

BRAVE, BUT—
On the first day of school, the teacher was asking each of the first graders to tell his

name and what he wanted to be when he grew up. One little tow-head spoke up important-ly: "I'm Jimmy. When I grow

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How can we be spiritually equipped to gain allies and to disarm foes?

Has the United States the answer to men's yearnings as it seems to have in the early days of the republic? Can it draw all men unto the principles that we exemplify?

Our democracy is a great spiritual heritage even more than it is a political doctrine. It was the religious concept that every man is precious in the sight of God that led the Founding Fathers to declare in the Declaration of Independence that all men are created equal; and it was because Jesus said, "I came that ye might have life and have it more abundantly," that they spoke of unalienable rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

What we Americans wanted for ourselves in 1776 is what all the peoples of the earth are rising to claim today. We should try to understand that fierce nationalism and that demanded for respect and happiness.

General Omar Bradley has said: "We have too many men of science, too few men of God. We have grasped the mystery of the atom and rejected the Sermon on the Mount . . . Ours is a world of nuclear giants and ethical infants."

In the Sermon on the Mount we are given the rules by which to live.

Blessed are the poor in spirit. Our spirit is too often the spirit of personal pride, self-assertion, self-aggrandizement, unwillingness to learn.

Blessed are the meek. This does not mean that servility brings happiness, but it does advise receptivity. One who is meek is humble toward God and gives obedience to God's laws. Edison the scientist, Lincoln the statesman, and Emerson the metaphysician were meek, ready to learn the laws under which they operated. Thus they received authority and achieved power. Ghengis Khan, Napoleon, and Hitler tried to create their own law. They flourished awhile but "Be not deceived; God is not mocked," they did not inherit the earth. Are we Americans failing to find the ethical law that will ensure our perpetuity? Professor Arnold Toynbee in his "Study of History" says that fourteen civilizations have appeared and disappeared. Will our civilization live on? Or do we "ethical infants" know less about living than about killing?

Blessed are they which hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be filled. There it is again: A genuine yearning for the truth is what is recommended. Blessed are the merciful, Blessed are the pure in heart, continue the rules. Thus the Master taught, and He drew all men unto Him.

The multitudes did not follow Him for the loaves and fishes, and neither will material help alone draw men unto us in this crisis in our civilization. The hopes of mankind are for personal dignity and human freedom. Insofar as we record respect to the Egyptian, the Iranian, the Indian, and the Chinaman and the Russian, insofar as we cease to patronize and instead seek to understand, can we hope to be blessed.

If Christ were born in the United States in this area and went about His Father's business here, would he find us spiritually fortified to inherit the earth? Or would He have to say, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do?"

Says Charles Malik, Minister to the United States from the Lebanon: "The future belongs to the country and people who . . . seeking understanding in good will, humble before, because genuinely respectful of others, and refusing to have pleasure as its dominant quest, is able to call forth from its own inner spiritual resources sufficient strength and wisdom and vision with which to embrace the whole world, in love and in truth. The only question is: Which is that country and who is that people?"—The South Carolina Clubwoman.

GOOD REASON

Your methods of cultivation are hopelessly out of date, said the agricultural student to the old farmer. Why I would be astonished if you got even ten pounds of apples from that tree. So would I, replied the farmer, it's a pear tree. An average of one out of every seven acres of U. S. land is underlain with coal.

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