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WHEN?

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WHEN will the seventh trumpet sound, and
Jesus say, "Tis done,"
And all his faithful soldiers shout, "At last
the victory's won?"
When will the happy moment come for which
we've waited long,
And all the ransomed of the Lord join in
redemption's song?

WORDS TO BURDEN-BEARERS

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

THE Lord desires every man in a position of responsibility to link up with his fellow-workers. No worker should shut himself up to himself. Let all the workers unite in counsel.

The Lord would have his servants cultivate the spirit of companionship. He who wraps himself about with garments of self-sufficiency, refusing to admit others into brotherly relationship, will fail of gaining the experience that he needs to gain, and others also will be losers. He should let his fellow-worker see that he regards him as of value.

Some are in danger of giving way to envy lest another shall have the supremacy. They are liable not to recognize gifts of their fellow-workers as being as necessary to the success of the work as are their own gifts. But true love for God carries with it true, reverential trust. And he who loves God will love his brother also.

There is to be no ordering, no domineering, no masterly authority. The love of God, in the healing, life-giving current, is to flow through the life. The spirit and words and deeds of every worker are to show that he realizes that he is acting in Christ's place. The power that he receives from the great Teacher is the power to educate others, not the power to order or dictate. He is to come

to Christ as one who desires to know how to teach and help others.

Patient, cheerful contentment is one of the "best gifts." So also is courage to follow in the path of duty, even when this path separates us from friends. But courage of conviction must never lead to stubbornness, which leads a man to adhere to his own ideas. Let us watch and pray.

The talent of speech is a wonderful gift,—a gift that can be a great power for good and for evil. Intellectual ability, good taste, skill, refinement, true elevation,—these God uses in his work. But they must first be placed under his jurisdiction. The Lord's presence is to be a controlling power. He whose heart blends with the heart of Christ is, in desires and practices, conformed to the will of Christ.

We are to covet earnestly the best gifts, but this does not mean that we are to seek to be first. We are to strive earnestly for power to follow Christ's example, that we may be heralds of his gospel. This is true religion. Temptations come; suspicious and evil-surmising make it hard for us to preserve the spirit of higher life; nevertheless the Lord desires us to walk straight forward in his blessed, holy light.

INFLUENCE OF A MISSION SCHOOL ROOM

I CANNOT say that I have ever had a remarkable outburst of religious zeal in my class room, but I have always tried to manifest a decided interest in the salvation of the children committed to my care.

This interest is manifested in many ways. I take advantage of every opportunity to impress upon the mind of each child the worth of the soul. As each day brings its tasks, I strive to do my best, calling to my assistance the life and power of God's Spirit. As wisdom and direction come, I lead out, feeling myself to be but an instrument in God's hand for service.

I aim to make each subject taught appeal to the senses with as much force as possible, knowing that the senses are but avenues to the soul. The Spirit of God invariably comes in and indites the hearts of the children with a strong sense of duty to God and love to all his creatures. In the Bible and reading classes the effect is more noticeable, giving expression on the part of the children in personal requests for prayer. No degree of excitement attends any part of the labors with the students, but in all there is that earnest, deliberate feeling of sincerity.

It is not mine to say what the seeds of truth will bring forth; but I do know that, with God's care and attention, no anxiety about the future need be entertained. However, I have seen the fruit of labors in the school-room manifested in the homes of many of the children. A reform in the habits of living has been inaugurated by the children in their own homes with a lasting effect. A vast amount of Bible truth has also been carried back into the homes, and in this way the message reaches hearts that might never be influenced by the living preacher.

M. C. STRACHAN.

THERE are many who have given themselves to Christ, yet who see no opportunity of doing a large work or making great sacrifices in his service. These may find comfort in the thought that it is not necessarily the martyr's self-surrender which is most acceptable to God; it may not be the missionary who has daily faced danger and death, that stands highest in heaven's records. The Christian who is such in his private life, in the daily surrender of self, in sincerity of purpose and purity of thought, in meekness under provocation, in faith and piety, in fidelity in that which is least, the one who in the home life represents the character of Christ,—such a one may in the sight of God be more precious than even the world-renowned missionary or martyr.

