

PEOPLE'S PULPIT...



Sermon by CHARLES T. RUSSELL, Pastor Brooklyn Tabernacle.

In Every Thing Give Thanks!

"In Every Thing Give Thanks, For This Is the Will of God Concerning You in Christ Jesus" (I Thessalonians v. 18).

Sunday, November 28.—Pastor Russell of "Brooklyn Tabernacle" preached today from the above text. He said: There is a beauty and consistency in the Bible which many overlook...

These matters are well illustrated in our text, which was addressed, not to all mankind, nor to merely nominal Christians—but to Christians, "in God the Father and in the Lord Jesus Christ," as the introduction shows.

But note the confusion of attempting to apply these words to the world in general. What has the world to be thankful for—from its own standpoint? It knows not what God's future purposes are, which, therefore, cannot enter into its consideration.

The average man, heathen and civilized, knows that his coming into the world was without his consent. He eats and drinks and sleeps and labors, because these are necessities.

Before proceeding to apply our text to the class to which it is addressed (the saints), we pause to consider the hope of the world in general, as set forth in the Scriptures.

The explanation of the sorrows of the world is given in the Bible; which tells us that sin lies at the door and that the mental, moral and physical blemishes which cause humanity such distress are incidental to the penalty pronounced against sin; namely, death.

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God's people not only give thanks for the blessings of the future which they receive by faith, but additionally they appreciate blessings granted to them in advance in the present life and give thanks for these.

Covenant" (Psalm xxv. 14). "The mystery" is, that God purposed that the blessing of the world should be accomplished by our Savior alone, but in association with a select class of saints gathered out of the world and specially taught and prepared in the School of Christ during this age.

During these long centuries required for the finding of this salutary class for whom the Lord has been searching with the manner of Truth, various false theories have sprung up and found acceptance in the world.

To rational minds these theories which satisfied in the past are no longer satisfactory; hence many are turned to infidelity. As the Scriptures say, "My people perish for lack of knowledge" (Hosea iv. 6).

Leaving these unsatisfactory errors of the "dark ages" and going back to the Scriptures we find their teachings consistent; namely, that as soon as the "mystery," the Church, is completed, the blessing of God will proceed through The Christ (Head and members) to the world.

According to the Scriptures the blessing of God will proceed through Spiritual Israel, a "Royal Priesthood," after the order of Melchizedec, to natural Israel under the terms of their New Covenant (Jeremiah xxxi. 31). During the Millennium Age under the spiritual Kingdom of The Christ (operating through the earthly Kingdom of Israel) all nations will be instructed, enlightened, blessed.

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Two weeks after he had faced the parson with the only girl in the world he chanced upon Jones, one of his old bachelor friends.

Charles R. Hays of Denver visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Hays.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bullock pleasantly entertained a number of friends at 6:30 dinner last evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Bullock.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. South gave a 6 o'clock dinner to a small company of friends on Thursday evening. Places were laid for Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Rainbolt, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gow, Mr. and Mrs. D. Mathewson, Dr. and Mrs. H. J. Cole, Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Booth, Mr. and Mrs. A. Ranklev.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Witzgman were quite surprised last Saturday evening to find their daughter, Miss Kathryn, had invited a small company of friends to help celebrate the twentieth anniversary of their wedding.

Mr. E. S. South entertained a company of fourteen ladies at a pretty 1 o'clock luncheon on Tuesday. After the lunch, which was served in four courses, the ladies visited over their Christmas needle work.

Mr. C. E. Burnham entertained the Bridge club on Monday afternoon. Mrs. N. A. Rainbolt and Mrs. D. Mathewson were guests of the club and Mrs. Julia McManus of Hawarden, Ia., was an out-of-town guest.

The Norfolk Chess club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Krahn Thursday night and a pleasant evening was spent.

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The Chess club met with C. H. Krahn on Friday evening. The lunch served by Mrs. Krahn after the games were finished was thoroughly enjoyed.

The West Side whist club met in the home of C. S. Bridge on Tuesday evening. A dainty lunch was served at the close of the evening.

The Ladies Aid society of the First Congregational church met in the church parlors Thursday afternoon to tie comfortables.

The Ladies' guild of Trinity church met with Mrs. C. H. Reynolds on Thursday.

Mrs. Sol G. Mayer entertained the Wednesday club this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Chaffee expect to leave Tuesday for a four weeks trip through the south.

Miss Maud Hurman will return to her home in St. Edwards on Monday. Miss Hurman has been a guest in the home of her aunt, Mrs. E. S. South, since Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Gillette and family have returned from a visit in Sioux City, where they were guests of Mrs. Gillette's sister, Mrs. E. P. Farr.

SOCIETY

Pleasures of the Week. The Degree of Honor held a special meeting on Thursday afternoon for election of officers.

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Coming Events.

Great preparations are being made by the entertainment committee of the Y. M. C. A. to make their musical entertainment here a success.

The Men's club of the First Congregational church are preparing for a social meeting in the church parlors on Monday evening.

The West Side Whist club will meet with Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Davenport next Thursday evening.

The wedding of Miss Lizzie Benish to John Kent was attended by 150 friends of the contracting parties.

SPEAKS IN 54 LANGUAGES.

Of Course It's a Woman Who Possesses This Facility of Tongue. Easthampton, Mass., Dec. 4.—Miss Elizabeth S. Colton of Easthampton has a great advantage over other women because she can express her thoughts in fifty-four different languages.

Rome Miller Case Saturday. Omaha, Dec. 3.—The arguments in the case of Rome Miller, charged with violating the 8 o'clock closing law,

There were four counts in the complaint against Rome Miller, the dates on which alleged sales of intoxicants were made being October 6, 7 and 13, and November 2, on each occasion after the hour of 8 o'clock in the evening.

Four witnesses testified on behalf of the anti-saloon league, Harry A. Stone, Fred Cavan, Frank Erdman and C. A. Holyoke, while the defendant was the only witness sworn in his behalf.

Mr. Miller said his instructions to his bartenders were not to violate the law, but to close the bar and cease the sale of liquor before 8 o'clock at night, and not to begin again before 7 o'clock in the morning.

PROVED HOG SERUM CURES.

Nebraska Farmer's Experiment Saved His Drove. Stella, Neb., Dec. 3.—Proof of the effectiveness of the serum treatment in hog cholera, which is killing thousands of hogs in Kansas, was shown to Ne-

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braska farmers last summer in an experiment with it on the farm of R. E. Grinstead, near Salem.

Mr. Grinstead is a progressive farmer, and when cholera broke out in his neighborhood last spring he asked the representative in congress from his district to have the department of agriculture assist in checking the disease.

At Mr. Grinstead's request Dr. W. B. Niles, who conducted the experiment at the Kansas City stock yards in July and August, was sent to Salem.

WOMAN DIES OF THE WOUND

Mrs. Ellen Robinson of Lincoln Succumbs to Husband's Bullet. Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 3.—Mrs. Ellen Robinson, the Lincoln woman who was shot by her husband at this place Sunday, died last evening.

FRIDAY FACTS.

C. W. Lemont was at Meadow Grove. Dr. W. H. Pilger returned from Wayne. Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Roke, who have been here visiting relatives, returned to Lincoln.

Advertisement for National Corn Exposition. 'National Corn Exposition, Omaha, Neb., December 6-18, 1909. A visit to the Exposition will prove to be of value to every man and woman in this great agricultural section.'

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