

Come to Church Tomorrow

"YES, I know all the excuses. I know that one can worship the Creator in a grove of trees or by a running brook, or in a man's own house, just as well as in a church. But I also know as a matter of fact the average man does not thus worship."

Here are a few benefits to be derived from church attendance:

"You will listen to and take part in reading some beautiful passages from the Bible. And if you are not familiar with the Bible, you have suffered loss."

"You will take part in singing some good hymns."

"You will meet and nod or speak to good neighbors. You will come away feeling a little more charitably inclined toward

all the world, even toward those excessively foolish young men who regard church-going as a soft performance."

"Join in church work for the sake of showing your faith in your works."

Make your start in church service tomorrow. A fair trial of church attendance will convince you it's well worth while.

My Favorite Verse in the Bible

WE WOULD SEE JESUS: John 12:21.

BY REV. F. H. LARKIN, SEAFORTH, ONT.

THIS is a request—made at a given time, in a given place, and under given circumstances. It is the request for an interview with Jesus, who came to worship at Jerusalem. It is much more than local or casual in its reference. There is something deep and vital about this request; it has a big, broad, universal application. It is the outcome of a soul that has found itself, that is learning its greatest need, and that sees, or thinks it sees, in Christ the satisfaction of its need.

Hugh Peter Hughes was one of the foremost spiritual forces of the last generation. He was a man with a message, and his message was not only to London, where he lived and wrote; it was to the entire world. When he was nearing the end of his days on earth he foreboded the approaching future when his body would be laid away in the grave, and he saw there the opportunity for a continued and continuing message—the message to be inscribed on his monument; and today as people enter that cemetery and pass the grave of Hugh Peter Hughes there stands the monument, and on it the inscription, "Thou, O Christ, art all I want." This inscription was placed there on fulfillment of his own explicit instruction, and it reveals a man whose central and ardent aspiration was to see Jesus, and who advertised the fact for the information and guidance of others.

More than two hundred years ago an English merchant traveling in Scotland said: "I came to Irvine and heard a well-favored, proper old man, with a long beard, and this man showed me all my heart. Then I went to St. Andrew's, where I heard a sweet, majestic-looking man, and he showed me the majesty of God. After him I heard a little fair man, and he showed me the loveliness of Christ."

This last man was Samuel Rutherford, to whom we are indirectly indebted for that great hymn, "The Sands of Time are Sinking." Mrs. Cousins, who wrote the hymn got very much of her inspiration from Rutherford's letters, about which Mr. Spurgeon said: "These letters were the nearest thing to inspiration which can be found in the writings of men." They are about 300 in number, and Christ is the theme of them all. They were written in prison, where Rutherford was put for loyalty to his convictions in a sterner age than ours. At night he used to dream about Christ, and in the day he found his supreme delight in writing about Christ. It is any wonder that in listening to such a man the English merchant became conscious of the loveliness of Christ? Thousands of others have been similarly enlightened, and gladdened, because through these letters they have seen Jesus.

On the Sunday of Oct. 23, 1921, Dr. Fiedick of Union Seminary, New York City, was speaking to a congregation in that city just after his return from a tour in the Far East. He had a good deal to say about Oriental problems as they exist in China and Japan—about the wonderful intellectual awakening, the influx of new knowledge, especially at the university centers, and then he made this personal appeal: "Perhaps here this morning some young men and women, eager, forward-looking, liberal in thought and spirit, desire to make the worthwhile investment of enterprise and service. To you I offer one of the most stimulating, intellectual and spiritual challenges on earth today. Go out to Peking or Tokio, to these multitudes of young Oriental students, drinking in our new thinking for the first time like dry sponges fallen at last in water, and see if you can make Jesus Christ real to them—that is, make them aware of Jesus; interest them in Jesus; get them to respond to Jesus; pour the message of truth into their minds and hearts so that they may see Jesus as He is. This is what China and Japan needs, and it is what Canada, what we all need."

