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To My Father

Now In Glory

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"Who for fifty years lived and preached

Holiness with Standards"

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"This book will cost me some friends, but if it cost me all, and gains me none, in God's name, as I am a free man, I will have to publish it." -- Sam Houston

"If I could live my life again, I would still live it for Jesus and the Church of the Nazarene."
-- E. O. Chalfant

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I. SON, BE TRUE
By Morris Chalfant

We are now in the third generation of our church. I am a second generation Nazarene. Only a few of the "church fathers" remain among us. When they passed, we lost something of the pioneer and the spirit of sacrifice.

The first generation of our church was characterized by positive, powerful preaching on Holiness which always produced a separation from the world, and Pentecost, with a terrible attack on sin.

We are living in a day of change. The changes within and without the church the past few years are staggering. Change is necessary to progress. All change is not necessary and not good, change may be destructive if it is made just for the sake of change.

It is pretty easy to criticize the old timers for their narrowness. They might have been narrow and dogmatic at times but in our day, our danger has been we have become too "puppymatic." When I think of who they were, where they came from, what they had to work with, what they did, and the opposition they had, I want to go to their graves (and I have many times), pull off my hat and bless their memory. If we hope to have a church tomorrow, and for the next generation, we had better cling to some of the theology, principles, and convictions of our church pioneers. They left us a heritage. Like Naboth, we'd better tell Ahab we won't sell, we won't trade. We'll die first. We owe these men and women something. I am grateful to God that I lived far enough back that I saw and heard most of the pioneers of our church. I was born in one of the pioneer's homes. I have seen many of them die. Our pioneers died for the truth of Holiness and I love it enough to die for it. I love my church. It is the best church in the world. I love it enough that I can put all I have into it. I am fully committed to its doctrines and world outreach. If I didn't like it I would get out of it.

If I have a fear as a second generation Nazarene, and I do, it is that believing the truth of Holiness, somehow by the deception of the devil, we shall miss the experience and life to which the truth gives doctrinal basis. For it is not enough to be sound in our thinking, we must be right in our feelings and living. It is possible to be orthodox in the head and heterodox in the heart. When this condition obtains, the holy heritage is already lost.

Just before I left for a term of missionary service in Africa for our church, my Father wrote in my Bible these words of advice. He was a pioneer of our beloved Zion, and though he be dead, yet may he speak to our beloved Zion now. These instructions held me steady in the heart of Africa as a missionary and in recent years, as I have served as a pastor of two downtown city churches. The last time I saw him alive he again repeated these instructions to me. His last words to me were, "Son, be true to these instructions, Son, be true."

1. Be true to God regardless of personal cost.
2. Remember to pray everyday, have a stated place, time, hold to it. It will tell in time and eternity.
3. Be always engaged in doing something useful. Rest and recreation are useful.

4. Be loyal in every way to every one. Be loyal to leadership, personally in all relationships, local, district, general. Guard confidences.

5. God is in heaven, thou art upon earth, therefore let thy words be few.

6. Life is so short. Eternity is so long, therefore keep awake and keep yourself disallusioned. Don't try to fool God or other people or yourself about anything.

7. Remember God is always on hand to help you every time you need Him.

8. Next to God, cultivate your friends.

9. Give attention to home and wife and family and your living relatives. You not only need all the help from God, but all the good human help you can get.

10. Be true to Bible Holiness with standards.

11. Write inoffensively. -- E. O. Chalfant

Let us as second generation and third generation Nazarenes be true. Let us lift up our voices in defense of the precious doctrine of second blessing Holiness. Cry aloud until we stem the tide of encroaching pacificism. Recapture the militancy that characterized our pioneer preachers and laymen. Preach it until our hearts are aflame. Preach it until the zeal of the Lord has consumed us. Preach it until hell is enraged. Preach it until sinners wilt and come weeping to God. Preach it until hypocrites rage. Preach it until the fire falls. Preach it until we know that we have God's message for this hour. Preach it with the assurance that we came into the world to preach it. Preach it until all men know what we stand for and if need be, die for. So help us God. "Holiness without which no man shall see the Lord." Heb. 12:14. NAZARENES, LET US BE TRUE!

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II. THE HOLINESS MOVEMENT BECALMED -- WHY?

For God hath not called us unto uncleanness but unto Holiness. He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man but God." I Thess. 4:7, 8.

