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Salvation for You.

There is salvation in Jesus for all sinners; there is salvation for you. There is no necessity for you to go to hell, unless you create that necessity yourself by living in sin and rejecting the Savior. Who says there is no salvation for you? Who has a right to say so? If you are not saved it will not be because there is no Savior, for "Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners." It will not be because there is not efficacy in His blood, for "the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin." It will not be because He refuses to receive and save you, for in the Gospel He invites you to come to Him for salvation and assures you, "I will in no wise cast out." It will not be because He is unwilling that you should be saved, for "God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them;" and He has sent His ministers unto you as "ambassadors for Christ" beseeching you by them, "Be ye reconciled to God!"

There is a way of salvation, but will you walk in it? There is a fountain open for sin and uncleanness, but will you wash in it and be clean? There is a righteousness presented to you in the Gospel—the righteousness of Christ,—a righteousness that will justify you from all things; but will you receive it, put it on, and wear it?

Yes, there is salvation in Jesus for all sinners; there is salvation for you. If you go to hell it is for your own sin, for your sin of unbelief; it is because you prefer going there to going to heaven by the Lord Jesus Christ. But if you go to heaven, it is by free grace; it is through the salvation which is in Jesus Christ for all sinners, and also for you; it is to the honor and praise of God.

He Laid down His Life for His Friend.

In a certain district in Russia, in a solitary place, stands a pillar bearing the inscription: "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friend." What prompted its erection forms a touching story.

A little party was traveling through a wild region infested with wolves. Soon a pack of these were on the travelers' tracks. Pistols were fired, horse after horse was sacrificed to the ravenous beasts, but nearer and nearer they came, until it seemed impossible to escape them. At that critical moment the servant, in spite of repeated remonstrances of his master, leaped from the sled to be devoured by the wolves, and to afford his master an opportunity of being saved. The plan succeeded. While the hungry wolves were detained by the sacrifice of the faithful servant, the master got a sufficient start to reach a place of safety.

The pillar mentioned above marks the spot where the bones of that heroic servant lay scattered about when he sacrificed his own life to save that of his friend.

We know, however, of a love surpassing that. "God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners"—enemies of God—"Christ died for us."

Lincoln's Advice.

Early in life Lincoln had severe mental contests regarding the genuineness of the revealed Word. Here is an interesting incident in his life told by Alice D. Shipman in the New York Sun. The Mr. Speed here referred to was one of Lincoln's most intimate friends, the friendship between them beginning early in life and lasting until the great President's death. A few months before he died the President asked Mr. Speed to spend a night with him at the Soldiers' Home. The guest arrived just after

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sunset, and, as was his wont, ran up to the President's rooms. There was the President reading a book. As he came nearer in the twilight the visitor was surprised to see his old friend reading the Bible. With the freedom which only a long intimacy could give, Mr. Speed said:

"I am glad to see you so profitably engaged."

"Yes," answered Lincoln, looking up seriously, "I am profitably engaged."

"Well," said Speed, somewhat sadly, "if you have recovered from your skepticism, I am sorry to say I have not."

The President for a moment looked him earnestly in the face, then placing his hand gently on the doubter's shoulder, said with unusual solemnity, as if for the moment the premonition flitted across his mind that these might be the last important words he should speak to his friend.

"You are wrong, Speed, take all of this book upon reason that you can, and the rest on faith, and you will, I am sure, live and die a happier and a better man."

"Charity Seeketh not Her Own."

Oberlin, the well-known philanthropist, had occasion to make a trying trip during the winter season. The ground was deeply covered with snow, rendering the roads almost impassable. When he had traveled about half the way, he was completely exhausted, and felt sleep overcoming him. All his efforts to keep awake were in vain. Commending himself to God, he surrendered to what he expected to be the sleep of death.

Suddenly Oberlin became conscious of some one arousing him. Opening his eyes, he noticed a man who offered him some food and

wine. When he had partaken of this, the stranger led him to his wagon and brought him to the next village. With many sincere thanks the rescued sufferer offered his benefactor a reward, which was positively refused.

