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**"BY GRACE ARE
YE SAVED, through
faith: and that not of
yourselves; it is the gift
of God: NOT OF WORKS,
lest any man should
boast."**

Eph. ii. 8-9.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

The special services in connection with the Week of prayer closed on Sunday afternoon last with an address by Rev. Dr. Potts of the Metropolitan Church. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, the main body of Shaftesbury Hall was well filled, and a pleasing feature was the large number of young men present.

The address was intensely practical, and was delivered with much power. The text chosen was John xxi, 21-22, the subject being the nature and obligation of Christian discipleship. Discipleship implies following Christ, and this in turn embraces believing Christ—obeying Christ—imitating Christ—and loving Christ.

In speaking of imitating Christ Dr. Potts remarked that wherever you see Jesus while on earth you see Him just where and how he ought to be. In communion with God and in the fullest sympathy with man. With strong compassion for the unsaved and with sympathy for all. Forgiving all who hated him. Seeking ever the glory of

God, and always faithful in service. In all these points we should imitate Jesus.

As to our obligations, he said "Nothing can justify a refusal to follow Christ. Under certain circumstances it is a grand thing to be able to say No." It was by so doing that Joseph—Daniel—The Hebrew Children,—Peter—John and many other Bible heroes had secured such a grand reputation. But when it comes to the question of following Christ none can be justified in saying No! No opposition from friends—no peculiarities in self—no feeling of unworthiness, or of guilt, can be admitted as a plea. No inconsistencies in others can be accepted as a reason for not following Christ. When we attempt to plead the failures in others, we are met with the words "What is that to THEE follow THOU me."

He closed with a strong appeal to Christian Young Men to follow Christ as Caleb followed the Lord "FULLY." And those who had not yet commenced he urged to begin following, and to begin NOW!

Mr. W. H. Howland occupied the chair and gave in a few words a most impressive testimony as to the sufficiency in Christ to meet all the demands of a Young Man's nature.

Thus closed what we believe to have been a season of blessing to many souls. May the work be carried on till much fruit shall be gathered into the garner above.

NOONDAY PRAYER.

Our Noonday meeting for prayer has been a season of much spiritual refreshing during the past, and especially so during the Week of Prayer and the few days which have since elapsed. The attendance has increased, and a spirit of earnestness is manifested.

**"WOE unto him that
giveth his neighbour
drink, that putteth
thy BOTTLE to him
and makest him
DRUNKEN also."**

Hab. ii. 15.

STANDING TREAT.

One of the most absurd of all foolish customs, is that of inviting a crowd of friends or strangers to walk up to the bar and "take something at my expense."

Men do not buy other things, either useful or ornamental, in this way;— why should they make an exception in favor of this poisonous draught, which is the cause of most of the crimes which curse the land and which fill the community with poverty, mourning, and woe.

Some one has sensibly said:—"Now, boys, if you want to be generous and treat each other, why not select some other place besides the liquor shop? Suppose, as you go by the post office, you remark: 'I say, my dear fellow come in and take some stamps!' These stamps will cost you no more than drinks all around. Or go to the haberdasher's, and say: 'Boys, come in and take a box of collars.' Walk up to a grocer's free and generous, and say: 'What kind of coffee will you have?' Why not treat to groceries by the pound as well as liquors by the glass? Or take your comrades to a cutler's and say: 'I'll stand a good pocket-knife all round.'"

This would be thought a strange way of showing friendship, but would it not be better than to offer to friends a maddening, poisonous, deadly draught?

Suppose a man should keep a den of rattlesnakes, and allow men to come in and be bitten at sixpence a bite? Would it be a sensible thing for a man

to invite all his friends in to be bitten at his expense? Is it worth our while to turn our friends into brutes, maniacs and murderers, and their homes into hells of trouble, and distress, by giving them "something to drink at my expense?" "At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder."

"SAVE HIM, HE IS MY BROTHER."

