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Rev. Dr. Endicott Gave Interesting Address at Mass Meeting.

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No Alternative But Peace With a Loss, But Flag Flies Proudly.

"Patriotism, Christianity, Foreign Missions and the Great War" was the subject dealt with by Rev. Dr. Endicott at a mass meeting of the Howard Park Brotherhood, held at the Howard Park Methodist Church yesterday afternoon.

"Nothing is the same today as it was a year ago," the speaker said, "and nothing will ever be the same." He spoke of the rise and fall of all the great nations in past history, and asked whether it were possible that Great Britain had reached the height of power and was now about to begin her fall. "But," he continued, "the British Empire is not composed of so many thousand acres of land, which, after all, is but mud. The British Empire is composed of men, men who have inherited a great tradition, a great ideal for liberty and honor. We could have stood to see our empire lose so much land, but we could never see her lose her honor and still find it worth while to call ourselves British.

Has Not Preached It.

"We know now that the empire to which we belong has not reached the height of her power or glory, but has still a message which we can give our children. There is still something we can say in after years that Britain drew her sword in the name of honor. We had no alternative but peace with a loss to our honor, or this war with a stainless honor. No, the old flag will fly as proudly as ever."

Dr. Endicott then dealt with the Christian side of the war, saying that he had heard people say that religion was dead and was in the scrap heap.

"We are told that we have gone back to the heathenish days since we let loose the hound of war. I receive this statement very slowly," he said. "If Christianity could be killed by war it would have been killed 1900 years ago. He pointed out that Belgium today stood in the same place as Palestine did thousands of years ago. Every war during the past thousand years had been fought in Belgium, and it would continue to be the battlefield of Europe.

"War has no bad effect on Christianity," the speaker declared. "War carried Christianity into the British Isles long before the missionaries arrived. Christianity is familiar with war, and has flourished on it. War, death and other evil things do not come alone, for when trouble and sorrow comes, others forces leap into the breach. Peace has been the trouble in Canada. We have got careless of religion."

THE WEATHER

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, Toronto, April 18.—(8 p.m.)—A marked disturbance is situated tonight off the Nova Scotian coast, attended by stormy conditions, while a shallow depression covers Lake Superior, followed by a few showers in Ontario.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Prince Rupert, 40, 50; Victoria, 48, 56; Vancouver, 46, 64; Kamloops, 42, 76; Edmonton, 40, 62; Battleford, 40, 70; Prince Albert, 50, 64; Calgary, 42, 78; Medicine Hat, 40, 78; Moose Jaw, 30, 80; Regina, 32, 78; Winnipeg, 40, 68; Parry Sound, 28, 62; London, 29, 63; Toronto, 33, 62; Ottawa, 30, 62; Montreal, 40, 62; Quebec, 30, 56; Halifax, 36, 44.

—Probabilities.—

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Moderate to fresh southerly to westerly winds; a few local showers, but mostly fair and warm.

Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence Valleys—A few local showers, but mostly fair and very mild.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—A few scattered showers, but mostly fair.

Maritime—Strong east and northeast, shifting to westerly winds; partly fair; becoming milder, but some local rains.

THE BAROMETER.

Time.	Ther.	Bar.	Wind.
8 a.m.	47	29.71	2 S.
Noon	53	.....	.....
2 p.m.	57	29.63	3 S.
4 p.m.	58	.....	.....
8 p.m.	52	29.41	10 S.

Mean of day, 48; difference from average, 5 above; highest, 62; lowest, 33; rain, a trace.

STREET CAR DELAYS

Sunday, April 18th, 1915.

Yonge and Dupont cars, northbound, delayed 15 minutes from Richmond and Yonge to Bloor at 2.52 p.m. by parade.

Avenue road, Belt Line, Bloor and Church cars delayed 7 minutes from Bloor and Yonge to Sherbourne at 3.15 p.m. by parade.

King and Belt Line cars, westbound, delayed 10 minutes at King and Sherbourne at 5.20 p.m. by parade.

In addition to the above there were several delays less than 7 minutes each due to various causes.

BIRTHS.

McMAHON—To Mr. and Mrs. F. McMahon, of 352 Walmer road, at Toronto General Hospital, April 17, a son.

