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The Sinner's Hope.

You ask me what my hope is. It is that Christ died for my sins, in my stead, in my place, and therefore I can enter into eternal life. You ask Paul what his hope was. "Christ died for our sins, according to the Scripture." This is the hope in which died all the martyrs of old, in which all who have entered heaven's gate have found their only comfort. Take that doctrine of substitution out of the Bible and my hope is lost. With the law, without Christ, we are undone. The law we have broken, and it can only hang over our head the sharp sword of justice. Even if we could keep it from this moment, there remains the unforgiven past. "Without shedding of blood there is no remission." —D. L. Moody.

You Will Be Missed.

Some people, when asked to attend services and meetings more regularly, say: "Oh, I'll not be missed!" It is a mistake. You will be missed by your fellow workers, by your pastor, by your God. We all have a special work to perform. A piccolo player in a large orchestra, thinking his instrument would not be missed, among the crash of cymbals at a Handel rehearsal, stopped playing. But Sir Michael Costa hushed the music of the whole orchestra, missing him. So God is waiting and listening now for the music which is in your heart and within your power to awaken.—Selected.

Christ Our Leader.

When Alexander the Great marched through Persia, his way was stopped with ice and snow, insomuch that his soldiers, being tired out with hard marches, were discouraged, and would have gone no further, which he

perceiving, dismounted his horse, and went on foot through the midst of them all, making himself a way with a pickaxe, whereat they all being ashamed, first his friends, then the captains of his army, and, last of all, the common soldiers followed him. So should all men follow Christ their Savior, by that rough and unpleasant way of the cross that He has traversed before them. Whatever the faith is, Christ is there, and to be with Him is joy indeed. We need not take a single step where His foot prints cannot be seen. If the sharp flints cut our feet, they have wounded His before. If the darkness gathers thickly here and there, it was a denser gloom that surrounded Him. If the cross is heavy to our shoulders, it is light compared with the one He bore. Following Jesus means fellowship with Jesus, and the joy of that fellowship cannot be told.

Fleeing From This World.

Christians ought to flee from this world. But how so? Not by putting on a monk's hood or by hiding in a corner or in the wilderness; for by this you do not escape from the devil or from sin. But you must flee with your heart to keep it unspotted from the world, James 1, 27. Christians should live here as pilgrims and sojourners, who seek after another, eternal kingdom, that is, they should abstain from fleshly lust and lead a godly life in all manner of good works.—Luther.

I Shall Live With Him.

"Knowest thou not," said Luther to the King of Terrors, "that thou didst devour the Lord Christ, but wast obliged to give Him back, and wast then thyself devoured of Him? So thou must leave me undevooured, because I abide in Him, and live and suffer for His

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name's sake. Men may send me out of the world—for that I care not—but I shall not on that account abide in death; I shall live with my Lord Christ, for I know and believe that He liveth!"

Redeemed.

It is said that just before the Civil War in this country, a wealthy gentleman, who was walking the streets of a southern city, had his attention called to a group of negro slaves about to be sold. One of them was weeping bitterly, and when he asked her why she was crying, she replied that she did not know what kind of a master was going to buy her, nor where she was going. He said nothing more, but when she was placed on the block for sale, he bid a higher price for her than any one in the crowd, and she was knocked down to him as his property. She was still weeping, because she did not know him, nor where she was going, until he gently said, "I have not bought you to make a slave of you; I have bought you to set you free; go where you please." She instantly turned to him with the glad cry, "Let me go with you, I will serve you all my life."

Kind friend, there is One who also bought us from slavery and gave us a more glorious liberty. In our catechism we confess, "I believe that Jesus Christ purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with His holy precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own." How much more ought every one of us to say to our Master, "I will serve Thee all my life!" Oh, live not unto yourself, but unto Him who died for you, and rose again!

"But if Ye do not Forgive, Neither will Your Father which is in Heaven Forgive your Trespases."

