

THE PRAYER CORNER

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THE
ELEVENTH COMMANDMENT
John 13:34-35
RED CROSS SUNDAY, Nov. 8th

One evening a stranger knocked at the door of the manse of the famous Samuel Rutherford, the great religious oracle of the Covenanters and their adherents, and begged shelter for the night. The minister kindly received him, and asked him to take his place amongst the family and assist at their religious exercises. He was catechising the children and servants at the time.

It so happened that the question in the catechism which came to the strangers turn was: "How many Commandments are there?" He answered, "Eleven." "Eleven," exclaimed Rutherford, "I am surprised that a person of your age an appearance should not know better. What do you mean?"

He answered: "A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another. As I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

Rutherford was much impressed by the answer, and they retired to rest. The next morning he rose early to meditate on the services of the day. On his way to the church through the glen he heard, among the trees the voice of the stranger at his morning devotions. The elevation of the sentiments and of the expressions convinced him that it was no common man. He accosted him and the traveller confessed to him that he was no other than the great divine and scholar, Archbishop Usher, the Primate of the Church of Ireland, one of the best and most learned men of his age, who well fulfilled that new commandment in the love which he won and which he bore to others. He was attracted by Rutherford's fame and had thus come in disguise to see him in the privacies of his own home.

The stern Covenanter welcomed the stranger prelate. Side by side they pursued their way along Rutherford's walk to the little church, and in that small Presbyterian sanctuary, from Rutherford's rustic pulpit the Archbishop preached to the people of the words which had so startled his host the evening before.

"A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another. As I have loved you, that ye also love one another."

If we can easily imagine the surprise of the pious Scotchman, when he first heard of the Eleventh Commandment, much more may we figure to ourselves the surprise of the apostles when they for the first time heard this new commandment from the lips of their Divine Master. What? Are not the Ten Commandments enough? Must we always be pressing forward to something new? What is this that He saith? We cannot tell what He saith.

The True New Commandment which our Saviour gave, was, in its very form and fashion, peculiarly characteristic of His way—peculiarly characteristic of the Christian religion. The novelty of the Commandment lay in two points. First, it was new, because of the paramount place which it gave to the force of the human affections, the enthusiasm for the good of others which was, instead of mere obedience or correctness of belief, henceforth to become the channel of religious fervor; and secondly, it was new, because it was founded upon the appearance of a new character; a new manifestation of the character of man, a new manifestation of the character of God. Even if the Four Gospels had been lost we should see from the urgency with which the apostles press this new grace of love or charity upon us, that some Diviner Vision of Excellence had crossed their minds. The very word which they used to express it was new, and the consequences therefore were new also. "Love one another" was the doctrine of Jesus Christ, "as I have loved you."

This was a new love. Such a love as had no adequate basis in what men had known and thought before—a love not as oneself, but better than oneself "that ye love, even as I have loved you."

Oh, that was new. There never had been a love like that before.

Scarcely for a righteous man would one die, yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die, but "God commendeth His love toward us that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us."

This love was unselfish. It was over descending. It was independent of response. It was all of grace. It was eternal. And such love, Jesus said, was to prevail among His disciples. It was to be the essence, the test, the power of Christianity. It has been as far as Christianity has prevailed. It has prevailed, by love. By love, it will subdue the world after it has subdued us. Do we thus love? If we do may it be seen in the Red Cross Drive and on Red Cross Day, the 8th.

A PRAYER

O God of Mercy, Thou knowest the bitterness of poverty, and the barrenness it spreads on life. Thou knowest how it darkens and tempts, and embitters the soul, and divides man from his brother, and makes faith in Thy goodness and care well nigh impossible. Be present with Thy help and blessing in homes made sad by poverty. Forbid that within them the voice of unbelief or envy or rebellion should be heard, but may trust in Thee and gentle patience sustain the life of the soul against every threatening ill.

Raise up to those who are in need wise friends and counsellors, through whose ministry Thou mayest provide a way of relief, and grant, O Lord, that justice and brotherly love may prevail.

Hear us O Lord, in behalf of those who are able to help with Thy gift Thou hast given them. Teach them that with Thy gift Thou givest them a great responsibility. May they realize that no material good is to be compared with the joy of lightening the load of another's need. Grant them a spirit of self denial, that they may renounce all luxury in the presence of their brothers and sisters poverty, and need.

Bestow upon them the grace of the Lord Jesus, who, for our sakes became poor, that we, through His poverty might become rich, and may they be willing to follow in His footsteps, and to spend and be spent in the service of their brothers and sisters, and this we beg for His sake, Amen.

God Bless this Prayer Corner to us, one and all, that God's blessing may rest upon us.

ETOWAH NEWS

Leo Moody, an employee of the Moland-Drysdale corporation, who was hurt one day last week, has returned home from Patton Memorial hospital and is said to be recovering satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones Banning and son, of Pleasant Grove, were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Allison.

Horace Maxwell has gone to Hickory where he has a position.

Frank Wicker, of Brevard, was here Sunday.

