

RELIGION AND LIFE

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AN APPROACH TO GOD AND GOD'S RESPONSE

As we read the different accounts of the life and ministry of Jesus in the New Testament, we get an impression of unlimited power. Everything seems possible to Him.

We appreciate the following summary of the situation: "For the first time a man said 'Yes' to the eternal willingness of God and God gave His Spirit without measure to Him."

Side by side with Jesus' exertion of Divine power we find accounts of those activities flowed from Him prayer was a two-way process — His approach to God and God's response to His Son.

The Sabbath was over at sundown, and the people were free to carry their sick to Him. If he seemed as if the whole city gathered together around the door, and he healed sufferers of every type.

Matthew points out the strain that these efforts brought on Him, and calls these miracles the fulfilment of Isaiah's prophecy: "He took our infirmities and bore our diseases."

It was after this day of teaching and ministries of mercy that "in the morning, a great while before day, He went out to a lonely place, and there He prayed."

He had been using power that His Father had given Him to express the love He had found in the Father's heart and after it all He took everything to His Father in prayer, and there had both His energies and His commission renewed.

HIS FATHER'S WILL This prayer-habit continued through His entire ministry. St. John draws attention to the fact that in every situation Jesus sought His Father's will and then did it.

He defended His action of healing an impotent man on the Sabbath by saying: "My Father is working still and I am working." This cryptic saying He explained thus: "The Son can do nothing of His own accord, but only what He sees the Father doing; for whatever He does, that the Son does likewise."

For the Father loves the Son and shows Him all that He Himself is doing. Then He goes on to describe the greater things that the Father is depending on the Son to do.

That picture of the heart and mind of God open to His Son, communicating to Him His will in every situation that the Son meets, and the Son promptly doing it is the secret source of all that Jesus said and did.

To Jesus prayer was far more than asking for something desired; it was personal intercourse with God about every matter that came before Him.

This is also the ideal of the Christian, because what the Father is to the Son, the Son is to His people. It is the believer's privilege thus to walk with Christ, guided step by step by the Lord of all life. To find and to do His will for us in every

SPRINGFIELD W. I.

The monthly meeting of Springfield W. I. was held at the home of Mrs. George Dunning, Dec. 7th, with the president, Mrs. Crawford Sinclair presiding.

The treasurer, Mrs. William Haslam reported a substantial balance in the funds, that \$22.75 had been collected for the National Institute for the Blind and that three Springfield histories had been sold since the last meeting.

Routine reports were heard from Red Cross, School and Sick Committees and Mrs. John Hickox was appointed on the latter. The programme comm. for 1956 reported the work well under way and displayed the attractive new covers.

A donation was made to the T. B. League and our adopted Institute in England is to be remembered with a "Beautiful Canada" Calendar. Tickets were received from the Drama Festival Comm., and Mrs. George Dunning and Mrs. Keith Mayne were appointed delegates to

COLD AREA

Temperatures in Norway's arctic province of Finnmark were 40 below zero in December, 1955.

The Music Festival meetings. Mrs. Reg Haslam, Mrs. John Hickox and Mrs. Clare Haslam were appointed to select items for the Jan.-Feb. copy of Institute News. Mrs. Keith Mayne kindly invited the members to meet at her home in January. Roll call to be answered with the name of a food and its contents.

The first number on the programme, conducted by the convener, Mrs. Norris Sinclair, was a reading "The Legend of the Christmas Rose" by Mrs. Clare Haslam. Exchange gifts from under the gaily decorated tree were drawn by the members and a demonstration of original gifts proved most interesting. These were judged by ballot and Mrs. Clare Haslam's was voted the most original.

Ballots were cast for the most enjoyable program in 1955 and honors went to the Horticulture program, convener Mrs. William Haslam who received a suitable prize.

The meeting closed by singing "Silent Night" and refreshments were served by the hostess and lunch committee

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DIES IN MASS.—The death occurred at his home 385 V. F. W. Parkway, Brookline, Mass., on November the 18th of James P. Callaghan age 61 years. He leaves to mourn, one son, James Edwin, Islington, Mass., one sister, Ann, Fairfield, Maine, and four brothers: Ambrose, New York; Owen, Lake Verde, Augustine, and Louis, Vernon River, P.E.I. His funeral was held on Monday morning, November 21st at the Church of the Infant Jesus, for Requiem High Mass at 10:00. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

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DAILY CROSSWORD

- ACROSS 1. American Indian 5. Amundsen's schooner in Antarctic expedition 9. A wall recess 10. Of a lobe 12. Place of worship 13. Greek letter 14. Hired slinger (slang) 15. Epoch 16. At home 17. City (Vt.) 20. Fish 22. Head covering 23. Before 26. Cantered easily 28. Sneer 30. A sign of the zodiac 31. A wing 32. Music note 33. Weariness 37. Gallium (sym.) 39. Leap 40. Fresh-water tortoise 43. Apportion 45. Aviator 46. A game of chance 47. Soothe 48. Boll slowly 49. Negative votes

Grid for crossword puzzle with numbers 1-49 and some filled-in letters.

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

AXYDEBAAXE is LONGFELLOW. One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Question: MBD KFVBSPT GT XJLHXFAX NAM MBD KNJFFAX GT XJNVWVFX-KGJ-JFY.

Saturday's Cryptogram: THE GALLERY IN WHICH THE REPORTERS SIT HAS BECOME A FOURTH ESTATE OF THE REALM—MACAULAY.

COMET BREAKS ANOTHER MARK

TORONTO (CP)—Britain's new Comet III, an experimental jetliner, landed at Toronto Sunday on another leg of its round-the-world test trip.

The sleek four-engine craft, prototype of de Havilland Aircraft Co. Ltd.'s new Comet IV, covered the 2,182 miles from Vancouver to nearby Malton airport in three hours, fifty-five minutes or an average speed of 560 miles an hour.

The Comet has set commercial airline flight records during every stage of its world trip. On Friday it flew from Honolulu to Vancouver, a distance of 2,780 miles, in five hours, 39 minutes, for an average speed of 504 miles an hour.

Sunday's flight beat a record set in 1947 with a North Star piloted by Captain Barney Rawson, chief of flight operations of Canadian Pacific Airlines, and Captain Herb Seagram, general manager of operations for Trans-Canada Air Lines.

They flew from Vancouver to Montreal in six hours, 52 minutes.

TROPICAL CLIMATE

Trinidad in the West Indies has a tropical climate with monthly rainfall up to 10 inches from June to December.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving Memory of IRA MACLAREN who passed away Dec. 16, 1945.

He will never be forgotten. Never shall his memory fade. Sweetest thoughts shall always linger Around the place where he laid. Inserted by mother and sisters.

CARD OF THANKS

The relatives of the late Laidlaw Murchison wish to express their appreciation and thanks to Mrs. Laidlaw and Murchison, the nurses and staff of the P. E. Island Hospital, and Mrs. Ravenhill's Rest Home for their care; also to the clergy and the many friends who visited him, sent cards and expressions of sympathy.

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Couple Celebrate Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Farquharson, Cross Roads, Lot 48, celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary very quietly at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Pippey, Hazelbrook, on Nov. 1st. Also to celebrate their own 24th wedding day, by serving a delicious turkey supper, assisted by another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett, were Mr. and Mrs. Pippey. The honored couple received many nice gifts among them being an electric clock; and they were also showered with many Golden Wedding cards from their other two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Elroy Milley of Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Murphy, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

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