"It is our duty to help one another," said the wagoner, "and it is the next thing to an insult to offer a reward for such a service."

"At least tell me your name," Oberlin rejoined, "that I may remember my benefactor before God."

"I perceive that you are a minister of the Gospel," said the other. "Will you please tell me the Good Samaritan's name?"

"That is not possible," said Oberlin, "for it is not recorded."

"Well," replied the modest stranger, "until you can tell me his name, you will permit me to withhold mine."

AMONG OUR DEAF.

The financial report of our various missions for the quarter ending December 31st reads as follows:—

Contributions by Rev. A. Reinke's congregation: Chicago, \$117.22; Ladies' Aid Society, \$26.65. Rev. N. Jensen: Kansas City, \$8.12; Omaha, \$7.97; Newton, (one mo.) \$2.50. Rev. J. Salvner: Minneapolis, \$34.95; St. Paul, \$9.64; Winona, \$2.85; La Crosse, \$2.72; Stillwater, \$2.05. Rev. C. Schubkegel: St. Louis, \$14.41; St. Charles, (one mo.) \$.70; Evansville \$12.45; Louisville, \$4.80; Indianapolis, \$3.82. Rev. T. Wangerin: Milwaukee, \$70.40; Racine, Kenosha, \$3.96; Sheboygan, \$3.65; Oshkosh, \$3.70. The Toledo report has not been received.

"And if any man say unto you, Why do ye this? say ye that the Lord hath need."—Mark 11: 3.

Chicago.—The annual election of officers of our congregation took place in the meeting of Jan. 4th, in which the following officers were elected: President: N. Smith, Vice-Pres: H. Kraft, Sec'y: E. Pahl, Treasurer: J. Weinold, Trustee: (1 year) E. Weinrich, Janitor: H. Retzlaff.

Our Christmas services were well attended and the usual custom of the congregation to

distribute confectionery and sweets to the children present was also adhered to.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Sanborn, until six years ago members of our flock and now residents of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., most agreeably surprised us on Christmas day with their presence at our services. They have made arrangements to move back to Chicago and to become members of our congregation. We bid them welcome.

Milwaukee.—Mrs. I. Peplensky of Merrill, and Mr. F. Miller of Oshkosh several times visited our services last month. Mr. De Long of Flint, Mich., was also a visitor.

The year 1910 has been one which gave us much cause for gratitude. Not only that the Word of God in all its purity has been preached to us weekly and on special occasions, but also for the fact that the fruit it bore was visible even unto us. We were privileged to minister to 166 deaf, 71 of whom are communicant members. We baptized 5 (one adult) and confirmed 10 deaf (four adults). The deaf have contributed \$414.53 as against \$343.82 in 1909. But while we most humbly thank the Lord for these and innumerable other blessings, we are not blind to the fact that there is still much room for improvement. The attendance at our service could in some instances be better. No Saturday evening enjoyment should hinder us from going to church the next day. We could do a little more in inducing others to come to church with us. Talk just a little more religion to our children, to our neighbors than heretofore, and say less of our neighbor's faults than of his virtues. The treasury of the church could be better remembered. For that reason Emmanuel Congregation has introduced the weekly "Duplex Envelope System", and prospects are that several of our mission charges will introduce the monthly envelope. And what about the Bible study at home? You yourself best know whether you are "searching the Scripture." It is in spite of our faults that we are richly blessed. An upright heart, therefore, cannot but "praise God from whom all blessings flow."

Minneapolis.—On the 29th of December Paul Alfred, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hancuff, was baptized in the name of Jesus for the remission of sins.

On the 12th of January, the pastor administered Lord's Supper to Mr. P. J. Linde of Robbinsdale, Minn., who a few days previous had another light stroke of paralysis. Let us not forget him in our prayers and visit him in his days of affliction.

