

A Hymn Is Born

BY CLINT BONNER

Tell Mother I'll Be There

A president goes to church with his mother

The spry little woman of 87 smiled proudly at her neighbors. It was Sunday and she was walking to church with her son. He was President of the United States but she was as proud of him as it had been a Methodist bishop. Everybody knows that William McKinley was devoted to his mother. Everybody knows that he was a devout Christian, taught a Bible class and was superintendent of a Methodist Sunday School. What everybody does not know is that every day of his mother's life... as lawyer, congressman, governor of Ohio and United States President... when William McKinley did not see his mother he either wrote or telegraphed her.

would conduct himself bettling to the Christian gentleman she had raised, whether he be bishop or president.

When President McKinley's mother became ill to the winter of 1897 he had her home in Canton connected with the White House by special wire. And he kept a train standing by under full steam 24 hours a day. One night when "Mother McKinley" called for William attending a friend, "Mr. President, we think you had better come." The answer, flashed back, "Tell Mother I'll be there."

On Sunday afternoon, Dec. 12, 1897, Nancy McKinley breathed her last in the arms of her 24-year-old son. For fully an hour after she died he didn't move from her bedside.

Less than four years later, while making a speech in Buffalo, McKinley was cut down by a bullet from the gun of anarchist Leon Czolgosz. With no bitterness even for his assassin the dying president said, "God's will be done." Then he called for a hymn his mother had taught him—"Nearer, My God, To Thee." His body was brought back to Canton and laid to rest... beside his mother.

Hymn-writer Charles M. Fillmore wrote a song that is said to have been inspired by William McKinley's telegram "TELL MOTHER I'LL BE THERE."

When I was but a little child how well I recall
How I would grieve my mother with my folly and neglect
And now that she has gone to Heaven I miss her tender care,
O, Saviour, tell my mother I'll be there.

O Saviour, tell my mother I'll be there.
One day a message came to me, it had me quickly come
I would see my mother ere the Saviour took her home;
I promised her before she died, for Heaven to prepare
O, Saviour, tell my mother I'll be there.

Though I was often wayward, she was always kind and good;
So patient, gentle, loving, when I acted rough and rude;
My childhood griefs and trials she would gladly wipe
So that I might be happy, and she would be glad to see me there.

Yes, tell my darling mother I'll be there.
Yes, tell my darling mother I'll be there.
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Leader Who Failed

Lesson for May 2, 1934

-Go To Church Sunday-

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Our Lord's Aviation Corps

By REV. C. HERMAN TRUEBLOOD

TEXT: "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles." Isaiah 40:31

One of the truly great wonders of the modern world is the airplane. It is here to stay, and will grow in usefulness, as "ships in the air." Being an aviator, and flying an air-ship must be an experience most unique. It is a matter of fact that, from an eternity standpoint, there is such a matter as "Spiritual Aviation," and that learning to fly spiritually is extremely important. Let us meditate briefly upon the possibilities and glories of "Our Lord's Aviation Corps."

I. A NECESSARY CONDITION PRESCRIBED - "Waiting upon the Lord." The flyer that steers his mighty ship into the air, had first of all to do a "lot of waiting" before he made his "solo" flight. He had to wait upon his superior officers. He had to wait for instructions, to wait for guidance, to wait for much training before he could "mount up with wings," in full control of an aeroplane. So it is with the Spiritual Aviator - he must first "wait upon the Lord." Waiting upon the Lord suggests communion and fellowship with the Lord. Waiting upon the Lord means "thinking God's thoughts after Him," or, as the Psalmist put it: "I thought on my way, and turned my feet unto thy testimonies," waiting upon the Lord means "tuning in" on Station P-R-A-Y-E-R. Waiting upon the Lord, implies Bible study, church attendance, and cooperation with God's people in spreading the gospel. Waiting upon the Lord implies "growing in the grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 3:18.

II. A GLORIOUS PROMISE MADE - "They that wait upon the Lord, shall renew their strength." We have suggested here meditation plus exercise - "waiting upon the Lord" is meditation; working at our religious job is exercise. The man who would fly an aeroplane in the sky, must not only meditate - that is, think, and listen, and learn from his instructors, but he must put into practice what he has learned; he must LEARN by DOING. So it is with the Child of God; if he is to soar very high in Christian experience, he must be not only "a hearer of the word, but also a doer of the word" - he then has the divine promise of "renewed strength," to those who "wait upon the Lord."