MILLER—On Sunday, April 18, 1915, at 263 Albany avenue, Toronto, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Miller, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

FORWOOD—WIGMORE—On Saturday, April 17, 1915, at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Toronto, by the Rev. Archdeacon Cody, Alicia May Hope, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred S. Wigmore, to Captain Thomas Watt Forwood.

DEATHS.

BAINES—At St. Michael's Hospital, Saturday, April 17, 1915, Hetley F., age 24 years.

Funeral will be held from the chapel of F. W. Matthews Co., 665 Spadina avenue, Monday, April 19, 1915, at 2.30 p.m. Interment in St. James' Cemetery.

BLOW—At Toronto, on Saturday, April 17, 1915, John Needham Blow, in his 60th year.

Funeral Monday, April 19, from the Chapman Burial Co., 742 Broadview avenue. Interment at Whitby, Ont.

COWAN—On Friday, April 16, 1915, at 3 Rowanwood avenue, Letsy Elizabeth Cowan, widow of the late Robert Lyon Cowan, in her 73rd year.

Funeral private. Please do not send flowers.

LAUDER—At her late residence, 267 East Queen street, Mrs. Christina Lauder, widow of the late Robt. V. Lauder.

Funeral from the above address to Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Tuesday, April 19, at 2.30 p.m.

SLIGHT—On April 17, 1915, Martha J. Slight, widow of the late Henry Slight.

Funeral Wednesday, April 21. Private service at 564 Bathurst street, at 2 p.m. Public service at Trinity Methodist Church at 2.30 p.m.

WILSON—Suddenly, on Sunday, April 18, 1915, at the residence, 78 St. Alban street, Toronto, Andrew Joseph, beloved husband of Nan Wilson.

Funeral notice later.

TIERNEY—Suddenly on Saturday, April 17, 1915, at St. Michael's Hospital, Kathleen, beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Tierney, aged 22 years.

Interment at Trenton, Ont., Wednesday, April 21, at 9 a.m.

TAYLOR—At Ocean Park, California, on Saturday, April 17, 1915, Andrew James Taylor.

Funeral notice later.

SMITH—At Toronto General Hospital, Saturday, April 17, 1915, George Russel Smith, in his 27th year, formerly of C.N.R.

Service at L. W. Trull's funeral chapel, 751 Broadview avenue, today, at 2.30 p.m. Interment in Norway Cemetery.

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Three Hundred Thousand Men Have Been Sent to Assist Austrians

ZURICH, Switzerland, Thursday, April 15, via Paris, April 17.—Travelers from Germany are reaching Zurich after extraordinary delays resulting from the congestion of German railroad lines with troop trains. Ordinary freight and passenger traffic in Germany has almost stopped. German troops, according to the travelers, are being moved in several directions, part of them toward Austria.

Private despatches received here from Vienna say that no fewer than 350,000 Germans are actually fighting with the Austrians against the Russians in the Carpathians.

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The marriage took place very quietly on Saturday afternoon in St. Paul's Church, Bloor street east, the Ven. Canon Cody officiating, of Alicia Mary Hope, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Wigmore, to Capt. Thomas Watt Forwood, second expeditionary force, Q. O. R. (Messrs. T. W. Forwood & Co., Toronto Stock Exchange).

The pretty bride, who was brought in and given away by her father, wore a smart tailor-made of navy blue with a corsage bouquet of orchids and lilies, and a gold hat trimmed with Belgian blue. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Ethel Wigmore, who wore a tailor-made costume of shepherd's plaid, a Dutch blue hat and a corsage bouquet of pink sweet peas. The groom's best man was Capt. Frank Newman, second contingent, Q. O. R. The bride and groom left for the station immediately after the ceremony to spend a short honeymoon at the Clifton Inn, Niagara Falls, Ont. There were a very few intimate friends and relations of Capt. and Mrs. Forwood at the church, including Mrs. Alfred Wigmore, the bride's mother; Mr. Kilmer, Major and Mrs. Gordon Morrison, Mr. Ozowski, Miss Marjory Forsyth, Miss Elsie Chalcroft, Miss Dorothy Marks, Mrs. Tomenson, Dr. J. N. Henwood.

Mr. Harold Bauer, master pianist, and Senor Pablo Casals, Spanish violincellist, will play at Massey Hall tonight.

