

CHRIST IS IN ALL WORK

Dr. Spencer of Kansas City Elucidates the Philosophy of Jesus.

MAN CANNOT LIVE BY BREAD ALONE

Rev. Dr. Moore Discusses Materialism as the Curse of the Age and Modern Ideals as Making Christ a Failure.

Dr. Claudius B. Spencer of Kansas City, editor of the Central Christian Advocate, preached to a large congregation at the First Methodist church Sunday morning.

"Human society is divided into two classes," said Dr. Spencer, "the bread eaters and the bread makers—the parasites and the producers. The first class is so small as to be negligible, and it is the second class that I shall discuss. How could it be sin for Christ to turn stones into bread, as He was requested to do by the tempter? Is that not what we are all trying to do? The answer is a very simple one and it is this: Jesus Christ was not only the son of God, He was also the son of man, and because you and I through all these must by these hands of ours, by toil and by strain, turn the rocky flat into bread, He who was the brother of us all took His place by us. Not only here, but in the story of His life you will search in vain for one poor instance where in any fashion He separated Himself from the weakest and humblest. Whilst He was always feeding the body and the soul; whilst unstopping the eyes of the blind and the ears of the deaf and exchanging gladness for garments of heaviness, there is no record that He ever caused one blade of grass to grow that He might have a pillow upon which to rest His head.

"In unknown sayings of Jesus recently unearthed in Egypt we find this: 'Lift the stone and thou shalt find Me; cleave the wood and thou shalt find Me there.' In any work done in the right spirit we will find Christ.

"In His reply to the tempter Jesus said that men should not live by bread alone, but on all the words that proceedeth from the mouth of God. Here the plummet is cast into the deepest depths of philosophy. God did not mean that men should be slaves of the galleys of the railroad, of the bank, of the field. What distinguishes man from the beast more than any other trait, if it is a man, is that he cannot live by bread alone."

MATERIALISM CURSE OF THE AGE

Life of Jesus Would Be a Failure from Materialistic Standpoint.

Designating materialism as the curse of this age, worse in the west than in other parts of the country, Rev. Dr. Moore, pastor of Westminster Presbyterian church, on Sunday morning mercifully dissected the idols and the ideals of every-day life as false and misleading.

"It is not the theoretical materialists who do the most harm," said Dr. Moore, "but the practical materialists, than whom the philosophical materialists are much better off.

"We live on a rolling prairie, with no mountain peaks to raise our minds to high ideals above the earth. There is no mysterious ocean to suggest a sounding of the depths beyond our ken. Like the man with the hoe or Hunyan's man with the muck rake, we are bending down. We do not see the crown above our heads. We are more interested in the price of meat and grain and cattle than in the price of eternal life."

The preacher deplored the tendency to make the children look to the successful man in a purely business sense, as the ideal citizen; age make his accomplishments the measure of the highest success. "Let us hold over against these ideals," he said, "the life of Jesus Christ. Measured by them it will be pronounced a most egregious and disastrous failure. With what disgust and wonder the rich man of Nazareth must have regarded His utter disregard of everything material from early boyhood to the hour of His crucifixion. Always poor, defaulting His social position, the friend of lowly fishermen, publicans and sinners, His only followers drifting away from Him, one of His chosen twelve betraying Him and all of them forsaking Him in the final moment, ending His life on the cross between two thieves—no more flat, complete and disastrous failure was ever recorded, from the materialistic point of view.

"But now we know His life was not a failure. It shines on the world today with such a blinding brilliance we can hardly imagine its glory. The silence of divinity was broken to proclaim its surpassing success when God said: 'This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.' Out of the sepulcher come the waters of the river of life. From the cross comes the redemptive power that has saved the world. The crucified hand has turned the whole course of history. The keynote of Christ's life is found in 'He that doth the will of God abideth forever.' We must revise our ideals of success so that the will of God may be done on earth."

During the offertory William Kennedy sang "My Ain Country" with sympathetic and pleasing effect.

MEN SHOULD READ THE BIBLE

Too Many People Are as Children in Religious Initiative.

At St. Mary's Evangelical Lutheran church Sunday morning Rev. L. Groch spoke on the subject, "No Place for the Word." His plea was for a conscientious reading of the Bible and a permanent place for the scriptures in the heart of every man. Concerning the prevalent neglect of the Bible he said:

"Too many of us read the Bible like Moody says he hoed corn. Whenever he stopped hoeing at noon he had to mark his place with a stick so that he could tell when he went to work after dinner just where he had left off. Just so when he read the word as a young man, he had to mark his place with a pencil. It is true he read it every evening, otherwise he might not have been able to sleep, but he read it in such a poor way.

