

Peace, and hope, and salvation are there. But, if scorned or neglected, when once the door is shut, they only that are in the ark will "remain alive." Who can abide that storm! Who can buffet those waves?—Who will survive that deluge?

"I KEEP UNDER MY BODY, AND BRING IT INTO SUBJECTION; LEST THAT, BY ANY MEANS, WHEN I HAVE PREACHED TO OTHERS, I MYSELF SHOULD BE A CASTAWAY."

—1 Cor. ix. 27.

ONE CENT A DAY.

"Go ye into *all* the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature," was the last parting injunction laid on the churches by the ascending Lord. Are they able to fulfill the task? They are, and more than able, were the proper system adopted to raise and collect the required means. To show the churches this, we beg leave to submit to their consideration the following facts:—One million of persons contributing *one cent a day*, would raise daily a mission fund of \$10,000. In one year this would amount to \$3,650,000. At a salary of \$500 a year, this would keep in the field 7,300 missionaries. Or two millions of Christians contributing one cent a day would keep in the field 14,500 missionaries.

This system adapts itself to the poor, and gives to all and every one alike opportunity of glorifying God with their substance. It asks not for rich nor great gifts. Could the yoke of Christ be made more easy or his burden more light than this system makes it? Who through the day would feel himself the poorer for the want of the cent which in the morning he dropped into the mission-pox?

Shall not the system be immediately adopted in the churches, and acted upon by them all? Neither talking nor publishing will raise the funds necessary for our mission board; but this system will, if all the churches would act upon it. No other means to collect funds would be necessary; it alone would yield funds enough and to spare.

One cent a day would preach the Gospel to every creature. Shall it not be given?
—*American Messenger.*

TESTING QUESTIONS.

Have I more pleasure

In studying my Bible, than a novel or a newspaper.

In contemplating the righteousness of Jesus than mine own?

In the prayer meeting, than in the pleasure party?

In mortifying sin, than in indulging it?

In clothing the naked, than adorning my person?

In feeding the hungry, than in gratifying mine appetite?

In doing good, than in paying trifling visits?

In speaking a word for Christ, than in gossiping?

In praying for an erring friend, than in exposing him?

In the company of the pious, than of the worldly?

In seeking to save souls, than to save money?

In living humbly, than at the expense of others?

In the approbation of God, than of my fellow-men?

Reader, if thou can'st not answer these inquiries intelligently in the affirmative, why deceive thyself any longer with the idea that thou art "in Christ," or in the way to heaven?

You may be a professor of the Gospel, but be assured you are not "born again." Ye *must* be BORN FROM ABOVE, (John iii. 3,) otherwise ye shall never go thither.

"Saith Jesus unto his disciples, if any man will come after ME, let him take up his cross and follow me."

"Be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God."

"Search me, O God, and know my heart?" —
Sabbath School Union Magazine.

LET US PRAY.

Lord, what a change within us one short hour spent in thy presence will prevail to make! What heavy burdens from our bosoms take, What parched grounds refresh, as with a shower! We kneel, and all around us seems to lower; We rise, and all, the distant and the near, Stands forth in sunny outline, brave and clear; We kneel, how weak! — we rise, how full of power! Why, therefore, should we do ourselves this wrong Or others, that we are not always strong, That we are ever overborne with care, That we should ever weak or heartless be, Anxious or troubled, when with us is prayer, And joy, and strength, and courage are with Thee.

—*Trench.*