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WHY MANY ARE NOT SAVED

men be saved; hence He sent His own Divine Son down upon earth that the world may be saved; that no man who believes in Him be lost, but men cole schered life. but may gain eternal life. When the Son of God came into this world, He gave to mankind the precepts and

teachings which men need to obtain salvation. He stoned on the Cross for the sins of all mankind, and obtained for them the friendship of God. Then He went back to heaven to prepare mansions for all of us in the heavenly house of His Father? Therefore all men can be saved; but will all men be saved? Alas! dear Brethren, to this guestion we must answer no! Many are called but few are chosen. All might be saved, but many will not be saved because they do not believe in the Son of God ; and he who of his own fault believeth

not is already judged. Again, many who do believe do not lead a life in accordance with their belief, and faith without works is an unavailing faith, a dead faith. This reason, why many will not be

saved, was pointed out by our Divine Saviour in the parable of today's Gospel, especially in the example of the man who appears without a wedding garment.

(1) Who is referred to in the ex-ample of the man without a wedding garment? He who professes the Christian faith yet leads an un-Christian life. Dear Brethren, when the Jewish people contemptuously re-jected the invitation to the kingdom of God, the Apostles went among the Samaritans and heathens, and offered to them the boon which the hardhearted Jews refused to accept. This is in the parable of today's Gos-This is in the parable of today's Gos-pel the meaning of the words, "Then the King said to bis servants: 'The marriage is indeed ready, but they who are invited were not worthy, go therefore into the highways, and as many as you shall find call to the marriage." And, in fact, the invita-tion was gladly received by heathens and Samaritans. Many thousands of people in various parts of the world accepted the Christian faith, and it was not long before the foremost nations had joined the community of the Catholic Church ; a fact told in the Gospiel in the words, "The serv-ants going forth into the ways gathered together all they found, both good and bad, and the marriage was filled with guests." (2) Among the heathens, however, who accented the Obvietan foith

who accepted the Christian faith, there were unfortunately such who were not worthy of joining the Chris-tian community, many of them re-tained their pagan customs and habits, and, although professedly Christians, they practically remained pagans. My dear brethren, there are in our own day many of those born and brought up in the Christian faith, who are not worthy of the Christian name, because the faith they profess with their mouths, they denounce by their evil conduct; they scandaloulsy soil—by their bad lives—the garment of sanctifying grace and innocence which they re ceived in holy baptism ; and Chris-tians of this sort are no better than heathens. These are the ones that we must see in the man in the Gospel who came to the marriage Gospel who came to the marriage without a wedding garment. Such unworthy Christians presume a membership in God's Church for which their sins and vices make them wholly unfit. (3) What will be the fate such of unworthy Christians? Their fate is plainly described in the Gospel in the words, "When the King went in to see the guests, he saw there a man who had not on a wedding garment, and he sayeth to him : 'Friend, how camest thou in here not having on a wedding garment?" And he was silent. Then the King said to the waiters, " bind his hands and feet and cast him into the exterior darkness, there shall be weep-ing and gnashing of teeth." Do you understand these words, my brethran. Do you know what they mean? Alas! they express only too plainly the fate of the Christian who leads a non-Christian life. At the hour of his death, the Lord will come and will say to him: "Thou hast been a Christian, why then didst thou lead a non-Christian and sinful life ?" What will the poor man have to answer? He will be silent. Then will he hear the terrible sen-tence, "Cast him into exterior darkness, there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth." Dear brethren, are we, too, in darger of this terrible sentence? I greatly fear that some of you may incur such darger; some Christians are leading a life that will call forth this terrible sentence. Take council, my brethren, while there is time. A Christian who leads a non-Christian life, who appears after his death before God without the wedding garment of a righteous life, burdened with mortal sin, will Lord Jesus Christ tells us so in to-day's Gospel. May the gracious God preserve us all from this awful fate, Amen.

IGNORANCE

Ignorance has never been a helpful ally of Catholicity ; it is, on the contrary, her greatest enemy. Misrepre-sentation of her doctrine, the falsifi cation of her history, the too faithful tradition of misstatements and fab-rications, are the weapons of the



Are you in favour of the sale of light beer containing not more than two and fifty-one one-hundredths per cent. alcohol weight measure in standard hotels in local municipalities that by a majority vote favour such sale and amendments to The Ontario Temperance Act to permit such sale? you in favour of the sale through Government agenc Above is an exact reproduction of the Referendum ballot, showing the correct way to Vote in order to sustain the Ontario Temperance Act as it stands. Everybody should study the four questions and realize exactly what they mean. Do not be misled by the insidious demand for "light" beer. The beer of the ballot is 118% stronger than the Ontario Temperance Act now allows, and over five times as strong as the limit allowed for beer defined as non-intoxicating in Great Britain and the United States. **Answer Each Question** 1. Unless you vote on every question your ballot is spoiled. 2. You must mark your answer to each ques-tion with an "X" only. Anything else would spoil your ballot. 3. Unless a majority vote "No" on question 1 the bars will be restored and the sale of all kinds of intoxicants permitted. 4. Unless a majority vote "No" on questions 2, 3 and 4 the Ontario Tem-perance Act will become almost worthless. 5. The only SAFE course is to mark your ballot as shown above. No!—Four Times-No repeal; No government beer shops; No beer saloons; No government whiskey shops.—Four X's, each under the word "No." Ontario Referendum Committee JOHN MACDONALD; D. A. DUNLAP; Chairman Treasus ANDREW S. GRANT; Vice-Chairman and Secretary (100! Excelsior Life Bldg.; Toronto)

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