"Some people get all their religion from the sermon. In this respect they never get beyond children. These people who never read the Bible, and so never get anything religious first hand, are but as children in religion.

"Why should not the reading of the Bible have a definite place in a man's life? There seems to be two reasons. The first is that people have no time for it. The second is that the mind is occupied with so many other things that there is no room for it. When people say of a man, 'He is a great reader,' I know what that too often means. It is that he reads things which are not only not at all useful, but which are absolutely harmful.

"The man who reads the Bible is a hungry man wishing to be filled; the man who does not is a sick man in religion."

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PASTOR SPENCER IS INSTALLED

Congregation of Third Presbyterian Turns Out Strangely to Greet New Minister.

Rev. John E. Spencer was formally installed as pastor of the Third Presbyterian church, Twentieth and Leavenworth streets, Sunday afternoon. The church was crowded with an interesting congregation to witness the impressive ceremonies. Rev. W. H. Reynolds, pastor of the Castellar Street Presbyterian church, acted as president of the Presbytery during the ceremonies. Other pastors participating in the ordination and installation services were President M. E. Lewis and Revs. J. J. Lampe and D. E. Jenkins of the Presbyterian Theological seminary; Rev. E. H. Jenks of the First Presbyterian and Rev. J. K. Hunter of Dundee Presbyterian church. Rev. E. H. Jenks preached the installation sermon, the trend of which was to show that the mission of Christ was that of

a reformer, not to destroy the law as expounded by the prophets of the Old Testament, but to fulfill the law and extract from it the beauty and truth it contained and to develop it for the better comprehension of the world. Christ smashed the shell of the old law to produce its beautiful kernel, the germ of life, needing but His divine touch to make it perfect. "The old forms were but symbols of something to come, and that coming was the Christ. The old law was the crude ore from which came the perfected moral law. The church is for the outward ceremonies of our spiritual service. The true worshiper worships God in his heart. The church is the body of Jesus Christ, but it is not a church until it possesses the spirit of unity in Christ." Following the sermon Mr. W. W. Grigor sang a beautiful baritone solo appropriate to the spirit of the occasion, after which Chairman Reynolds propounded the usual constitutional questions of the Presbyterian church to the new pastor. The laying on of hands followed, all of the ministers of the Presbytery present participating in

the ceremony, after which they extended to Dr. Spencer the right hand of fellowship. Rev. J. J. Lampe delivered the charge to the new pastor, after which came the installation hymn, when Rev. D. E. Jenkins gave the charge to the people and members of the church. Rev. E. H. Jenks delivered the installation prayer, and the formal program closed with the hymn, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds." The benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. E. Spencer and after the benediction the members greeted the new pastor most heartily. **Home-seekers' Excursions.** On Tuesday, May 16, the Missouri Pacific Ry. will sell round-trip tickets to certain points in Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, etc., at very low rates. Stopovers allowed; limit of tickets twenty-one days. Full information at city offices, southeast corner 13th and Farnam. **PHOS. F. GODFREY,** Pass. and Ticket Agent. Harry B. Davis, underwriter. Tel. 126.

ON TRAIL OF NAVAL RECRUITS

Recruiting Party of Uncle Sam's Prize Sloop Begins Work Today in Omaha.

This morning, for the second time during the present year, a recruiting depot to secure enlistments for the United States navy will be opened in this city. The new depot will be opened in the McCaughey block at Fifteenth and Dodge streets. The staff comprises practically the same party that was here some two or three months ago. Omaha has always been regarded as one of the best naval recruiting stations in the central west, and the character of enlistments secured heretofore makes Omaha a favorite point for naval recruiting parties. The recruiting party will remain here until next Saturday. Enlistments will be made for apprentice seamen, seamen, landmen, shipwrights, blacksmiths, plumbers and fitters, machinists, electricians, bakers, coal passers, musicians, cooks, hospital assistants, painters, bakers, clerks,

and for almost every character of employment. The term of enlistment of all enlisted men is four years. Minors must procure the consent of parents or guardians. All applicants must be between the ages of 17 and 25 years, but minors will be taken to the minimum age of 17 years. Landmen's pay at the start is \$16 per month, ordinary seamen, \$19; seaman, \$24; coal passer, \$22; gunner, \$20 and \$20; shipwrights, \$25; carpenter, \$26 to \$30; machinist, \$26 to \$30; blacksmith, \$26; cooper, \$26; boiler-maker, \$26; electrician, \$26 to \$30; yeoman, \$26; including clerks, typewriters, stenographers—\$26 to \$30; plumbers and fitters, \$26; painters, \$26 to \$30; cooks, \$25 to \$26; bakers, \$25 to \$26; hospital attendants, \$26 to \$29.

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