

living missionary, who like his Master has come forth to seek and to save the lost. He comes in his strength that the best of his days may be given to you; he comes rich in the learning of the schools that you may profit by his culture and be enriched from his stores; he comes taught of God, and chosen by Christian gentlemen to this work, that you may be made wise unto salvation through him. We left family and country with the hope of making money, he left family and home and kindred with the hope of gathering jewels for his Lord. May he have an ample reward in the many blood-bought, bright and precious ones, which he may gather here.

As a congregation your history does not cover many years, but you are old enough to have had your ups and down, your sunshine and clouds, your joys and sorrows. No strange thing, however, has happened you. The lights and shades of the wilderness journey, illustrate God's methods in all times, and with all people.

Out of the relations now formed arise important duties towards your missionary and his wife. The apostle directs that those who labor in word and doctrine be counted worthy of double honor. If one of ourselves were so engaged the Apostle's language would be in point, much more when one from loving choice has come here just for us. And I would widen this thought, and beg you never to forget, but always gratefully to remember, the good people who have sent their missionaries to show to us the way of life.

(1.) Honor him by hearing in a meek and prayerful spirit his message. Bring your family; bring your friends; never come alone; don't sleep in church; don't hear unattentively. Beware of Sunday sickness that comes on after your work of Saturday is done, and disappears by Monday morning, but never requires medical treatment. Don't tempt God to smite you with sickness, by these sinful preferences.

(2.) Honor him by not dragging him into your petty quarrels. His time is too precious to be wasted in settling strifes that arise from your pride and envy and evil speaking, etc. Sustain brotherly love. Our Saviour hints that even the devil's kingdom cannot stand if divided, then how can your church, if the devil's instruments of destruction be admitted. Seek the things that work for grace. Be

kindly affectioned one toward another.

(3.) Honour him by helping him in his work. Various talents are given. Some have five, some two, others one, but all must give an account. Another can't do your work, he may do his own faithfully but not yours. Our working days are few yet, even a half hour daily in dealing with the unsaved might do much good, and whilst Salvation is all of grace no doubt God is graciously pleased to note and reward the doings of his faithful children. Your reward is sure.

(4.) Honour him by giving your means. Freely we have received let us freely give. We do not ask for missionaries, we did not ask for teachers but they were sent. How much owest thou. Had they not come would our position in this island be what it is? Would our hopes for the future be what they are? Many hard working, poor people in Canada, pay to support this mission, let us do our part, cheerfully, liberally.

All those duties, let us do them as unto God. He in love gave His son and with him freely gives us all things. To Him we owe all, let our bodily strength, our talents, any knowledge we have, our time, our means, yea let all we have be laid at his feet.

DR. DAVID LIVINGSTONE AND HIS FAVORITE HYMN.

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The life of Livingstone reads like a wonderful romance. His young life spent on the banks of the Clyde at Blantyre, Scotland; so calm and thoughtful, his pursuit of knowledge under difficulties, such as memorizing the Latin paradigms from his *delectus*, while tending the spinning jenny as a piecer boy; and his early conversion, giving himself in deep silence and solemnity to the God of his fathers, are features which no thoughtful reader can survey without emotion. Outwardly all is calm—peaceful as the crystal stream that glides past his father's door, but inwardly there was a great work of God and for God going on. While he was musing the fire burned.

Among the things he treasured up in memory in those days was a knowledge of the Shorter Catechism and large portions