

### It is Beneath the Dignity of No Man to Take His Stand for Christ

The title which the Rev. William A. Sunday gave to his sermon last evening at the tabernacle was "Excuses." The sermon was an arraignment of men and women who make excuses for not accepting Christ and refutation of their arguments. Mr. Sunday said: John 1:9: "And ye will not come to Me that ye might have life."

I think of all the words that ever fell from the lips of Jesus of which we have record, to my mind these are among the saddest.

God came to you and offered salvation, and you spurned it; and after you have run the earthly career and come into the grave, then you will just think over your life and remember the things that kept you from taking your stand for Christ, and you will think what a fool you were to do it.

Nobody is lost because he needs to be lost, because the salvation of Jesus Christ covers all the sins of all the people. He tasted death for every man.

Man is not lost because of any purpose or decree on the part of God.

We all deserve hell if we get our just deserts, for salvation does not come as a reward for merit. Everybody is weak, but God's strength is made perfect in weakness. Don't look at your weakness, but at the hand that you have. Well, then, why don't you come to Christ?

Kept Away from Sin.

Well, I hope tonight, with the help of God, to answer a few fool excuses people offer. I don't know whether God Himself would answer them all or would try, but I will try to answer a few of them.

In the first place, because of sin. Sin has kept multitudes away from Christ. Moody preached one night and pictured sin in all its black repulsiveness, and when he gave the invitation a man lifted his hand, and a worker went and talked with him and said:

"Will you give Mr. Moody your hand?"

"No, I won't. I'm held in the meshes of an awful sin, and as a result of indulgence in it, I make money out of it, and to take Mr. Moody by the hand means that I would have to give it up, and I won't do it."

And he turned his back on Jesus Christ. Sin is keeping many a man from Jesus Christ.

With others that is the love of money. Many know that if they become Christians they would lose money by the deal, and there are certain things in your business that you would have to give up if you became a Christian and took your stand for Jesus Christ.

Many a man will not sacrifice the crooked business or the crooked price of an honest business.

The man who chooses a larger income and turns Jesus Christ down. Many a man would have to give up his situation.

Suppose that you get \$1,000 a year and live for twenty years, that would be \$20,000, and you would sell your soul to the devil for \$20,000.

If I should tell you you are not worth that, you would be offended, yet you sell your soul for less than that.

That is what is the matter with the whiskey business. I know of brewery employees that have taken their stand for Jesus Christ, and they have gone back to work only to be discharged because they chose to be decent. Better men in the town have given them jobs that are paying them far better salaries.

Business Dishonesty.

I will tell you: I would rather walk to heaven over a rough and stony road with bare and bleeding feet, than to ride to hell on dirty money.

Say, God will damn in the hottest way any merchant that will make his clerks lie to sell a few dirty goods from his shelves, in order to put money in his till. He will damn you, wherever you are.

There is many a man grown rich by over-reaching his neighbor. He robs the widow and the orphan. He does it by legal means, he is too sleek to get caught in the meshes of the law. He lives in a magnificent home, and he rolls down the street in a faultless equipage, and some old fellow with a child stands on the street and says:

"There goes Mr. So-and-So! And his name is known and honored, and it's only necessary in attach his name to any project to insure success. I wish you to do something more than to grow up to emulate his example."

Bye and bye he dies and there is an uproar and a fuss, and a pow-wow over his old carcass at the funeral and they pass resolutions as long as from here to the back door, and send a copy to his wife and members of the club and the lodges, and all the other things he was a member of, stating whereas and whereas and resolves, etc., while the bones of his victims lie rotting yonder in the potter's field.

Tell me that there is no hell for a scoundrel like that?

Hard to Save Shylocks.

God will live with no thought about man in business, home, society or the company that he keeps.

I had rather undertake to save ten drunkards than one old financial Shylock—it would be easier.

A friend of mine went back to his home town in Ohio, and there was a rich man there who was very ill, and he went to relieve those that were watching by his bedside, and he sat talking with him one night, and the death-dew was on his brow, and the death-rattle in his throat. It was 2 o'clock in the morning, and the sick man rolled over and said:

"Say, do you know a place where I can invest my money at 4 per cent first mortgage? I am only getting 3 with the money in the bank?"

There was that old sinner only four hours from the here, and instead of getting ready to meet God he was wondering where he could get 4 per cent for his money.

Some man says: "You give me present possession; don't care anything about future hope."

Supposing tonight that you were worth \$100,000 and had a beautiful home, and were surrounded with a retinue of servants, but knew that tomorrow morning when the sun arose, and the banks opened, and the court convened, that you would be proved to be a defaulter and an embezzler and spend the rest of your days in the penitentiary.

Or suppose that tonight you are a hobo and a Weary Willie, and haven't the price of a sliver, and have to crawl into a hog-blot or straw stack to sleep; but you know that tomorrow morning when the sun rises, and the banks open and the court convenes, that you would be proved to be heir to \$1,000,000?

Would you rather have present happiness or would you rather be the hobo? Would you rather have present possessions and hell at the end, or the other way? You would say: "Give me future hope; never mind about present possessions."

All the wealth of the world cannot give

us assurance of life. You don't know but that you are listening to your funeral sermon tonight.

Vanderbilt was talking with Garret, the vice president of the Baltimore & Ohio, about the investment of \$10,000,000, when he fell dead. All that he had could not give him the assurance of sitting there and finishing that business transaction.

The world can give you no hope. The love of money is keeping men away from Jesus. I don't believe that any man ever lost by being decent. If I was in business and could not serve God in it, I would get out of it. Nobody ever lost by being decent and by being a man—nobody on God's dirt.

