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JESUS AND THE AFFLICTED.

GOLDEN TEXT.

"Is any among you afflicted? let him pray."—James 5: 13.

I. JESUS SEEKS RETIREMENT BEYOND THE LAND OF ISRAEL AND OF HEROD. 21. *Then Jesus went thence:* from Galilee, and probably Capernaum (John 6: 59). *And departed:* rather *withdrew*, as Rev Ver, implying that the reasons for going lay in the place from which he went, rather than in the place to which he was going. *Into the coasts:* the parts, district, or environs. It was the narrow strip of country in which Tyre and Sidon were the seaports and capitals, and the mountainous part of the country which bordered on Galilee. The journey was not long, as Tyre is only about 35 miles, and Sidon 55 miles from the Sea of Galilee. *Tyre and Sidon* Tyre and Sidon were Phœnician seaports, and great commercial emporiums. Tyre was 19 miles in circumference, and was noted for its great wealth and Tyrian purple dye. Sidon had glass manufactories, and was distinguished for its schools of literature. At present they are both in a miserably degraded condition; mere villages. The population of Tyre is from 3000 to 4000; and that of Sidon is about 5000.

REASONS FOR JESUS' RETIREMENT. (1) To be beyond the domain of Herod, who thought him to be John the Baptist restored to life (Matt. 14: 2). (2) To avoid the machinations of the Pharisees. (3) To prevent any uprising of the people to make him join in rebellion and become the temporal Messiah of their hopes (John 6: 14, 15). (4) To give opportunity for the rest and private instruction of his disciples. (5) He would teach them the lesson so hard for them to learn, that his Gospel began with the Jews, but was broad enough to include all nations.

II. A SYRO-PHŒNICIAN MOTHER PLEADING FOR HER DAUGHTER. 22. *A woman of Canaan.* Mark describes her more particularly. She was a *Greek* or Gentile, i.e., in language and religious education, and a *Syro-Phœnician* by race. *Came out of the same coasts:* or borders. She came from a part or village of the same country on whose borders Jesus was. *And cried unto him:* falling at his feet (Mark 7: 25). She, living near Galilee, had heard of his marvellous works. *Have mercy on me:* for her daughter's trouble was her own. *O Lord, thou son of David.* She so addresses Jesus, because, from living in the neighborhood of the Jews, she was familiar with their Messianic expectations, and with the Messiah's title. *My daughter is grievously vexed with a devil:* or demon. Mark calls it "an unclean spirit," because it produces uncleanness of body and soul.

DEMONIACAL POSSESSION. (1) Jesus speaks of these cases as if they were real possessions by demons, and not merely cases of insanity. (2) Demoniacal possession is almost always connected with other bodily disease. It is not probable that demons can gain such possession of a healthy body. (3) It is not certain that such possessions may not sometimes occur now in connection with some cases of insanity.

APPLICATIONS. (1) These possessions by demons were typical of the moral power of Satan in the world. There are evils in the world as malign, as full of wretchedness and torment, as hard to cast out, as were these demons; such as intemperance, selfishness, bad habits, irreligion. (2) Jesus is the only one who can cast out these demons. We are to bring men to him, as our only help in this greatest need.

III. FAITH TRIUMPHANT OVER MANY OBSTACLES. VERS. 23–28.

FIRST OBSTACLE. The fact that this woman was a foreigner and a heathen. Her faith overcame this obstacle. That she went to Jesus at all shows her faith.

SECOND OBSTACLE. She came without invitation to one she had never seen, and who was of a race which despised both her race and religion, and who was trying to avoid all notice and attention (Mark 7). She overcame this obstacle by the knowledge of what Jesus had already done in Galilee.

THIRD OBSTACLE. *Silence.* 23. *But he answered her not a word.* To all her entreaties he for a time kept silence. There was no response. *Why did Jesus thus hesitate and delay to answer her?* (1) Jesus, by this refusal, tries the woman's faith, that he may purify and deepen it. (2) Also to prove her faith to his disciples. They were Jews, and must learn to intercede for a heathen woman, before they could carry the Gospel to the Gentiles. (3) Edersheim thinks that the key to Jesus' silence was her use of the expression, "Thou Son of David," in which she seemed not to realize the true and world-wide nature of the true Messiah, but only a Messiah of the Jews, belonging to the Jews. He did not wish to endorse her narrow views by assenting to them, nor to make a denial of her request.

FOURTH OBSTACLE. *And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away.* Dismiss her by granting her request, as is evident from our Saviour's answer in the next verse.

