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**"Him that Cometh to Me, I Will in No Wise  
Cast Out," John 6, 37.**

Just as thou art, without one trace  
Of love, or joy, or inward grace,  
Or meetness for the heavenly place,—  
Oh, guilty sinner, come!

Burdened with guilt, wouldst thou be blest?  
Trust not the world, it gives no rest:  
I bring relief to hearts opprest;—  
Oh, weary sinner, come!

Come, leave thy burden at the cross;  
Count all thy gains but empty dross;  
My grace repays all earthly loss;—  
Oh, needy sinner, come!

Come, hither bring thy boding fears,  
Thy aching heart, thy bursting tears;  
'Tis Mercy's voice salutes thine ears,—  
Oh, trembling sinner, come!

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come!"  
Rejoicing saints reecho, "Come!"  
Who faints, who thirsts, who will, may come—  
The Savior bids thee come.—Sel.

## **Come Just As You Are.**

It is a difficult thing to persuade a convicted sinner that he may come to Jesus just as he is, and be saved. His first thought is that he must do something, because he judges God by himself. Pure grace, unmerited kindness, favor shown to the undeserving, is too much for him, until he is taught by the Holy Spirit.

Not only must the sinner come to the Savior just as he is, but unless he comes just as he is he can never come at all. He must give up forever all thought of making himself worthy

by tears and prayers and doings of his own; for trust in such things will keep the soul from the Savior. The sinner's attempt to make himself "fit to come" is a dishonor to our Lord Jesus Christ and a reflection upon His finished work. It is the same as saying that His atonement is not sufficient, that we must add something to the value of His precious blood, and that we prefer a righteousness of our own.

It is related that some years ago an artist in Rome met a beggar on the streets, so dirty and ragged, so rough in appearance, with his matted and unwashed hair and beard, that he gave him a piece of gold and told him to come to his studio the next day to sit for his picture, promising to give him ten times as much. The man went to a barber, had his head and face put in fine shape, took a bath, hired a clean suit of clothes, and appeared before the artist looking somewhat like a gentleman.

"You are not the man I invited to come," exclaimed the indignant painter. "You have spoiled everything by your folly. I wanted you as you were yesterday, a forlorn beggar, and by your vanity you have defeated my purpose. Out with you!"

So it is with the sinner who imagines that he can come before God with any merits of his own. Jesus in the Gospel invites sinners to come unto Him for pardon and salvation, and they must come just as they are.

"Come, ye weary, heavy laden,  
Bruised and broken by the fall!  
If you tarry till you're better,  
You will never come at all.  
Not the righteous,  
Sinners, Jesus came to call."

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#### Saved Him.

A missionary, on his way to India, relates an incident that transpired on his voyage, as follows:

"I was sitting one dark night in my cabin, feeling thoroughly unwell, as the sea was rising fast, and I was but a poor sailor. Suddenly the cry of 'Man overboard!' made me spring to my feet. I heard a trampling of many feet overhead, but resolved not to go on deck, lest I should interfere with the crew in their efforts to save the poor man. 'What can I do?' I asked myself, and instantly unhooking my lamp, I held it near the top of my cabin and close to my bull's eye window, that its light might shine on the sea, and as near the ship as possible. Directly afterwards I heard the joyful cry, 'It's all right! He's safe!' Thereupon I put the lamp in its place.

"The next morning I was told that my little lamp was the sole means of saving the man's life. Its timely light, gleaming out upon the waters, revealed the position of the drowning man, and assisted the crew in guiding the knotted rope, which rescued him."

Thus the true Christian worker never desponds or thinks there is nothing for him to do, even in the darkest hours of his life. Looking up to Jesus, he lets his light shine.

#### Foolishness to Them That Perish.

Said an infidel to a Christian, "How can I believe that through the blood of the crucified Christ man may obtain forgiveness of sins? Isn't that foolishness?"

"Certainly!" replied the Christian. "That is what also St. Paul calls it."

"You are joking," said the infidel; "the Apostle Paul and I surely do not agree."

"Just read this," said the Christian, pointing the infidel to 1 Cor. 1, 18 in his Bible: "The preaching of the cross is to them that perish, foolishness."

