

FIVE MINUTE SERMON

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

PREPARE FOR JUDGMENT

"Pray that your flight be not in the winter, or on the Sabbath." (Matt. xxiv, 20)

The Gospel of today may be interpreted in several ways. Some see in it a reference to the destruction of the city of Jerusalem. Others believe the last judgment is meant and still others interpret it as alluding to the hour of death. The words of Christ: "Pray that your flight be not in the winter, or on the Sabbath," are by some believed to admonish the sinner not to defer his penance until the winter of life, i. e., until old age, and not until the Sabbath, i. e., until the end of life. And this interpretation of our Saviour's words I would dwell upon to-day.

We have in King Pharaoh an example worthy of consideration. Moses and Aaron had often exhorted him to give heed to the command of the Lord to let the Israelites depart from this land. He refused until the various plagues sent over him and his people compelled him to yield. Scarcely had the Israelites departed when Pharaoh regretted having given them leave to go and he set after them and overtook them in the Red Sea, which by the will of God, had divided its waters, to let the Israelites pass through. When Pharaoh and his soldiers ventured into the passage made by the waters, the sea closed over them, and they were buried in the water, and not one escaped. This is the fate of every sinner, who perseveres in refusing obedience to God, who defers his penance from day to day, who assures himself there will be plenty of time in his old age to escape the wrath of God. Suddenly death or sickness overtakes him and gives him no opportunity to make his peace with God. When he begins to realize that he has served false gods, the waters of eternity fall over him as an unrepentant sinner in eternal destruction.

You are perhaps shocked at these severe words, and you may say: "The thief on the cross was pardoned and shall this grace be refused to me. If I desire to repent at the end of my life? True, the Lord is merciful and no one must ever despair, but remember that the thief on the cross had not known Christ as the Son of God, and as soon as he did, he repented of his sins and begged for mercy. You however, have known Him from your youth and you have often heard the call of His grace, you have often been admonished through your confessor, your parents, to leave the path of sin and repent, but you have paid no attention, you have lived on carelessly in your sins; have you then even as much right as had the thief to expect at the end of your life the mercy which a whole life long you have despised? Have you not made yourself unworthy of it by your godless life in the past? If during your life you have seldom examined your conscience, you expect kept good resolutions, you neglected to make up what you have neglected at a time when you are deadly sick, when your senses have become dulled and weakened? Will the contrition then be sincere, or will it be a contrition into which the fear of death scares you, rather than the love of God?"

Of the ten virgins who took their lamps and went forward to meet the bridegroom, five only were admitted to the feast; to the other five the bridegroom said: "I know you not." But did not Christ say: "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek and you shall find; knock and it shall be opened to you," and has He not assured us: "Heaven and earth shall pass, but My words shall not pass" (Matt. xxiv, 35) why then, were these virgins, who had burning lamps, not admitted to the feast? Because they had filled their lamps with oil only after the bridegroom came; therefore, they were too late; the other five were ready and went into the feast. This is the fate of those who never think of penance and conversion during their lives. If they expect to do their penance in their last hour, they may perhaps share the fate of the foolish virgins, to whom the Lord said: "I know you not." Let us, therefore, my dear Christians, not defer our penance, so that death may not overtake us as a time when we least expect it, and when we are not prepared. Let us battle now against the enemy of our salvation so that in our last severe struggle we may be prepared to win the victory and gain the crown of eternal life. Amen.

TEMPERANCE

THE CHIEF CAUSE OF CRIME AND DISEASE

Alcohol and crime, alcohol and poverty, alcohol and lunacy, alcohol and disease, have such strong correlations to each other, that the prevention and cure of alcoholism have occupied and must necessarily occupy the attention and social reformers (of every shade of opinion), scientific workers, and distinguished statesmen, says Rev. W. J. Mulcahy, in an article on "Alcoholism" in the Irish Ecclesiastical Record. He lays bare the ravages of this dread disease, (for disease he calls it), not only on the sufferer, but on his children and his children's children. But while cutting deep to the source of the suffering writes the Rev. Father Mulcahy, with the true priestly sympathy for the erring sufferer.

The following is a condensation of his article:

The recognition of the evils to which alcoholism gives rise, and of which the preceding are indeed a small percentage, has likewise not been confined to any particular country or people; in all lands the dire effects on the race that follow in its wake have become more widely and clearly realized.

DRINK AND CRIME

Speaking of two classes of criminals, viz., those of occasion and recidivists, Dr. Von Helder says: "Criminals of occasion are those who become so from levity, passion, imprudence, unfavorable surroundings, and, above all, drink." According to Dr. Bauer, an eminent authority 70 per cent. of all crime comes from alcohol. And this estimate, according to more modern statistics, as we shall just see, is rather below than above the reality.

At the recent sessions of the American Society for the Study of Alcohol and other Drug Narcotics, it was declared that "the alcohol problem is more important than the tuberculosis problem, because it causes the loss of more lives and of more money." The civilized world stood aghast at the ravages of the white plague. In a single year 200,000 Americans had fallen victims to this dread disease, while throughout the world 15,000,000 persons were claimed by the same grim hand.

United States alone was estimated at \$240,000,000 per annum. Astounding and incredible as are these enormous figures, they are only surpassed by those of that other and more terrible plague—alcoholism.