Mark 11, 26.

A tall boy in a school was so abusive to the younger ones, that the teacher took the vote of the school, whether he should be expelled. All the small boys voted to expell him except one, who was scarcely five years old. Yet he knew very well that the bad boy would continue to abuse him. "Why, then, did you vote for him to stay?" said the teacher. "Because, if he is expelled, perhaps he will not learn any more about God and so he will become still more wicked." "Do you forgive him, then?" said the teacher." "Yes," said he, "father and mother forgive me when I do wrong; God forgives me too; and I must do the same."

Helping the Minister.

"One thing helped me very much while I was preaching to-day," said a clergyman.

"What was that?" inquired a friend.

"It was the attention of a little girl, who kept her eyes fixed on me, and seemed to hear and understand every word I said, she was a great help to me."

Think of that, dear readers, and also help your minister. When you go to church, fix your eyes on him and listen to the message which he has for you. He is telling about the Lord Jesus who came to save sinners. "Blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it."—Luke 11, 28.

Ephphatha Conference.

The conference of missionaries to the deaf will not meet in May, as announced in the last issue, but on June 10th to 13th. The place of meeting and the program remain the same.

AMONG OUR DEAF.

Quarterly Receipts.—The following amounts, received during the quarter ending March 31st, are credited to our deaf:—

By Rev. A. Reinke: Chicago congregation \$25.62; Ladies' Aid Society \$12.50. By Rev. A. Boll (for traveling expenses only) Ft. Wayne

\$15.20; Peru \$6.75; Logansport \$4.95; Lima \$1.80; Detroit \$4.80; Cleveland \$12.90. By Rev. C. Schubkegel: St. Louis \$7.47; St. Charles \$1.60; Louisville \$4.90; Evansville \$17.40; Indianapolis \$3.43. By Rev. J. Salvner: Minneapolis \$37.17; St. Paul \$10.07; Stillwater \$2.62; Winona \$2.17; La Crosse \$0.91. By Rev. N. Jensen: Kansas City \$9.10; Omaha \$9.16. By Rev. T. Wangerin: Milwaukee offerings \$16.92, contributions \$36.18; Sheboygan \$3.05; Oshkosh \$1.65; Racine \$1.31. Total \$249.63. Jesus says: "Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal."—Matth. 6, 20. Are you laying up such treasures in heaven?

Chicago.—A large number of worshippers attended our Easter services, to be shown the vital importance of Christ's resurrection. The fact that 56 deaf were present from far and near was encouraging. True, 40 of the number mentioned were partakers of the Holy Supper, which is administered 6 times every year at our mission, yet often a big number of our flock is absent from our services, without sufficient excuse. "He that is of God, heareth God's word." John 8, 47.

March 12th, Mr. Gustav Johnson and Miss Ethel Chance were married at the Johnson home. Pastor Reinke performed the ceremony, and Mr. John Sullivan and Mrs. I. Tegtmeier were the witnesses. May the young married couple walk in the way of the Lord and prosper.

Milwaukee.—We report an attendance of 60 on Palm Sunday and of 59 on Easter Sunday. Our Ladies' Society had our church decorated with palms and Easter lilies, for which we express our appreciation.

Also Mr. Edwin Nelson has joined our Thursday-evening class of catechumens.

The Social and Coffee given by our Ladies' Society on the first Sunday after Easter was a marked success. The tables were set for over 150 guests and the evening was spent in a most pleasant manner.

On Sunday, April 24th, Pastor Wangerin made his quarterly mission trip to Merrill and Wausau.—

Toledo.—On Sunday, April 3rd, Hazel Marie, infant child of Mr. and Mrs. F. Schwartz was baptized in Trinity Lutheran Mission.—

St. Louis.—On Easter Sunday, 25 deaf attended the Lutheran services here. Holy Communion was celebrated with seven communicants.

