Words Of Life

By Rev. Alex B, Hanson
Messiah Episcopal Church
Scripture: St. John 12:34-43
Text: And how sayest thou, the
Son of Man must be lifted up?
St. John 12:34.
How do we know that we are
human? In what way can we be

sure that we have something that so (lower) animal has, has ever had, or can ever have? Animals use tools, figure out strategy, have a sense of humor, and have intelligence. In all these things, we share our nature with animals, and usually go beyond them. But there is one thing in which you can be sure that you are going can be sure that you are going beyond any animal - Prayl When you pray, you are doing something that only human beings and angels can do, When you lift your soul to God in prayer, then indeed, you can know that you are in a dif-ferent realm from all the lower animals and are an entirely human being, With this thought in our hearts, let us now go back to our entire scripture reading, which climaxes in the above text.

Our Lord counsels us to walk in the light (Verse 35) and to walk in the light while it is yet light; to walk in the light which is himself; and while we still have the opportunity, as being alive and in this world, to walk in the light, But do we always so do? One says, is that light - to walk into sacrifice, consideration of others, and maybe crucifixion? Light is to make money. Another says, Is that light, give one's self to others? I intend to rule others - That is light. Another says - What, throw myself entirely on the mercy of God, when He let His only son walk into the crucifixion - Is that light? want something to hang around my neck to protect me from dangers, or some-thing to kneel and pray in front of and know that I get results. The Son of Man must lifted up. Our Lord lifted His soul in Prayer at the coming of every great need, as well as having been lifted up on the cross. We, too, if we are to fulfill our destiny as human beings, must lift our souls in prayer.

Or again, why do we not always walk in the light? Read again verse 43. "For they loved the praise of men, rather than the praise of God." We want to be "accepted" in our neighborhood, to be "accepted" by those we meet at the church, to be "accepted" by those we meet in business and in casual contacts. So we do not control our children, lest they not be "accepted," And seeking to be "accepted" by those we meet in business and otherwise, we are lax on what we will tolerate in social habits and in our conversations. And while we are hoping that "acceptance" will come in through the door, we let morality and common decency go out the window or down the drain. We see this happen on a wholesale scale when a new and large neigh-

borhood is settled rapidly, as in a housing development, and each family is hoping to be "accepted" by the others, All



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(they) love the praise of men rather than the praise of God, 'Getting in with the Jonses' can be as damaging to the spirit as "Keeping up with Joneses" is to the pocketbook. And the results are usually All of this is brought to

focus in our Scripture reading, and in our text. The Son of man must be lifted up. Jesus, the Son of Man, first lifted his soul to God in prayer then He was lifted to the cross, then was lifted into resurrection. So must we, the sons of men, be lifted, First we must life our lives to God, Prayer is our part of this lifting. In this lifting, our hearts learn that sacrifice is the door to happiness, and that death of our own desires in order to serve others, is the door not only to resurrection, but also to happiness and, to a heart within which faces the world and disaster unafraid and undefeated, Prayer is our fourth dimension our dimension

toward eternity. Not until the fourth dimension, prayer, is added, do we fulfill our destiny as human beings. The son of man must be lifted up.

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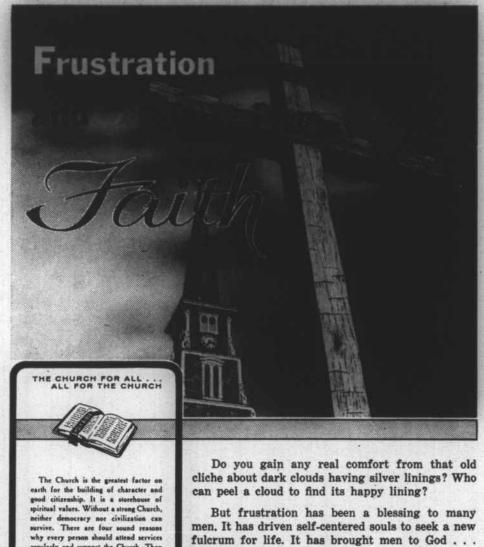
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