

ONE evidence of the providential character of Christian Endeavor is its adaptation to the needs of young people in all lands. It is at home

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and all countries declare the movement specially adapted to their particular requirements. In giving an account of the All-India Christian Endeavor Convention, the *Indian Witness* says: "Hardly anything more surely conduces to the prosperity of the cause of the Redeemer than well-organized effort to win the young people for Him and train them for His happy service. Christian Endeavor stands out prominently as one of the very best of such organizations. It is admirably adapted to the needs of India, and there is no question that it has a great future before it in this empire. It has only begun to feel its way as yet, but great possibilities are wrapped up in it for India's myriads of young people."

IN the life of Professor Drummond by his friend, Professor George Adam Smith, there is nothing with which one is so impressed as the

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wholesomeness, and consequently the attractiveness, of his piety. He was a striking illustration of the fact that the most devout life may be at the same time truly manly. In the best sense, nothing human was foreign to him. In the class room, the enquiry room, the cricket field—wherever he was, Henry Drummond was a man, and a man at his best because he was everywhere so loyally and so naturally Christian.

There are two errors made concerning the religious life by those who have never had experience of its sweetness and power. They conceive of it as a drag on manhood and as a disturber of life's joys. Such lives as Professor Drummond's show how far astray these conceptions are from the truth.

The spiritual life is life at its best. The highest attainments of the divine life in man cannot be separated from the practical affairs of our common days. The noblest life must ever be the one that performs earthly tasks in a heavenly spirit. True manhood can no more be separated from religion than the lovely, nodding flower upon the stem can be separated from the root beneath the ground.

Neither does this life stand in contradistinction to things pleasurable and companionable. In its truest manifestations, it ennobles and glorifies them all. The religion that is sour and forbidding is not of Christ's ordaining. The One who lived the highest, holiest life was attractive, approachable, sociable. The most wonderful thing about the holiness of Jesus was its fascination for the sinful and abandoned. Christians are warned against many things, but one thing it is the duty of every follower of Christ to be on guard against—an *unlovable life*. The sunniest soul in all the world should be the one that basks

in the rays of the Sun of Righteousness. The merriest laugh that ever falls upon human ears should be the one that comes from a heart that Christ has cleansed. The so-called higher life that repels people has little in common with the life that Jesus lived. In the home, the store, the shop, the field, the office, never forget your obligation, always and under all circumstances, to live a lovable life.

IN these troublous times in China the lives of many missionaries in the interior are in constant peril. Have we ever thought of commending

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them to the care of the great Keeper of His people? Indeed, have we been as mindful of our representatives in the foreign field in our prayers as we ought to have been? Most societies are contributing for the support of the work in heathen lands, but how seldom do we hear prayers offered for those who are seeking to establish the standard of the cross upon the strongholds of heathenism. If there were more prayers for the workers, would there not be more interest in the work at home and greater results in the field? When prayers languish at home, the work of Christ halts abroad.

The Old Testament story of Moses lifting up his hands to God while Joshua and the men of war fought Amalek down in the plain, has its teaching for our times. When Moses let fall the hands of intercession the Amalekites prevailed; but when Moses, with hands upheld by Aaron and Hur, continued to pray, Israel prevailed. There is nothing that our missionaries are more solicitous about than the prayers of God's people. There is scarcely a letter that comes from the field that does not bear the burden of a plea for more prayer.

Some years ago a young missionary and his wife went out from this country to a field in Africa. A most affectionate farewell was given to them, and they received many assurances of constant interest in their work. When years had passed by, a stranger came into the weekly prayer meeting of that church. He took a back seat, and while evidently deeply interested took no part until it was about to close. Then he arose and said: "Years ago I went out from you to the foreign field. You promised me then that you would never meet in this room for prayer but that you would remember me and the work in your supplications. For a time our work prospered. We felt that the power and the blessing of God were with us. But of late the work has dragged, and our strength has failed. I could not understand it until I came here to-night. Now I know what has been wrong. You have forgotten to pray for us. Not one petition for foreign missions, or for those who are engaged in them, has been offered here to-night." Might not that charge be laid against many of our prayer meetings? In your prayers, do not forget the missionaries.