After a visit of several weeks with home folks, Carol Blythe has returned to Washington. Mr. Blythe was accompanied on his return trip by Beech Morgan, of Etowah.

The Hallowe'en Carnival given at the Etowah school Thursday evening was enjoyed by the youngsters of the school and surrounding territory.

J. E. Justus and daughter, Miss Phoebe Justus, and Glen Brooks, of Black Mountain, were Saturday visitors here.

Rev. W. S. Hutchinson was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McKenna, Sunday. Mr. Hutchison preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday night after an absence of several weeks on account of illness.

The Junior B. Y. P. U. members were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Blythe Friday evening. All report a good time.

Gardner Shipman, of Crab Creek, visited relatives here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Justus and family, of Blantyre, were among Sunday's visitors here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Gray and grandson, Glenn Gray, of Flat Rock road, were recent visitors here.

NEWS AND VIEWS OF THE TAR HEEL STATE

(By Mark Taylor Orr)

North Carolina textiles yielded first place in state production to cigars and cigarettes manufactured in the state, it was announced by the state department of conservation and development, recently.

Cigars and cigarettes manufactured in the state in 1929 were valued at \$480,038,850, according to the 1930 census. These figures do not include the smoking and chewing tobacco and snuff and it is expected that additional figures of these items will bring the value of tobacco, including all classes, well above the half-billion mark.

Despite the textiles relinquishing first place to tobacco, that industry has also made several spectacular gains during the two year period of 1927-1929. The products of the textile industry increased in value by 27 and a half million dollars or by almost 10 per cent, however, in the same period tobacco increased approximately 20 per cent, officials advanced Monday.

Western North Carolina solons, in statements announced Monday, were decidedly opposed to calling a special session of the legislature to reduce cotton acreage in North Carolina. Several representatives and senators in the eastern section of the state, on the other hand insisted that Gov. Gardner call such a session.

Apparently from all reports, the majority of the solons are opposed to the state forcing anything down the farmer's throat, as making such a cotton acreage reduction law.

That more than 175,000 wage earners are jobless at the present time in North Carolina was discovered by Liston Mallard, Chief Statistician of the N. C. department of Labor after an intensive study.

"This reveals that there are only two courses open to the people of the state; to find jobs for these unemployed, or to take care of them by means of charity," F. D. Grist, Commissioner of Labor, announced Tuesday.

Construction of needed public improvements in towns and cities all over the state may offer an important employment measure. An utility or direct tax may be used to finance the improvements. State Chief Statistician advises the utility measure, when sewage treatments and purification systems are the improvements needed.

Title to 140,000 acres of land in the Great Smoky Mountains of North Carolina and Tennessee was presented to Secretary Wilbur by David Chapman, Chairman of the Tennessee commission and Mark Squires, chairman of the North Carolina commission, over the radio, Tuesday. The two states acquired the land through their commissions making the first time in the history of national parks, in which a park has been increased by gifts rather than by development of federal owned lands.

Some of the most beautiful and richest of timber lands are included in the additional tract, there being many unexplored acres and unknown spaces among them.

Farmers all over the Old North State are making rapid progress for reports tell of abundant yields, splendid examples of thrift and courageous effort during this depression.

State manufacturers and business men are of the opinion that the depression current in the state, nation and world has struck the bottom and that general business is trending on the uphill path.

Important indications point to a slow, steady rise, in business and though a sudden rush of business is not anticipated, there have been sufficient grounds in recent state-wide issues to believe that the worst is past.

One of the most encouraging points is the great increase in power consumption, as announced by power concerns of the state. This fact tending to show that many mills and power requiring industries have resumed operations. This upward trend of consumption is regarded as a most favorable sign by state authorities.

The North Carolina annual conference of the Methodist Protestant church began its 104th session Wednesday morning, and continuing thru Sunday, at High Point, Wednesday. Many state church leaders are attending the meetings which take up important discussions of state spiritual welfare.

Football plans to abandon the "flying wedge," which was indirectly the cause of the tragic death of Richard Sheridan, honor student at West Point.

And while we are talking about football, the young Coach of the Statesville team killed in actions as result of a football game recently. He was Ray Perdue, a former star of the school he coached. It appeared that an angry linesman knocked him down and broke his neck when the young man cautioned him concerning his duties.

Concentrated efforts on the part of the good citizens of this state are now offering promising results in reports upon the activities and operations in various sections of the state. Mills and factories have broken their long silence and industries for several months discontinued have resumed sway. These reports have encouraged state citizens to a high degree.

The finishing touches are now in the hands of individuals. If they keep their money "going" which is circulated by the giant payrolls of great factories and mills, business will mount and rise to very near the normal point, after which prosperity will follow, steadily and surely despite a few belts on the way and small signs of discouragement.

WITH THE COUNTY'S COLORED PEOPLE

By J. M. HARRIS

Churches

The revival meeting at Bethel A. Baptist church closed last Wednesday night. Much good was done. The meeting was conducted by Evangelist Guest, of Salisbury, N. C., and Pastor Burke.

Rev. A. H. Wilson, pastor, conducted regular services at Bethel Baptist church Sunday. All are being urged to attend Sunday School and mid-week prayer meeting.