Nor do I exaggerate. The learned Society just quoted showed me that alcohol costs the United States annually \$2,000,000,000, and causes more than 10 per cent. of all the deaths in the country. Not in this all. The latest results of a critical study of the effects of alcohol show that the record of its evil is appalling. The testimony of prison chaplains of wardens, sheriffs, and judges of the criminal courts, warrants the assertion that from 80 to 90 per cent. of crime is directly or indirectly traceable to the use of intoxicating liquors. "Ninety per cent. of the women arrested," says M. S. Moloney, in the Philadelphia North American, "owe their trouble to drink."

ALLY OF DIVORCE EVIL

Divorce is undermining the social fabric in the United States, and its attendant and consequent evils of immorality and infidelity are degrading God in the hearts of men, and, like a plague, devastating society. And it is stated on the same unquestionable authority that "alcohol was the direct cause of divorce in 36,516 in the twenty years covered by the government report, and indirectly, with other causes, of 54,281 cases." Since that report was issued, divorce, we are told, has alarmingly increased, and to such an extent that the courts are obliged to create new hands to expedite the legalized adultery, and so too has increased its causation.

Cardinal Farley, in an interview with a reporter of the Chicago Daily News, recently stated that there had been about 100,000 divorces in the United States in a year. And what is true of America is equally true of England. "I am firmly convinced that if drink were eradicated this Court (the Divorce Court) might shut its doors, at any rate for the greater part of the time. Half the suicides and two thirds of the poverty and ruin of families may be attributed to the same cause."

Mr. Poynter, for three years Under-Sheriff of London and Westminster made the following declaration before a Committee of the House of Commons: "I have long been in the habit of hearing criminals refer all their misery to drinking, so that I now almost cease to ask them the cause of their ruin. This evil lies at the root of all other evils of this city and elsewhere. Nearly all the convicts for murder with whom I have conversed have admitted themselves to have been under the influence of liquor at the time of the act."

"By due observation for nearly twenty years (says Judge Hales) I have found that if the murders and manslaughters, the burglaries and robberies, and riots and tumults, the adulteries, fornications, rapes and other great enormities that have happened in that time, were divided into five parts four of them have been the issues and products of excessive drinking—of tavern and saloon meetings."

In Sweden the connection between alcohol and crime has been the subject of State investigation, and it was found that of 24,399 prisoners who were sentenced during the decade of 1887-97, 17,874 attributed their crime to drink; this number gives the proportion of 71.2 per cent. Similarly, in Massachusetts it was found that of 26,672 persons arrested in one year, from August, 1904, to August, 1905, 17,575 were guilty of drunkenness alone, 657 of drunkenness joined with some other offence; of the remaining 8,440, 43 per cent. were more or less intoxicated when they committed the crimes for which they were being punished.

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DRINK AND SUICIDE

It would appear that in France the number of suicides is in direct proportion to the consumption of alcohol. In the language of Dr. Victor Dubault, "it (alcohol) pushes man to suicide, theft, homicide, and every crime—crimes which increase in proportion to its consumption." And the same may be said of every country. The reason, though so little understood, is this: There is nothing that so lowers the vital powers of man and renders him so helpless a prey to disease of mind and body as intoxicating drink taken to excess. It delivers up the wretched victim to melancholy, despondency and, often times, despair. This is especially the case with persons of nervous temperament. A person of extremely nervous nature may, while excited by alcohol, be as ungovernable as the most violently insane.

The depression of mind, 'lowness of spirits', to which nervous people are so liable after periods of nervous excitement, is greatly increased though in their appalling ignorance they think by this action to relieve it by the narcotic elements of alcohol, which paralyze the brain and nervous centers. The action of the brain is disturbed, the mind is clouded and the nerves unstrung. While in this depressed mental condition people often commit suicide to escape the tortures of mind to which they are subjected.

Those of a nervous temperament should, as the peril of their lives, avoid all stimulants and narcotics.

In Berlin, during the month of January, 1910, there were 75 suicides—53 men, 12 women 7 girls between sixteen and eighteen and 3 children under ten years—and all, nearly all, were attributable to drink. Dr. Hillier, of Kiel, declares that of 300 suicides upon whom he performed post-mortem examinations, nearly half the number were persons addicted to drink. And he stated that his estimate is rather below than above the average. In the year 1900 Dr. W. C. Sullivan already quoted,



showed the connection between the increase of suicide or attempts at suicide and drink. He tells us that suicide resulting from alcohol is more than suicide from other causes. He declares that in 220 attempts at suicide the proportion due to drink was 78 per cent., and that in a great number of cases of 'found drowned,' the victims are what are called 'chronic alcoholists,' who have either destroyed themselves in a fit of melancholia, or have lost their lives by accident resulting from the stupefying effect of alcohol.

In short the most casual observer cannot fail to be struck by the alarming increase of crime even in this country, in the way of suicides, criminal assaults, and secret crimes too wicked to mention, most of which, if not all, may be traced to the effects of indulging in drink. Everywhere you turn, especially in town and cities, you meet the withered hand of beggary, as well as the pallid lips of blighted lives; where crimes the most horrible, of every kind, misery and want, are to be found in rank profusion; and our brightest boys and our manliest men are damned forever, and womanhood degraded and girls debauched, by the blighting curse of intemperance.

We live continually in the midst of great human needs, and every one has something to give, something that would help a little, at least in supplying these needs.

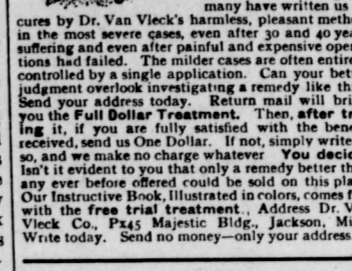
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