Becalmed. Motionless. Having put forth in full sail and having headed towards the desired haven, suddenly the winds die down and the sail boat creaks to a standstill. Becalmed. One of the most beautiful scenes found in the Pacific Northwest in the summer time is to see the beautiful sail boats sailing on the many lakes and waterways. One of the words used by those who sail these boats, whose only means of power is the sails and masts is the word "BECALMED." For a sail boat to be becalmed is a great embarrassment and tragedy to its owner.

BECALMED. What thoughts are conjured up by this word and how it ably describes the Holiness movement in many quarters in this second half of the twentieth century. Becalmed, becalmed in this last half of the twentieth century. With what flourish the Holiness movement

sailed from the harbor of sin and the modernistic churches at the turn of the twentieth century. Every sail was set with grim determination and the winds of zealous enthusiasm swept the Holiness movement forward for God. And that seems only yesterday, but alas, today many a wind has died down and many a Holiness church is motionless. Nothing is more pathetic than to see an energetic church or Holiness denomination slowing down into complacency. Yesterday the church life was in full sail for God, but today the winds are no more and the life is becalmed. Like a stately sail boat, full-masted, making a great profession as the five foolish virgins with their empty lamps, many Holiness professors and churches are today becalmed and motionless. They go to church and sing, they give their pittance, they pretend perfection, and spread their sails at the masthead of profession, but there is no movement of the spirit. There is no sound as of a rushing mighty wind to sweep them forward into usefulness for God. Monumental Christians, so beautiful to behold, but too well established in the rut of formalism and institutionalism to be able to get out of their own accord. The Holiness movement's greatest need in this last half of the twentieth century is for the mighty winds of Pentecost to move its churches and denominations forward. And what a tremendous movement there would be if the rushing mighty winds of Pentecost found us as were the one hundred and twenty believers on the Day of Pentecost. They were of one accord and in one place, praying for Baptism of the Holy Ghost to come and with what vengeance the winds came to sweep three thousand more souls into the Kingdom of God. As they continued praying and witnessing, thousands more believed in the Lord Jesus Christ.

In some quarters of the Holiness movement, the trade winds of Pentecost have stopped blowing. In some places so much time is being spent checking the rigging, we are forgetting to raise our canvass and catch the trade-winds of the Spirit.

The Spirit filled life is a life of progress and achievement. The great driving force of the Church is the Holy Spirit of our God, and as those who believed in Holiness as a second definite work of Grace at the turn of the twentieth century spread their sails, God honored their gathering with many outpourings and blessings. Many denominations were born at the turn of the twentieth century with their cardinal doctrine being Second Blessing Holiness, which was accompanied with the emphasis of standards which produced a complete separation from the world and all its allurements.

YES, THE HOLINESS MOVEMENT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY IS IN MANY QUARTERS BECALMED. THE QUESTION BEING ASKED BY FRIENDS, FOES, AND CRITICS, IS WHY?

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III. THE HOLINESS MOVEMENT BECALMED BY:

1. Invertebrates [invertebratitus]

"Woe unto them that call evil good and good evil, that put darkness for light, and light for darkness, that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter." -- Isaiah 5:20

A massive volume published in 1954, "The Animal Kingdom," edited by Frederick Drimmer records the fact that there are nearly 1,000,000 kinds of invertebrates, from amoebas to worms, snakes, and countless others. Almost unbelievable, all animals with no backbones or spines.

Invertebrate leadership says "be positive." They would abolish moral criticism by the pious device of questioning the negative approach. This device is very useful for it silences the critic as either irreligious or unwise. The Biblical approach includes both the positive and the negative as the time and circumstances demand. Moral indignation and moral denunciation appear constantly in Scriptures; their disappearance in our day and disapproval of the manly virtues of Christianity by anemic saints is a sign of the moral flabbiness of our times and not a sign of Christian piety as some suppose.

The function of criticism must never be hindered or corruption will go on unexposed and unchecked. The right to criticize moral wrong is a moral right. The duty to criticize or expose wrong is a God-given duty. To protest against wrong at times is to expose oneself to the charge of "mud-slinging," so much sin remains unexposed and unrebuked. Edmund Burke once said that "Evil can triumph if good men will keep still." By a strange confusion of values, good men today who refuse to keep silent are treated sometimes with more intolerance than the perpetrators of the evil deed.

The Holiness movement's most cancerous, chilling curse is convenient compromise which is encouraged by Invertebrate Leadership. The most certain road to decay and death for the Holiness movement is compromise. Restraint in things religious is becoming the popular thing in many Holiness circles.