Here is a rare sentence from T. R. Glover, Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge: "To see Jesus as He is calls for all we have of intellect, of tenderness, of love, of greatness."

It calls for all we have of intellect. A man does not have to be exceptionally intellectual or scholarly to know, and honor, Jesus Christ, any more than that intellect and education in themselves and by their mere merit qualify one to give to our divine Lord the glory due unto His name—which they certainly do not. To be in joyful and beautiful fellowship with Christ one does not need to have taken a post-graduate course in some famous seat of learning; he does not even need to have reached the highest rank in a graded public school. It is a sufficient qualification that he is a man, with the nature, the faculties, the impulses, the inward hungers of a man. But granting this, it is still true that the intellect of man finds in Christ infinite scope for research, a field of investigation to occupy all eternity—before which we may well say: "O the depth of the riches, both of the wisdom and knowledge of God; how unsearchable are His judgments, and His ways past finding out."

To see Jesus as He is calls for all we have of tenderness. In this world of ours there are hard, callous, inflexible men, whose gentler sensibilities have never come to life—like the man with an iron leg, and concerning whom it was remarked by one who knew him well that his iron leg was the softest thing about him. Obviously that man as he was, with his wholeness and iron temperament, was not a man to know and to admire Christ, or to see any beauty in Him that He should be desired. He would probably agree with that other critic who said to Wendell Phillips, "Christ is weak." But let a man cultivate in himself the spirit of tenderness, let him realize a uniform and parallel growth in heart and head power, and Christ will come to have a larger and richer meaning to that man. Christ is the beginning of all knowledge," wrote Carlyle, and so it is. The man who has given to the world the real Samuel Johnson was Boswell—the friend of Johnson, his admirer, his lover. Looking at his hero through friendly eyes, listening to him with friendly, sympathetic ears, appraising him with an admiring mind, interpreting him through a devoted, loyal heart, he saw Johnson in his reality and at his best. There were others in whom Johnson awakened dislike and aversion; but these did not see him as Boswell did. Understanding, comprehension, appreciation belong to him and him alone who looks at another through the discerning eye of love.

Who, then, best and really understood Christ? Not the Scribes and Pharisees; not those who scornfully asked, "By what authority doest Thou these things?" not those who sought to entrap Him in His talk; not those who discredited and damn Him with the innuendo remark, "This man receives sinners and eateth with them"; not persons of that type, but His disciples; the mothers of the little children; the people of honest and open mind, like Mary of Bethany, John the beloved disciple, and notably the love-constrained Paul. Love gave them keenness and correctness of vision; love gave them insight; love made them the children of light; love qualified them to see Jesus, and to see Him as He is. As it was then, so is it now.

ANGLICAN. ANGLICAN.

St. Paul's Cathedral

Rector, REV. L. NORMAN TUCKER, M.A., D.C.L.
DEAN OF HURON.
Assistant, REV. DENNY BRIGHT.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

Holy Communion, 11 a.m. and at Morning Prayer.
Morning Prayer, 11 a.m.
Vespers, 10 p.m.
Te Deum, 10 p.m.
Jubilate, 10 p.m.
Hymn 235.
Sermon—Preacher.
REV. L. NORMAN TUCKER, Ph.D.,
Rector of St. James's Memorial
Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Offertory Solo—"Ye That Dwell in the Land" (Stainer).
Recessional—Hymn 455.
Organist and Choirmaster—Harry T. Dickinson.

Christ Church

Cor. Wellington and Hill Streets.
C. R. Gunne, Rector.

8:30 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer.
7 p.m.—Evening Prayer.

Cronyn Memorial

Queen's Avenue and William Street.
Quintin Warner, Rector.

8:30 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Holy Communion.
7 p.m.—The Church School.
Evening Prayer, Rev. R. D. Mass.

St. James' Church

Rev. W. Leslie Armitage, M.A., Rector.
11 a.m.—"THE SOWING TIME."
7 p.m.—"THE BREAD OF LIFE."

Holy Communion.
Rector at both services.