The infidel read the passage and grew silent. Later on he began to read the Bible in earnest, and soon the preaching of the cross was no longer foolishness to him, but the power of God unto salvation.

There are persons who say they have no sins to be forgiven. St. John says that such persons lie.

#### Only a Step.

A person who, by birth, wealth, and education, should have been a gentleman, but was not, went to see a coal mine. The miner who took him down was a Christian, and was much pained by the profane language used by the visitor. As they descended the shaft, they felt it getting hotter and hotter. At last the heat became so great that the visitor said, "Dear me, it is terribly hot! I wonder how far it is to hell." "I don't know the exact distance, sir," replied the Christian gravely, "but if one link of the chain gives way you'll be there in a minute!" The plain answer was the means of arousing the profane man to a sense of his perilous condition. In the case of every unconverted man there is only a step—a breath—betwixt him and death, "and after death the judgment."

#### How to Read the Bible.

Luther used to teach his children to read the Bible in the following way: First to read through one book carefully, then to study chapter by chapter, and then verse by verse, and lastly word by word; for he said: "It is like a person shaking a fruit tree; first shaking the tree and gathering up the fruit which falls to the ground, and then shaking each branch, and afterwards each twig of the branch, and last of all looking carefully under each leaf to see that no fruit remains. In this way, and in no other, shall we also find the hidden treasures that are in the Bible."—Sel.

### Unwilling Feet.

An old colored widow said to her pastor, who visited her one Sunday evening: "This morning my feet said to me, Do not go to church, you are too weak, you might fall down by the roadside. I replied, I will not listen to what you say, but to what my Lord says. The Lord says, 'Go, and I will give you strength!' Ye feet have often taken me the wrong road when I was young; ye shall no longer have your own will! I then went to church, was comforted by God's Word, and with God's help returned home safe, happy, and contented."

### Pray for the Missionaries.

St. Paul, the great missionary apostle, writes to his brethren at Rome: "Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me," Rom. 15, 30. Again he writes to the Colossians: "Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds; that I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak," Col. 4, 3, 4. And to the Thessalonians he writes, "Brethren, pray for us," 1 Thess. 5, 25.

From these passages we see that the great apostle heartily desired the prayer of the Christian congregations for himself and for the mission cause in which he labored. This ought to move us to pray diligently and earnestly for our missionaries, our representatives in the mission field. Pray for the missionaries and for the mission cause in which they labor!

### AMONG OUR DEAF.

**Atlantic, Ia.**—In the afternoon and evening of Feb. 24th, Rev. Jensen of Kansas City, delivered two lectures on our mission to the congregation of Rev. A. Lutz, Atlantic, Ia. The afternoon lecture was in German and the evening service in English. In connection with the evening lecture Rev. Jensen also preached a short sermon in signs for the benefit of Mr. and Mrs. Stover both of whom are deaf. Seven

new subscribers were won for The Deaf Lutheran, and the collections netted our mission \$12.75. But the main benefit our mission derives through such mission services cannot be summed up in dollars and cents. The interest awakened in those present, the words of encouragement spoken to the missionary are of far greater value to our cause than mere dollars and cents. True, we also need the money to carry on this work of the Lord among our deaf brethren, but funds for the mission will not be on hand unless our people become acquainted with our work. When they know for what they are giving they will give more readily and cheerfully. We herewith thank the pastor and the congregation at Atlantic for the opportunity offered us to advance the cause of our mission among them, and we hope that this interest in our work will continue to show itself in word and deed.

**Minneapolis.**—On the 1st of February Mr. Herbert A. Fassett and Miss Christiana M. Satre, a member of our mission, were married at the pastor's home. May Jesus abide with them in their home and bless them.

We had the pleasure of having in our midst on the 5th and 6th of March Rev. T. M. Wangerin of Milwaukee. On the 5th he delivered a lecture to our deaf on "Marriage." This lecture was given for the benefit of our church fund. After all the expenses had been paid, a neat little sum amounting to \$7.25 could be added to it. After the lecture a vote of thanks was tendered our friend from Milwaukee.

