

### Religion and Life

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George Eliot once wrote: "When death, the great reconciler, has come, it is never our kindness that we regret, but our severity." "Let me live in a house by the side of the road and be a friend to man." "Meth, the prophet, summed up human obligation in these words: "He has showed thee, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of thee but to do justly, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with thy God."

The names of Peter and John are great names, but there were people who walked on Jesus at the Cross and after of whom we know little. Joseph of Arimathea was a member of the supreme Jewish Council who had no part in the plots against Jesus and who refused to join in the sentence of condemnation, but when the end came, he went to Pilate and asked for the body, and laid it reverently in his own tomb. Nicodemus had come to Jesus by night at the opening of His ministry, and he joined Joseph openly in the last sad rites.

There were women who had delighted in serving Jesus when He was at the height of His popularity, and who stood by Him at the

Cross to the end. They were in personal peril as they stood there with the rage of Jesus' enemies blazing around them, but what did that matter to them? The object of their devotion and the One on whom their hopes were founded was suffering and dying, and their place was to be beside Him. Mark gives us some of their names, but apart from what they did at the Cross and what they tried to do on Easter morning little is known about them. Like flowers that bloom unseen and by their fragrance sweeten the air around them, these people loved and were loyal to Christ when the powers of the world turned against Him. The reward of their fidelity the angels would love to share—they were empty and to hear that Christ had risen from the dead. And the Magdalene was the first to see the Risen Lord.

Jesus gave a large place to kindness in His teaching as well as in His life. He could never turn away from the appeal of suffering and need; to help and heal was the joy of His heart. One of the greatest of His parables, the Good Samaritan, celebrates an act of kindness.

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As He sent His disciples out on their first mission He said to them "Whoever gives to one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he shall not lose his reward." In His picture of the last judgment Jesus said that it was by their kindness or their lack of it that the nations would be judged. The services that He mentioned were: Feeding the hungry and giving drink to the thirsty, showing hospitality to the stranger, clothing the naked, and visiting the sick and the prisoner, and He added: "Inasmuch as you did it unto one of these my brethren, even these least, you did it unto me." Among the things that the world likes to remember of Jesus were His kindness to little children, and to outcasts of society. Such words and deeds were prompted by sheer kindness of heart.

Kindness such as these unknown followers showed to Christ is the commonest of virtues. The kindness of the Canadian frontier beggars all description. The writer as a student missionary in remote corners of Canada was met with a kindness and hospitality that counted it a privilege to be of service to him. Ordinary folk love to help and ask neither reward nor recognition for what they do.

At the centre of our cities the modern social settlement is an institution of kindness—kindness to we ones too young for school and incidentally to their mothers, kindness to growing boys and girls with all their problems and temptations and possibilities, kindness to families which rejoices in their prosperity and helps them in their need. The services offered by these settlements are on scientific lines; the benevolence that paupers has no place in their policy; but the laws that govern their ministries are never allowed to obscure the warmth of heart that prompts everything they do. Often where the ordinary methods of church work fail, these institutions succeed. They interpret in the terms of the twentieth century the law of Jesus' own life: "The Son of man came, not to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

St. Francis of Assisi turned away from prospects that the world considered promising to give himself and to inspire others to service. To help wherever help was needed was their one rule of life. In the Mediaeval Ages it was a unique interpretation of Christ and presented Him to men in those softer lights in which the human heart rejoices.

Away back on May 13, 1891, a religious paper in the Maritime Provinces called "The Methuait," published a story entitled: "The Worker's Dream."

This minister, so the story goes, had been doing very successful work and was highly gratified over it. Meditating thus one evening, he dropped into a light sleep and thought a man entered his room carrying chemical implements. The stranger asked: "How is your zeal?" With a dreamer's strange fancy, he imagined his zeal to be a physical quantity, and, taking it out of his pocket, he gave it to him. The stranger weighed it carefully—100 pounds. The minister thought that was splendid. But the stranger broke it up, melted it in a crucible, and, on turning it out, he saw that it had cooled in layers. These the stranger broke apart, weighed and tested each, taking minute notes all the time. Then he handed a note to the minister pityingly, and with the remark: "May God save

### Gerald Waring Reporting

OTTAWA—When tough Clarie Gillis, one-time cock-o-the-walk in coal-mining Cape Breton, made a speech in the Commons advocating decentralization of industry, it got a mixed reception.

Prime Minister St. Laurent: "There cannot be very many of us who sympathize with the arguments he used."

C.C.F. Leader M. J. Coldwell: "A moderate presentation by the Hon. member for Cape Breton South." J. A. Ross P.C., (Souris, Man.): "There was considerable logic in his argument."

