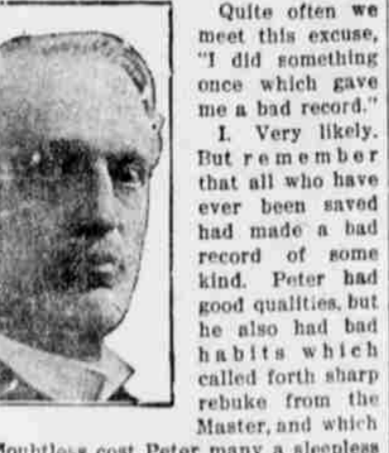


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A Pious Hypocrite. Senator Cummins was talking about a notorious interlocking director, relates the Kansas City Star. "This interlocking director," he said, "declares that if we curb his activities the poor will suffer terribly. I ask myself, though, is he really speaking on behalf of the poor or on his own behalf."

Excuses For Not Becoming A Christian

By REV. HOWARD POPE, Superintendent of Men, Moody Bible Institute, Chicago. TEXT—They all with one consent began to make excuse.—Luke 14:18.



Quite often we meet this excuse, "I did something once which gave me a bad record." I am very likely. But remember that all who have ever been saved had made a bad record of some kind. Peter had good qualities, but he also had bad habits which called forth sharp rebuke from the Master, and which doubtless cost Peter many a sleepless night.

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By E. O. SKELLS, Acting Director Sunday School Course, Moody Bible Institute, Chicago. LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 8 SOWING AND REAPING. (World's Temperance Lesson.)

Nowhere do the Scriptures excuse men from the results of their own sins. The effects of sins, and of blessings alike, are unto the succeeding generations. France is still paying in the physical realm the cost of Napoleon's ambition. Europe will have a greater debt to pay biologically than any which will be charged against its exchequers as the result of this inhuman and uncalled-for war.

I. Those Who Trespass, vv. 1-5. Jesus plainly instructs us that "trespassers must needs come." Our problem is (a) to avoid being the trespasser and (b) the manner of our conduct towards those who do trespass. In this lesson the second question is treated first. Though a man be overtaken in the very act of trespassing, those who are taught and governed by the Holy Spirit (see chapter 5:16-25) are to prove to the world by their conduct that they are thus taught and governed. They are to "restore such an one," considering at the same time themselves lest they, too, stumble. To restore is to replace, "to reduce a fracture," to put a member of the body into its proper place. Every believer is a member of the body of which Christ is the head (I Cor. 12:12, 14, 27, and one who falls (stumbles) into sin is a member out of place. This work is not a severe or brutal process. It is to be gently and meekly done. There is great danger of spiritual pride at this point, as we see other down that we, in our assumed holiness, no not alienate, or offend, those whom we are seeking to restore, see I Cor. 10:12.

Man's Duty to Man. The first step is to help our erring brother to bear his burdens (weights) of temptation, weakness, failure and sin, and in so doing we "fulfill the law of Christ," Ch. 5:14; John 13:34; Rom. 13:8. Jesus Christ not only gave us this law, but he also lived it as well. Phil. 2:5-8. The true disciple, who is really trying to help his brother bear his burden, does so with the consciousness not of his own rectitude, but rather that through the grace of God he has been kept from a like fate. Other wise the man who "thinketh himself to be something" deceives himself, and no one else. God knows, so does the one whom we seek to help, if we are animated by spiritual pride and boastfulness. This is a measuring line whereby we may judge ourselves (v. 4). Pride and criticism of others largely comes from a desire to glory in ourselves, not so much that we condemn the acts of our neighbor. In verse three we are admonished to bear the burdens—"weights"—of others. In verse five we are told that every man must bear his own burden—"load," i. e., the burden of his own responsibility. No man can bear that load for another, whereas all men can share the "weights" of temptation, weakness, failure and sin. No man is held responsible for the failure and weakness of others, Rom. 14:12, and every man is urged to cast his burden of care upon him, I Pet. 5:7. No man can escape the burden of his personal responsibility, and part of that responsibility is the work of helping the weaker brother to bear his burden.