Again somebody says: "I would, but I want to have a good time."

Well, so do I. God bless your heart, you never looked into anybody's face who had a better time than I do.

But I don't have to fill myself with booze and get down the street whooping like a Comanche Indian or a maniac.

What do you think constitutes a good time?

Some little fool thing you have between you and God. Will you put it beneath your feet and be a man, or go through the world and be a fool? God does not ask you to give up things save those that do you harm. For the Lord God is a sun and a shield to those who put their strength in Him.

I stepped up to a young girl one time and said: "Are you a Christian?" "No."

"Do you believe that you are a sinner?" "Do you believe that Jesus died to save you?" "Yes."

"Why don't you be a Christian?" "Well, I will have to give up so much."

"What?" "Well, I don't like to tell you." "I can guess in five guesses. First, you dance." "Guilty!"

Guessed It First Time.

I can tie the average girl up in one of five things.

I said: "Look here, do you believe that God loves you?" "Yes. He loved me well enough to give Jesus Christ to save me."

"Do you believe that God wants to keep you from anything for your good?" "No." "Are you big enough fool to want to keep anything for your injury?" "Why, no."

"Well, then, give your heart to Jesus. He wants you to give that up, and the devil don't, and if you are big enough fool to keep what God wants you to give up, which will injure you, you are a fool!"

She said: "I never heard it put that way before and I am not a fool; I will give you my hand."

What you give up is nothing compared to what you get. It is not hard to give up tin if you are going to get gold; or glass if you are going to get diamonds.

No, suppose a fellow is keeping company with a girl, and she was one of those fool kind of girls, one that put on everything and overdid everything, and wore a great big string of beads around her neck and brass earrings with glass in them and she thought people imagined that they were diamonds and rubies, and she put on all the ribbons and flagrant business and this young fellow was engaged to her.

No sensible young fellow would get engaged to a girl like that. But you can't tell what a fellow would do. But supposing that, for the argument, that he was. He said to her: "Look here, everybody is making fun of you and your old brass jewelry. Give it up."

"Look here, I love you, and if anything is needed to demonstrate that fact it is that I have promised to marry you. But if it comes to giving up the jewelry for you, I will just have to give you up."

Gives Her Real Jewels.

But he comes back the next night and has a brown leather box, and he pushes the spring and pulls out a string of real pearls, and says: "Thow your old dough beads away and I will give you the real thing."

And he takes up a diamond ring and it is a beautiful one, with a Tiffany setting, and he says: "You must give up that old brass ring," and he says, "take those old brass rings off and put these solitaires on."

Would it be hard for her to give up glass to get diamonds? No, it would be easy.

Like the young girl who came to Dr. John Hall, and said: "I want to join the church." He said: "Is one thing to join the church, and another to be a Christian, but, of course, you will have to agree with certain things."

"What do you mean? If you mean that in order to be a Christian that I have to give up dancing, I will not do it."

"And you will if God wants you to?" "Yes, I will. If it comes to choosing between Jesus Christ and the dance, I have no hesitancy in telling you that I will choose the dance," and the poor fool made the choice and went out into the world.

You say: "Look here, is there nothing to give up if a man becomes a Christian?"

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### "Billy's" Picture of Heaven



and could not get any light, and finally he threw down some loaded dice, and said: "Now, I can give you my hand." Another fellow came forward and struggled and didn't get any light, and pretty soon he ran his hands down into the pockets of his pantaloons and pulled out a pink flask of whiskey and said: "Now, I can pray." Then, if it is hard for you to give up the devil to get Jesus Christ, if you become a Christian, think of what you get. Sensible Standpoint. Then look at religion from a sensible standpoint. For no good thing will be withheld from them that walk uprightly. Whatever may be your views about the inspiration of the Bible, if I ever found a verse that was specially written for some men in Omaha, it was this one: "The fear of man bringeth a snare." And when the invitation is given, multitudes know that they ought to be Christians, but they get cold feet right there, and sit glued to the seat, and all heaven could not induce them to take a stand for Jesus. They are afraid that somebody will laugh. They are afraid that some member of the lodge would laugh at them, or that some old whiskey snark will give you the horse-laugh. "Say, I had rather be brave and decent, and brave enough to walk on the side of Jesus Christ, and live for Him, and let some old devils here in Omaha laugh at me because I did it, than to refuse to do it, and let the devils laugh at me through eternity, because I was not man enough to take a stand. You know that on the first day of April all of the fools in America, will try to fool all the other fools in lots of fool ways. An old farmer went into a bank and drew a wallet of money, and stuffed it down in his pocket, and was going along looking up at the skyscrapers with his little bird tail whiskers sticking up. After a while along came some fools out for a blow-out, and they saw the pocketbook lying on the sidewalk, and they had picked up some things and had been given the horse-laugh, and they were afraid to try it again. They stood there darning each other, when the old farmer steamed up and grabbed the pocketbook and counted the money and said: "April fool, you darned fools, you."

So you see a fellow come down and give me his hand. Is he the fool or are you? Takes Grit and Manhood. Will you? No! Then you are a fool. A fool is a fellow that has not decency enough to do it. "The fear of man bringeth a snare." Nevertheless, among the chief rulers also many believed on Him, but they did not confess Him lest they should be put out of the synagogue, for they beloved the glory of men more than the glory of God. I tell you this a God-hating, a Bible-hating and a Christ-hating world, and it takes grit and manhood to live for Jesus. It does not take any manhood to live (Continued on Page Seven, Column Four.)

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