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DAILY LENTEN MEDITATIONS

INTERCESSION

From a Correspondent

The question arises is any initiative left to man, or had he not better be content to leave things altogether in higher hands than his. Is there any such thing as initiative in man's approach to God? And if not, what is the use of praying?

The range of prayer is as wide as human consciousness. At the one end is the primitive feeling which leads men to beseech, to cajole, even to threaten the deity; magic rites are employed to bring about the desired effect, whether it be sunlight, rain, good hunting, or sufficient crops. Failure to gain the desired object may result in loss of faith in the god or, on the wider scale, in the just government of the universe. At the other end of the line is the saint, who, so far as human limitations permit, is wholly devoted to God's service and conformed to His will. Such a man seeks and desires nothing except that God's purposes should prevail.

Yet even this lofty view of the relation of the creature to the Creator may degenerate into fatalism. "God is in heaven and thou on earth: therefore let thy words be few," said a thoughtful cynic of old time. If the divine purpose must prevail always and over all things, why seek and strive? Such a danger must be faced; but between the saint and the magician lies the whole vast range of prayer. Petition, though it may be the commonest, is not the most characteristic form of prayer. The act by which God is sought and found, not the asking for anything material or even spiritual; this is the proper approach to the Creator and Lover of mankind. And God being found, it is not thanksgiving for His bounty (though that assuredly has its place) but adoration of His goodness, beauty, and love which is the highest form of worship.

Yet petition, even of the simplest kind, has also its legitimate place. The little child learning to pray by his mother's side, the old man or woman on the sick bed of poverty; the Christian, having his Master's teaching in mind, cannot doubt that these are acceptable to the Father of all. Moreover, petition has also its higher ranges. Intercession has been defined as the act by which the human will is brought to side with and work with the will of God in particular matters. A man sees as clearly as he can that something is in accordance with God's purpose: and, having seen, he gets to work in every possible way to bring that purpose into effect. For the act of siding and working with the will of God cannot be confined to the moments when a man is on his knees. The will of God calls insistently for cooperation; many things which He wants done do not appear to be brought to pass unless some clear-sighted person goes vigorously to work, removing mountains of obstacles. The all-wise God uses such energies, and through human effort exerted in His power the great things are effected.

If this be so in regard to practical matters, if God's will is made to prevail through human activity, if He uses the deeds and words of His friends, why should there be any restriction when it comes to thoughts and desires, to ideas and longings? In fact, He employs these as well as the activities of men and women. The use of such faculties for the fulfilment of His purposes is intercession, and the force thus set free is surely not less than that which comes from outward action. This is strictly reasonable; yet many excellent persons who are for ever busy with good works neglect the power which is engendered by persevering and intelligent prayer.

It is true that prayer apparently unanswered sometimes causes a strange mood, akin to resentment, even in the hearts of good Christians. Yet this is unreasonable; for in the end, in every department of life, human and divine, the Expert must have the last word. Time appointed may be long, but God knows. Every honest petition brings its blessing; but there is no aspiration, even in the Lord's own prayer, which it is more essential for man to understand than "Thy will be done."

Dorothy Dix Says—

TIGHTWAD HUSBANDS CAUSE MORE MISERY THAN OTHERS

Thrift Is A Virtue But Too Much Of It Becomes A Serious Vice

DEAR DOROTHY DIX—Listen to the woes of a bargain counter wife. When we were married several years ago my husband was only earning $27 a week and I willingly pinched pennies and did everything I could to save, but now that he is getting $50 a week I am fed up on stinginess and feel I have a right to a little of the money that I earn as a household drudge. I am allowed $8 a week on which to run the house and for my own personal needs. On this I must feed my husband, baby and myself, buy my clothes, pay for household necessities such as soap, cleaning fluids and clothes lines. If I go to town I must pay my own carfare. If I want someone to care for my baby I must pay for that. If there is an extra holiday or we have company I must stretch my money over that. At canning time I am expected to can everything in sight, but am not allowed a penny extra for fruits, vegetables and sugar. But do I get any praise? Not on your life. If I go over a couple of dollars my husbands says: "I don't know what you do with the money." I don't know what it is to have a dress I like. I have to get the cheapest I can find. I feel like and look like something out of the basement bargain. Besides the $8 I get 25 cents a week amusement money which doesn't even cover the neighborhood moving picture show and I have to pay the 3c extra myself. I am willing to save. But I think my husband overdoes it, and that we might have a few of the comforts of life as we go on. What do you think? MARGAIN COUNTER WIFE.

ANSWER—If you can make $8 a week cover all the household expenditures you mention, you are a financial wizard who is wasted on mere domesticity. Your place is in the Treasury Department at Washington. You are needed there. Present your receipted bills as credentials to Mr. Morgenthau.