NEAR THE JUBILEE

WHEN the children of Israel entered the land of Canaan, the land was divided to them by lot. To each man was given a piece of land for a possession. This was to belong to him and his family forever.

This land might be sold in case of misfortune, but not in perpetuity, as real estate is now bought and sold. The provision was: "And if thou sell aught unto thy neighbor, or buyest aught of thy neighbor's hand, ye shall not oppress one another. According to the number of years after the jubilee thou shalt buy of thy neighbor, and according to the number of the years of the fruits he shall sell unto thee; according to the multitude of years thou shalt increase the price thereof, and according to the fewness of years thou shalt diminish the price of it; for according to the number of the years of the fruits doth he sell unto thee." Lev. 25: 14-16.

Those who are looking forward to a long life in this world, expecting to leave their property to their children, they in turn to leave it to their children, naturally place a high valuation upon houses and lands, because instead of being sojourners they are dwellers in this earth. But those who believe that the Lord is coming in this generation certainly cannot place as high a valuation upon earthly homes and earthly property as do those who believe that this world is to continue to be their home as long as they live, and of their posterity after them.

Looking down the stream of time to the very days in which we are living when his second coming would be near, the Saviour said to those who should then be upon the stage of action: "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell that ye have and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Luke 12: 32-34.

The work of giving the third angel's message to the world has been committed to us as a people. The work is not too great for us though we be the fewest of all people, for God never requires impossibilities. Having raised up this people, and having given them the third angel's message, he has given us the ability to give it to the world. We are to be held responsible for the way in which we discharge this responsibility.

We ought to begin to cut loose and transfer our treasure to the heavenly land, for where our treasure is, there will our heart be also. If we are adding house to house, and farm to farm, if we are laying up treasures here, it is certain that our affections are day by day clinging more closely to earth and earthly things. But if we are transferring our treasure to a better world, if we are investing it in the work of God, then our heart is in that work.

Brethren let us love not in word only, but

in deed and in truth. Let us throw ourselves heartily into the work of giving the third angel's message.

Are we prone to grow weary at the various appeals that are made to us for help for the cause of God? If so, let us search our hearts and see if it is not because we are reaching out after the things of this world: if we have not forgotten that we are on the borders of the heavenly kingdom; that we are near the year of jubilee, and that we ought to diminish our love for earthly possessions, realizing that they will be ours but little longer even if we try to cling to them. Let us, then, by heeding the Saviour's injunction to sell and give alms, provide for ourselves "bags that wax not old, a treasure in the heavens."

Brethren, have you ever thought that every appeal for means is simply an evidence of the progress of God's cause in the earth? When the work was small and the laborers few, only limited means was required to carry forward the work, but now that the message has encircled the earth, and is rapidly finding its way to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people, the calls are rapidly increasing in number and are more than keeping pace, perhaps, with the number of believers. But remember that as the world places a higher valuation upon its property, and is willing to pay a higher price for it, we should begin to hold houses and lands more loosely and make haste to transfer their value to the heavenly Canaan by laying up treasure in heaven.

The Saviour said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my disciples, ye have done it unto me." The people of the world give liberally that they may win applause, that their names may be handed down to future generations as benefactors of their fellow-men, or that institutions may be named after them. But what should be our motive?—Simply the love of souls. The humblest part of the cause of God, the humblest subjects of the work of grace, should be the ones who appeal most strongly to us. It was the great need of the human race that moved the Saviour to leave his throne to come to earth. And during his earthly ministry it was the most needy who received his first attention. Brethren, let us cherish the same spirit that animated our Lord. Let us open our hands to give to the most needy branches of God's cause, not hoping for a reward, or for applause in this world, but confidently anticipating the "Well done," when our Lord returns to reckon with us.

THE WORK AT NATCHEZ, MISS.

We came to Natchez July 25. We pitched our tent August 1, and began our meeting on the 2nd. The interest has been very good. The Lord has given us eleven dear souls. We found four keeping the Sabbath and have in all twenty-one, and five children.