Mrs. J. B. MacLean and her son have returned from Boston.

Mrs. Patrick Campbell, who will play in Bernard Shaw's "Pygmalion" this week at the Princess, arrives at the King Edward this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hawes are in St. John, N.B.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Richardson have returned from Atlantic City and New York.

Miss Beatty Green is in Atlantic City with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beatty and Miss Beryl Beatty.

A concert has been arranged under the patronage of His Honor the Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Hendrie and under the auspices of the United Empire Loyalists' Ladies' Committee for Red Cross work in aid of the University Base Hospital on Thursday, April 22, at 8.15 p.m. at Foresters' Hall, College street, to be given by Mrs. Wm. Chadwick and the Messrs. Jan and Boris Hambourg assisted by Mr. Broadus Farmer, Mr. Jack Sterin and Mrs. John MacDonald. Accompanists, Signor Morando and Miss Evelyn Chelew.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Eaton are expected back from a prolonged motor trip in the south this week.

Mrs. J. B. Millar was the hostess of a tea yesterday for the wedding party of Miss Evelyn Taylor and Mr. Harry Miller, whose marriage takes place on the 28th inst.

Lady Allan, accompanied by Miss Martha Allan, is leaving very shortly for England, where she will remain for an indefinite period.

Mr. and Mrs. Hume Blake, who have been at the Ritz-Carlton, Montreal, for a few days, have returned home, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Wright, who has been in Montreal several weeks with her husband, Dr. Wright, who is leaving with the McGill Medical Corps for England.

The Hon. Frank Cochrane and Mrs. Cochrane are in town, also Miss Edith Cochrane.

Miss Versechoyle Cronyn is with Mrs. P. D. Crerar in Hamilton.

Miss Marjorie Wilkes, Brantford, has left for New York to proceed with Lady Drummond's party for war service in England.

Mrs. Fleury and Miss Marguerite Fleury have taken a flat in the York Apartments.

Miss Eleanor Fitzgibbon, Pittsburg, is staying with Mrs. John Small during her visit to town, and will speak at the meeting of the University Women's Club on Tuesday night at the Heliconian Rooms, Grosvenor and Yonge streets. In addition she will speak tonight at the Drama League meeting.

The Misses Samuel have moved from Lowther avenue to 577 Huron street.

Mr. Victor Cawthra went to Atlantic City on Friday to accompany Mrs. Henry Cawthra and Mrs. Victor Cawthra back to town.

Mrs. Buntin and Miss Lucile Buntin have returned from Atlantic City and New York.

The Beta Pi Sigma Sorority held a most successful bridge and euchre party in the Aura Lee Club rooms last Friday afternoon and were able to give $55 to the University Base Hospital in consequence.

The annual formal graduating dance for the year 1915 of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons will take place this evening at the College, 240 College street.

The Hon. Justice and Mrs. Hodgins have returned from Atlantic City.

Madame Rochereau de la Sabliere was much gratified by the unsolicited gifts of flowers from the large florists for her Secours Nationale stall at the Ideal Home Show at the Arena last week.

At the Tuesday afternoon meeting of the Toronto Women's Press Club, Miss Hart will be the hostess, and Dr. Helen MacMurchy will speak on "Prison Reform For Women."

Madame Van der Velde, who lectured in Toronto for the Belgian Repatriation Fund last autumn, sailed last week for home, taking with her three hundred thousand dollars, the result of her tour thru Canada and the United States.

The Royal Grenadier Chapter, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, is holding a musicale in the Canadian Academy of Music, 12 Spadina road, on April 23, at 8 o'clock p.m., in aid of field comforts for the Grenadiers at the front. Tickets may be obtained from the regent, Mrs. Hunter, 113 Walmer road, Hillcrest 3116, or from the secretary, Mrs. G. Douglass, 29 Boswell avenue, telephone Hillcrest 3544.