Pursuant to an invitation by a committee a number of deaf and a few hearing friends of Pastor C. Schubkegel, assembled at his home on the evening of March 28th, to celebrate his 50th birthday anniversary. The evening was spent in pleasant conversation, the committee in charge serving refreshments. Pastor Schubkegel wished all his friends as happy a birthday as his, and he herewith extends to his friends, including those who were unable to attend the party, his sincere thanks for their good wishes, and the presents given to him, and especially for the love and honor shown to him on this occasion.

Pastor Schubkegel held services for the deaf in Evansville, Ind., on Friday, March 18th, in Louisville, Ky., on Sunday, March 20th, at 2 P. M. and in Indianapolis, at 8 P. M. The services in Evansville and Indianapolis were well attended.—

Minneapolis.—Mr. Claus E. Hammelton of Loman, Minn., and Miss Mary La Jord, one of our communicants at Minneapolis, were married at Minneapolis, on the 19th of March. They will make their home at Loman, Minn. May our dear Lord and Savior be with them always according to His promise.—Matth. 28, 20.

Our Easter services at Minneapolis were attended by 37 deaf. For the occasion, the deaf had bought Easter lilies which added much to the beauty of the service. The sermon was based on the gospel of the glorious Easter-day. Also several hymns were rendered in signs. The collection amounted to \$5.69. At Stillwater, 15 deaf were present and \$1.61 was collected. At St. Paul, our little room at St. John's Church was most beautifully decorated. Thanks are largely due to the janitor who had brought palms and Easter lilies from the church and neatly arranged them on the platform. Besides the deaf had bought some cut flowers, so that the room had a very festive appearance bearing evidence of the Easter joy in our hearts. Thirteen deaf attended this service and the collection amounted to \$1.45.

On the 12th of April Grace Congregation held its quarterly meeting. According to a resolution, the quarterly meetings hereafter will be held on the second Sunday of January, April, July and October. It was resolved also to buy a communion flagon and plate. Already in the January meeting, the buying of a communion set was discussed, but was laid on the table till the next meeting. In the meantime Immanuel Congregation of the North Side (Rev. E. Nachtsheim) presented a chalice and communion veil to our congregation, which were accepted with thanks, and therefore only a flagon and plate were necessary.

Kansas City.—Our church attendance during March was very satisfactory. Twenty deaf attended Easter services, five of whom received Holy Communion. Services were held also on Good Friday, at which thirteen deaf were present, which goes to show that our deaf friends appreciate services on special holidays. Our class of catechumens is making good progress and we hope to have confirmation services on the first Sunday in June.

Omaha.—On Sunday, April 3rd, we had the pleasure of adding another communicant member to our Omaha Mission. Mr. George Ernst was confirmed on that day. Although Mr. Ernst lives eight miles from the city, and is kept busy on his farm, he made good progress while studying the catechism, and gave ample proof during the examination preceding his confirmation that he has come to the knowledge of the chief parts of the Christian religion. May God keep him in the one true faith unto life everlasting.

"I am the Way."

It is said that the ancient city of Troy had but one way of entrance. In whatever direction the traveler went, he would find no way to go into the city but the one which was legally appointed, and the only one which was used by those who went in and out. There is only one right way to the favor of God, to the family of God, to the presence of God in prayer, and, finally, to the city of God in eternity, and that one way is Christ. "I am the way," He declares, "and no man cometh unto the Father but by me."

SERVICES FOR THE DEAF.

CHICAGO, ILL.

Congregation of Our Savior, Crystal St., near North Hoyne Ave., Northwest Side. Services every Sunday, at 3:30 P. M., by Rev. Arth. Reinke, 2127 Crystal St., Chicago, Ill.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Lutheran Zions Church, 21st and Benton Sts. Services every second and fourth Sunday of the month, by Rev. C. Schubkegel, 2936a Madison St., St. Louis, Mo.

ST. CHARLES, MO.