St. John the Evangelist

Wellington and St. James Sts.
A. L. G. Clarke, Rector.

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Church Parade, Girl Guides.
Confirmation Service.
7 p.m.—The Church School.
Evening Prayer, Rev. R. D. Mass.

BAPTIST BAPTIST

Adelaide St. Baptist Church

Adelaide and King Streets.

G. A. Leichter, Pastor.

Morning Worship, 11 a.m.—Subject:

"Destitute of a Sovereign's Purpose"

Evening Worship, 7 p.m.—Subject:

"An Unusual Love Story"

Egerton Street Baptist

REV. DR. FARMER OF TORONTO

Both Services.

Hope Baptist Mission

Real live services.

3 p.m. and 7:45 p.m.

Speaker—Mr. Tiffin.

Maitland St. Baptist

Rev. A. T. Sowerby, Ph.D., LL.D.,
Pastor.

10 a.m.

Brotherhood Meeting.

11 a.m.

"The Christian's Danger from

Enemies."

7 p.m.

"Where Saul Found a Throne."

Baptism at Evening Services.

Come Early.

METHODIST. METHODIST.

Askin Street Methodist

10 a.m.—Class Service. The Brotherhood.

11 a.m.—Rev. J. T. Cosby Morris, B.D. Subject, "The Sabbath, How Observe It."

7 p.m.—Rev. J. T. Cosby Morris, Subject, "Victoria, the Good Queen."

MUSIC BY FULL CHOIR UNDER DR. SMITH.

STRANGERS WELCOME.

First Methodist Church

10 a.m.—The Brotherhood will visit St. Andrew's Brotherhood.

11 a.m. and 7 p.m.—Rev. Kenneth Beaton, B.A., of China will preach.

Morning Subject:

"A MORNING CATCH WITH THE MASTER FISHERMAN"

Evening Subject:

"A MODERN CROMWELL"

Those who heard Mr. Beaton last fall in this church will be glad to hear him again. Others should not miss this opportunity.

GOOD MUSIC.

A. D. JORDAN, Organist.

Ridout Street Methodist

J. A. AGNEW, Pastor. Residence, 87 Windsor Avenue.

11 a.m.

Pastor Will Preach.

7 p.m.

The Pastor will be assisted by Rev. Ernest J. Davis, graduate of the Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.

10 a.m.

Men's Brotherhood. Rev. John Holmes will speak.

W. Gordon Scott, Organist.

Strangers Welcome.

Centennial

A. E. M. Thomson, Minister.

11 a.m.

God's Glory and Man's Glory.

7 p.m.

An Unanswerable Argument

For Christianity.

EVERYBODY WELCOME.

Colborne St. Methodist

Rev. S. Judson Kelly, Pastor.

Subjects.

11 a.m.—"WHAT IS MY PRAYER?"

10 a.m.—"THE LIFE THAT WINS."

10 a.m.—Brotherhood.

Frank Webster, Soloist.

N. B. Adams, Choirmaster.

Dundas Centre

Rev. (Capt.) John Garbutt, Minister.

Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Sunday School, 2:45.

J. Parnell Morris, Organist.

Empress Avenue

Rev. Geo. W. Dewey, Pastor.

10 a.m.—Class Meetings.

11 a.m.—"The Christian Conflict."

7 p.m.—"Greater Than Hydro."

You are cordially invited.

Hyatt Avenue

10 a.m.—Brotherhood. Elections.

11 a.m.—Christian Patriotism.

7 p.m.—Big McClary Rally. McClary Quartet.

Brotherhood Quartet. McClary Quartet.

Sermon, "RELIGION IN BUSINESS."

J. H. C. Woodward, Organist.

R. J. McCormick, Pastor.

Salvation Army

Clarence Street.

SERVICES AS USUAL.

Talbot Street Baptist

REV. BOWLEY GREEN, D.D.,
Pastor.

The Pastor will preach at both services.

10:15 a.m.—Men's meeting for prayer.