J.H. Dickey (Lib. Halifax): "The Maritime point of view put forward in an unfair, impractical and distorted manner."

"A. J. Brooks (P.C., Royal, N.B.): "A very able argument, as we would expect from him... a most able presentation."

In case the foregoing is a trifle confusing, the explanation lies in the political affiliations of the men. After the Prime Minister had castigated C.C.F.'er Gillis, not one Maritime Liberal dared to chance the P.M.'s wrath by supporting Gillis' demand for federal cooperation in fostering greater industrialization in the Maritimes. And this despite the fact they'll all admit privately that's the Maritimes' crying need.

### Britain Gets The Air

The North Atlantic Treaty Organization decision to put an American in command of the NATO fleet irked Canadian sea dogs just as it did the modern Drakes and Nelsons of the British Admiralty.

Recognizing that the NATO fleet's big job in a war with Russia would be combating Soviet submarines, our naval men were all for a Britisher in the top spot. As one veteran of World War II sub warfare expressed it, "The British had sub-hunting down cold last time. The Yanks didn't have a clue."

But however much Navy men were miffed at the choice of U. S. Vice-Admiral William N. Fecteler, it didn't cut any ice with the government.

At a press conference, a reporter asked External Affairs Minister Pearson if, in view of the appointment of Gen. Dwight Eisenhower as head of the NATO land forces and Adm. Fecteler as head of the sea forces, "Do you think Britain will get the air?"

"I think the British Admiralty thinks Britain's already got the air," Pearson cracked.

### Incidental Intelligence

Mrs. Cora Mutch is acknowledged by M.P.'s wives to be the foremost Parliamentary hostess. She's the spouse of Les Mutch, Liberal M.P. for Winnipeg South and Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Veterans Affairs... Dept. of Pictorial Editor: Social Credit Leader Solon Low referring to inflationary prices: "The spirit of gouging is in the air..." Mrs. Ellen Fairclough (P.C., Hamilton West), lone woman member of the Commons, mentioned birthdays in a debate on holidays, when Leonard T. Stick (Lib. Trinity-Conception, Nfld.) cried, "Don't tell us how old you are." It's no secret in this House," she shot back tartly. She's 45... It's a tough league for a woman. That same day Jean Francoeur, Pouliot (Lib. Temiscouata, Que.) told her to "keep quiet while I'm speaking." Eventually she did... We can hardly wait department: "The Honorable Lionel Chevrier, Minister of Transport, announced today that the French board of inquiry is coming to Canada at the government's invitation, as previously announced... a further announcement will be made..." The Mounties are selling the three homes they bought in suburban Manor Park to house senior R.C.M.P. officers. Since R.C.M.P. salaries were increased, they've decided to let officers find their own living quarters. Thus one high officer estimates that even with his increase, he'll be worse off by about \$30 a month.

### Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

An electric lamp which will burn steadily for three years was made by General Electric Company in Cleveland in 1949. The wonder lamp is used for radios and electric apparatus to indicate whether the juice is on or off. . . . Mice, guinea pigs and some small birds will starve to death within 24 hours, and with no warning, if they do not have their meals punctually. There is a breed of mice, said to originate in Japan called "Waltzing Mice." They waltz after eating, when they want food, and always just after their cage is moved. The babies, too, go in for waltzing almost as soon as they have learned to walk. Apart from the waltzing trick, they cut up odd capers which are most amusing, and they ace incessant chatters. . . . Contrary to common belief, the stoat is a carnivore and highly predaceous. Its white fur is the valuable ermine that adorns royal robes. The male stoat is one foot long, with a 4-inch tail.

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### Lenten Meditations

DIVINE JUDGMENT (The London Times)

One of the major convictions behind the Fourth Gospel is that the goal of faith and hope is no longer, as for earlier generations, in the future. Thanks to the death and resurrection of the Lord, it has been brought forward; it has in fact become a present reality.

Thus, eternal life is something far richer than an immortality which follows upon death; it is a life begun here already and of such a quality that it can triumph over death when it comes. Thus, too, the Lord's return is not some far-off event to be awaited, often with disappointment at its delay; it is here already in the coming of the Holy Spirit to the Christian fellowship.

There is in this no repudiation of the Christian hope for the future, but the present is so full of all to which the heart aspires that the future is thought of as bringing it to fulfillment.

One striking instance of this transfer of interest from the future to the present is in the highly original reinterpretation of judgment which it makes possible. God's judgment is envisaged, not as some great assize to be held at the close of history, but as taking place here and now. And it is a decision made by God only because it has first been made by men. Jesus, we are told, did not come into the world to judge it, but to save it. Yet in another place it is expressly affirmed that he is in the world for judgment.

