





Devotional-Spiritual

SPEAKING THE TRUTH IN LOVE.

The Church takes in the whole body of believers...

The anger signified in the injunction, 'Be ye angry, and sin not...' was not of the sort usually pleaded guilty to.

Anglo-Saxon majorities do not always know moderation. Anglo-Saxon minorities are never satisfied until they become majorities.

When the love of God sings its song of joy in the heart which you have given to him, let no croak of a belated disputant make discord within.

The man who possesses his own soul is a free man. He is a rich man. The soul is all there is of us that lasts.

The Church has a Head, and it will live while its Head lives. There is a practical incarnation of the Son of God in the soul of every believer—Christ "in him," the hope of glory.

To expect advancement in the true Christian life unopposed by the world is to contradict the teaching of the New Testament and reject the testimony of Christian experience all along.

To bear testimony for our Lord, or the utterance of the great, swelling words of vanity that express self-praise, are so different that Satan himself might almost pity the weakness thus exhibited.

The aggregate of the enormous waste in our much-favored land does not concern you much, save as a matter of curiosity. Your part of that waste will bring a crisis for you in the sure day of settlement.

Heavenly wisdom intends that religion shall be the cohesive principle of the family life. Illustrations of its successful working come from time to time, which make us feel like singing the old song in a higher key.

If the Lord offers to be your helper and you fail to receive his help to right living, there can be only one cause for that failure; you will not. This is said so often in the New Testament that it must be both true and important.

Grace and peace are the blessings offered to them that are called to be saints. The calling to be saints means to follow Christ in knowing his truth, in doing his will and in receiving this very grace and peace gladly and immediately.

For the truth as it is in Jesus we will not listen to the babble of the guessers who are reviving old absurdities and inventing new ones in his name; but we will turn with fresh joy to the record that tells us what he said and what he did.

To every believer who prays the prayer of faith there comes the answer from the prayer-hearing God who is never deaf nor unconcerned. The answer is not always rightly understood at first, but brings to patient faith a double blessing at last.

It was a father in Israel who said at the close of a debate that, in his first speech, if he had known more, he would have said less. In so saying he was a representative of many—very many—persons in various walks of life whose verbosity is in the inverse ratio to their knowledge.

Christianity, so called, handles the larger part of the world's money. Genuine Christianity in some places is turning this money into evangelical power. The roses of Sharon bloom in the tracks of men and women here and there who have caught the Master's words concerning money and felt his love.

Patronage of vicious reading is a double sin: it harms yourself, it encourages evildoing. Carelessness as to what you read makes it morally certain that some part of it

will be harmful. The privilege of wise choice should be gladly recognized. The printing press should not be permitted to exult and degrade where it should enrich and ennoble. This paragraph is more important than will be realized by some who will read it.

The first question is, What can I do to be saved? The second question is, What can I do to save others?

Not alone what you do directly, but what you help to make it possible for others to do, measures your usefulness.

The Holy Spirit comes when we are ready for his coming. To pray for the Holy Spirit while purposefully and consciously living in sin is a little short of sacrilege.

The love of the Lord for cheerful givers is demonstrated in such ways in this our day as to make clearer the meaning and fuller the blessing conveyed in the apostolic promise.

Someone has said thoughtfully that the incorrigible transgressor never hears the thunder accompanying the lightning stroke that blasts him. He had his warning previously.

The time spent in lubricating the wheels of the railroad engine was more than made up by increased speed and diminished friction. So does prayer lubricate the machinery of the Church of God.

Given to hospitality—this is one of the characteristics of the early Christians. Where it is lacking, one element of the New Testament religion that won the world's heart need be recovered.

The two brethren who parted after what might be called a sharp difference of opinion met again in worship that brought them so close to God that the trifles about which they differed were forgotten.

The religion of love does not always express itself in as ready poetical and literary forms as do some of the counterfeits, but the sounding brass and tinkling cymbal of mere form do not deceive the true disciple.

If called upon to designate the truest friend of the people among the public men who claim their attention, it would be exercising only a sound common sense to name the man who has the profoundest reverence toward God.

The grace that saves is the gift of God. The faith that claims the grace is our own choice. That is to say, the faith is the gift of God to a willing soul. So we begin and end with God, whose name we will praise forever.

All the pines leaned a little one way, showing the direction of the prevailing winds. So every soul leans worldward or Godward. Which way, brother? Interests as precious and undying as the soul itself are involved in the answer.

It was a beautiful and productive Christian life led by a believer of our time, not because he was in any degree self-conscious in any offensive sense of the word, but because he was alive unto God and responsive to every touch of his grace.