II. Those Who Are Taught, vv. 6-10. Paul clearly sets before us the responsibility of being enlightened. Being taught, we must pass on the knowledge we have been taught, share the "good things" (v. 6) we have received, see Prov. 11:24; II Cor. 9:6. Those who refrain from this adding their teachers gain no personal advantage. The word "mocked" means to sneer. Men may sneer at God and think they escape the result of their sin, but like still produces like. Sow corn, reap corn; sow figs, reap figs; sow wheat, reap wheat. In spite of the contempt men have for God and in the face of their acceptance of this principle in other realms they continue in their sin with a strange fatalistic persistence.

Habits Bless or Curse. This principle has a wide application. Sow shame, reap dishonor; sow hate, reap bitterness; sow love, reap the fruits of love, kindness, affection and esteem. Every act is a process of sowing. Every appetite fostered, gratified and pampered helps to produce a crop of habits either to bless or to curse. This gives color and significance to the words of verse eight, "If that sower to his own flesh shall sow" (his own) the flesh reap corruption." If, however, under the leading of the Holy Spirit (cf. John 6:63; II Cor. 3:6) we sow to the Spirit, we will reap eternal life for "this is eternal life that we may know him." To sow to the flesh is to reap moral and physical decay and destruction. To sow to the Spirit is to reap life, eternal, endless and like unto his divine life. Certainly these words are as "practical" as the most advanced pragmatist or man of business could ask for. It is doubtful if we can find anywhere in the world any more convincing or impressive language.

Sow a thought, reap an act; Sow an act, reap a habit; Sow a habit, reap a destiny. The practical application is in verse nine. If there are such possibilities of development, "let us not weary of well-doing." Our sowing is not a matter of caprice or convenience. Nor should we, through weariness, cease our activity. Verse ten indicates that sowing is an obligation, "so then as we have opportunity." We are not to pick the pleasant fields and favorable seasons alone in which to do this work. For illustration see Phil. 4:22.

Reminded of His Dependence. An old Puritan used to keep a wrenfast with the foot broken off, and with the inscription "Hold thou me up and I shall be safe" upon it. To remind him of his dependence on God.

TEMPERANCE NOTES

(Conducted by the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.) BODY AS A MACHINE. How will total abstinence most effectively appeal to the boy in his teens? asks many a mother and many a teacher. The angle of vision most likely to interest him in that which emphasizes bodily efficiency. Hear what that experienced educator, Hon. Edward Hyatt, superintendent of public instruction for the state of California, has to say about it:

"Many a boy, if he could look upon his body as a machine, could stand outside himself as it were and look at himself with the same eyes with which he regards his bicycle, would be made sensible of the danger, uselessness and utter folly of trifling with a habit that has overthrown millions of strong ones who thought it a joke until it was too late to see that death hid behind the mask.

"This is an age of mechanical invention. It is an age of comprehension, an intelligent understanding of mechanism, even by the very young. The boys of our year are thinking in constructive terms, of the relation of parts to other parts, of loss by friction, chemical waste, of chemical agents that preserve a machine and other chemical agents that ruin it. It is ours to shift this idea until the boy applies it to his own God-given body—than which there is no more perfect machine in all the world."

DIFFERENCE IT WOULD MAKE. The Chicago Live Stock World quotes Mr. Charles F. Scott, ex-congressman of Kansas, as to some of the results if the annual liquor bill—nearly \$30 per capita—were no more than that in Kansas—\$1.25 per capita. Mr. Scott says: "If the national liquor bill could be reduced to Kansas proportions, with the corresponding reduction in murder and assault and theft and the long catalogue of crime that follows in the wake of the use of alcohol could be stopped, if the heartache and heart-break, the wreck of lives of women and children could be saved—if all that could be done the minimum wage wouldn't matter, for women wouldn't have to work, and the railroad rate wouldn't matter, and there would be enough money to pay them, and the trusts wouldn't matter, for we would be so happy we wouldn't worry about them, and the currency wouldn't matter, for prosperity would be no general that we could thrive under any currency law."

