

Postcard Sermons by Bro. A. R. Moore

Bro. A. R. Moore (1886-1946) was a sharp witted Kansas preacher with the ability to produce short sermonettes on small scrapes of paper written in hand-printed ink, which he included with his letters to many of his brethren.

The following are examples of a few scanned original copies of this unique means of preaching the truth.

The first example is a letter to Bro. Moore from Bro. Wm. H. Thompson of Larned, KS in 1946 with a postcard sermon reply on the back side.

The book, "Meditations of My Heart," published in the 1990's by Bro. Frank Dunbar of Nixa, MO contains 100 pages of transcribed postcard sermons for the edification of all.

Dear Bro Moore;

We have never met, you
knowingly but have read your writings
for many years. You had our sympathy
in your sad bereavement. Our aim shall
be to endeavor to so live that we may meet
all the redeemed over there.

Seen your article in "Mission
Messenger" and Bro Ketcher's note following.

To sustain the hope of the gospel
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Ed. Should appreciate moments,
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Better House when platinum became valuable a certain town dug
most of her streets in search of the metal. It is said one ^{man} burned his house
to find what was under it - his neighbors thought this a joke but he mined
enough metal to build a better house and had \$4000 left to prove his wisdom.

Man may think Jehovah unwise to condemn, punish and crucify
His own son for the sin of others - but what came of it all? God could
build a better house. Heb. 3:6. ^{psa 137:11.} from the death of His son than He could
ever build from the life of the best member of Adams race because
of the poor material - even faithful Abraham was defective.
From the work of the cross God reaps his richest harvest. Except
the corn of wheat die it remains alone. Jon. 12:24. Christ was the
corn of wheat. The farmer loses nothing when the grain of corn
dies and receives nothing if it fails to die: the God of nature
can force the grain to return 100 fold - but it must die first. This is
Divine wisdom. Jas. 3:17. Christ died for our sins and thus made
them his own. 1 Cor. 15:3. we the church - ^{are} Christ's House Heb 3:6.
He will finish the building and present it to Himself. Eph 5:23-27.

The two homes; body and soul

Man is made for two homes - the first that of the body, second that of the soul. These stand for earth and heaven; our earthly home should be a sacred place; here the first words are spoken, the first throats cradled the first lessons learned; here is the joy of youth; the strength of manhood and the comfort of declining years.

The brightest flowers bud and blossom in the family garden, the sweetest incense rises from the family altar and here the rarest jewels sparkle in the sunlight that gilds and gladdens its gate-way.

The home of the soul is more than sacred; it is hallowed and holy, renewed by the blood of the Lamb and bought with a price. Rev. 19:6-9. Mat. 22-11. Mat. 25:10. She is arrayed in fine linen clean and white; it is the union of Christ and His Church the home of the soul where we never grow old because designed by Architect whose builder and Maker is God. Heb. 11:10, where sickness and sorrow, pain and death are felt and feared ^{more} where joy and peace sing one glad anthem and love ungett-ered holds universal sway.

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The Words super-human nature. Jno. 1:14.

Christ had no carnal nature - no sin in Him tho born of a human mother. Mary like other mothers had sin in her nature but it was not working because the human father was left out.

God can generate a child without sin in its nature but man cannot do so. Job. 14:4. God prepared a body for His Son and left sin out. Heb. 10:5. In eating, drinking, sleeping suffering etc ~~Christ~~ Christ was like other men - the things named are not harmful but will tempt the innocent.

Leaving sin out of our Words nature partly qualified Him to resist the most powerful enemy - which He did and has shown it to the world.

Mat. 4:1-11. Christ had no desire to sin and this is half the battle even with a disciple. When we breathe the atmosphere of a pure church it helps to make and keep us pure.

1.Tim. 5:22. Christ's inner man, in a sense, was crucified before he was born. God knew that Christ could and would defeat the Devil before He was born - He was made for that purpose and the Ruler of world makes no mistakes.

Act. 15:18.

Satan is filled with apprehension, but God never is. AR Moore.

Gods way - not mans way. Isa. 55: 9.

