

portion apart once for all. You will find so much freedom and joy in the spending of it that you will want to increase the amount.

THIRD. It would mean a richer spiritual life. There is only one method of spiritual growth. That is fellowship with God. And here is a fellowship in the things that are most like God and that He cares most about—giving and loving and serving. Indeed, there is no salvation at all without this. Salvation is just another word for life. And Jesus knows no other kind of life or salvation than this: "Except a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone. He that loveth his life loseth it."

For these principles and statements there are many witnesses. Here is the letter of a noble layman who serves equally with time and money: "I am glad to bear testimony to the enrichment of my own spiritual life through systematic giving. For several years I have kept an entirely separate bank account which I call the 'Lord's Account.' In that account I deposit every month one-tenth of my income. In that way I divest my mind entirely of any need to consider whether I can give or not, leaving only the question of the objects to be chosen. The giving has already been done. The above method I adopted after talking it over with my wife. It has proven to be a great blessing to us both."

Someone is saying, "All that is true and I should follow it, if I were rich like my neighbor." My brother, this is not the special duty of a few that we have been talking about. And the test of our Christian life is not what we should do with our neighbor's wealth, but what manner of stewards we are in the little or the much that we possess.

Between two native converts on the mission field this talk took place:

"If you have a hundred sheep would you give fifty of them for the Lord's work?"

"Yes, I would."

"Would you do the same if you had a hundred cows?"

"Yes, I would."

"Would you do the same if you had a hundred horses?"

"Yes, I would."

"If you had two pigs, would you give one of them to Him?"

"No, I wouldn't; and you have no right to ask me when you know I have two pigs."

The Lord's chief need is not great gifts. It is men who acknowledge His Lordship in business and in time and in money, humble folks and rich folks, for their sake and the world's sake. He wants them all.

JUNE MEETING

There will be an all-day service at North Lake church, June 3. Dinner will be served on the grounds. Come and bring your basket of rations and enjoy the day with us.

Bring a friend with you.

What we have to offer:

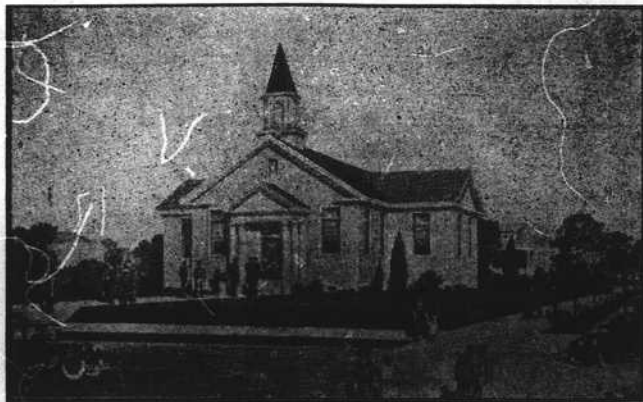
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2. Special music.

3. A friendly feeling and brotherly love.
4. A helpful message.

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Come—June 3—Come

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You have made a success out of life when you have won the distinction of always being kind and considerate, fair and square, happy and helpful.

*God asks unselfish service
in return for the
gift of His Son*