa. Our lesson text begins with that point in the story, where Cornelius and his friends were gathered together in his own house, and Peter was standing before them,

while Cornelius explained why he had sent for him, and assured him that they were all ready to hear what ever the Lord had commanded him. What an audience; such a one as would delight the heart of any preacher. And Peter opened his mouth, and began his sermon. The first few words were illuminating. He said, "Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of person," but in every nation he that feareth Him, and worketh righteousness, is acceptable to Him." Peter had always thought that a person had to become a Jewish proselyte, and be circumcised, before he could become a Christian. He had not fully understood the Lord's teaching. "There shall be one fold and one shepherd." "Go ye into all the world." "The promise is to all that are afar off." Jewish prejudice had blinded his eyes. And so, back there in Simon's house top in Joppa, God gave him a wonderful vision, a great sheet let down from heaven, containing all kinds of beasts, clean and unclean, with the command, "Rise Peter, kill and eat." Putting together this vision and Cornelius' account of how the Lord had directed him, Peter finally understood, and caught the vision of the "Universal Christ."

The rest of the Peter's sermon was a setting forth of the facts concerning Jesus' divinity, and was finally interrupted by the descent of the Holy Spirit on Cornelius and his friends. In order to understand what follows, we must get clearly this fact; that this out-pouring of the Spirit was not the indwelling gift promised to every penitent, obedient believer; but was a miraculous gift, as at Pentecost and in Samaria, and had, as those other times, a distinct purpose, to convince the six Jews who had come with Peter, and through them, the whole church, that it was God's plan to admit Gentiles to the church on the same conditions as the Jews. It was certainly understood thus by Peter, for he promptly commanded — not suggested, but commanded — them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

The native employees at a Bombay mill struck recently because they did not receive a bonus on the reported birth of the owner's son.

# DATA ESSENTIAL ON TRUCK LINES

## Proper Survey and Cost Accounting Necessary in Operating Business

That they neglected to make a careful preliminary survey before selecting a route, or that they did not properly appreciate the value of keeping accurate cost accounts, are reasons those most concerned, frequently give for failure in the rural motor express or inter-city hauling business, according to E. Farr, director of the Firestone Ship by Truck Bureau at Akron, O.

The results of the recent investigations made by the Firestone bureau along these lines and some recommendations for the guidance of prospective operators are enumerated by Mr. Farr in a letter received recently by the Albany branch of the bureau at 1st and Baker Streets.

"Investigations conducted by our field men disclose that in a number of cases rural and inter-city express lines change hands frequently, and that in some other cases the business has been abandoned altogether," Mr. Farr writes.

"Their reports make it clear that frequent changes of management and the failures are due in part to lack of proper consideration of certain factors basic in any business, but more frequently to disregard of several factors peculiar to the operation of a motor express line.

"They convince us that first of all care must be exercised in the selection of a route. Before selection is made there should be a thorough survey of the business possibilities of several routes.

This preliminary survey should embrace the following important points:

1. The exact length of the route and the time it will take truck to make the round trip over it.
2. Character and condition of the roads.
3. Approximate tonnage it will furnish trucks moving in both directions.
4. Existing and possible competition.
5. The extent to which motor transportation is regulated by government

agencies, such as public service and railroad commissions.

"In making this survey valuable information can be secured from county farm agents, farmers who are large shippers, agricultural and cooperative association leaders, shippers of agricultural implements, local bankers, wholesalers, retailers, manufacturers and commercial associations.

"It is often impractical to interview all shippers in making a survey of tonnage available. In such cases the use of a carefully worded questionnaire will be found helpful.

"Once embarked in business, too much stress cannot be placed on the keeping of complete cost accounts. The number of operators who fail to take into account such items as depreciation, interest, supervision, insurance and taxes, is entirely too great. Many such men are making their rates so low that operating their business is merely a process of eating up their capital. The impractical methods they are employing not only spell their own failure but also threaten the business of practical operators who find it difficult to compete with them."

## Clean Spark Plug Is Held Essential

"The man who is too busy to clean his spark plugs is shorting his battery life." This is the opinion of D. L. Preston, the local Willard man.

"Even though the engine is using magneto ignition the carbon on the spark plugs is putting unnecessary work on the battery. The engine must be turned over more rapidly in order to get a spark from the magneto and the battery has to do much more work for each start than it would if the plugs were clean."

"The motorist who unscrews and cleans his spark plugs every week or two will find that he is able to get his engine turning over in noticeably shorter time."

This is the time of year to renew the rubber hose connections of the cooling system. These connections deteriorate after a season's use and sometimes the inside layer of fabric separates from the rest and impedes circulation without the defect being apparent from the outside. No kinks should be allowed in such connections and the clamp fasteners should be properly secured. Where rubber hose has been in it a good plan is to reinforce it by a brass coil spring, which is a good fit inside. This prevents any flattening at the bend and cracking, resulting event-

ually in a leak.

A veteran motorist, who has achieved a remarkable record for tire longevity, claims that he has done so by the use of oversize tires, fitted with interliners and the common size inner tubes. The experiment would not be very costly at any rate.

## Sweet Home Bittings

Sweet Home is booming lately. A new blacksmith has come and intends erecting a big garage in the near future. He is located at the hotel.

Grandma Putman has been quite ill the past week but is getting better now.

The debate Friday afternoon, at the high school was well attended. If you want to hear some good debaters you should go once.

Mrs. Wilbur Ralph is doing domestic work for Mrs. Tompson who has just returned from the hospital where she underwent an operation is doing fine.

We are glad to know Frances Weddle is improving; we hope to see him home soon.

Farmer Malone and Frank Brady exchanged property last week. Now we have a new "hello girl" and we surely appreciate the good service we had before. We wish both parties "good luck."

Mrs. Annie Malone called on Mrs. Feigum last Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Feigum has set out a young orchard of some choice varieties.

We have had some fine weather the last few days and now we surely have to see the cold fog rise again.

We are always glad when Sunday comes for then all our young school teachers come home for two days.

The origin of the phrase "to give the cold shoulder" is said to have been due to the custom in France of serving a cold shoulder instead of a hot roast joint to those whose visits had lasted too long.



Initial showing of the assorted styles for spring. Miss Manhattan Suits, Youthful New York styles, the Jaunty Jackets, the Just Right Skirts and Sashes are all favorite features of the fashion.

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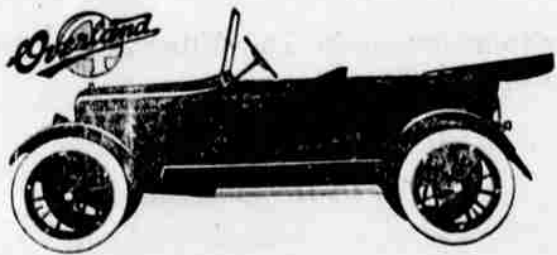
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