11 a.m.—Morning worship. Sermon subject:

"THE REVEALED MESSIAH."

2:45 p.m.—Sunday School.

3 p.m.—Baraca Class for men.

7 p.m.—Evening worship. Song service.

"WHO POURS YOUR WINE?"

Welcome for All.

Wortley Road Baptist

Rev. N. S. McKee, B.A., B.Th.,
Pastor.

11 a.m.—"FORWARD."

7 p.m.—"OUR PART AND GOD'S."

YORK St. Mission Hall. Usual morning service. Evening subject, "The Ascension."

Prayer, Hallelujah Chorus by the Mission choir.

METHODIST.

King St. Presbyterian

11 a.m.—Humanized Christianity."

7 p.m.

"The Parable of the Missing Man."

Knox Presbyterian

Corner of Wortley Road and Bruce St.

Rev. T. A. Smington, M.A., Minister.

Chas. E. Percy, Director of Music.

Sabbath Services.

11 a.m.—Public Worship.

"OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN."

3 p.m.—Church School.

7 p.m.—Public Worship.

Girls' Choir.

Rev. J. G. Stuart will preach.

New St. James'

Rev. James Mackay, Minister.

Morning.

"STILLING THE TEMPEST."

Evening.

"WHOLE-HEARTED SERVICE."

Sabbath School and Adult Bible Study Class, 3 p.m.

CONGREGATIONAL

First Congregational

Dundas Street.

REV. M. KELLY, MINISTER.

11 a.m.—"What Saul Lost and Won."

3 p.m.—Sunday School.

7 p.m.—"The House-Devil."

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

First Church of Christ

Scientist

Corner of Richmond and Kent streets.

Sunday services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Wednesday service at 8 p.m.

Free public reading-room open week days from 10 to 5, Room 55, Bank of Toronto Chambers.

BIBLE STUDENTS.

International Bible

Students' Association.

6 p.m.—Hymn Hall.

Corner Queen's Ave and Clarence St.

Speaker:

ERNEST WHELPOTON

Subject:

Is The Bible The Word of God?

A reply to clergy infidelity.

Seats Free. All Welcome. No Collection.

Hamilton Road

Gospel Hall

7 p.m.—Gospel Service.

Speaker—Mr. Wm. Ludbrook.

Egerton Street

Gospel Hall

7 p.m.—Gospel Service.

Speaker—Mr. E. J. Bodaly.

Trinity Lutheran

577 Pall Mall Street.

Martin J. Bruer, Pastor.

SERVICES AS USUAL.

Everybody Welcome.

BIBLE CONFERENCE

Conducted by

Rev. Philip Wittich, B.A.

MAY 21ST TO 31ST

Sunday Services.

10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

WEEK-NIGHT SERVICES—TUES., WED., THURS., FRI. & P.M.

The Meetings Will be Under the Auspices of the Pentecostal Assembly, 557 Dundas Street.

Mr. Wittich is a Bible teacher of international reputation. His knowledge of Greek and Hebrew, together with a life study of the Bible, makes him an interesting speaker to Christians of every denomination. DON'T FAIL TO HEAR HIM.

REV. R. E. MCALISTER, PASTOR.

Reorganized Church of Jesus

Christ of Latter Day Saints.

NOT MORMONS.

Maitland St., Near York.

9 a.m.—Young People's Meeting.

11 a.m.—Prayer Service.

11 a.m.—Preaching Service.

2:45 p.m.—Sunday School.

7 p.m.—Preaching.

CHRISTADAPHANS MEET IN Castle Hall, corner Dundas and Clarence streets, Sunday, 7 p.m. Subject: "Are the British People the Lost Ten Tribes of Israel?"

St. Andrew's Presbyterian

REV. D. C. MacGREGOR, B.A., D.D., Minister.

REV. F. W. K. HARRIS, B.A., Director of Religious Education.

10 a.m.—Brotherhood. Rev. T. D. McCullough, secretary of Social Service, Subject.