**Winona.**—March 11th Pastor Salvner baptized the child of Mr. and Mrs. G. Ambrosen of Winona. It received the name: Lloyd Alvin. May he ever be mindful of his baptismal covenant and obtain comfort from it in life and death. "Baptism doth also now save us." 1. Pet. 3, 21. In the evening services were held which were attended by eight deaf. On the day following Pastor Salvner preached to four deaf at La Crosse.

**Saginaw.**—Rev. Mr. Salvner was called to Mich. Feb. 10th on account of the serious illness of his mother. After a trip of 48 hours, including a walk across the icy fields of the Mackinaw Straits, because the ferry had been ice-bound, the pastor and his wife finally ar-

rived at Saginaw on the evening of Feb. 12. They rejoiced to hear that Mrs. Salvner was still living. But she lost strength from day to day and on the morning of Feb. 15th passed away to be with Jesus in whom she trusted during her life and to whom she led her children from early youth, which they always will thankfully remember. On the 18th of February her body was laid to rest where it awaits the joyful day of resurrection.

While in Saginaw several subscribers renewed their subscriptions and also remembered our church fund. For this purpose we received 50c. from Mr. C. B. Stroebel, 50c. from Mr. G. Zorn, \$1.00 from "A Friend," and one hundred pennies from "Little Arnold." Hearty thanks to all givers.

**Chicago.**—On February 22, Rev. Uhlig united in holy wedlock Mr. Henry Kraft and Miss Anna Anderson. May God bless their union.

**Milwaukee.**—Mr. and Mrs. A. Larson of Port Washington, Mr. and Mrs. G. Hilgen of Cedarburg, Mr. and Mrs. F. Harter and the Mr. and Mrs. E. Redmond of Racine, were welcome visitors at our church last month.

Rev. Wangerin will again preach at the State School for the Deaf at Delavan, Wis., the latter part of April.

#### SERVICES FOR THE DEAF.

##### CHICAGO, ILL.

Congregation of Our Savior, Crystal St., near North Hoyne Ave., Northwest Side. Services every Sunday, at 3 p. m., by Rev. N. P. Uhlig, 2042 Cortez St., Chicago, Ill.

##### ELKHART, IND.

Services every third Wednesday of the month, by Rev. N. Uhlig.

##### SOUTH BEND, IND.

Services on the Thursday following the 3rd Wednesday of each month, by Rev. N. Uhlig.

##### NEW YORK, N. Y.

Services every Sunday at 3 p. m., St. Mathew's Lutheran Church, Elizabeth and Broome Sts., by Rev. A. Boll, 315 Fenimore, Brooklyn, N. Y.

##### ST. LOUIS, MO.

Lutheran Zions School, 20th and Benton Sts. Services every second and fourth Sunday of the month, by the Rev. C. Schubkegel, 2936a Madison St., St. Louis, Mo.

##### ST. CHARLES, MO.

Services every first Sunday of the month by Rev. C. Schubkegel.

##### INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

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

##### EVANSVILLE, IND.

Services every Saturday before the 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 third 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. O. Schroeder.

##### FINDLAY, O.

Services in the homes of the deaf by special appointment, by Rev. O. Schroeder.

##### LIMA, O.

Services the second Sunday of the month in the church, corner Kibby and Jackson Sts., at 2:30 p. m., by Rev. O. Schroeder.

##### CLEVELAND, O.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. O. Schroeder.

##### 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. O. Schroeder.

##### PERU, IND.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. O. Schroeder.

##### 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. O. Schroeder, 224 Fisher Ave.

##### 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 St. Martin's Lutheran Church, 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.

##### 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.  
Oral Sunday School from 9 to 10 a. m.

##### 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 Brown St., at 7:30 p. m., by Rev. T. Wangerin.

##### WAUSAU and MERRILL, WIS.

Services by special appointment, by Rev. T. Wangerin.

##### SEATTLE, WASH.

Services every first Sunday of the month at 3 p. m. in Trinity Lutheran Church, corner E. Union St. and 22nd Ave., by Rev. Oscar Fedder, 2116 E. Union St.

##### TACOMA, WASH.

Services every third Sunday of the month at 3 p. m. in Zion Lutheran Church, corner 16th St. S. & L St., by Rev. Oscar Fedder.

##### 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.