

Another minister tried afterward to lead those people back into raising funds by entertainments, but many of them sought other preachers more spiritual and drew off and left the man. The adjoining circuit had a few of the "cheerful givers," who joined the faithful brethren of the other circuit. The minister said, "a better class will take their place;" but instead, the church was left with a membership "that won't pray nor pay." That church is now all but closed for want of funds and members.

Recall how the money poured in for the tabernacle and temple; how the early Christians laid their money at the apostles' feet, and any free-will offering you have witnessed, and the fact will be clear to you that the entertainment plan is an enormous financial loss to the Christian Church.

"Give and it shall be given unto you" (Luke vi. 30). "He which soweth sparingly shall also reap sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully, shall reap also bountifully" (2 Cor. ix. 6). "Every