God never works in the dark - He sees the end from the beginning. Act. 15: 18. Eternal life with Divine happiness is based on truth and not error. Jno. 8: 32. Read closely the fall of Jericho (Josh. 6th

Chap.) The word SHAW occurs nine times in verse 3, 4 & 5. This signifies Divine assurance. They were given a time to walk and a time to talk; a time to be silent and a time to speak. vs. 10. When the Divine order was "shouting" nothing else would do. God is the instructor man the actor, then victory follows. Jno. 13: 17. In this Divine program shouting was the final act - God gave them the city. vs. 16.

Israel could not ignore the command and claim the promise - neither can we as Christians - this would be leaving the Lord out - without Him we can do nothing. Jno. 15: 5 - "Except the Lord build the house they labor in vain who build it." Psa. 127: 1.

Allow the the Lord to chart the journey and He is bound to take care of the traveler - His glory is wrapped up in His promise and He can't afford to lose. 2. Pet. 3: 9. Even the Devil could do nothing with Christ because God was with Him. Mat. 4: 1 - 11.

God, don't forget or neglect the righteous. Ezek. 14:14.

Noah, Daniel and Job were neither scholars, warriors, Kings or statesmen but they were known as men of God. In case of extreme wickedness when God would judge the land and penalize the people; Noah, Daniel and Job - or men of like precious faith would escape because of their extraordinary piety. In other words their good behavior would serve as legal-tender at a throne of grace - they would not be forgotten in time of need.

Study each character. Noah believed God, built the ark saved himself and all the family. We came from a son of Noah. Neither the reader or the writer could have ever lived minus Noah and the ark. Two of our Lord's ancestors also, crossed ^{the flood} over by way of the ark. Daniel was a hebrew captive thrown to the lions because he honored ^{God} in the face of death, an angel delivered him. Without Daniel we lose the 27th book of the Bible with its cheerful message.

Job like Christ suffered at the hand of man for righteousness sake. Christ suffered also, at the hand of God for the sinner's sake. Rom. 8:32 2. Cor. 5:21. Isa. 53:10. Job was a man of wealth but he gave it all for the glory of God. Yet the the Lord paid Job for his faith - cured his boils restored his children, doubled his fortune and gave him 140 yrs. longer to live and pray for his enemies. We thank God and not man for Divine Deliverance. Read Ezek. 14:14.

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Christ and His coming Bride. Rev. 19:7.

Christ is the only person who ever had a debt charged to His account before He was born. Rev. 13:8. He lived here 30 years before He was baptised, anointed and began paying the moral obligation of the world. His first official act was to conquer the Devil or bruise the serpents head. Mat. 4:1-11. Gen. 3:15. Thru the work of Satan He was crucified but was resurrected and went home to Heaven after having finished His work here.

All the faithful members of Christ's church comprise His prospective Bride. They are espoused to Christ now, 2. Cor. 11:2. and will marry Him later if faithful - they are on trial; courtship is transient, marriage is final - the church is waiting for her absent Lord - Behold the Bride - Groom cometh. Mat. 25:1

Then we are told how the Bride is dressed - How they all were glad and rejoiced because every one was happy. Christ has paid the debt and now waits to marry the debtor. Rev 19:7. So say the loaf and the cup. The espousals is one thing; the wedding is something else.

This picture never changes.

Second mile philosophy - Heavens way, Mat. 5:41.

The spotless Lamb from Adam to Christ prefigured the Lamb of God. (Heb. 7:4, Jan. 1:29.) This Lamb pictured Christs devotion to the Father in many ways. His life here was one harmonious anthem of Divine music. Before slaying the Lamb the Jewish worshiper must lay his hand on its head to identify himself with the victim - the innocent suffers for the guilty - two cannot suffer for the same crime if only one be guilty - in this case it was the Just for the unjust to bring us unto God, 1. Pet. 3:18.

Thru Adam we lost our birth - right to live, but Christ has bought it back for those who will prove faithful; Heaven helps only those in the way of duty. We need not expect God to provide, protect, procure, promote and prosper morally, those who walk with the world. Self thinking, self choosing, self acting and self will have an end under the Gospel. Mat 7:24. Christ has gone the first mile on earth to bring us home to glory - He is now on the second mile in Heaven for us Mat. 5:41. Heb. 4:15-16. Rev. 13:8. Rev. 2:10. Christ works overtime in order to save us. Heb 9:24.

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