Many are interested and desire to unite with us. This is a large field to labor in; soon the weather will be too cold to hold meetings under our tent. *A building is needed.*

Now if our dear brethren and sisters will co-operate with us, we believe a good work could be accomplished here in the near future. We should not let this work drag. The Lord has opened the work here and all should take hold with their hands. Why start a work and then stand off and look at it? The Lord has promised to go before us to open the way; so he wants his people to follow and take up the work that he has left them to do.

Our Sabbath-school will soon be one month old. We have in the midst of believers, three teachers. One of these and another young lady desire to enter one of our schools.

A GOOD PROSPECT OF A CHURCH AND SCHOOL

In the north part of the city, on car line, there is a frame church building which seats two hundred, and a parsonage of four rooms in the rear. This property is owned by the Episcopal church and is for sale. They want twelve hundred dollars for the whole. Lots near the tent are selling for from four hundred to four hundred and fifty dollars each. Will you help us in some way in securing a building for this people? Send remittance to L. V. Crawford, Box 29, Vicksburg, Miss.

W. H. SEBASTIAN.

WITH OUR CORRESPONDENTS

We have received so many good letters that we feel we ought to pass some of them along for the encouragement of our readers. We shall give therefore extracts from a few of the more recent.

A good old sister in Illinois writes as follows:—

"I saw in the GOSPEL HERALD that you wanted some one to sell the 'Story of Joseph.' Now, I am almost eighty years old, and financially unable to help. If you will send me three dozen of those books, with the Lord's help I will sell them and send you the proceeds."

A young sister makes a thank offering for the recovery of her aged mother in answer to prayer, and a friend in remitting the money says:—

"Enclosed please find money order for the amount of eleven dollars. Ten dollars of this amount is a thank offering from a young sister whose mother the Lord raised up from a long sickness in answer to prayer. Her mother was sick for about eight years, and, according to James 5: 14, 15, some of the brethren offered prayer for her and the Lord healed her. Last Sabbath she was in our meeting at church. This old sister is now over eighty years of age. The Lord wrought a miracle indeed.

"An old sister in Christ" says:—

"I received a copy of the GOSPEL HERALD, and hasten to send twenty-five cents for three years. I may not live so long, but it is little enough to do for the Southern Missionary Society."

A California sister sends us these words of cheer:—

"I received the GOSPEL HERALD several times, and see that the Lord's work in the

Southern field is receiving the special blessing of our Master. I praise God to know that the colored people are receiving the last message of mercy. May God bless all his faithful servants in the blessed truth, is my prayer."

Another correspondent writes: "Keep good courage. You are not forgotten." We believe that this is true, and believing it we shall keep good courage. The cause that has the prayers of God's people must prosper.

One of our young friends in Delaware writes thus entertainingly from the old city of Wilmington:—

"Mamma wrote to you and got you to send me one of those little Self-denial Boxes. By saving all the pennies that I earned, by doing errands and helping mama and grandma. I have saved a dollar, and now send it to you to help some little colored girl or boy to learn to love the Lord. I know God made them as well as he made me, and he wants them saved too."

Yes indeed, God loves them too, and he has put it into the hearts of many people, both young and old, to help in the work of saving the little boys and girls with dark skins and curly hair.

And here comes a dear old sister whose whole thought is how to help the cause of God. She says:—

"I received a sample copy of the GOSPEL HERALD, and was glad to have it, as I prayed the Lord to show me where to send my little mite, for I am all alone in the truth and save every penny for the work. I shall be seventy-one years old the 17th of September.

"My health is very poor. The Lord is soon coming. It is the great thought with me to be ready to meet him when he comes. I will enclose fifty cents for the work and twenty cents for the GOSPEL HERALD."

A friend in Pennsylvania writes to say:—

"I want to help the South, and if you will kindly send me one dozen of 'Story of Joseph,' I will try to dispose of them. It may seem like a small thing to do, yet I know that every little helps, and I may be gaining an experience that I otherwise would not have. I feel that I have been sitting all the day idle, and I want to work for the cause."

Here we have a letter from a little girl who tells how she and her brothers raise money for missionary work. We know others will enjoy this letter as much as we did:—

"Mama wanted me to write for her, as she was busy. My mama received the four copies of the 'Story of Joseph.' We thought that we would not wait to sell them, but would pay for them. My brothers and I raised some squash and chickens and sold a dollar's worth of squashes, and got twenty-five cents out of our chickens. We paid our tithes and offerings, and put some in the Self-denial Boxes, and will pay for the 'Story of Joseph.'"

