

# SUNDAY SERMON

Brilliant Discourse By Rev. Edward Niles.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—The Rev. Edward Niles, pastor of the White (Bushwick Avenue Reformed) Church, preached Sunday on "The Recent Religious Revivals."

Such was the query that came to a minister of the Reformed Church in Schenectady. He recalled the Christian forces of that city, and their first onslaught was successful beyond what they could have expected.

That city is full of men and women to-day who have made their peace with God, of those who are asking, "What must I do to be saved?" and, equally important, of those who have already found an answer to the question.

Many in our ranks are seeking after compromise with evil, the abandonment of our spiritual integrity, accommodation to the demands of the world.

From London comes the echo of the angel's footsteps, forcing back its sin, shame and poverty that the churches, charging shoulder to shoulder, may resist the temptations of Satan.

With thrilling distinctness I hear the reverberations of the marching in Liverpool. Almost incredulously I ask, "Can it be, in this twentieth century, when we have been so long in the world, that revivalism is dead, that the greatest commercial center of the world is stirred as never before in its history by the story of Jesus?"

"Yes," comes the answer from many witnesses. But it tells of a man who succeeded where Rhoades, Sturges, Milne and all the other "statesmen" signally failed.

The sound of marching in the tops of the mulberry trees has been so loud in Wales that even our daily papers this side of the Atlantic have heard, and found place to record it in their columns.

They killed a number of rabbits in the same manner, and still others by chasing them into dens and twisting them out with long forked sticks.

# THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR MARCH 19.

Subject: Healing of the Man Born Blind. John 9: 1-41—Golden Text, John 9: 5—Memory Verses, 10, 11—Commentary on the Day's Lesson.

I. A man born blind (v. 1). "As Jesus passed by," Jesus still lingered at Jerusalem, and in one of His rambles, perhaps to or from the temple, He came to this blind man. "He saw," Jesus took notice of his affliction; looked upon him with concern. He anticipated his need.

II. Jesus explains the mystery of providence (v. 2-3). "Disciples asked." The first question that occurred to the mind was why this blindness existed. "Who did sin?" Scripture teaches that all disease, and even death, is the fruit of sin.

III. Jesus heals the man (v. 4-10). "Neither," that is, so as to be the cause of the blindness. Our Lord does not deny the existence of sin, either in this man or in his parents. The disciples looked to the origin of the suffering; our Lord looked to its removal. They asked, "Who is to blame?" Jesus asked, "Who is to be saved?"

IV. The man's testimony (v. 11-18). "I was a beggar," and as the former they must purify and preserve, and as the latter they must illuminate. The passage from Romans is in the construction chapter, and deals with consecration applied to our business.

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Nothing will correct a libel quicker than correct living. No money is worth making that makes the man. The unfaithful Christian makes the infidel world.

It is His name on our work that makes it worthy. One word of love may make a new world to some life. A creed may make a good chart, but it is a poor compass.

No time is wasted that a man spends with his children. A pope in the pulpit is no better than a boss in the pews. The meeting that would freeze your feet is not going to thaw the sinner's heart.

# CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR TOPICS.

MARCH NINETEENTH.

"Glorifying God in Our Daily Work." Matt. 5: 13-16; Rom. 12: 11.

Scripture Verses.—Ex. 13: 21, 22; 16: 12, 13; Deut. 33: 12, 13; Ps. 121: 3; Luke 11: 2 Cor. 4: 18; 12: 9; Phil. 4: 12, 13; Heb. 12: 8.

Every day should be sacred. There should be no break between Sabbath. The cable of divine motive should stretch through seven days, touching with its sanctifying power every hour of the day.—Bishop Vincent.

Every day as it passes out of eternity keeps putting this question: "What will you do before this day has sunk into eternity again?"—Robertson.

Why cannot we slip our hands into His each day, walk trustingly over that day's appointed path, thorny or flowery, crooked or straight, knowing that evening will bring us sleep, peace and home?—Phillips Brooks.

Whoever knows God will know his business better, and whoever spends his time well in God's house on Sunday will spend his time well in his own house the rest of the week.

