

THE YOUNG CHURCH-MEMBER

humble workingmen together and tried to give them the great word that they might herald it out to all men everywhere until in time they would believe His message and turn to Him and live. These men kept the thought alive although they knew that they too did it at risk of their lives, and because these men were faithful, and because, through the long years there have always been men and women faithful to this purpose of the Master, you and I have the chance of hearing the Christian message and of taking our place in the ranks of these lovers of men to-day.

Still the Christ stands in need of men and women to tell His thought, to live for it, to die for it. It is the influence of His spirit through the lives of His followers that has carried His teaching more and more into the characters and institutions of men. It has not yet been accepted by the world as a whole, in such a way as to make this earth like Heaven, with our Father's will supreme in every heart. Men for the most part still do not believe that God is really their Father. They do not believe that all men are their brothers. They still think that the great men are those who can make others work for them without giving a just return. They do not accept the thought of Jesus that the truly great are those who serve and bless their fellows. They do not really believe that