We can learn from the Book of Acts that the Christian Church was not set in motion by invertebrates. St. Peter said to the High Priest that he was a "whited sepulcher." We must obey God rather than man. They did not have much tact, perhaps, but they did have backbone. As it was in the beginning, it must be now.

2. Becalmed by the Spirit of This Age

"Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love." -- Rev. 2:4

While serving as a missionary in South Africa, I spent the first few months in language study near the Jungle. My first impression of the Jungle was that it was very alluring and very mysterious. One at first has a creeping feeling come over him. Living and being in the habitat of elephants, crocodiles, snapping turtles, snakes, chiggers, termites, monkeys, baboons, and others really gives one the creeps. It demands eternal vigilance to live in and overcome the creeping element of the Jungle.

We in the homeland are facing each day a more dangerous foe than those who inhabit the Jungle of Africa. We are living in a time of deep moral confusion with the foundation of morality undermined by secularism, liberalism, and materialism. As the creeping feeling of the Jungle

overwhelms one in Africa, the Spirit of this Age has settled down upon the Holiness Church and affecting us in all areas of our Christian living. I asked Rev. W. S. Purintan, one of the Church of the Nazarene's outstanding leaders, if the Holiness movement had lowered its standards and no longer had reason for existence. He said, "No, the Holiness movement still preached Holiness with standards, but the Spirit of this Age had affected the world in every area and the church had not been immune from the influence of the Spirit of this Age."

As a missionary living in the Jungle, it is imperative to eternally fight to overcome the creeping element of the Jungle in order to exist. As Holiness people, it is imperative that we eternally fight to overcome the Spirit of this Age, if we are to continue as a distinct Holiness movement. Many times I have likened the element of the creeping Jungle in Africa to the Spirit of this Age. The Spirit of this Age is more dangerous to our spiritual lives than the creeping Jungle in Africa is dangerous to ones physical well being.

The Spirit of this Age has so settled down upon the Holiness movement until the demands of living holy lives is now in disrepute by those who are in the second and third generation Holiness homes.

Chester Tulga said, "Holiness in the average man would set him apart from the world too sharply for his comfort or happiness; it might force him to quit a lucrative position, it might hurt his business, it might lose him friends, it might thwart his ambitions. Holiness in a woman would destroy at one blow much of the feminine vanity and extravagance so apparent in our world. Holiness in the ecclesiastical world would destroy the politics by which many organizations are held together -- man's cheap substitute for the unity of the Spirit. The demands of Holiness are too radical, so Holiness is in disrepute in the ministry and in the churches. There is little desire for personal holiness in the religious world today."

Holiness is in disrepute in many quarters of the Holiness movement because of the inroads that the spirit of this age has made upon the Holiness movement.

YES, THE HOLINESS MOVEMENT IS BECALMED BY THE SPIRIT OF THIS AGE.

3. The Loss of Our Sensitivity Toward Sin

"And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold." -- Matt. 24:12

It is a dangerous thing to lose our sensitivity toward sin. ALL SIN is an abomination in the eyes of God. God who is infinitely holy, abhors sin. He cannot bear to have sin in his presence. God who cannot tolerate sin in heaven, will not tolerate sin in His people. Billy Graham said in "Christianity Today," "I am not sure that I would say American saints are more sanctified. I am not so sure but what they are less sanctified. I think that television, for example, is having a detrimental effect on Christians. I think that they are no longer sensitive to sin. I think that television has brought the night club into the home, along with violence and sex -- things that Christians looked upon ten years ago with abhorrence. They have gradually become desensitized, and I can site case after case in which Christians now watch television without feeling any twinge of conscience."

Have you analyzed the reason for your change of attitude toward the things of the world? As a Holiness movement it is past time for us to analyze and face the fact that we have changed our attitude toward things that were sin in our midst in our early days, are now being condoned. The reason we are now permitting things in our churches which used to bring condemnation, is because many have become more broad-minded and perhaps their religion has thinned out.

Sin is sin, and righteousness is righteousness. As Paul said in so many words, you cannot die in sin and still live in it. If you enter Canaan and then compromise with Canaan's idols, God will withdraw his favor.

"But if you do not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you, then those of them whom you let remain shall be as pricks in your eyes and thorns in your sides, and they shall trouble you in the land where you dwell." -- Numbers 33:55

We are His or not His. We are free or bound. We are committed or worldly. Fight or be taken by the enemy of your soul. Fight or be defeated. No Battle, no Victory. Where are you living today? In Egypt, the wilderness, or Canaan? YES, BECALMED BY LOSING OUR SENSITIVITY TOWARD SIN.