A PATRIOTIC APPEAL. An appeal urging that all men now serving in the British army and navy abstain from the use of intoxicating drinks, at least while the war lasts, pointed out that alcohol: 1. Reduces the power to see signals. 2. Confuses prompt judgment. 3. Spoils accurate shooting. 4. Hastens fatigue. 5. Lessens resistance to disease and exposure. 6. Increases shock from wounds. This appeal was signed by the following eminent physicians: Sir Thomas Barlow (the king's physician), Sir Frederick Treves, Surgeon General Ervitt Sir Victor Horsley, and Prof. Sims Woodhead. It was published by the newspapers and issued as a poster in red and blue ink.

CAUSE OF CHILD LABOR. There will be general agreement with the statement made by Mr. Daniel A. Pelling, the noted Christian Endeavor lecturer, that the cause for child labor abuses is directly traceable to the liquor traffic. "Drink," he says, "has impaired or cut off entirely the earning power of the natural provider; the father has lost his job because of drink. But the fact that the natural provider has lost his job does not at all indicate that his children have lost their appetites. Child laborers are working to feed hungry stomachs, to clothe naked bodies."

EFFICIENCY. German army officers find that out of 30 shots fired, men averaged 23 hits on abstaining days, three hits on drinking days. And the amount taken was less than that contained in a quart of 4 per cent beer. These and similar experiments have made the Kaiser a total abstainer, and it is why he is urging the army to follow his example.

GREAT PUBLIC HEALTH MENACE. The licensing of the saloon for the drinking of crime-producing poison is a far greater public health menace and quite as logical as would be the sale and general distribution of typhoid and tuberculosis germs.—Dr. De Witt G. Wilcox, of the Boston University School of Medicine.

TAX ON CANDIES. Under a rule announced by Internal Revenue Commissioner Osborn, hollowed candies filled with liquor are now subject to special tax. Thus our government proposes to profit by the efforts of liquor sellers to breed a taste for intoxicants among candy-eaters—chiefly children.

DEATH DUE TO ALCOHOL. It is estimated from figures of medical inspectors of large American insurance companies that there is one death due directly or indirectly to alcohol every eight minutes, or as many people die every eight days in America as went down on the Titanic.

TEMPERANCE DEFINED. Total abstinence from all that is evil, moderate in all that is good.

Felt Bad About It. That it is a difficult matter to locate people in some of the big hotels in New York was demonstrated recently. A father and son stopped at the same hotel for three days and neither knew of the other's proximity. Of course, both had failed to make inquiries of the clerk, each believing that the other hadn't arrived. When it was time for the son to return home he went to the desk and asked if a telegram had been received for him. "No," said the clerk, "but I have two for Mr. Dash." "Why, that is my father," said the inquirer. Then, when the young man learned that both had been stopping at the same hotel for three days and that his father left an hour before, he was greatly annoyed.

It may be more blessed to give than to receive, but most of us are willing to let the other fellow have the blessing.

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THE RASH ON BABY'S BODY. Parkwood Pl., N. W., Washington, D. C.—"When my babe was about weeks old I noticed a scurf on her scalp which gradually grew worse. It was a fine rash over her head and neck and made her very restless at night. The rash left the thick scurf on her head. We used ————, but nothing seemed to do any good. This continued until she was three months old and by that time it formed a crust, so that her scalp never cleared. Nothing helped until we used Cuticura Soap to bathe and Cuticura Ointment to anoint. They acted like magic, clearing the scalp entirely. The trouble disappeared." (Signed) Mrs. H. L. Anderson, Mar. 20, 1914.

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