The solution of the enigma is that while judgment is not his intention, it is the inevitable consequence of his being among men. He judges them because in his presence it is no longer possible for them to be prostrate, they must decide for God or against him. As they decide, so is their destiny.

The illustration which the evangelist employs is that of a sudden influx of light into a room. Those who are in the room at once declare themselves, the honest and sincere coming forward to greet it, rejoicing to stand amid its brilliance, and ready to be seen for what they are. Those, on the other hand, who have done what they do not care to have exposed, shrink from the light and thereby brand themselves as evil. The light judges, because those on whom it shines judge themselves.

Whether God, who is Love, will finally acquiesce in any man's choice of darkness rather than light, whether he will not rather seek unwearily to persuade him to become at last the child of God he was created to be, is another question. But no trust in a divine goodness that will ultimately overcome all evil should be allowed to blur the consciousness that man's freedom carries its own tribunal with it, and that to choose is to expose oneself and so to be judged.

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ly to make his points. What mountain was so sacred that if an animal touched it, that animal was put to death? Mt. Sinai. Exodus 19: 11-13. Many things take place behind Russia's Iron Curtain that the outside world knows nothing about. But we do know that the world's longest continuous railroad runs from Leningrad to Vladivostok, a distance of 5,800 miles. There are 250 station stops and it takes 12 days and nights to make the journey. Russia's new crack train, Joseph Stalin, weighs 82 tons and is capable of doing 81 miles per hour. Caged birds are afraid of any sudden noise. For instance, the sudden rustle of paper or banging of a door, is enough to make them dangerously ill. On the other hand, birds like the sound of a typewriter, a sewing-machine, or even the rattle of glasses. Often they will break forth in melodious music at these sounds. . . . A load can flash out its tongue so quick that the human eye cannot follow its movement — slight of tongue.

That Job had pyorrhea, halitosis, and "B. O." may be gleaned from reading Job 19: 17-20. (Mof-

fat's translation): "My breath is loathsome to my wife, my smell hateful to my children, even young lads despise me, when I draw near, they run away; all my intimates detest me, men I love turn against me. My skin is clinging to my bones, my teeth are falling out." The idea of a beautiful but dumb woman is given in Proverbs 11: 22 — "As a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, so is a fair woman which is without discretion." According to the Book of Genesis Eve's full name was Eve Adam. "Male and female created he them; and blessed them and called their name Adam." The cheetah cats of India are great hunters. Hooded and cloaked in gorgeous draperies, they are taken to the hunting-grounds on massive bullock waggons, each cat having its own attendant. When an antelope is sighted, the cheetah is stripped of its attire and turned loose. When it seizes its prey it holds it until its master arrives. The game is then killed, and a vein opened in its neck. For its clever work the cheetah is rewarded with a dish full of fresh blood. This ends the cat's labors for the day, and it is taken back to its kennel for food and rest. Many

palaces have extensive cheetah kennels — with large staffs. Squirrels are found in every part of the globe except in Australia and Madagascar. Our native Red Squirrel is fast becoming extinct and the Black species and so-called Flying Squirrel are seldom seen nowadays. In 1984, the writer rescued a Flying Squirrel from the family cat while he was living at Lorne Valley. The membrane, extending from the fore to the hind leg on either side, enables the squirrel to glide from tree to tree. No doubt many residents of Charlottetown will remember having seen this little animal displayed in the window of the Patriot Office. The writer also recalls having seen Black Squirrels in the woods between Cornwall and Clyde River. The ornate and striking head-dress worn by some of the North American Indians has been called "war bonnet" by historians. This is not right. They ought to be called "peace bonnets" as no Indian warrior would ever dream of going to war in such a conspicuous head-dress. In the old days a peace bonnet was made of feathers taken from a live eagle by the warrior himself.

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you," he left the room. There was a deep earnestness in the stranger's tone and manner that annoyed him, and, opening the note, he read as follows: "Analysis of the seal of Junius, a candidate for a crown of glory. Weight in mass—100 pounds. Of this on analysis there proves to be: Bigotry, 10 parts; personal ambition, 23 parts; love of praise, 19 parts; pride of denomination, 16 parts; pride of talent, 14 parts; love of authority, 12 parts; love to man, pure, 3 parts."

There can be no doubt about how the devotion of these women to Jesus would have stood such a test; love to the Son of God, pure, would have been 100 parts; but what about our zeal? Some day it too will have to stand the test, and will be revealed to Heaven and Earth as it really is. We may lack many talents that others possess in large measure, but all can be kind. None can really follow Jesus without taking His love in its practical as well as in its emotional forms as the law of life.

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