

THE SOWER

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THE POWER TO OVERCOME

In words that encourage, comfort, strengthen and challenge our inner spirits, and lift them on wings of high resolve, a modern prophet and seer speaks to us in the following stirring utterances:

In a time of breakdown and depression it is courage and insight which we need. In those dark hours we need to overcome fear and indecision. In a hard age we need moral reinforcement. We need the inner resistance which will not allow us to succumb to hard and grueling circumstances.

Those who believe that the human family is prepared in any age to assume full charge of its direction, and has ample resources for any emergency, have received a rude shock in recent years as business failures mounted and the suicide list lengthened.

The fact that the Bible and religious activity can help human beings make a better adjustment to life should be welcomed as good news to the children of men.

We need something to help us overcome our fear—for we are creatures for the most part of fear. We fear others. And, indeed, there is sometimes good ground for fearing others, for they can do such terrible things to us.

At times we fear ourselves. We are so weak and selfish and lazy. We should be climbing the heights but we are cowardly sulking away. Some-

times we even fear life itself. Will we make a go of it or will it prove to be too much for us and crush us?

Whenever we find ourselves in a mood of fear from whatever cause, would we not be stiffened in purpose and inspired in our emotions by the indomitable courage of Joshua and Caleb? These two men had accompanied the ten other spies who had been sent to spy out the land of Canaan. They saw a land flowing with milk and honey. However, they found that the people who dwell in the land were strong, dwelling in walled cities. They saw the giants in the land.

The ten spies fixed their eyes on the giants and the walled cities and the difficulties which were like strong and fierce lions in the way. Caleb and Joshua did not forget the giants nor the walled cities, and certainly the lions in the way. They had, however, the spirit of Napoleon who said: "There are no Alps, march on into Italy."

But the other spies were seized with a panic of fear which was quickly communicated to the people who suddenly became sure that they could not conquer the land. So loud became the threat of rebellion that Joshua and Caleb rent their clothes: "And they spake unto all the company of the children of Israel, saying, The land, which we passed through to search it, is an exceeding good land. If the Lord delight in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it us; a land which floweth with milk and honey. Only rebel not against the Lord, neither fear ye the people of the land; for they are bread for us, their defiance is departed from them, and the Lord is with us, fear them not."

What magnificent courage! But why were these two men able to cast out all fear? I wonder if it were not the fact that instead of having their eyes fixed on the giants they had them fixed on Almighty God? Is it not abundantly true that many a man weak and afraid has fixed his mind on Jehovah and has become able to say: "The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"

We need to overcome the tyranny of our little selves. We walk in such restricted areas when hemmed in by

the boundaries of self. How perfectly miserable we can allow ourselves to become when we do not determine to get our minds on something beyond ourselves. We are so obsessed by what we want, what people should think of us, and how we should be treated.

PATTON METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday, October the 5th will be observed by Christians around the world as World Communion Sunday. Men and people of different races, creeds and lands will join in prayer and consecration. Christians of all denominations on every continent, will remember our Lord's passion and death. May every professing Christian in every church in every land forget differences, national differences, nationalisms, jealousies, hatreds, and war as we gather around the Lord's Table.

Paul might have lived in comfortable circumstances all his life, but for the sake of Christ he became "poor." Willingly he accepted every privation that his loyalty to Christ imposed upon him. Through Christ he entered that company of rare spirits who cannot be defeated. The stuff of which they are made is strikingly illustrated in the celebratory story of Diognetus who was hailed before the king for insubordination. Said the king: "Do you know what I can do to you?" The saint: "You cannot harm me, my life is hid with God." The king: "I will strip you of all your possessions." The saint: "You cannot reach them, my treasure is in heaven." The king: "I will exile you to a barren island." The saint: "Nothing can separate me from the love of God." The king: "Then I will kill you." The saint: "You will but send me to be with Christ, which is much better."

SOLDIERS WILL MAKE EXCELLENT HUSBANDS

With a little deft handling, American soldiers of 1941 here will make a perfect husband.

For example, he has learned in the army to eat any and all dishes and, equally as important, he is in the habit of saying "Yes Mam," which can be changed to "Yes Sir," with a minimum of persuasion.

Further, the soldier knows how to make his own—and other's beds; can polish brass and therefore silver, he can shine leather and sew on buttons. Since during his own socks is necessary in the army, the skill he has acquired in the "M" and "M" is "M."

Next, the 1941 soldier lives on \$21 or \$20 a month, which means he must be thrifty. He is an expert cleaner in that sweeping and dusting are a part of his every day duties.

Since military training has curtailed his social life, he is easily pleased by any kind of attention from the weaker sex. True he will not show his emotions quite as freely but just the same he is easily affected.

Highly important is the fact that the soldier of today likes to listen to just about anything being said by a feminine voice. This is in sharp contrast to the run-of-the-mill prospective husband picked up from civilian life; and is explained by the fact that the soldier spent so much time listening to harsh harrangue of Sergeants that the silver tones of feminine cooing is music to his ears.

Lastly, the soldier is an easy catch. He is super-sensitive to all cosmetics and in the case of perfume—one whiff and he's yours.

SCHOOL BEGINS AGAIN

With the first crisp days of fall begins the daily exodus of the children of America. Facing along quiet street and therefore, chattering together through the fallen leaves, chattering together like a group of mariposa, they go back to school with, God be thanked, books under their arms, not gas masks. The gongs to them are signals for recess or the end of the school day—not air raid warnings.

One of the great advantages in the American school system is the habit it inculcates in the children—the teaching of children from all sorts of homes that when they enter the classroom, they are on the basis of equality with every other child in the room. Protestant, Catholic, or Jew, White, Negro or Mongolian—that there the only superiority is superiority of the brain; of concentration, of willingness to work.

There they have to learn how to get along with other children, which is the best training for getting along with people when they go out into the world. As in life, if they cannot keep up on matter they learn that they drop back into another class. Rain or shine they are expected to be at school in their appointed places at their appointed time. They learn that there are certain things that one can not get out of—and they learn that alibis do not count.

But one thing that should be done in all the classes in all the schools in this country is to try to make the children realize what a privilege this country is to have. What a great advantage they have in a free education in a classroom where opportunity to learn is based on ability and on willingness to study, not on race or creed. We have neglected to stress the importance of school days in our haste to make gala days of holidays. School has too often been

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something to be hurried through. We have neglected to teach the children to appreciate school itself. The children of today must be taught that democracy, equality, freedom are not empty words, to be sung or recited about and then forgotten—but that they are the clarion calls to tasks which are theirs as surely as were the tasks of the pioneers, or of the boys in our armed services. The right to freedom must be earned by each generation. The young men of the country are in camp to fit themselves for the defense of their country if war comes. Their brothers and sisters are in school to fit themselves for life under these freedoms. All are soldiers together in an Army for America. GERMANY'S LOSSES IN THREE MONTHS EXCEED 1918 MARK Germany in the last three months has suffered casualties greater than in any single year of the World War. It was stated officially in London during the week, and Russian armies during the week and fifteen million men make certain there will be a winter conflict on the eastern front.