When the Old Testament saint made a kindly challenge for his devout neighbors to come and hear what the Lord had done for his soul, he had something to say that was worth saying. New Testament saints make the same challenge for the very same reason.

The Scripture that speaks of the whole family in heaven and earth as a unit brings a solemn joy to Christian households here, and forecasts a blessedness that answers to the most sacred yearnings of loving hearts and the largest hopes of souls who are recipients of the grace that brings salvation.

When the Holy Spirit is promised to teach believers what to pray for and how to pray in this penta-

mental dispensation, it is no wonder that all over this world praying men are getting closer to God and to one another. The Lord is doing great things for them, and they are glad.

As a rule, the fronts of Christian workers in any department are proportioned to the measure of personal self-sacrifice involved. And the reward awaiting the laborer himself or herself is to be measured largely in the same scale. In the meantime the life of the true Christian is not left for a single day without its compensations that meet it with a blessedness with which nothing else can be compared. The laborer has not learned this a walking in darkness.—Helen W. P. Fitzgerald, in Nashville Advocate.

THE NIGHT SEASON

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Night is also the hour of rest which God has granted to a weary world. Not only do the living creatures of the forest, field and meadow sleep, but the very trees suspend their functions of the day, and the more sensitive plants in the garden close their pretty eyes and fold their diaphanous petals.

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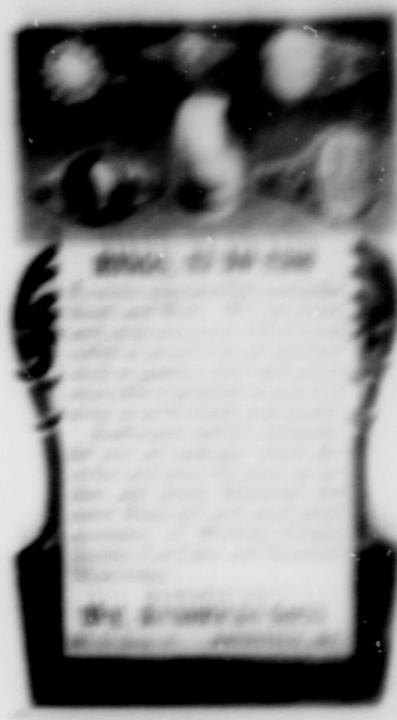
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It Takes a Big Steamer to Carry Five Thousand People.

The Hendrick Hudson, the finest of river steamers, floats upon the Hudson River, carrying five thousand people. We went up on the New York with three thousand passengers aboard, and met the Hudson as she came down.

All voted enthusiastically that the Hudson River ride was indescribably beautiful and grand.

Many points of interest were noted and the whole changing view from New York to Albany kept us in a state of constant admiration.

Our smaller vessel, compared with the Hendrick Hudson, attracted my attention. It is 260 feet long and its engine has 38,000 horse-power and it carries 3,000 passengers. As I walked over it hunting for my fifty-five ladies to come to luncheon, making my way from deck to deck among those three thousand people, I said to myself, "it takes a big ship to carry three thousand people."

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J. E. HARRISON.

Irene.

The protracted meetings for Irene Circuit have all been held. Results sixty-five conversions and fifty-four additions to the Methodist Church, one new Sunday-school organized with forty-three members, and the spiritual condition of the Church much improved.

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J. J. MORGAN, President.

sions to the Church and the work will abide. On July 19 our third meeting began at Oran.

Rev. Jas. A. Walkup was with us at this place. Bro. Walkup is faithful and untiring in his efforts and brings things to pass. Our meeting at this place resulted in twenty or more conversions with fifteen accessions.

Our third Quarterly Conference was held in the new Methodist Church at Batson, August 3d, and was pronounced by the presiding elder, Bro. Godbey, as one of success.

his majesty in the good old-fashioned way. Your writer said, "King, let's go in and possess the land," and so we started. The crowds that came could not get into the house, notwithstanding we were the eleventh protracted meeting held there this year.

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Santo Circuit.

We have held four meetings on Santo Circuit, and the Lord has graciously blessed us in these meetings. We began the third Sunday in June at Santo.

love them both and my people love them. We have held other meetings in which the Lord graciously blessed men and women.

Decatur.

We closed, on the 19th inst., the greatest revival meeting I ever saw. It continued sixteen days and increased in interest and power from the first till the last service.

Nocona Circuit.

Our revival meeting closed at White and Priddy last night. It was a great meeting from the beginning.

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Mamma and I are so thankful for Wine of Cardui.

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