A cordial invitation is extended to the musical public to an open musicale arranged by Miss Hilda Brunner, A.T.C.M., in St. Cecilia's Music Hall, West Toronto, on Tuesday evening. The following will give the program: Miss Dorothy McGann, Miss Margaret Findley, Miss Adele Gaggard, Miss Genevieve Kelly, Miss Aileen McGann, Miss Elma Wynne, Miss Kathleen McCarron, Mr. Arthur Leitheuser, Mr. Hugh McGrath, Mr. Jack Macdonald, Mr. James Mohan, Mr. Victor Conlin, Mr. Will Laflamme and Messrs. Wickett and Sully, entertainers. Miss

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Margaret George, who returned to Toronto on Saturday, having spent a considerable time in Italy, tells of the conditions prevailing there during the progress of the war.

Mae O'Halloran and grand corps de ballet will interpret classic dances.

At the Brown Betty on Thursday afternoon, the school nurses and the nurses of the medical department of health entertained at tea for the other public health nurses of Toronto. Miss Jamieson and Miss Nora Moore received. The guests of honor were Miss Ammerman, New York, who is to take charge of the Henry Street Settlement, New York, and Miss Fitzgerald, the new superintendent of the Victorian Order of Nurses in Toronto. Miss Truche, who is leaving the Victorian Order, was unfortunately unable to be present.

Sir and Lady Melvin Jones of Toronto have arrived at Hot Springs, Va., on a private car trip from the west. They spent Friday afternoon driving thru the mountains.

Meetings.

The Toronto Drama League will hold a special meeting on Monday, April 19, in the Margaret Eaton Hall, at 8.15, to consider and adopt a constitution, to elect officers, and for general discussion bearing upon the projected work of the society for the ensuing year. Miss Eleanor Fitzgibbon, secretary of the Pittsburg Drama League, will be present and tell something of the work of that branch of the organization.

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DEFEAT GUARANTEE OF FACTORY BONDS

Lindsay Ratepayers Fail to Give Sufficient Majority to Pass Bylaw.

LINDSAY, April 18.—The bylaw to guarantee the bonds of the Boving & Co. of Canada, Limited, (head office Bay street, Toronto,) for $30,000 failed to pass, being voted down on the two-thirds clause by 24 votes. The above company have a well equipped factory in Lindsay for the manufacture of hydraulic machinery. It is expected that the company will secure the collateral elsewhere and continue to run the plant in Lindsay.

Williams Bros., and Pappas, tobacconists, were fined $12.50 each for selling tobacco to minors. A father is liable if he offers tobacco to his son, said Magistrate Jackson in delivering judgment.

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Why Seven Women Desire One Husband

A SYMBOLICAL BIBLE PICTURE OF PRESENT-DAY RELIGIOUS CONDITIONS.

Woman a Symbol of the Church—Jewish Marriage Typical of the Union of Christ and the Church—The True Church a Betrothed Virgin—"The Marriage of the Lamb"—"The Spirit and the Bride Say, Come"—Who Are the Seven Women?—Who Is the Man?—Why He Turns From Them.

ROCHESTER N.Y., April 18.—Pastor Russell spoke twice here today. We report his discourse on the text, "Seven women shall take hold of one Man in that Day, saying, We will eat our own bread and wear our own apparel; only let us be called by Thy name, to take away our reproach." (Isaiah 4:1.) He said in part:

Many of the Old Testament prophecies are highly figurative. Doubtless they had some measure of application at the time when they were written, but we have Apostolic authority for concluding that they were intended for Spiritual Israel. (1 Peter 1:12.) Our Lord and the Apostles quoted continually from the prophecies and invariably applied the lesson to the Gospel Age. Hence we are abundantly justified in assuming that our text is applicable to the present. Its peculiar expression, "in that Day," is usual throughout Scripture in referring to the close of the Gospel Age, with its trouble and confusion incident to the inauguration of the Millennium.

Throughout the Scriptures a woman is a symbol of the Church—a pure woman of a pure Church, a corrupt woman of a false Church. Our Lord compared the true Church in the end of this Age to a company of virgins—part wise and part foolish—and Himself to the Bridegroom, come at the end of the Age to receive His espoused Church to Himself in glory. John the Baptist used the same figure, saying, "He that hath the Bride is the Bridegroom"; and St. Paul amplifies the thought, declaring, "I have espoused you (the consecrated Church) as a chaste virgin unto one husband, Christ." (John 3:29; 2 Corinthians 11:2.) Here, as in the parable of the Ten Virgins, the Jewish marriage is set forth as typical of the union between Christ and the Church.

