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Read The Second Installment Of "TREY O'HEARTS" This Week.

PASSION WEEK

BY REV. V. HAVNER

The 13 year old preacher at the Baptist Church Sunday night.

"The Passion Week" was the subject from which Rev. Vance Havner of near Hickory, N. C. the thirteen-year-old boy preacher, held almost breathless for forty five minuets the largest audience that ever filled the new Sunday School auditorium of the Baptist church here Sunday night. The 84 pound lad dressed in a blue chambra shirt, a blue serge knickerbocker suit and tan button shoes, stood on a platform which had been specially prepared behind the pulpit and delivered his message with great earnestness and fervor of spirit. The young divine was very much fatigued having traveled long distances during the day and having preached at Mc-Adenville in the forenoon, but he bore up well. He had no notes no manuscript, but spoke as one receiving his message from on high. He talked in conversational tone and made but few gestures, until the first half hour had passed when he began to grow eloquet and natural gestures presented themselves.

He took up "Passion Week" with the triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Sunday. He then followed very closely the activities of Jesus until Saturday when he lay in the sealed tomb.

His rehearsal of the teachings of the Master, both in scenes and parables, during these last days was marvelous for one so young and in his strong applications he delved into theology and revealed spiritual truths worthy of the trained and mature minister.

Many times during the discourse the lad made strong appeals for the salavtion of human souls.

He never lacked for words, they came almost faster than he could utter them. His face was a mixture of innocence and sincerity but as he advanced with the sermon and as he grew eloquent his face beamed brighter and until it seemed to savor of heavenly splendor.

The boy preacher, as he is popularly known, is a son of Mr. R. A. Havner of Hickory, Route one [illegible] little lot he has shown [illegible] ability. Be[illegible] say twenty five feet wide from [illegible] to the cemetery, [illegible] that nothing [illegible] be done [illegible] at the [illegible] will have [illegible] display of flowers, [illegible] and a great variety [illegible] things made [illegible] and, what [illegible] [illegible] will even [illegible] [illegible] the "Fair [illegible] [illegible] practically all over the [illegible] land of the State. [illegible] there are [illegible] bottles somewhere [illegible] that are [illegible] crop of [illegible] ready [illegible] the most [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]