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A Hymn Is Born

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A prayer is answered... and Fanny Crosby writes another hymn

Among many characteristics of the blind poetess Fanny Crosby, three stand out. She always carried a little American flag. She either held it in her hand or kept it in her bag and it was buried with her when she died in 1915 at the age of 85. Though blinded in infancy, the petite "Aunt Fanny" (she was Mrs. Alexander Van Alstyne in private life) greeted friends and strangers alike with a cheerful "God bless your dear soul." And she never attempted to write a hymn without first kneeling in prayer. So Fanny Crosby spent considerable time on her knees. She wrote no less than 8,000 songs. So many that critics have said the chief fault with her work lies in that she was too prolific. But none can deny that many "pearls" are found among the "opiate shells."

Under contract for three hymns a week, Miss Crosby was often under pressure to meet deadlines. It was under such circumstances in 1869 that she tried to write words for a tune composed by E. Doane had sent her. But she couldn't write. Then she remembered she had forgotten her prayer. Rising from her knees, she dictated as fast as her assistant could write, words for the famous hymn, "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross."

But one day in 1874 Fanny Crosby prayed for more material things. She had run short of money and needed \$5 even change. There was no time to draw on her publishers, so she simply prayed for the money. Her prayer ended, she was walking to and fro in her room trying to "get into mood" for another hymn when an admirer called. Greeting the stranger with "God bless your dear soul," the two chatted briefly.

In the parting handshake the admirer left something in the hymn-writer's hand. It was \$5... even change. Rising from a prayer of thanks, the blind poetess wrote:

Though my weary steps may falter,
And my soul a thief may be,
Tush! no doubt His tender mercy,
Lies a Spring of Joy I see.

All the way my Saviour leads me,
Oh, the fullness of His love!
Perfect rest to me is promised
In my Father's house above.

When my spirit, clothed immortal,
Wins its flight to realms of day,
This my song thro' endless ages,
Jesus led me all the way.



THE BIBLE SPEAKS

BY DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

SCRIPTURE, Matthew 5
DEVOTIONAL READING: Ezekiel 44:1-16

Compassion

Lesson for November 9, 1952

ARE Americans becoming brutalized? Some thoughtful people believe we are. A. Dr. Charles T. Leber reports, when his father and mother read the account of the sinking of the Lusitania back before World War I, they were so upset they could not eat. Now we can read about the destruction of an entire city as if it were an eating breakfast. We in America invented and used the A-bomb and now we conceive the H-bomb. We train men to kill other men with flaming jellied gasoline, with knives, with whatever seems to be most usable and deadly. We kill people on the highways, or we don't do enough to keep them from killing themselves. In such quantities that we don't even care the newspaper reports about it unless some friend of ours happened to be in the smash. If as many people died in your town of polio, or of typhoid fever, as die in accidents, you would all be in almost a panic.

A Word We Need

There is an old English word that is not used often nowadays. Maybe the reason it is seldom used is that the thing it means is seldom met with. It is the word "compassion." Literally, it means "suffering-with." When it is said by Matthew that Jesus had compassion on the crowds, it means literally that he knew how they felt, what they needed, why they hurt, and that in his own heart he suffered with them. Their needs were his needs, their pain his pain. That is compassion, but it is not yet the whole of it. There is something more. An artist (let us say a novelist) has to have compassion, of a sort. Many novels and stories have been written, for instance, about bull-fighters, and some of the story-tellers have shown a high degree of imaginative power. You might almost fancy they had been bullfighters themselves, as to be sure some of them have been. But few if any of these story-writers have done anything to put a stop to the brutal sport of bull-fighting. They feel the tragedy of the whole business yet they do not propose to do anything about it. Compassion, as Jesus felt it, never was a mere emotion. It was emotion harnessed to action.

The Only True Sign Of Good Christian Is Sincere Love

A GOOD question quite often asked many churchgoers is What does it mean to be a Christian?

The answer can be found among the many works of the New Testament. These writers whose books make up our account of the Christian way of life, all agree on the fact that being a good Christian comes from within the person himself.

Paul defines this inner working as Love. In his eulogy on Love found in Corinthians I, Paul goes so far as to say that having knowledge of the Christian mysteries, even having faith and the power to work miracles, is not enough. The person must have Love or all other possessions are useless.

John, James and Peter agree with Paul. James insists that Love, if it is a real and vital thing, will manifest itself in many ways. Peter and John agree that anyone who has a love of humanity, shares a part of the Supreme Being.

In contrast to these plain facts and rules for being a true Christian, we see the millions of so-called "professing Christians" who fall far short of this ideal.

Fortunately, in every sect, there are both those who profess and those who are sincere. And among the sincere are those described by Paul who commended them because they sincerely and earnestly followed the path as best they knew how.

These are the true Christians. And if we deplore the fact that there are not more of them, let us pause and be thankful that despite the world's inequities, there are so many whose character and activities reveal them as true Christians.

Pall bearers were Galdis Drew, Leslie Drew, Milard Johnson; Douglas Johnson, Ralph Bishop and Robert Ward.

If you snarl, misfortune may grin at you—grin and perhaps your misfortunes will unsmile. A lot of people know all about the money question—except how to hang onto it after they get it.

Go To Church - Sunday -

The Times is attempting to give its readers a complete directory of all white churches in Duplin County. There are some denominations not listed and probably among those listed errors will be found. We solicit the cooperation of our readers in giving us the correct information and missing information. If you find your church not listed please drop us a card giving the correct information.

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The Christian Viewpoint

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The band played "The Star Spangled Banner" and everyone in the stadium stood while the flag went up. That is generally done at football games now. There is a line in the National Anthem which says, "And this be our motto, 'In God is our trust.'" At the Davidson College Homecoming there was another feature. The lead speaker announced the band would unfurl the United Nations flag in honor of the United Nations Week and play "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God." The announcer called attention to the great part Woodrow Wilson had in advancing the idea of collective security against war by a world organization of nations. He began his education at Davidson when it was a small and struggling Presbyterian College.

Christian faith, educational excellence, and the personal fellowship of a small college are good ingredients to go into a young man's education. He is prepared to go out to wider fields of service. Woodrow Wilson said near the end of his life, "The sum of the whole matter is this, that our civilization cannot survive materially unless it is redeemed spiritually. It can be saved only by becoming permeated with the spirit of Christ and being made free and happy by the practices which spring out of that spirit. Only thus can discontent be driven out and all the shadows lifted from the road ahead."

New Idea For Fire Kindlin

Mrs. Leslie Horton of Albertson has come up with a novel idea for preparing kindlin for a quick fire these cold mornings. She goes out under the tall pines and rakes up buckets full of pine needles. She wraps them tightly with some old newspapers and ties them securely. When she arises on a cold morning one or two of the kindling logs are thrown into the fireplace and a match is struck. Almost as quick as if soaked in kerosene they burst into a large blaze and the length of time they burn is surprising. They come in mighty well to perk up a blaze under the green logs also.

The quickest way to ruin an enemy is to help him win great power and then let nature take its course.

John W. Drew

Funeral services for John William Drew, 76, were held from his home near Magnolia Saturday, October 25 at 3:30 o'clock. Burial was in the family cemetery near by. Services were conducted by Rev. W. B. Hood.

Mr. Drew was a son of the late John Marshall and Martha James Heath Drew.

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