Probably there is no other husband in the world who is so unlovable and who gets on his wife's nerves as much as the tightwad does. Beside him the drunkard and the philanderer and ne'er-do-well are desirable mates. For the drunkard is not always soused. He has his moments of sobriety in which he tries to atone for his fall from grace by taking his wife out and giving her a good time. Not infrequently the philanderer presents his wife with jewels and cars and mink coats as peace offerings. And even the ne'er-do-well may kiss the hand that feeds him.

NO REDEEMING QUALITIES

But the tightwad has no redeeming qualities. The only woman he ever really loves is the lady on the silver dollar and to her he sacrifices his wife without mercy. For him there is a price ticket on everything in life. He does not think of his wife and children in terms of love. He figures out how much it costs to feed them and begrudges the price. He is not grateful to his wife for making him a comfortable home and keeping it clean and shiny. He is worrying lest she may have burned a little too much gas for her cooking, and wondering if she couldn't have used her old mop and scrubbing brush a little longer.

And the trouble is that there is no possible hope of reforming a stingy man. Avarice is a vice that grows on him as he grows older. Every year he will get a tighter grip on his pocketbook, and the only chance his wife has to enjoy any of his money is to outlive him. Luckily there are no pockets in shrouds.

I am strong for thrift. I believe that everyone should save something of what they make, even if it is only a nickel a week, for the rainy day that comes to us all. That is only common sense, common prudence and honesty. But there is moderation in all things and it is just as wise to spend some of what we earn as to save it. To eat mean food when we can afford good, to go shabby when we can afford nice clothes, to deny ourselves all amusements, all pleasures, all entertainment, is folly, because it affects our health, our happiness, even our chances of success, and it does more than any other one thing to alienate the affections of our families and friends.

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WHEN YOU ARE UNWANTED

DEAR DOROTHY DIX—I am a widow with a 17-year-old daughter. During the winter I teach school for a living and keep my daughter with me, but in the summertime I go back to my parents. Now, although I have just about furnished the home and in addition buy most of the groceries when my child and I are with them my parents have made us understand that they consider us a burden and that we are not welcome. They seldom speak to us and when they do it is rudely done. We are not even allowed to have our friends visit us. My laughter is taking a secretarial course and hopes to soon get employment. Could you suggest any work that I could do during the summer? CRUSHED.

ANSWER—It seems most unnatural in your parents not to want you to stay with them in the summer, but old people are very notional and if they do not want you, you should not force yourself upon them.

Fortunately, your daughter will soon be self-supporting and now when there is such a demand for women workers everywhere I should think that you would not have any difficulty in finding employment. Talk it over with some vocational expert, but get buy about it at once. Don't wait until the last minute to apply for a job. Between now and when your school is out next summer you will have time to fit yourself for whatever work you want to undertake. DOROTHY DIX.

Happy Landing

BY BASIL MAYE

He had also a sudden instinct that Deeping's interest in Delma Vivian was more personal than strictly legal. Something in the lawyer's voice, something in the glitter of his calculating eyes, made Bond pause before answering. The same feeling, which did not make for entire confidence, had affected him over other matters during their last interview.

Bond was not a business man, and he had been obliged to take a great deal for granted from this trustee of the estate, knowing so little about legal matters and accounts himself. And perhaps, so he told himself now, he was right in doing so. All the same, for some reason he couldn't altogether explain, he felt most strongly that something was not as it should be.

"When I last saw you Deeping, Miss Gregorescu's father was alive, and looked like living for a long time," he remarked. "What you call romance was then a matter with an indefinite future. It is only more definite to-day, because the lady must have the means to exist. And these papers——"

They began to go through them together. It seemed that Anna Gregorescu had been left very well off indeed.

"You will have a wealthy wife, Mr. Bond," Deeping observed almost sycophaltly, the more irritating to Bond, who said:

"All I ask is for you to make the necessary legal arrangements for Miss Gregorescu's money affairs to be all in order, so that she doesn't suffer more than is necessary by her father's death."

BACK TO OLD HAUNTS

"She's down at Sunningholme, by the way," he added on sudden remembrance. "Staying with Miss Vivian. So, if you have reason to get in touch with her, as you certainly will sooner or later, you'll know here to find her."

"As it happens, I am spending the week-end in that neighbourhood," Deeping said with a sudden eager interest. "And I had intended looking in at your place to see Miss Vivian.

"I'm advising her as to certain investments she is thinking of making," he explained. "As a matter of fact, Bond, and between our two selves, my connexions present me occasionally with information which can sometimes be turned to good financial use, both to myself, and on the part of privileged clients, such as Miss Vivian."

