

The Mission Field. WOMAN'S MISSION.

It is around the cradle and the cross of her Saviour that woman's faith and love shine with most conspicuous lustre. It is not only as the mother of the Incarnate Son that Mary is forever "blessed among women." And then to woman falls the high honor of heralding the advent. Simon pronounced the prophetic blessing on the Anointed Babe, but it was Anna—the holy watcher at the gates of heaven—who published the tidings, and "spoke of these things to all them who waited for redemption in Jerusalem." Who needs to be told of woman's ministry to the person of our Lord, of the daughters of Jerusalem that shed the only tears at the crucifixion, and the heroic hearts and hands that faltered not in that awful hour, when manhood quailed and fled—last at the cross, and helping with gentle hands, perhaps, to lay the Lord in Joseph's tomb. Fitting that she should be first at his open grave, and that woman's lips should have been chosen to herald the resurrection. Woman thus, the first preacher of the gospel, has kept the van through the Christian age. And so, to, it has been truly said that the missionary enthusiasm which the past ten years has developed is largely due to the touch of woman's hand. She is the born herald of good tidings, and not only her sisterhood in far-off lands, but the whole Church of God is feeling the power of her holy evangel.

The two most hopeful features of modern missions are the elevation of heathen womanhood abroad, and the consecration of Christian womanhood at home. A gifted Christian woman has finely said:—"In ancient times and classic lands they tell us that if a band of vestal virgins met a poor criminal on his way to death, he was pardoned and freed to go joyfully to his home again. So let us women walk that not one only, but thousands and millions may feel the power of a pure womanhood to carry out the Lord's purpose of deliverance to our race from eternal death"

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THE Rev. J. Wilkinson, speaking of the claims of the mission to the Jews, stated that as the result of earnest mission efforts both in England and on the continent there are now between 30,000 and 40,000 Christian Jews accepting the Lord Jesus as their Messiah. There are amongst them 401 ministers and missionaries, and of these 100 are clergymen of the Church of England. It was well known that half a century ago a Jew would only blaspheme if he heard the name of Christ, but now by hundreds there are Jews preaching the gospel and even some of the rabbis speaking of Him in their writings in terms of high praise as the greatest reformer that ever lived.

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