With the Jews in olden times, when a betrothal took place, legal and binding documents were signed by or for the contracting parties, but no actual marriage occurred for about a year. During that period it was required that the espoused be as faithful to her espousal as it now expected of any true wife. We see the harmony between the Jewish marriage custom and the Lord's dealing with the Church. No one is espoused to our Lord who has not entered into a definite contract with Him. On our Lord's part the contract is the assurance of the great and precious promises that if the espoused is faithful, she shall be joint-heir with her Lord in His Millennial Kingdom. On the Church's part the contract is our covenant of consecration, faithfulness to our Redeemer even unto death.

The interim between our personal acceptance of the Lord's gracious promises and our death corresponds in a measure to the betrothal period of the Jewish maiden, but the more exact fulfilment of the figure is found in the history of the Church as a whole. At Pentecost our Lord's virgin Church was espoused to Him, and has since been awaiting the coming of the Bridegroom and her resurrection change to glory, honor and immortality—the marriage, the union—for nearly nineteen centuries.

The Bride in Kingdom Glory.

In His last Message to the Church our Lord continues to picture the Church as a betrothed virgin, under strictest obligations to purity and faithfulness down to the end of this Gospel Age, where she is represented as making herself ready for the Bridegroom's coming and for the marriage. To be ready she must have on the wedding garment, and it must be "without spot or wrinkle or any such thing." (Ephesians 5:27.) That robe represents the imputed righteousness of Christ, covering her every unintentional blemish and imperfection; and any spot or wrinkle upon this robe would cause such grief to the betrothed one that the stain would be removed and the wrinkle pressed out by the gracious arrangement made therefor by the Heavenly Bridegroom; for He presented the robe and gave directions by which it might be kept "unspotted from the world."

With her resurrection changed in the end of this Age the "espoused virgin" Church will be no more. She will have passed into the more exalted state of the Bride—united to her Lord and Bridegroom. Note the symbolical picture by which she is represented—"the New Jerusalem, coming down from God out of Heaven." That is, the Heavenly Kingdom, the new rulership of the world, is then pictured as the Bride. The grand work of the Church in glory is also pictured as the work of the Bride—"The Spirit and the Bride say, Come. And whosoever will, let him take of the Water of Life freely."—Revelation 21:2, 9, 10; 22:17.

Not only is the Church not the Bride now, but she is not privileged to say, Come, to whosoever will; for with the calling of this Age there is a measure of election. Our Lord declared, "No man can come unto Me except the Father which sent Me draw him." (John 6.44.) Moreover, there is no River of Water of Life now. That bountiful provision is for the world during the Millennial Age. Now, as our Lord explained, those who become His consecrated followers have within themselves "a well of water springing up unto everlasting life."—John 4:14.

Many Churches of Christ.

The heathen and children of Christian lands when they begin to study the Bible are perplexed and enquire, Which is the Church of Christ? They see churches of various names claiming to be branches of the Church: and they ask, Which did Jesus establish? The answer implies confusion and reproach. All claim genuineness and originality, but none can show any evidence of its present organization earlier than the Third Century. When we contrast their elaborate and formal services with the simplicity of the early Church, as described in the New Testament, we are sure that they cannot be the same. When we compare their doctrines with those of Christ and the Apostles, as set forth in the New Testament, their claims fail to the ground for lack of support.

To illustrate: The Scriptures teach that there is but one God, the Father, and one Lord Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 8:6); that the Father, who is above all, sent His Son to be our Redeemer; that when the Son had faithfully accomplished that work, the Father raised Him from the dead and exalted Him to His own right hand, or place of favor next to Himself. Our Lord Himself said, "My Father is greater than I." (John 14:28.) But the various churches, each claiming to be the original, unite in telling us that there are three Gods, "equal in power and glory."

All this confusion has tended to undermine the faith of the more rational members of these various churches. So disgusted have people in general become with their inability to harmonize with common sense the creeds of the Dark Ages that many of the brightest minds have abandoned them and sought to formulate new and more rational conceptions.