4. Becalmed by the Lukewarmness of Our Love

"I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth." -- Revelation 3:15, 16

There are worse things than emotional excesses and rigid legalism. It is spiritual apathy, deadening lethargy, the seared conscience, the careless ethical life. Christ cried out against every form of evil. He warned against talents, fruitless branches, and burned out lamps. He declared that the gospel of redeeming love required a forsaking of the world, a repudiation of everything that would hinder in the service of the Kingdom. The Apostles preached: "Repent of this thy wickedness." They declared that there is no fellowship between the Christian and a Satan-controlled world. "He that would be a friend of the world is an enemy of God." The lukewarmness of our love deadens one to the dangers of compromise, causes spiritual indifference to settle upon the soul.

The lukewarmness of our love has produced a generation of Holiness professors without the possession of heart Holiness and life. Many trends reveal the lukewarmness of our love.

Many articles and books have been written, and sermons preached about this trend. Many suggestions have been given, here is the quintessence of our problem at this point, as I see it: I have never been convinced that preaching Holiness and living Holiness with Standards is the cause of the becalmed condition in the Holiness ranks. I am thoroughly convinced as a second generation Holiness preacher in the Church of the Nazarene that inconsistent living coupled with our attitude toward those we seek to force into our pattern, are the causes and draw most criticism from others. Then our attitude toward even those of our own group -- Our criticism, fault findings,

and lack of demonstrated love. The world expects to look upon the church to behold how they love one another. "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." (John 13-35) Actually our doctrine and standards mean little to them. They have little reason to be interested, being dead in trespasses and in sins, until we have lived them under conviction by a holy, consistent life. But we must remember one thing -- they are not too dead to notice whether or not we manifest the love one for another which we profess.

I am alarmed at the attitude of the church toward the world of men. While we are to keep entirely separated from the wicked world systems and inwardly free from the worldly spirit, yet the church should look upon the world of humanity, not as beasts and criminals, but as a great, whitened harvest field into which we are to go as harvesters. We are not called to be "threshing machines," we are called to be reapers.

My heart-cry for the Holiness movement in the middle of the twentieth century is "O God send the Fire, the Fire of the Holy Ghost." When He is come, the supernatural becomes the natural, the unusual the usual, the expected is thrust aside by the unexpected. His coming may not solve all of our problems, but it will solve the inner problems of deadness, lethargy, coldness, selfishness, and the tendency to worldliness that has engulfed us these past few years.

Yes, Becalmed by the Lukewarmness of our Love. This is one of our greatest perils.

5. Becalmed by Superfluous Adornment and Ornamentation

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but it is of the world." -- I John 2:15,16

Dr. J. B. Chapman said, "No church that has ever diluted its doctrine or modified its standards has ever prospered over a long period of time." Dr. H. V. Miller said, "Our standards cannot be ignored or depreciated without hazard to the whole and an inevitable wandering from the path we have taken. We must maintain our ethics with consistent conscience if we intend to remain invulnerable in our entire position."

I am greatly disturbed by the open disregard for the standards that have always characterized the Holiness movement. I am aware of the fact that some have gone to the extreme in denunciatory language. They have not only said too much, but they have said it too often. The result is their voice has lost its influence to overcome this, they have emphasized their position the more, and a vicious circle has been set in motion. Disappointed because others say so little, they are driven to say more. The more they say, the less attention is given them and the final score is more loss than gain. It is too bad that some have gone to extremes in assuming attitudes and using expressions that only tend to antagonize thinking people. Statements of that type generally come from the lips of those who are honestly disturbed by the current trends. They are not wholly to blame, either, for they have been goaded into extreme utterances by the silence of others, but they fail to realize that they themselves have in part created the very silence they deplore. Unreasonable language does not get us anywhere, neither does unreasonable silence. It appears to me it is time to

protest against the superfluous adornment and ornamentation that is to be seen in the Holiness movement today.