"I am ten years old and my brothers all younger than myself. We are going to sell some more squashes and use the money for

missionary work. Enclosed find one dollar for the books.

"I will close with love and prayers for you all."

The writer of the next letter has been doing something for the GOSPEL HERALD, and has had some good experiences in selling the dedicated books. Her testimony will help others.

"Having received a sample copy of the GOSPEL HERALD, I will say that I like the paper very much, and want to subscribe for it. I have also obtained four other subscribers for it. I will try to get more.

"I want to sell the 'Story of Joseph' as soon as my health will permit. I have sold quite a few of them, and also 'Object Lessons.' I do enjoy selling our books, especially the dedicated ones. There is such a blessing in it. I have always been interested in the work in the South, and my prayer is that my health may improve so that I may be able to do something for such a needy field."

A PULL ALTOGETHER

Now is the time to come to the aid of the work in the South by helping the Southern Missionary Society establish a score or more of new mission schools.

Read in another column in this paper the paragraph set in black type in which Sister White speaks of this feature of the work.

Just now, brethren, while the eyes of the whole denomination are turned toward this field as never before, is the opportune time to take hold of the work for the colored people as we have never done in the past.

If you are interested in Mission schools; if you want to have a part in giving the Third Angel's Message to the Afro-Americans in the South, if your heart has been touched by the appeal made in the behalf of the millions who have not yet heard the last message of mercy, make a liberal donation for the support of mission schools.

If you want your donation to go into this line of aggressive field work, be sure to state plainly that it is for the Southern Missionary Society. If you neglect to specify the object to which you wish to give, your money may be used in some other line of work, and this without any wrong intention on the part of any one. **THEREFORE, BE SURE TO SAY THAT YOUR DONATION IS FOR THE SOUTHERN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.**

At the recent session of the Tennessee River Conference, held in Nashville, a resolution was passed requesting the Southern Missionary Society to assist in establishing and maintaining a colored school in the city of Memphis; and also in providing a mission school and church building for the colored people in that city. This the society is willing to do. We therefore request donations to a special fund for the purchase of a lot and the erection of a modest mission building in that city.

Memphis is the largest city in Tennessee and is growing more rapidly than any other city. It controls the trade of a very large section, and is destined to be an important center.

Memphis has a large colored population and something must be done to give these people the truth. Comparatively little has been done to what must yet be done for them. The work has moved very slowly there, partly for the reason that they have been without a suitable building in which to hold meetings. They have been compelled to depend upon rented halls in busy parts of the city where rents are high, and the rooms secured have been small. The better class of colored people as they have become interested, have been ashamed, in some instances, to invite their friends to the place of meeting.

The Tennessee River Conference is entirely unable to do the work that should be done for the colored people within its borders. It is already spending more, in proportion, than it is doing in the white work. It finds itself utterly unable to place the work in Memphis on the vantage ground it ought to occupy. They have appealed, therefore, to the Southern Missionary Society for assistance. But this society can assist only as we receive donations from the friends of this branch of the work in other conferences. We appeal, then, to our friends everywhere to send in special contributions to provide a mission school and church building for the colored people in Memphis.

Donations for this purpose should be sent to the Southern Missionary Society, North Station, Nashville, Tennessee.

RECEIPTS FOR SEPTEMBER, 1906

The following report is for the donations received during the month September, 1906.

