

Sign-Boards on the Up-Road

by Hamilton B. Williams

There is no spot nor place in all God's universe where He is not, and never a form of life that is not twisted into His being. There is no human being outside the kindly compassion of God whose every emotion is a sunflash of love. Back of all love is a thot of welfare for the love-object, and we affirm our belief in a Father upon that promise.

It is no small exercise of the mind to believe in the Immanence of God. Primitive people always set Him outside and credit Him with the grossest emotions of the human heart—attributing to the most wonderfully compassionate God even revenge and capacity of dreadful retaliation for mistakes and blunders. A narrow, bigoted, exclusive, intolerant mind invariably makes God to be such as himself, and the broadminded and sympathetic make God like that. The traditional Satan affirmed what God would do under certain conditions. The biggest hearts of the universe have always taught a big-hearted God. Jesus arising above all daring made Him a Father of exquisite sensitiveness and unmeasurable forgiveness. The capacity of affirming belief in the Immanent God as opposed to the primitive concept of a far-off God in some far-off heaven marks one as being intelligent.

No one knows how far the chastisement for sin extends in other phases of existence beyond the earth-experience, but this is certain, that every moment of chastisement is a moment of anguish to Him who loves us—like a father; He pities us. For if God loves He suffers.

There is a stronger reason for living clean and right and true and high and humanly than the dread of punishment. It is the dread of hurting the feeling of our Father. Unless a life program be conceived from that sense of honor toward God, it is a slave's living.

Jesus puts life upon this positive basis. Thou shalt be perfect—merciful—because our Father in heaven is so.

Unless one feels the fine honor of being friends and neighbors to all with whom we rub elbows in the world, it is a hireling's poor farce of playing a friend.

BOND SALE

The trustees of the Village of Andover, in the County of Allegany and State of New York having been authorized by a special election duly held in and for said village on the 25th day of April, 1922 to expend the sum of Thirteen Thousand, Four Hundred and Sixty Dollars to pay the cost of paving and improving portions of West Greenwood Street and Rochambeau Avenue in the Village of Andover, New York, and issue and sell bonds of said village upon its faith and credit to pay the expense thereof such bonds to be paid within twenty years from the date of such issue, in installments with interest payable annually, and the said trustees having also been authorized to raise annually by tax upon the taxable property of said village sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds as the same became due.

And in pursuance of Village Law Section 166 Chapter 657 laws of State of New York 1922, and of a resolution duly adopted on the 7th day of February, 1923 by the Board of Trustees of said village,

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned Board of Trustees of the Village of Andover, New York, at the office of the clerk of the said village, in the Village of Andover, New York, until 8 o'clock p. m. of the 19th day of February 1923 for the purchase of twenty bonds aggregating the sum of Ten Thousand, Six Hundred Dollars, said bonds are to be in dimensions of Five Hundred Thirty Dollars each consecutively numbered from 1 to 20 inclusive, bearing date Feb. 20, 1923, with interest payable July 1, 1923 and annually thereafter on the 1st day of January, one of said bonds to mature on the 1st day of July, 1923, and one of said bonds to mature on the 1st day of July of each year thereafter until the whole series is paid with interest.

Bidders must state the amount of their bids, which must be not less than par, and deposit with their bids cash, certified check or bank draft for 5 per cent. of the amount of such bonds, and pay the balance with accrued interest when said bonds are delivered.

The Board of Trustees of said village hereby reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

Bids must be sealed and sent to the Clerk of the Village of Andover, N. Y., and endorsed on the outside of the envelope inclosing them: "Proposals for Street Improvement Bonds."

Dated at Andover, N. Y., this 7th day, of February, 1923.

EDWARD J. ATWOOD, President.

C. E. BROWN, Trustee.
HENRY STEPHENS, Trustee.
PORTER RICHARDSON, Clerk.

It wouldn't pay a merchant to advertise goods unless it would pay the advertiser to buy them.

Unless we have a concept of the value of human beings and respect their divine relation we shall surely treat them by the value-idea we have of them.

There can be no abiding service that is not grounded upon a vast love for personality.

If we conceive people to be poor fellow worms, we shall treat them so; if we believe them to be children of God so shall we treat them.

The life-idea of Jesus makes sacred every thot and action of life. We worship as wonderfully in the field as in the temple; we lift as pleasing a sacrifice in our work as we do in our prophecy. Everything is sacramental to a soul whose God is in the world everywhere.

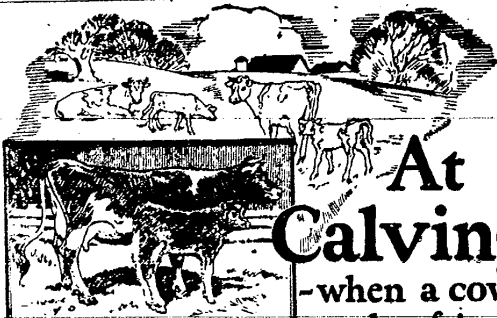
The only valid reason for inspiring people to become friends with Jesus is the fact that in Him is life—life here, life beyond, life as it is to be experienced according to the Plan of God.

A fine start—and this is the only proof of being in Christ's fellowship—a fine start toward Eternal Life is by friendship.

If an angel from heaven came to earth and made loud proclamation of his residence there and failed to be a friend, I should know he lied.

If any human being's religion may not be set forth in equation of friendship—in work, in deed, in thot, in impulse; that religion thot it have every seemingly supernatural approbation must be branded as false, by Him who said:

"Men shall know you are my disciples When you love one another,

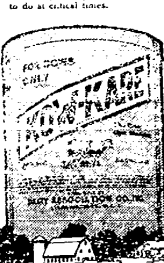


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