FIFTH OBSTACLE. *Seeming refusal.* 24. *I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel.* Here Christ defines his own mission, not that of his disciples; but only the limits of his own personal and earthly ministry. It was not a refusal, but a postponement, to educate her faith and train the disciples for their world-wide mission.

Why did Jesus confine his personal mission to the Jews? The very purpose of Jesus to save all men could be best accomplished by training a few thoroughly in the principles of his kingdom. There was not time in his short ministry to train more

SIXTH OBSTACLE. 25. *Then came she and worshipped him.* She prostrated herself before him, in lowly and lovely adoration. Saying, *Lord, help me.* She would not let her Saviour go. And he loved that it should be so.

26 *But he answered:* not as giving his own opinion, but as expressing the popular feeling of which she was aware. *It is not meet:* fitting, proper. *To take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs* (literally, the little dogs, domestic dogs). The "children" are the Jews; the "dogs" are the Gentiles. This was the name applied by the Jews to all outside the chosen race, the dog being in the East a symbol of impurity.

27. *And she said:* in a spirit of beautiful submission, and most charming ingenuousness and ingenuity. "It was in vain to try to weary out a mother's love." *Truth, Lord.* She acquiesces in what Jesus says. The proverb is true; but out of its very truth she brings an argument for the granting of her request. *Yet:* rather, as in Rev. Ver., *for even.* It is not in spite of, but because of the truth of the proverb, that she argues for help. *The dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table.* She should, if a dog, be treated as well as a dog

FAITH TRIUMPHANT. 28. *Then Jesus answered...O woman, great is thy faith.* He had been all along admiring it, and bringing it out into fuller and yet fuller development. He now expresses his admiration; for, when commendation is needed, and will encourage and cheer without puffing up, it is well and wise to give it. (1) Her faith was great in its *love*, being for her daughter. (2) It was great in its earnestness. (3) It was great in its foundations, the power and love of the Messiah, and his past good deeds to others. (4) It was great in its humility, conquering self. (5) It was great in overcoming obstacles. (6) It was great in its nature; a perfect trust in the goodness and love of the Saviour. (7) It was great in its fruits. *And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.*

IV. THE MANIFOLD BLESSINGS OF THE GOSPEL. 29. *And Jesus departed from thence.* His plans for retirement having been again deferred by the miracle just wrought and the notoriety it would bring. *And came nigh unto the sea of Galilee;* in Decapolis, or "the region of the ten cities" (Mark 7: 31). *Into a mountain.* The high land on the west shore of the sea.

30. *And great multitudes* There was considerable time for retirement on his journey, and during his stay here, before the multitude found him out. *Lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others* A great variety of diseases, four of which are named as specimens. Mark gives one case from among the number (Mark 7: 32–37), and relates a cure of a deaf man, with an impediment in his speech.

31. *And they glorified the God of Israel,* who had sent his Son to heal and help the people.

Note (1) These were most difficult cases of disease to heal. (2) No natural causes can possibly explain these manifestations of Christ's power. (3) The miracles were, both in manner and in matter, worthy of the Son of God.

THE OBJECT OF THESE MIRACLES. (1) They are the natural accompaniments of a divine being. He that is able to speak divine words will be able to do divine deeds. (2) Hence they were the proofs of his divine mission. (3) They were signs, not of power only or chiefly, but of the love, tenderness, pity, which were the true marks or "notes" of the kingdom of heaven.

The World's 'Goods.'

It seems to me there is a solemn irony in that word "goods." What men call "goods" they do not mean the truth, things spiritual and things eternal, but they mean boxes, and bales, and bundles of things kept in stores; things that perish with their use. Those are their goods. Far be it for me to disparage money or its equivalent, to disparage wealth; it is not a thing to be despised; it is a blessing for a man to have money if there is a right use of it. He can make the world brighter and better; he can make homes happier and hearts lighter; he can make the heart of the widow sing for joy and the orphan clap his hands and bless his benefactor. It is not a sin for man to toil for it, to plan for it, and yet though it be a blessing how easily God can put a curse upon the blessing. Its possession ought, one would think, to give a man comfort, quiet and safety, and an easy, luxurious sort of a time. We imagine that what is the matter with many of us is we are so miserably poor, and have to delve, and to scrape, and scrimp, and save at every turn, and do not have the means to enjoy ourselves. We have a notion that what we want is money, like a hundred men we can think of. It ought to surround one with every comfort, it ought to lift one out of the reach of carking care: it ought to take the ashes out of the heart one would think, but it does not. How easily the Lord can plant thorns in the rich man's pathway; how easily he can make him more uncomfortable when rich than when poor, so that he shall look back regretfully to the time when he worked for two dollars a day. How easy for the Lord to make the rich man's money a bountiful crust to him; how it enlarges his vulnerability. If I were in a country where insects abound I would want to be just as small as possible. The more surface a man has the better it is for the venomous things to sting, and so there is a sort of vulnerability and exposure a rich man has; he can get bit at so many points, he can be hurt in so many different directions; so many things have got to go just right, or there is all disquiet.—*P. S. Henson, D. D.*

