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## Helps to a Religious Life

The Eleventh Sunday After Trinity, August 28, 1927

### A Prayer

O God, who declarest thy almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity; Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Think on these words:

Jesus spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.—St. Luke xiii. 9-14.

This prayer begins with the assertion of a truth which is frequently overlooked, and that is that God's manifestation of His almighty power, is not in the work of creation, wonderful as it is, but in "showing mercy and pity." This is quite plain when we consider the work of man's redemption which reveals God's infinite love. Realizing, then, the tender mercy of God towards His children, the natural impulse of the heart is to desire "such a measure of grace" that our lives may be lived conformably to His will, that is in "running the way of His commandments." "Heavenly treasure," which exceeds all that we can desire, is the reward of a godly life.

A braggart and a penitent are brought to our attention in the Gospel of the day. Which type do you admire? Which of these men are you? Are you a boaster about your own goodness and believng your boast by your criticism of others, or a sincere penitent for your own sins and shortcomings? BRAGGART or PENITENT, which are YOU?

### THE COLORED MAN A Fragment

By Dr. G. H. Schleh

Two men were climbing the heights of Calvary; one was white, and, Oh, so weary! (On His head was a crown of thorns; His beautiful hair and brow were clotted with blood; on His shoulders a heavy cross, to which white men purposed to nail Him.

A jeering mob trailed in the wake, shouting: "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!" He staggered, then fell prone to the earth.

The other man, stalwart and strong, curious but sympathetic, was a colored man from Cyrene. He had come to Jerusalem to inquire after Jehovah.

The priests and soldiers observed him, saw that he was black, and promptly impressed him into service, compelling him to take the burden from the quivering form of the Victim, and carry it to the crest of Golgotha.

### WELCOME "LINDY"

Next Tuesday Omaha is to honor as its guest Colonel Lindberg. All citizens are proud of the notable achievement of this intrepid young American in his historic flight across the Atlantic. They are proud, too, of the fact that he has shown himself a young man of parts by his poise and balance in the midst of praise and adulation which would have turned older heads than his. As an apostle of good will between America and the old world, as an exponent of aerial transportation and as a representative young man of clean and temperate life and of high ideals, Lindberg will be an inspiration to all American youth and Omaha will give him cordial welcome and will not only be honored but helped by his presence.

Welcome, "Lindy," welcome.

### SEGREGATION OF FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

Subordinates may be responsible for the segregation of federal employes in the departments at Washington. While we know the tendency of under officials to strut and show their brief authority, we hardly believe that they would dare do many things with which they are justly charged did they not tacitly understand that they were acting in accord with the sentiments and wishes of their superiors.

Segregation among federal employes at Washington is a fact, plain, proven, indisputable. Somebody can stop it. It has grown and is growing. This fact has been brought to President Coolidge's attention. Senator Butler admits that it will only take an executive order from Coolidge to stop it. For some reason, up until the present, such an order has not been issued.

Recently, a policy of segregation was instituted in the Pension Bureau. It was adroitly done and with that damnable hypocrisy which always characterizes such movements.

Somebody ordered the separation of the Negro employes from the whites. However, it was done. Now comes C. E. Finley, acting secretary, and denies there was any segregation intended or implied in this arrangement and that he knew nothing about it until he read of it in colored newspapers. This confession shows that even a government official can gain valuable information by reading race publications, and fortunately, more and more people are reading them.

Now, whether subordinates or higher officials are responsible for this undemocratic and baneful practice towards government employes it ought to be stopped as absolutely unworthy of a government of the magnitude and ideals of that of the United States.

### WARD BURGESS ACQUITTED

Friends of Ward Burgess who have known him for many years and appreciated all he stood for in Omaha, were unwilling to believe that he was guilty of wilful and deliberate fraud in connection with the failure of the M. E. Smith and Burgess-Nash companies which was such a crushing blow to the business and financial interests of this city. The failure of these firms was nothing short of a calamity. It was believed that Ward Burgess in all he did was making a herculean effort to avert that calamity. Had others not withdrawn and fulfilled their promises these firms might have been saved. That the courts have cleared the name of Ward Burgess and his two co-defendants from the charge of fraud is not only gratifying to Mr. Burgess but to his many friends whose confidence in his integrity was never shaken.

There is nothing more vicarious in the annals of man.

The colored race has always been compelled to carry the burden of mankind.

It is a privilege to write a little brief for the colored man. It is no stigma on him that his skin is a little darker than that of the Caucasian; he has an inherent right to wear the countenance that the Creator has bestowed upon him, and the white man has no right to hold him accountable for that color.

I have traveled a great deal, have preached and lectured over a vast domain, and have observed that the colored man is not an habitual tramp, begging bread from door to door; he does not ask alms, but work, and usually gets it; he seldom asks favors, and really gets few. He often lives on short rations. Some folks say "he takes things," but in Southern states many hotels have no keys, though their rooms often open on the gallery. He does not usually find a grave in the Potter's field. Thank God, he is a constitutionalist, and is not often a "soap box agitator." He is naturally cheerful, and never a pessimist. Can you recall a single colored anarchist in the history of this country? Three presidents have been murdered—by white men. He is inclined to music. To whistle and to sing are his delight. Above all, he believes in God.

His conduct does not always square with the Divine law—neither does that of the white man. He is intensely American, and loves the flag. His enemies say he is lazy, but some whites are also averse to hard work. We are told that he lacks virtue, but do not others lack the same quality?

In conclusion, I do contend that no race has done more for itself, for its betterment and elevation in so brief a time, as the lately liberated colored man, and I will not forget that a colored man bore the cross of the Savior of the World to the crest of Calvary.

Charles F. Davis  
Attorney

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION  
In the County Court of Douglas County, Nebraska.

In the matter of the estate of George G. Johnson, Deceased.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said Court alleging that said deceased died leaving no last will and praying for administration upon his estate, and that a hearing will be had on said petition before said court on the 17th day of September, 1927, and that if they fail to appear at said Court on the said 17th day of September, 1927, at 9 o'clock a. m., to contest said petition, the Court may grant the same and grant administration of said estate to Ray L. Williams or some other suitable person and proceed to a settlement thereof.

BRYCE CRAWFORD,  
3t-8-26-27 County Judge.

Ed. F. Morearty  
Attorney-at-Law  
700 Peters Trust Building  
NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANT

To Charles Wilson, non-resident defendant:

You are hereby notified that Pearl Wilson, your wife, the plaintiff, filed her petition in the District Court of Douglas County, Nebraska, on the 24th day of May, 1927, to obtain an absolute decree of divorce from you on the grounds of desertion and non-support. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 25th day of September, 1927.

PEARL WILSON.  
4t-8-26-27

### CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank the public, the churches, and many friends for the donations for the burial of my mother, Mrs. Jane Hogan, who passed away at the age of 103 years. The floral offerings and kindness of friends will never be forgotten by her daughter.—Mrs. Mollie (Mother) McKinney.

A. Count Wilkinson, former editor of The New Era, and ex-exalted ruler of Iroquois Lodge, is in New York attending the Elks convention. Enroute home he will visit Cleveland, Ohio.

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7:30 a. m. Holy Communion

10 a. m. Sunday School

11 a. m. Sung Eucharist With Sermon

8 p. m. Service and Sermon

The Church With a Welcome  
and a Message, Come