But, as the Apostle forewarned, the great Adversary has manifested himself as an angel of light and leader into all truth, and has captured their college and seminary professors, as well as their most prominent ministers. With wonderful unanimity they have become Higher Critics and Evolutionists. In the name of all that is holy and good they are persuading the leading minds in the various sects that the Bible is not the Word of God; that it is not reliable; and that while Jesus and the Apostles were honest enough, they were not brilliant scholars, and therefore could not detect the falsities of the Old Testament, upon which their teachings are based.

"Denying the Lord That Bought Them."

These wise men of our time assure us that the story of Adam and Eve is, at very most, an allegory; that there never was a Garden of Eden; that there never was a sentence upon Adam because of disobedience in perfection; and that, therefore, the Scriptures delude us when they declare that by reason of Adam's disobedience sin and death entered the world. Since they deny the fall of man, they perforce deny the need of a Savior. They deny our Lord's declaration that He came "to seek and to save that which was lost."—Luke 19:10.

Denying that there was any sin on Adam's part, they deny that Christ died for our sins and rose again for our justification. They ignore the Apostle's statement that by one man's disobedience sin entered into the world, and death as a result of sin; and that thus death passed upon all men, because all are sinners. (Romans 4:24, 25; 5:21.) Thus do they make void the Word of God and set up, instead, human theories—the golden image to which all are required to bow down and worship if they would be called respectable, intelligent.

All this while the true Church has been in "the wilderness," as the Scriptures explain. (Revelation 12:4.) In other words, she has been in disfavor ignored, and unknown to the worldly-wise. Some of her members have been scattered throughout the various denominations, and some have been outside of all these. The popular institutions known as churches are worldly, their aims, ambitions and methods are worldly. Hence there can be very little religious fellowship and co-operation between the majority in these sectarian systems and the minority who are true to the Lord and His Word.

Having in mind the numerous brands of Christianity and their various conflicting doctrines, we cannot wonder that the Scriptures used the word Babylon—confusion—as a name for these systems as a whole. One can put his finger with some degree of definiteness upon the teachings of Confucius, and Confucianists know what they believe; one can do the same with those of Buddhists, Brahmins, etc., but not so with Christians; for their doctrines are legion.

The confusion of doctrine amongst the various branches of Churchianity has brought reproach upon them all. The heathen are enquiring how it comes that there are so many kinds of Christians, and how it is that they all get their conflicting theories out of the same Book. This reproach is keenly felt by the leading minds of all denominations. Consequently their creeds are very generally ignored; but the organizations built upon those creeds are held unto most tenaciously. The systems are worshipped, and the creeds repudiated.

"Seven Women in That Day."

We have seen that in Scriptural usage women symbolize the Churches; that the true Church is represented by a virgin, and the false systems by harlots, unfaithful to their espousals and associating with the world. (Revelation 17:5.) Throughout Scripture the number seven is well recognized as the symbol of completeness. Accordingly we assume that in our text it signifies all the churches of this world, but does not include the true Church, which is not of this world and does not follow its course.

We have come to the time when these seven women—the various sects and denominations—feel keenly the reproach of their situation. And what is their conclusion as to the proper course to be pursued? We answer that it is prophetically voiced in our text. The one Man represents our Lord, the Heavenly Bridegroom. Our text thus signifies that all the nominal churches have come, or are about to come, to the place where they desire to be called the churches of Christ, but care to have nothing more to do with Him. They wish to hold their sectarian name and at the same time be called Christians. The name of Christ is almost their only asset. For the doctrine of Christ they care nothing, or for any thought of redemption and covering of sins through Him.

Associated with these various earthly systems are some members of the true Church, but they will not long remain therein; for one by one they are hearing the voice of Truth calling to them, "Come out of her (Babylon), My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins and receive not her plagues." (Revelation 18:4.) The more these seven women desire to eat their own bread and to wear apparel of their own furnishment, the more the Lord's true people will find that they have neither part nor lot there.

The true Church does not wish to eat her own bread; she wants the Bread from Heaven. She does not prefer her own theories, her own plans of salvation; she desires that which God has provided—"meat in due season," for "the Household of Faith." Neither does the espoused virgin of the Lord desire to wear her own apparel; for she has come to understand that her own righteousness is as filthy rags. (Isaiah 64:6.) More and more does she trust in the merit of her Redeemer. Therefore she is giving heed to the Message of the Lord sent forth to His Church of this Epoch.—Revelation 3:14-22.

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