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Woman's Relief.

"Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal," whether arising from physical, mental, or moral sources. The promises and consolations of the gospel furnish abundant remedies for all spiritual or mental woes, and the Creator has stored, in the kingdom of Nature, remedies for every physical ailment. For ages these remedies were allowed to lie dormant, through the ignorance of mankind as to their uses, and for ages more but little attention was given to remedies for the peculiar afflictions of woman, who was looked upon and treated as a slave by lordly, and then brutal man, and her suffering regarded with beastly indifference. In later times, science and Christian philanthropy have come to her relief, devising remedies for her peculiar weaknesses, which have been combined in Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, a remedy that cures the pains, aches, nausea, displacements, wasting and debilitating afflictions to which she is constantly exposed. "Favorite Prescription" is the only medicine for women, sold by druggists, *under a positive guarantee* from the manufacturers, that it will give satisfaction in every case, or money will be refunded. This guarantee has been printed on the bottle wrapper and faithfully carried out for many years.

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One began to stamp on the beans with his heavy boot, and clear them off the pavement into the mud. Another laughed, and shouted, "Hallooa! upset your apple cart?" Two others scarcely noticed the mishap—they were engaged with the velocipede.

A fifth ran to the spot. "Get out, you, Joe Marsh!" he cried to the boy who was making the accident worse; "you mean, miserable fellow, get out!—I'll help you to pick them up, Tommy. How did it happen? Never mind; we'll save all we can;" and he began to scrape up the beans with both hands, then to examine the hole and stop it; and never left it until the bag was safe on Tommy's back again.

"I am very much obliged to you," said Tommy, with tears in his eyes. "Father won't beat me now; do you think he will? not many are lost."

"Beat you? no!" cried the boy brightly; "it was no fault of yours. If he beats you, I'll beat him!" Both laughed a good-natured laugh, and each went his own way, Tommy repeating once more, "I am ever so much obliged to you."

It made me think that all boys do not know that they were made to be kind, generous, and unselfishly helpful, while some do. Let me repeat to you a bit of advice which a good man, who has done much for the elevation of the young, gives, especially to boys:

"If there is a poor boy in the school who has a club foot, don't let him know you ever noticed it. If there is a boy with ragged clothes, don't talk about rags when he is within hearing. If there is a lame boy, give him some part of the game that does not require running. If there is a hungry one, give him a part of your dinner. If there is a dull one, help him to learn his lesson."

Is not that the way your heavenly Father expects you to behave? An unfeeling heart, I am sure, grieves him. "Be yea kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you."—*British Juvenile*

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How to Help a Meeting.

Come; come early.
Bring somebody else.
Take a front seat.
Sing. Supposing you don't know one note from another, you will feel better for having tried, and will encourage others.
Say something, if it is only two words; twenty-five short sentences are better than a whole "posey bed of glittering nothings, or beautiful sunset-sky rhetoric." Men who come don't want gush, but they want life.
Don't keep your mouth shut for fear of making mistakes. Bless your heart, a hundred years from now the fact that you used frightful grammer won't bother you a bit if some soul was saved because you did say something.
Don't start a discussion.
Don't wait till the last one; somebody will say just what you wanted to. It always happens so.
Don't think about that engagement tomorrow.
Too much world in your heart will act like water on a fire.
If the meeting drags, don't you drag; make it snap somehow.
Look as pleasant as you can. It's contagious. Remember that is's God's service and not the human being leading.
Remember that the leader needs prayers, sympathy, and support.
Remember that long prayers are too good for a good meeting.
Finally, take home that part of the meeting that hit you the hardest and think it over.
Don't pass it over your shoulder to the one back of you.
Make the stranger welcome.
Talk the meeting up sad not down. If you cannot say something good about it, keep quiet.
Pray much for blessing.—*Ex.*

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