DONATIONS

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| Mrs Samantha Zalingler..... | 40 | Mrs Chas. Plapp.... | 10 |
| Mrs M R Towers..... | 75 | Mrs A S Anderson.. | 3 00 |
| Mary Trulock..... | 1 00 | Carrie Taft..... | 3 10 |
| A Friend..... | 100 00 | Mrs W H Hussman.. | 1 00 |
| Mrs Jennie Smith.... | 7 00 | Mrs S C Mansfield.. | 25 |
| Christine Rasmussen | 2 00 | Mrs James Smith.... | 35 |
| Elizabeth Lauder.... | 90 | Miss Martha Becker. | 50 |
| John Steinel..... | 10 00 | Mrs Flora Leadworth | 3 60 |
| Sadie Bolton..... | 1 00 | Moneta Kite..... | 50 |
| Mrs Nina Russell.... | 4 50 | Elizabeth Lauder.. | 1 00 |
| Mrs Mary Washburn | 1 50 | John Steinel..... | 1 00 |
| Mrs Maria T Benjamin | 50 | C M Kinny..... | 75 |
| Mrs S D Wagon..... | 2 00 | Mrs Sam Baker..... | 1 05 |
| Mrs Wright Barker.. | 7 80 | Mrs Stella Putnam.. | 1 00 |
| Mrs Rogers..... | 25 | Mrs S D Wagon..... | 1 00 |
| Mr Hoglen..... | 1 00 | Mrs Altman..... | 60 |
| Southern Union Conference | 5 00 | Mrs Anna Eads..... | 50 |
| Mary L Howlett.... | 5 00 | Mrs S Johnson..... | 1 72 |
| First Church of Washington | 50 00 | Mrs W C Thompson. | 1 00 |
| Pac. Union Conference | 77 | Josephine Dillman | 1 00 |
| Jane E Harrison.... | 75 | Mary L Howlett.... | 1 25 |
| M A Green..... | 2 50 | E D Hurlburt..... | 4 00 |
| Mrs Carrie Kingston | 30 | Mrs J L Wheeler.... | 1 20 |
| | | Mrs Della Beckberger | 1 50 |
| | | Mrs Georgie Rudolph | 2 00 |
| | | Mrs Mary Winters.. | 1 06 |
| | | Total..... | 69 01 |

FROM THE SELF-DENIAL BOXES

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| Phebe A Fish..... | 1 00 |
| Minn. Conference | |
| S. D. A..... | 26 44 |
| Cecil Graves..... | 28 |
| Roy Graves..... | 35 |
| Mrs L M Forney and children..... | 50 |
| Mrs Fred Moody.... | 89 |
| Mrs Groves..... | 93 |
| Mrs North..... | 69 |
| Mrs H C Mitchell... 2 00 | |
| Mrs Jennie Smith.... | 1 00 |
| Mrs Marie Robertson | 90 |

FOR THE SUPPORT OF MINISTERS WORKING FOR THE COLORED PEOPLE

A Friend..... 20 13

GREENVILLE SCHOOL BUILDING FUND

Previously reported.. 246 62
W J Whitson..... 5 00
John A Lauck..... 1 00
Andrew Bensen.... 50
Mrs Carrie Kingston 1 60

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We have opened a school at King's Crossing, Mississippi, a small place not far from Vicksburg.

NOTWITHSTANDING the wet weather of the past month our mission schools are in a more prosperous condition than ever before at this season of the year.

ARE you using a Self-denial Box? If not, please let us send you one. There will be many opportunities to use it between now and the beginning of next year.

BROTHER JOHN ALLISON, the teacher of the Greenville School, writes that his school is increasing in attendance and interest, notwithstanding the unfavorable weather.

HAVE you renewed your subscription to the GOSPEL HERALD? If not, please do so at once. You need the paper and we need your help in the work for which the paper stands.

WE have calls for help to establish schools at several different places in three different states. Our present income is sufficient only for the support of the schools already established. What reply shall we return to those who are saying, "Come over and help us"?

WE are getting some excellent letters from brethren who have ordered sets of our prophetic and law charts. Our people are pleased with these charts. Every family ought to have a set. The price is only one dollar for the set of two charts, and the money goes into the fund for the support of mission schools.

Miss Samuella Williams, a graduate of the Nashville colored high school, and also a graduate nurse, has offered her services as a mission school teacher, at much lower wages than she commands as a nurse. We need more such teachers. Miss Williams will doubtless be employed in one of our schools before this comes under the eye of the reader.

THE distinctive work of the Southern Missionary Society is the establishment and maintenance of mission schools for the colored people, and the building of mission church and school-houses. But the society assists also in the support of colored ministers laboring for their own race.