Again, even though he could imagine no reason why it should be so, though, indeed, the reputation of Deeping—so far as he had always heard—stood very high, Bond sensed a lurking suspicion that weariness might be wise. What Deeping had just revealed, and still more the self-satisfied way in which he had spoken, was disturbing.

"I suppose naturally you will be down there yourself, so I shall doubtless be seeing you," Deeping said, while gathering up the papers he was retaining.

"I haven't planned to go down there up to the present," was all Bond answered as he rose to leave.

But he had a strong feeling, as he passed out into the streets again, that he ought to go, after all, if only to forestall the inquisite Inspector House, who intended questioning Delma over the Gregorescu letter sent to her suite not so very long before he was found murdered.

Everything pointed to a week-end at Sunningholme, or nearby, and his mind was made up to that when he returned to his flat. Welsh greeted the proposed move with a combination of pleasure and surprise.

"Why that'll be quite like the good old days, sir, being in those parts again."

"For a start, we'll put up at the old 'Sun' hotel in Sunning, I think. So you can get packing right away."

"But what about the Dutch bulb gent downstairs, sir?" Welsh asked on sudden recollection. "Leaving this place empty, with him and that man of his below——"

"No need to worry about them." Bond laughed. "Ordinary burglary isn't in their line, and there won't be anything here of interest to them, if they did decide to pay a call, which I don't suppose they will do for a moment."

"Well, sir. Taking advantage of your absence, I started asking that valet a few polite questions——"

"And I don't suppose, Welsh, you really got much change out of him?" Bond questioned drily.

"Maybe I didn't, sir," Welsh replied, unperturbed, "that not being my intentions, which were to make him feel at home with me, if I could."

"Raids on my drinks and smokes, I suppose!" Bond laughed slyly.

"The use of such being in the way of bribery and corruption, same as I behaved hospitable to squint-eye while we had our chat!" Welsh retaliated. "Like setting a thief to catch a thief, if I may say so."

"Very tactfully put, Welsh!" Bond laughed again. "I must admit that you've the makings of a diplomat, and that may be useful when handling this squint-eyed friend of yours. All the same, if only for the sake of my drinks and smokes, I think it's just as well we are going down to Sunningholme!"

And, as the West-bound express was later rushing him that way through the pleasant countryside, fast-darkening with sunset, he had still more reason to be glad he had wasted no time in making this move.

For, at Paddington, he had watched Inspector House making a last-minute wild dash for the train, and missing it with an expression of baffled annoyance on his ruddy face.

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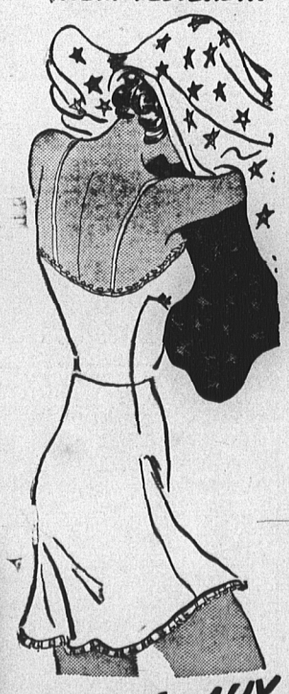

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—Patience Strong

ANNIVERSARY GIFT

The recent ruling of the jewellery trade that golden amber makes a suitable gift for the tenth wedding anniversary is very apt right now. For years the accepted tenth anniversary gifts were tin, aluminium or other metals. Now that all of these are important to national defence a substitute is desirable. While amber is one of the oldest of gems, modern treatment has revealed unsuspected life and fire in this stone. Because of its wide range in tones from light golden yellow to deep mahogany amber is flattering to all types.

SMOOTH SKIN TIP

Now that wintry blasts are blowing, our legs need more protection than a whiff of silk or nylon. Pat vanishing cream over the legs before going out, to serve as a protection against sharp winds. Try giving your legs a vanishing cream minute mask, if they are chapped and rough—leave it on just a minute. When you tissue it off, you'll note that tiny bits of roughened skin go with it, leaving legs soft and silky smooth. That's grand stocking insurance these days when every snag is extra-expensive.

SAVE FLAVOUR

If you throw away celery tops you are simply discarding flavour. They can go into soup; they can be dried slowly in the oven and stored away for future use, or they may be used in a hearty bread stuffing or meat loaf.

FRESH CUBES

Even if you don't use all the ice cubes manufactured in your electric refrigerator, remove them fairly frequently and freeze fresh ones. Ice cubes that remain too long in the pans acquire a stale taste.

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"I don't believe you know what a bachelor is," said Rose's governess, having been amused at her pupil's use of the word in an English composition.

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