Grace Congregation held its quarterly meeting on the 10th of January. Reports of the last year were submitted by the treasurer and the pastor. A brief review of our work in the Northwest may be of interest. Our congregation numbers 11 voting and 34 communicant members. During 1910 the attendance at Minneapolis has fallen off somewhat, while in St. Paul it has increased a little. On the average 29 deaf attended the services at Minneapolis during 1909, while in 1910 the average attendance was only 25. We hope that during the New Year it will increase again. At St. Paul on the average 10 deaf attended, while in 1909 the average attendance was 9. Says our Savior, "He that is of God heareth God's Word." The Minneapolis collections and contributions amounted to \$111.65 (against 108.01 in 1909); the St. Paul deaf collected \$34.53 (against \$31.09 in 1909). In addition the deaf of the Twin Cities contributed \$17.68 for current expenses. Average attendance in other cities: Stillwater 9, La Crosse 7, Winona 4. Collections: Winona \$9.21; Stillwater \$7.60; La Crosse \$6.62. Communicants: Minneapolis 27, St. Paul 7, Stillwater 6, Winona 4, La Crosse 3. Communicated: Minneapolis 72, St. Paul 30, Stillwater 15, Winona 6. The pastor baptized six children in Minneapolis, one in St. Paul and one in Stillwater, confirmed four adult deaf: one each in Minneapolis, St. Paul, Stillwater, and Kindred, N. D., solemnized three marriages in Minneapolis and one at Woodbury, Minn. May God continue to bless all our little flocks during the new year, strengthen our deaf Christians in faith, make them rich in good works, and bring many more deaf unto the knowledge of Jesus, the only Savior of the world. "Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us; and establish thou the works of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it." Ps. 90, 17.

Ft. Wayne, Ind.—Mr. A. Rudisill of Arcola was recently baptized at Emmanus Lutheran

Church in the presence of a large audience of deaf and hearing people. God grant him grace unto everlasting life and keep him in the salvation he has obtained, that he may increase in true faith and godliness.

Detroit, Mich.—Mr. N. Fairchild of Kalamazoo and Miss E. Ludemann of Detroit were united in marriage on Nov. 16th. They will make their home in Kalamazoo.

Toledo.—Mr. Funkhauser of Elkhart, Ind., is a very sick patient at the home of his parents in Ridgeville, O., and is being visited by Pastor Boll of Toledo.

Our three little congregations at Toledo, Ft. Wayne and Detroit together forwarded \$75 for the support of our mission.

Kansas City, Mo.—Christmas with its glad-some message concerning the birth of the Savior, who for our sakes became poor that we through His poverty might become rich, is again a thing of the past; but the Christmas tidings still echo in our hearts and will continue to do so throughout the year. Christmas services were held in Omaha on Dec. 18, and were well attended. Our service in Kansas City was also well attended, 22 deaf being present. On New Year's day Holy Communion was celebrated and 10 members partook of the Holy Supper. This has been the greatest number to take Communion at one time in Kansas City. Among those who communed were Mr. Henry Buchmeier of Beatrice, Neb., and Miss Flora Neff of Corder, Mo., the former spending a week with Pastor Jensen.

St. Louis, Mo.—The services for the deaf in Zion Lutheran School on the afternoon of Christmas-day were well attended. A number of deaf of this city and St. Charles agreeably surprised Pastor Schubkegel by the presentation of a purse of \$12.25 as a Christmas present. The pastor herewith extends his sincere thanks to all kind donors.

Owing to the serious illness of three members of his family, Rev. C. Schubkegel could not make his usual monthly trip to Evansville on Sunday, Jan. 15th. For the same reason news from the other charges are scarce this time. (We wish the three patients a speedy recovery and hope that the other members of the family may not also contract the disease.—Ed.)

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 School, 20th 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 by special appointment by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Services every first Sunday of the month, at 7:30 P. M., in the church, corner Ohio and North East Sts., by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

EVANSVILLE, IND.

Service every third Sunday of the month, at 7:30 P. M., in the Lutheran School, on E. Illinois St., by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Congregation of Our Savior for the Deaf. Services every first Sunday of the month, at 10:30 A. 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 Sunday except last 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.