

WOMAN'S SPHERE.

Rev. Dr. Talmage Says She Should Rule as a Queen in the Home.

Its Value as a Field of Usefulness—The Mother's Influence.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—In this discourse Dr. Talmage extols home as a field of usefulness and especially encourages women to work ever harder to make their spheres man to be regnant in his realm, woman to be dominant in hers.

What right does woman want that is greater than to be queen in such a realm? Why, the eagle's nest, the sun never sets on the British empire, but I have to tell you that on this realm of woman's influence eternity never marks any bound.

Isabella fled from the Spanish throne, pursued by the nation's anathema, but she who is queen in a home will never lose her throne, and death itself will only be the annexation of heavenly principalities.

Now, can you tell me how many thousands of women like that would have to be saved to cover the globe with a halo? Compared with this work of training kings and queens for God and eternity, how insignificant seems all this work of voting for aldermen and councilmen and sheriffs and constables and mayors and presidents!

When a woman is prepared to preach she will preach, and neither conference nor presbytery can hinder her. When a woman is prepared to vote in highest commercial spheres, she will have great influence on the exchange, and no boards of trade can hinder her.

I know there are women of most undeniable nature who wander up and down the country, having no homes of their own or forsaking their own homes, talking about their rights, and we know very well that they themselves are fit neither to vote nor to keep house.

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THE SABBATH SCHOOL.

International Lesson Comments For August 25--Daily Prayer. Dan. vi. 10-11; Psa. lv. 16-17; Per. xxiv. 3-7.

Subject: Abraham and Isaac, Gen. xlii. 1-14; Golden Text, Heb. xi. 17-19; Memory Verses, 6-8--Commentary on the Day's Lesson.

1. "After these things." The things recorded in the previous chapter regarding Isaac and Ishmael and their banishment. "Did prove Abraham" (K. V.) "Not in cite to sin (Jas. 1: 13), but try, prove give occasion for the development of faith." 1 Cor. 10: 13; Heb. 11: 17; James 1: 12.

2. "Thine only son." His only son by Sarah, his legal wife. Had Abraham's whole soul not been stayed simply on the Lord he never could have yielded unhesitating obedience to the command of Isaac.

3. "Rose up early." That there might be no appearance of delay or reluctance on his part he made every preparation for the sacrifice before setting out with the knife, the servants to convey them, and he had the painful secret put up in his bosom during the three days he was journeying toward the altar.

4. "The third day." Beer-sheba, Abraham's present home, was a town on the southern border of the Negev, about thirty miles south of Jerusalem, and three days was the usual time it would take them to make the journey.

5. "And worship." Perform a solemn act of devotion when the sacrifice is made. "Come again to you." This may have been an expression of faith that God would restore his son even if actually sacrificed.

6. "And Isaac said." Isaac carried the wood for the burnt offering, so Isaac carried the tree where he died (John 19: 17); the giving of Isaac was also typical, for Christ was bound, Matt. 27: 32.

7. "Where is the lamb?" The tender heart of Isaac was to be surprised by those of Gethsemane and Calvary. Nothing can be conceived more affectionate and affecting.

8. "Will provide." The patriarch spoke prophetically, and referred to that Lamb of God who in the fulness of time should take away the sin of the world, and of whom Isaac was a most expressive type.

9. "Bound Isaac, his son." Had not the patriarch been sustained by the full consciousness of acting in obedience to God's will, the effort made to have been too great for human endurance; and had not Isaac, then probably twenty-five years of age, displayed equal faith in submitting to this trial could not have survived through.

10. "Stretched forth his hand." The deed is virtually done when the victim is bound, and the sacrifice is made. He will take the will for the deed, but never the deed for the will.

11. "The angel of the Lord." The very person who was represented by this offering; the Lord Jesus, who calls Himself Jehovah (v. 16), and on His own authority renews the promises of the covenant.

12. "Lay not thine hand." The sacrifice was virtually offered, the intention, the purpose to do it, was shown in all sincerity and fulness. "I know," the beneficence of our fearing God is our being willing to honor Him with that which is dear to us, and to part with all for Him.

13. "Behold a ram." Though Christ was typified by Isaac, the sacrifice of Isaac was not the sacrifice of Isaac as such, but the sacrifice of Isaac as a type of the sacrifice of Christ.

14. "Elohuah-jireh." That is, "The Lord will see, or provide." It shall be seen. The meaning is that this was the spot of God's choice for the manifestation of His visible presence, where the sanctuary should be erected, and where He offered. After the ram had been offered the angel of the Lord again called to Abraham and renewed the covenant that God had made with him. Abraham then returned to Beer-sheba.

EPWORTH LEAGUE MEETING TOPICS.

August 25--"Daily Prayer." Dan. vi. 10-11; Psa. lv. 16-17; Per. xxiv. 3-7.

Daily prayer is as necessary to the soul as daily air is to the body. Daniel was a hero because he prayed. Then he prayed because he was a hero.

Characteristics of prayer. He must believe that God will reward righteousness. Without faith it is impossible to please God. The prayer must represent spiritual energy.

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Now this could William not gainsay, for it chanced that he, too, was brought up in the strictest sect of the Pharisees.

Had a Thought for the Aged. An old woman was climbing off a second avenue car at the bridge yesterday afternoon when a truck driver who was in a hurry yelled to the conductor to get the car out of his way.

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