

Out of my need, you come to me, O Father,  
Not as a presence, vast and great and still,  
But as the purple mist that clings, each morn-  
ing,

To the slim summit of a pine-crowned hill,  
Not as a vague and awful power that urges,  
Urges and prods and hurries me along,  
But as a hand that paints a lovely picture,  
But as a voice that sings a tender song.

**Note**—This beautiful meditation was written by Miss Brothers for the January Conference in Cocanada and came to us through the kindness of Mrs. McLaurin, senior, who still so graciously keeps in mind the Link and its readers.—Editor.

### STANLEY JONES IN SOUTH INDIA

Audiences of educated non-Christians estimated at twice the size of even those which greeted Rev. Stanley Jones, author of "The Christ of the Indian Road," on his first tour in South India have been attending his meetings there. The address, a frank presentation of the Christian message, occupied about an hour and a half and an equal time was given to answering questions. Rev. Boyd W. Tucker, who accompanied him, thus describes one feature of the tour:

Round table conferences are held to which are invited about fifteen of the most religious Hindus and Mohammedans and about five of the best Christians. Each man is asked to relate what religion means to him in experience. No comments are made, so that the testimonies may speak their own message. It has been arranged that there shall be more non-Christians than Christians, so that everything shall be absolutely fair. It is most remarkable how Christianity is able to command the situation and stand out by the sheer superiority of its ability to reveal God and transform lives through the personality of Jesus. One elderly Hindu approached Dr. Jones after he had given his own personal testimony in one of these meetings and said, "You have been telling us about something this afternoon that none of us know anything about. Jesus stands out in a fresh and challenging way as the way of the Father."

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### LOOKING AROUND AND LOOKING UP

A study of world conditions brings a feeling of uncertainty, if not of discouragement. Whichever way we look—to China, India, Moslem lands, Russia, European nations, America—we see unrest, conflict, suspicion, worldliness and crime—sins against God and man. This is not all we see, for there is good as well as evil, but when we look up and see God, when we remember what He has done and what He has promised, then, only, have we ground for confidence in the future because of what He can and will do.

We need to study earthly conditions, human needs and resources at our disposal, but there is more reason to study God and His program and resources. Mankind, as a whole, and even members of the Church of Christ, show a lack of understanding of God and sympathy with Him. We need to pray that all His children may be brought into full harmony with His will.

This need is finding expression. Christian women of many lands observed March 4th as a world-wide day of prayer; the Federal Council of Churches of Christ has recently issued a general call to prayer on world issues, especially in regard to the relations of America with China, Mexico, Nicaragua and Europe. A large part of one session at the Foreign Missions Conference in January was devoted to specific prayer for a spiritual revival. While we pray for China and Mexico and Russia, we must pray for ourselves—that, as Christians, we may be more Christ-like; that the Church may realize more clearly the need of all men for Christ; that Christians may be ready to sacrifice more than others may know Christ; that followers of Christ may be one as the Son and His Father are one; that there may be no compromise with evil; that every hindrance to Christ's full possession of us may be removed. Surely there is need of more loyalty to God; there is need of clearer vision, and more definite purpose; there is need for purification from sordid selfishness and for an inflow and an outflow of spiritual power.

Many see in the present world-wide confu-