Sundays are for spiritual food, and the other days are for spiritual exercise, and feeding without working is certain to bring on disease.

As the Salt of the Earth. Salt is a nourishing substance. It is a universal condiment. It renders food palatable and healthful. So the Christian makes the world a fit place in which to live. Salt preserves and keeps from corruption.

As the Light of the World. Light is the great illuminator. Whether the natural light of the sun or the artificial light of oil or electricity, it uncovers and discovers. It dispels the darkness and cold of the night. It gives life to the world.

As the Bread of Life. Bread is the sustenance of the body. It is the food that keeps us from starving. It is the food that makes us strong and healthy.

# THE GREAT DESTROYER

SOME STARTLING FACTS ABOUT THE VICE OF INTemperance.

Interesting Figures in Answer to the Question, "Does It Pay to Banish the Saloon From a Community?"—Prosperity of Kansas. A. W. Weekly Times.

There were some who were wrestling with the problem of no saloons, all the saloon sympathizers in Southern California predicted that it would kill the place.

God's invitation pledges satisfaction to our hunger and thirst. Jesus renewed the promise in like terms: "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled."

In the wet cities and towns, Los Angeles and San Pedro are the only ones that are prosperous in the list. The Government is spending a vast amount of money improving the harbor at San Pedro.

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New York has a population of 3,437,000 people, and has 19,832 saloons; Chicago, 1,638,000 people, with 6460 saloons; Philadelphia, 1,294,000 people and 1700 saloons; St. Louis, 575,000 people and 2000 saloons; Boston, with 591,000 people, has 790 saloons; Baltimore, with 500,000 people, has 600 saloons; Cleveland, 381,000, 1888 saloons, and San Francisco, 343,000 people, 3007 saloons; Washington, 279,000 people and 515 saloons; Manila, 229,000 people and 329 saloons.

Our boys, as well as their fathers and mothers, may well give serious thought to the question asked on a placard posted among the advertisements in street cars of some of our large cities. The placard reads as follows: "A saloon can no more be run without using boys than a flour-mill without wheat or a sawmill without logs."

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# Household Matters

Charming Effect in Mauve. Until this season color tones of mauve were almost impossible to get in draperies of an attractive kind.

To Improve Cut Glass. To bring out the brilliancy of cut glass, ammonia should be placed in the water in which it is to be rinsed.

Decorations and Furnishings. Ruffled serim curtains, with a home femme-to-match, are among the very latest of the new in the window-dressing world.

Tea Should Not Boil. Tea should never be boiled. By doing this an extract is obtained from the leaf which if constantly used will become quite harmful.

For the Chimney Place. An effective as well as new idea is to panel the chimney-breast of the fireplace of a mission room with a Japanese leather paper and inclose it in a frame of plain, imported ingrain paper.

Of Interest to Home Builders. A small house for the country or suburbs that unites practical and artistic features in an effective manner is illustrated in the Delineator and will prove interesting to intending home builders.

Household Recipes. Fruit Sandwiches—Cut small, equal quantities of fine, fresh figs, raisins and blanched roasted peanuts.

Cornstarch Pudding Without Eggs—One pint of new milk with six tablespoonfuls of cornstarch, stirred to a paste; have one quart of milk in a double lined boiler, and while boiling, stir in one coffee cup full of sugar.

Mock Turtle Soup—Add four hard-boiled eggs cut into eighth, the juice of half a lemon, or a lemon peeled, then slice thin (this last to be laid on the surface after the soup is dished).



The Sunday Breakfast Table

The mercy of God is free, but it is not cheap. The greatest of heresies is to deny God's will to save, but next to it is the other heresy which asserts that sin is no affront to God.

When God invites there are no limits to His wish to help. The prophet rightly interprets God's thoughts when he uses the most inclusive of all pronouns: "every one."

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rudyard Kipling's lungs are too weak to stand an English winter. He has not been strong since an attack of pneumonia caused apprehension years ago.

Muscle does not make manhood, but manhood does make muscle.

Summer three minutes after boiling up.