I know the danger of setting up "Standards" as an idol. Doubtless there are those who have done so. There were Pharisees in Christ's day, and presumably not all were dishonest. Paul was a Pharisee and he was not dishonest. However, there is also the danger of enthroning the idol of "Ornamentation" and this is just as great, if not greater, than the danger of worshipping at the shrine of "Standards." In fact, one would scarcely be unscriptural in assuming that if a choice must be made between two such idols, it would be better to have Standards over-emphasized than worldliness in attire over-tolerated. We read in the Bible about the dangers of Worldliness, as well as about the danger of Pharisaism. I am not advocating legalism. I am simply saying that legalism is no greater danger than ornamentation. The matter of worldly ornamentation is not unimportant. It cannot be grouped with items that are non essential. The scriptures do not place it in that class and neither should the Holiness movement. Because some have used abusive language and made unwise statements, others have avoided the subject. This is not justifiable. Other phases of Bible living have been subjected to improper emphasis, but this does not excuse any of us from a temperate, middle of the road, Bible founded position on all the doctrines of the Church.

YES, THE HOLINESS MOVEMENT IS BECALMED IN MANY QUARTERS BECAUSE OF SUPERFLUOUS ADORNMENT AND ORNAMENTATION. Let us take our stand, courageously, sweetly, and have done all, let us stand.

6. Becalmed by Defective Evangelism Without Revivals

"Not by might, nor by power, but by My spirit, saith the Lord of Host." -- Zech. 4:6

Defective Holiness evangelism has polluted, poisoned, and weakened the Holiness movement. Vast numbers have passed through the mechanics of being saved and sanctified, joined the church. They have a form of Godliness, but deny the power thereof.

The outstanding secret and success of the Holiness movement has been the preaching of first and second blessing Holiness in a distinctive, definite, dynamic way. It is not Holiness and something else, but Holiness must be the program. We are not stressing Holiness as the early leaders of our church stressed it. The old-time worthies many times preached Holiness every time they preached. I know when it was preached every time or practically so, that the church grew more and its standards were better kept.

In far too many instances, the platform is becoming a shop window to display the gifts and talents of a visiting team. The visiting team looks like a mannequin parade too many times. Singing "Holiness unto the Lord" but in reality we should be singing "Hollywood unto the Lord." We are appeasing sin too much, but we do not oppose it. This lax, loose, lustful age will never capitulate to the cold carnal, critical, care-cowed church today. The fault in declining morality is not because of the radio, television, Hollywood movies, taverns, dance halls, etc. The present condition that exists in the Holiness church and the world conditions lies at the door of the church. The church is no longer a thorn in the side of the world. The church has always triumphed in adversity, not popularity. Our altars have been prostituted. Too many preachers are prepared to be anything to

anybody, so long as they can get somebody to the altar for something. We must alter the altar. The altar is and has always been a place to die. Let those who will not pay the price leave it alone.

The trend in recent years has turned the Holiness movement at home and on its Mission fields from a rugged evangelistic force to an institutional and social program in many places.

The dispensing of pills and teaching ABCs has been placed in too many Mission fields as our primary task, and the evangelizing the lost has been placed in secondary place. The Holiness movement was born in the flame of rugged Evangelism. We must overcome our defective evangelism without revivals or we will die. It is really a matter of self preservation. A church cannot stand still long and continue to be a church. If we do not go forward, we will stagnate and disintegrate. The task of evangelism is too great for man alone. God has said it is, "not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit." Too many times our revival efforts lack motivation. Our God has provided a supernatural source of energy and guidance to support and motivate and permeate our Revival efforts, which will carry them through and make them successful. For this reason He said, "But tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem."

In a general sense, there is a dynamic of evangelism in personal Christian experience. The thing that sends men out after others is the fact of the experience they themselves have found. "We have found the Messiah," said Andrew to Peter. And he brought him to Jesus. The thing that has made the Holiness movement the power it has been in the world, is the emphasis on a definite personal experience of God in the Soul. One has said, "You need not exhort a saved and sanctified soul to go out after the lost, he has already gone."

In too many instances our revival campaigns are bottlenecked because they lack motivation. Power was the outstanding positive aspect of Pentecost -- what Jesus said the disciples should receive when the Holy Ghost had come upon them. At one time during World War II it was said of the allied armies that "they were strategically competent but dynamically ineffective." Looking at the church today, one might be impressed in the same way. She has all the machinery and program necessary but needs power to operate them. The Holy Spirit at Pentecost dispelled forever the paralyzing sense of futility, sending the church forth on an expedition of conquest until, in spite of ecclesiastical and political opposition, the gospel had been planted in all the great cities of the Roman Empire. Pentecost was the infusion of divine energy into human personality and bringing of man once again into his own so that, individually and collectively, we may have the power of God with us.

THIS POWER COUPLED WITH FAITH AND PRAYER AND FASTING IS THE GREAT DYNAMIC MOTIVATING POWER THAT WILL OVERCOME OUR DEFECTIVE EVANGELISM WITHOUT REVIVALS.