Services every first Sunday of the month, at 3:30 P. M., at Mr. W. Meyer's residence, 510 Clay St., by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Services every third Sunday of the month, at 8 P. M., in the church, corner Ohio and North East Sts., by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

EVANSVILLE, IND.

Service every Friday before the third Sunday of the month, at 8 P. M., in the Lutheran School, by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Congregation of Our Savior for the Deaf. Services every third Sunday of the month, at 2 P. M., in the church, E. Broadway and Underhill Sts., by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

TOLEDO, O.

Trinity Lutheran Mission for the Deaf. Services in church, corner Vance and Ewing Sts., the first Sunday of the month, at 2:30 P. M., by Rev. A. Boll, c. o. Carlton, Toledo, O.

FINDLAY, O.

Services in the homes of the deaf by special appointment, by Rev. A. Boll.

LIMA, O.

Services the second Sunday of the month in the church, corner Kibbv and Jackson Sts., at 2:30 P. M., by Rev. A. Boll.

CLEVELAND, O.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. A. Boll.

FORT WAYNE, IND.

St. John's Lutheran Congregation for the Deaf. Services the second Sunday of the month in St. Paul's Chapel, corner Barr and Madison Sts., at 7 P. M., by Rev. A. Boll.

PERU, IND.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. A. Boll.

DETROIT, MICH.

Services for the deaf the third Sunday of the month, at 3 P. M. in the church, corner Gratiot and Rivard Sts., by Rev. A. Boll.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Y. M. C. A. Building. Services every Sunday, at 11 A. M., by Rev. J. Salvner, 2115 9th Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn.

ST. PAUL, MINN.

St. John's Lutheran Church, corner Hope and Margaret Sts. Services every Sunday, excepting the last Sunday of the month, at 3:30 P. M., by Rev. J. Salvner.

STILLWATER, MINN.

Salem Lutheran Church, corner 4th and Oak Sts. Services the last Sunday of the month, at 3:30 P. M., by Rev. J. Salvner.

WINONA, MINN.

Services on the Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday of every month in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, at 8:15 P. M., by Rev. J. Salvner.

LA CROSSE, WIS.

Services every third Wednesday of the month in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, at 8 P. M., by Rev. J. Salvner.

ELKHART, IND.

Trinity Congregation's Schoolhouse. Services by special appointment, by Rev. Th. Claus, 119 Clinton St., Hammond, Ind.

SOUTH BEND, IND.

St. Paul's Congregation's Schoolhouse. Services by special appointment, by Rev. Th. Claus.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

Services at Lutheran Church, 16th and Cherry Sts., every first and third Sunday of the month, at 3 P. M., by Rev. N. F. Jensen, 1400 Tracy Ave.

OMAHA, NEBR.

Services at Lutheran Church, corner 28th and Parker Sts., every last Sunday of the month, at 3 P. M., by Rev. N. F. Jensen.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Emmanuel Chapel for the Deaf, 1711 Meinecke Ave. Divine services every Sunday, at 10 A. M., by Rev. T. Wangerin, 1711 Meinecke Ave.

RACINE, WIS.

Services every last Sunday of the month, at 2:30 P. M., corner Kewaunee and North Erie Sts., by Rev. T. Wangerin.

SHEBOYGAN, WIS.

Services every four weeks at the homes of the deaf, at 7:30 P. M., by Rev. T. Wangerin.

OSHKOSH, WIS.

Services every four weeks, 226 Bowen St., at 7:30 P. M., by Rev. T. Wangerin.

NEENAH, WIS.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. T. Wangerin

LUTHERAN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, NORTH DETROIT, MICH.

The object of this school is to give its pupils a thorough Christian and common education. The regular course of instruction occupies from 7 to 8 years. Children are admitted from the age of 8 years on. Full information and application blanks may be obtained from, Rev. Wm. Gielow, Supt., North Detroit, Mich.