

Invocat.etc.- A.M., Jan. 2, 1955

Invocat.- "If any man be in CJ he is
a new cr. Old thgs.....new."
In this new year, our heav.Fa.,
may newness ~~man~~ Christ be our
chief blessing, and fr.it may ^{other} ~~man~~
blessgs flow, as He wks within us,
both to will & to do His gd.pleas.

Story - Christmas trees, taken down -
how beaut.they were...But a better
tree - a fruit tree, an apple tree
for instance wh.bef.many mos.wl
be ^{filled} ~~man~~ with white blooms, fragr.
and beaut. Why t.apple tree is
grter than t.Xmas tree, cedar,
pine, or spruce - bec.t.Xmas tree
just wears but doesn't produce
t.beaut.thgs on it. Cf.people
who are clothes-hangers vs.oth-
who have a bty in thems-s, wh.
bears fruit in kindly wds and deeds
Good-bye, Xmas tree -thanks for
what you hv done;but I wl ~~man~~ be
glad not only for that, but for
what t.fruit-trees,wh.wl bloom
bef.long have to teach us; and I
wl try to be, as t.Bbe says like
a ~~man~~ tree planted by t.rivers
of water wh.brg-eth forth its
fruit in its season.

(or-use hichory stick story)

Prayer - (New Yr - deacons - sick -)

Of-g- "I mace haste and delayed not
to keep Thy commandments".Prayer
-that we may rem.that Thy comm-s
are not griev.but grac., that ev.
gift made in t.sp.of Jesus is twice

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(Scripture - Hebr. 1:1-12)

T.Epis.to the Hebr-s was writ.to
 peo.who were in danger of let-
 ting somethg slip wh.was of
 far more val.than that - the
 unserachblae riches of Christ
 (Explain...)

THE OBJECT OF THE BK IS TO CONVINCE THE JEWISH XNS LIVING DOUBTL. IN PALM AND ELSEWH. THAT IF THEY LET SLIP THR GRT TREAS IN CHRIST AND T. GOSP. THEY WILL HAVE GONE BACK TO SOMETHG NOT HALF AS GOOD, AND WILL HAVE MD LIFE'S FUNDAM. BLUNDER * TURNING ASIDE FR. CHRIST, T. SAV., TO THEIR EXV*G. DAMNATION...

The object of t.bk, therefore: to prove that Christ & Xty is better than the OT relig. of Jud. fr wh. they had come, and whose fulfil. and perfec. Christ had brt. And we shd not say - Well, that is has nothg to do w. us - we were not Jews bef. we became Xns, we are in no danger of going back on Christ and the Gospel for Jud. -

IT DOES HAVE SOMETHG TO DO W.US

[Handwritten notes:]

...to that.

land - - - taxes, - - -

with ...

we have ...

A ...

of ...

... was

T. ...

We ...

... slip ...

... the ...

... 10 feet

(Ex ...)

a) The reason of the son of t.
wo, an old arepta -
and Laz. etc al in NT...

everever 308: bnd to 300
 30 The better resuerec. of Xns -
 of cf. Stephen, Jas., of 30
 Cf. how widow's son, dau. of Jairus
 died again and were buried...
 It was fine to come back to earth
 But t. resur. that awaits Xns thru
 Christ will be to somethg much
 bet. than earth - no sin, no
 pain, no sorrow, no frustrat.
 AND IT TAKES A BET. FAITH TO PROD.
 THE T. KIND OF MEN THAT SHL TAKE PART
 IN THAT RESUR. (Spkers Bi.-271X)

c) ~~Many~~ many other resp@s - better
 * 20 J.L.T.

Theref. a grt sin if they turn
 away back - let thr salvat. slip
 The illustr. of Isr-s turng back
 had - had tasted t. fruits, turng
 back to thr destruc., dy-g
 in th wild.

T. writer says "Don't you do tha
 - don't turn back fr. Xty to J

The parallel in our lives
 What we came to Christ from
 - some Xns deep in sin and
 rebel. - Others, chl., not
 deep in sin but yet sinful,
 as needg to repent. In t. world
 & wd have bn more and more
 of t. world, headed in wrong
 direction.

NOW THEY ARE SUPO. TO HAVE LEFT
 THAT. BUT HOW MANY ARE TEMP
 TED TO GO BACK TO IT.
 Cf. statistics - typ. Bap. ch.
 -5% do not exist. 10%

6-Key
 7-key
 heaven
 (clerk)
 11
 1th eve

8-16
on 7th
Oct. 1st
11-21

cannot be fd; 20% never pray;
25% never read t. Bible; 30% never
go to ch.; 40% nev give to
any cause; 50% never go to SS
-60% nev. go to ch. Sun. night
-70% nev. give to missions; 75%
never engage in any ch. work;
80% nev. go to pr-mtg; 80% neve
have family worship (45 % nev.
win a soul to Christ)

IS THERE EVID. THAT A LARGE % OF SUCH
PEOPLE ARE SAVED, OR THAT THE
HAVE GONE BACK TO WHERE THEY WE
BEFORE *and have let Christ slip?

THE BK OF HEBREWS HAS
SOMETHG TO TELL US *

How we escape
key
under
vine
sign
e how

Conclusion:-God is saying
to us thru that book -You
got somethg better, infin.
better, than you had before
you became profes. fol-s of
Christ - now if you go back
-that step will be fatal...

The stage coaches out west.
"Let him that thketh he std-
eth take heed lest he fall
backwards"
Let us lay aside ev. wt, and
run unto Jesus, who
for the joy that was set...

10-11
sign
"Forward" help - Let us lay
aside ev.
11-12