For a long time there has been urgent need of a colored minister in Georgia, especially in the city of Atlanta. The Georgia Conference was unable, however, either to find a minister of that race or to provide for his support had they been able to secure one. At this juncture the Southern Missionary Society offered to provide the necessary support, if the Mis-

issippi Conference would release one of their colored ministers for the work in Georgia. This the Mississippi brethren have consented to do. Elder Sebastian, an experienced colored minister will go to Georgia at once, therefore, to enter that needy field, working under the direction of the conference, but supported by the Southern Missionary Society. This arrangement has lifted a load from Elder Butler's heart, for he had tried for months to provide a minister for Atlanta, but without success until the society came to his assistance.

Those who wish to help in this work can send their donations to the Southern Missionary Society, North Station, Nashville, Tenn.

THE mission school is not only an entering wedge for the minister, but the mission school teachers themselves are mission workers, finding their way into homes the minister could not enter, thus reaching with the truth many that could be reached in no other way.

The mission schools that have been established in Mississippi and in other states, are doing a good work; and these should receive our continued support. Hundreds of these schools must be established. This line of effort has been especially presented before me as one of the most effectual and economical methods of giving the truth to the colored people. But the work is almost at a standstill for the lack of money to provide facilities and pay the wages of the teachers. — Mrs. E. G. White.

THE Southern Missionary Society now has a school at Natchez, Mississippi.

The Natchez school-room has been furnished with home-made desks and benches. Brother Rogers writes that this furniture, though plain, is substantial, and answers the purpose very well. We intend to furnish the Greenville building in the same way.

"It would be a splendid thing," remarks an exchange, "for our missionary workers to appropriate the zeal which the apostles possessed. They preached publicly and privately, and prayed earnestly for all men; they wept to God for the hardness of men's hearts. They became all things to all men that they might gain some; they traveled through deeps and deserts, endured the heat and violence of winds and tempests, seas and prisons, mockings and scourgings, fasting and poverty, labor and watching; they endured every man and the wrong in man; they would do no good, and suffer no evil, if they had but hopes to breathe upon a soul; they persuaded men meekly, they entreated them humbly, they convinced them powerfully; they watched for their good, and meddled not with their interests: this is the Christian zeal, zeal of meekness,

zeal of charity, zeal of patience. More of this kind of zeal is very desirable in the economy of modern day religious life."

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

THE Southern Missionary Society wants volunteers to sell 10,000 copies of the "Story of Joseph" before the close of the present year, working without commission, thus donating to the cause in the South the time spent in selling the books.

If you want to help the South, but are unable to give money, cannot you donate a few hours' time? The "Story of Joseph" sells readily at twenty-five cents a copy. It is owned wholly by this society, and every cent of profit derived from its sale goes to the support of mission schools among the colored people.

The books are sent out by prepaid mail, express, or freight to any one who agrees to sell them and return the full price to the Southern Missionary Society without unnecessary delay.

Let us hear from you, brethren and sisters; we need your help, and we need it as promptly as possible.

SOUTHERN MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
North Station, Nashville, Tenn.

BURNING OF THE HUNTSVILLE SCHOOL

FRIDAY morning, October 12, our hearts were made sad by receiving a telegram, stating that the main building of the Oakwood Training School at Huntsville, Ala., had been destroyed by fire about seven o'clock the previous evening, and that one of the students had lost his life in the fire.

The following Monday the writer, in company with Elder Butler and several other members of the Union Conference Committee, visited Huntsville and saw the ruins of the burned building. The building and contents were totally destroyed, nothing being saved except a part of the coal supply which was stored in the basement, and which, though still burning when we arrived there, was subsequently extinguished. A careful estimate of the value of the property destroyed places it at about \$4,500. The insurance was about two thousand dollars. This will probably be paid, leaving the net loss to the school of about \$2,500. The school was not in position to meet such a loss as this without feeling it very seriously. However, we found both teachers and students of good courage; and it was decided to rebuild just as soon as possible.

THE doctrine of self-denial is prominent in the New Testament Scriptures. Jesus taught it to his disciples, employing this language for that purpose: "Whosoever he be of you that hateth not all that he hath cannot be my disciple." He required the disciple to hate his father, mother, wife, children, brethren, sisters, and his own life, and to bear his cross, and come after him.—*National Baptist Union.*