Rosenwald School

Last Thursday was a high day for Rosenwald school at Brevard. The Panthers played the Waihalla, S. C. team to a 13-13 tie at McLean Field. This Thursday they will meet the Wild Cats from Seneca, S. C. The game will be called at 3:30 p.m., and a large crowd is expected.

School Organizations

The High School department recently organized the Students' Social committee, with the following officers: Floyella Mills, chairman, Ruby Johnson, vice chairman; Melissa Kilgore, secretary; Lucile Benjamin, assistant secretary; Winona Smith, treasurer. Members of the committee are Carol Bessie Killian, Marjorie Benjamin, Ophelia Whiteside, Ruth Betzell, Ella Mae Kilgore.

The girls will be assisted by the boys of the department. At the close of the football game last Thursday the social committee served, to the delight of all. They were assisted by the teachers: Mrs. E. K. Mills, Miss Coleman and Miss Watson. Principal Brown, Coach Jones, Capt. Vernon Mills and Prof. Meeks made talks.

Principal Harris' Wife Visits

Mrs. Christine Groves Harris, high school teacher and advisor of girls in the Stephens-Lee high school, Asheville, motored over from Asheville last Sunday week. She was delighted with Brevard.

Night School

Interest in the Rosenwald night school is still growing. Classes meet every Tuesday and Thursday nights. All parents are urged by Principal Harris to visit the school and get first hand information concerning the school activities.

Remember our colored grocery, also our cafes—they are ready to serve you.

Our colored people read The Brevard News. All news items should be sent to Prof. J. M. Harris, on Mondays, at the Rosenwald School.

Wife—Dear, tomorrow is our tenth wedding anniversary. Shall I kill the turkey?

Hubby—No, let him live. He didn't have anything to do with it.—Utah Humbug.

Lake Toxaway News

Mr. and Mrs. Berlin Owen and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Arrowood last Sunday.

Lyle McCoy was dinner guest of Harrison Hall last Sunday.

Rev. J. M. Green of Rosman, preached at the Methodist church last Sunday night.

Mrs. Chris Fisher and children spent Friday of last week with Mrs. Fisher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Miller.

Christeen Lee spent last week in South Carolina visiting relatives.

Gladys Johnson, daughter of Leo Johnson, was on the sick list last week.

Rev. S. B. McCall, of Oakland, visited Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Sanders last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Owen and family moved to Oakland last week.

Little Bonnie Fisher, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Fisher, was very sick last week.

Rev. J. W. Green, of Rosman, was in Toxaway, Thursday of last week.

Miles Galloway of Wolf Mountain, was a Toxaway visitor last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Lee and son Thomas, spent last Sunday in Cullowhee with their daughter, Miss Doreen Lee.

Mrs. D. T. Gillespie spent last Sunday in West Asheville with her daughter, Mrs. Henson.

L. C. Case, Jr., spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Case.

Mrs. Ida Payne returned home last week after ten days in Asheville.

Miss Kate Gillespie spent the week end at East Fork with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Gillespie.

O'Neil Owen came over last Saturday from Cullowhee to spend the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Owen.

Little Tommie Henson of West Asheville, who has been visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Gillespie, returned to her home last Sunday.

Mrs. Elbert Whitmire, and Mrs. Leasia Loving, of Quebec, were over to see their sister, Mrs. Bill Fisher.

East Fork News

Clifford Gillespie and Rob Waldrup of Calvert spent Saturday night with Wallis Gillespie.

Rev. and Mrs. Eli Simpson, of Lyman, were visitors at the home of Mrs. Simpson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Whitmire, for the week end.

Folks in this section, were relieved to hear of the accident of E. J. Whitmire.

A. M. and Earl White and Vernon Clark and Everett Whitmire of Rosman, were Sunday afternoon visitors of Bob Gravelly and Bill Dockins.

Miss Kate Gillespie entertained a number of friends with a weiner roast Saturday night. Those present were Misses Kate, Mary and Ann Gillespie, Rachel Gravelly and Annie Laura Singleterry, Clyde Brown, Charlie Wallis, Clifford, Ralph and Jack Gillespie, Norman Singleterry, Rob Waldrup, Bill Dockins, Bob Gravelly, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Heath.

Well, some of our folks have been drunk. It beats all how much more some folks are thought of than others. For instance, one of the officers went right up to Selica and took one of their men right into town. Now they won't do that for none of us. Our folks could and do lay drunk for weeks at a time and not 'nary' officer will come just to see how they are getting on much less take them for a nice ride. Well, this world is full of discrimination any way.

Wallis Gillespie visited at the home of Jake Gillespie Sunday.

Last week, Mrs. Fisher, has been very sick for the past two weeks.

The two little Rigby children, who have been sick for the past two weeks, are out again.

Harold Willbanks, of West Asheville, is visiting his father, F. J. Willbanks.

C. C. Hall, who has not been well for the past two weeks, is able to be out again.

Mr. Luther Owen and Mr. Stevens of Wolf Mountain, were in Toxaway last week working on the highway.

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