It was a quiet Sabbath-day at one of the watering places, and the shining waves sparkling in the sun's genial smile looked like a vast mirror stretching out far from the shore. In the offing were many gallant ships at anchor, as though they, too, would rest from labour on the Sabbath of the Lord.

Suddenly the wind flew into the north-east, and a hurricane commenced. The vessels, which an hour before were lazily heaving on the gentle swell, now tossed heavily, and from one a cry was heard in piercing accents, ringing far above the roaring of the storm, "A man overboard!" Manfully did the brave rovers pull; they were nearing the struggling form—nearer—nearer yet, but all their efforts were in vain, for while the boat was only a few lengths off the man went down.

Another piercing cry rang out on the startled air; and into the hushed and awe-struck crowd standing on the beach there rushed a man uttering the heart-rending words, "Save him, save him!—a thousand pounds to the man who saves him! he is my brother!" But the wild eye only rested on the place where the remorseless waves rolled over the body of the perished, and a look of settled despair marked his countenance when they told him hope was dead.

This, however is just the feeling wanted in the various ranks of those professing to serve the Lord—"Save him he is my brother."

**"If any man have not the
Spirit of Christ, HE IS NONE
OF HIS.—Romans viii. 9."**



JESUS ONLY.
(Matt. xvii. 8.)

The way to secure a good position in life is to be worthy of it, and capable of discharging its its duties.

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MONDAY.....	Nov. 29.....	12.00	M.	8.00 P.M.	PRAISE MEETING. W. E. Burford. YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS. H. A. Bruton
TUESDAY.....	" 30.....	12.00	M.		NOONDAY PRAYER. The Sower. Matt. xiii. 3-8. 18-23. Rev. John Salmon.
WEDNESDAY ..	Dec. 1....	12.00	M.		NOONDAY PRAYER. Prayer for the young men of Toronto. Luke v. 17-24. Geo. T. Fergusson.
THURSDAY.....	Dec. 2.....	12.00	M.		BIBLE READING. Rev. H. M. Parsons.
FRIDAY.....	" 3.....	12.00	M.		NOONDAY PRAYER. A Midnight Conversion. Acts xvi. 23-24. Rev. J. Adams.
				8.00 P.M.	BOYS' MEETING. Charles Edwards.
SATURDAY.....	" 4.....	12.00	M.		NOONDAY PRAYER. The Riches of His Goodness. Isa. lxiii. 7-10; Rom. ii. 4. Rev. S. T. Gibbs.
				4.50 P.M.	TEACHER'S BIBLE CLASS. Hon. S.H. Blake
				8.00 P.M.	YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. The Slavery of Sin. Rom. vi. 16-23. W. N. Macfarlane.
SUNDAY.....	" 5.....	9.30 A.M.			WORKER'S MEETING FOR PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY.
				3.00 P.M.	EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS. S.R. Briggs
				8.30 P.M.	GOspel AND SONG SERVICE. H.B. Gordon

Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Secretary.

RAILROAD MEETINGS.

SUNDAY, Dec. 5, 3 00 P.M.—At Union Station.—JOS. GREEN and REV. H. MELVILLE.

At Nipissing Station.—BIBLE READING.—W. E. BURFORD.

COTTAGE MEETINGS are also held every MONDAY 8 P.M.—123 Portland Street. THURSDAY 8 P.M.—240 Little Richmond Street, and 61 Sackville Street.

FREE CLASSES.

ELOCUTION.....	MR. R. LEWIS.....	MONDAY, 8 P.M.
PHONOGRAPHY.....	MR. R. McNAB.....	MONDAY and SATURDAY, 6.45 P.M.
BOOKKEEPING.....	MR. McINTYRE.....	TUESDAY, 8 P.M.
DRAWING.....	MR. H. B. GORDON.....	FRIDAY, 8 P.M.
GYMNASIUM (for Young Men).....		MONDAY and THURSDAY, 8 P.M., SATURDAY, 4 to 6 P.M.
GYMNASIUM (for Boys).....	MR. BRUTON.....	MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY 4.30 to 6 P.M.

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