The early founders and great army of promoters of the Holiness movement for the past fifty years have been predominantly obsessed and motivated by this power. This is the only way to promote the message of Holiness. I would say Holiness Evangelism, if you please. First and second blessing Holiness evangelism. John Wesley said, "When Christian Perfection is preached, all the work of God prospers." That is what Dr. P. F. Bresee preached when he organized our first Nazarene church in California in a board tabernacle. It will work today if we Holiness preachers

and laymen will pay the price to make it work. We have everything now to promote the gospel with, except, we do not have enough of the BURNING PASSION OF THE FIRST PENTECOST... YES, THE HOLINESS MOVEMENT IS BECALMED BY DEFECTIVE EVANGELISM WITHOUT REVIVALS.

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IV. BECALMED CHRISTIAN -- BECALMED HOLINESS MOVEMENT -- WE MUST ARISE

"Where fore He saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light." -- Ephesians 5:14

The question being asked by friends, critics, and foes:

"Can the Holiness movement overcome its becalmed condition that has settled down upon her in many quarters in the middle of the twentieth century?" Our only hope is to stress the thing that made us a little bit harder, And I wouldn't be surprised that we shouldn't stress it a whole lot more than we ever have. It was Holiness, entire sanctification, baptism of the Holy Ghost, second work of grace, that made the Holiness movement. That was the reason Dr. Bresee was driven out of the Methodist church. That was the reason why all over the country, people- went out under the stars and held brush arbor meetings, tent meetings, found the old churches, the old halls, the street corners, they slept on the bench, they slept under the tent, they counted their lives not dear. They went every place preaching the Word. They were misunderstood. They counted nothing too precious to sacrifice for the great cause of Holiness. That was the Spirit that actuated Wesley when he preached on his father's tombstone. It was the same spirit that Wesley had after he had slept one night on a board in a hall with only a Greek lexicon under his head, and he turned to his co-worker and said, "Take courage, I have one whole side on which the skin is all on yet." He then rose that morning and preached to 20,000. He went down the road and got off his horse, and found a blackberry patch, and thanked God there were blackberries in that country. Then he went on and preached to 10,000 more. He wasn't fussing about his salary, he wasn't worrying about his love offering, he wasn't worrying about his house rent, he wasn't worrying about his car expense, he was consumed with a passion for a lost and dying world. And he knew that God would take care of him and supply his every need.

Becalmed Christians, Becalmed Holiness movement, let us arise from our lukewarmness and call upon our God. Let us know the power and the force of the Holy Spirit and the force of Pentecost. Let us again feel the thrill of motion as we are swept irresistibly forward. Let us keep in the center of God's will and there will be no slowing down. The winds of heaven never fail to blow down the channel of obedience. Gather momentum by praying the more and become a mighty soul winner for God. Let us claim the baptism of the Holy Ghost and fill the sails of our lives with power. Let us be definite about the experience of the infilling of the Holy Spirit and be satisfied with nothing less than a scriptural Pentecost. Ours is the privilege to live for God. Ours is the joy to win souls for God. Ours is the power of the Holy Ghost for the asking. "If ye then being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him." (Luke 11:13) Let us ask then and receive that our joy may be full, and never more a stumbling block in another's way by idly becalming ourselves in the

mid-ocean of life. Christians awake! Holiness Denominations awake! The west with evening glows and darkness falls around us. The day of opportunity ebbs fast to a close. Without the power of the Holy Spirit we can do nothing. Let us tarry until we be endued with power from on high. Let us tarry until our lives are charged with the spiritual energy to keep moving forward.

YES, BECALMED HOLINESS MOVEMENT, GOD IS WAITING TO FILL THE SAILS OF THE SANCTIFIED LIFE WITH POWER.

From Chicago Central District, 1950 Minutes, in E. O. Chalfant's Report, he said:

"I believe in my heart of hearts, after studiously and carefully and almost distressingly living continually with John Wesley and his Journals of Life, that we have something to offer this world. What is it?

"It is first and second blessing holiness. It is the only thing that ever has worked successfully in the woes of life. It is the only thing that brings genuine heart satisfaction and gives proper bearing in soul satisfaction in the time in which we live. In other words, holiness will be our message -- not suppression, not counteraction, not intellectual culture, but just good old, plain, first and second blessing holiness. I'm of the opinion that if we stick right there and press it, in every department of our church, by every official of our church from janitors to general superintendents, that is our hope!"

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