III. A NOBLE VICTORY ASSURED - "Mounting up with wings as an eagle." The possibility of "mounting up," higher, and higher, in Christian experience and achievement, is what God offers every sincere, true-hearted child of His. The Christian religion is a religion of Faith and Hope; faith and hope constitute the two wings of the Spiritual Aviator. The Christian who waits upon the Lord becomes strong in the great wing of faith; the other wing, hope, beats in harmony with it - as Paul said: "We are saved by hope." Hope buoy up the soul and encourages it to daring deeds of Christian service. Given the pinions of both faith and hope, the Christian will "mount up," higher and higher into the spiritual sky, and on the path of duty indicated by the will of God.

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IT IS said that at the time of the French Revolution there was one day a tremendous uproar in the streets, of Paris, and an elderly gentleman who had not least up with the news inquired what it was. "It sounds like a revolt," said he. "Not a revolt, Sir," was the reply, "a revolution." A revolt is a revolution that doesn't "click"; a revolution is a revolt that succeeds. Yet the success of a revolution is not to be measured by what it accomplishes there and then. Only as the years go on can any man assess a new movement, political or any other sort. What Dr. Foreman happened to Jeroboam's rebellion, the one the prophet Aijah had approved and authorized?

Success in the First Chapter
If Jeroboam had had any other writers and if they had written up the story of his political career, they could have made it sound like a tremendous success. Jeroboam himself was young, able, and with immense political savvy. He was a good organizer, and he was a popular man. As a labor leader under King Solomon he knew how to deal with people and as a political exile in Egypt for many years what he had not learned about the ins and outs of international politics was probably not worth learning. He had succeeded in drawing out of the original united Kingdom of Solomon ten out of the twelve tribes that composed it. Population, wealth, opportunity - everything was in his favor, plus the basic fact that a prophet of God was behind the movement to begin with. With God and the people on his side, how could Jeroboam lose?

Failure in the Last Chapter
When Jeroboam was some years older, a son of his lay very sick, and the king thought again of the prophet Aijah who had once bled his friend. Aijah could surely tell him whether the child would live. But Jeroboam's queen at Aijah's door, met with no welcome. Quite the contrary: the old prophet cursed King Jeroboam and all his house. The revolution which had begun with the blessing of God upon it, ended by incuring the anger of God. The king who had begun with such overwhelming success ended as a failure. If the success of the ten tribes had proved to be a failure, it was not that there was anything sinful in the idea itself, but that the revolution had been in Jeroboam's hands not a means of helping the people but of doing them harm.

Who Made Israel to Sin?
More than one writer in later times used the same standard formula for this Jeroboam. He is called "Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin." That is a terrible tag to hang on a man; that he is the cause of a nation's sin. But it was true of this man. What in particular had Jeroboam done, as King of Israel, to "make Israel to sin"? His great sins were two; they were part of the same policy. It will be remembered that this was shortly after the time of Solomon, and the great temple which Solomon built was still the center of the religious life of all the twelve tribes. When Jeroboam engineered his revolution, he felt it to be a dangerous thing for the people to be in the hands of the Kingdom of Judah up there in Jerusalem. So he organized two other religious centers, at convenient locations, Bethel in the south, Dan in the north, and in these newly appointed "shrine cities" he set up gold-plated calves and other animals as the gods of his people. In two ways among others, this was ruinous to right religion, and led to the decay of the nation.

God Is Not Mocked
First this involved the sin of making religion a department of the government. As King Jeroboam attempted to dictate (and only too successfully) where and how his people should worship, the priests in the shrine cities were political appointees. Religion was subsidized by the state. But worse than that, Jeroboam tried to establish down to earth and obvious kind of religion. For the great invisible God of heaven and earth (see Solomon's prayer in I Kings 8) Jeroboam substituted gold-plated statues of calves and other animals. Debasing religion, he debased the people. Calves and other religion will ruin a nation faster than fire or famine.