PM Sermon for July 3, 1955 - Mat. 10: 32-33

The Great Confession
(Scrip. Mat. 10:29-39 ~~7~~
(Phillips)

1) Lots of beaut. homes going up now and Morg. -Dream houses being built. One this aft. Now suppose a person... (title, etc.) a city... a title Peo. take educat. pol-s for thr chil... But suppose a pol. that had a clause that you didn't know abt -and no gd.... A pity, for [illegible]

BUT THERE ARE MULT*S OF PEOPLE WHO ABOUT SOMETHG MORE IMP. THAN ANY HOUSES THEY WD EVER BUILD IN THIS WORLD, OR THAN THR CHIL'S ED. ARE GOING BLISS-FULLY THRU LIFE -with a fatal defect....

THR TITLES TO HOUSES AND LANDS IN GOD'S HV*N KINGDOM ARE DEFEC. *AND THR POLCIES IN ET. LIFE INS ARE HOPEL. FAULTY....

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2) What do I mean? Well, on what do some base thr hopes of heav. - thr confid. in thr salvat.- What, On such thgs as these:
"I bel. there is a God..." (dev.
"I go to church some."
"I hold w. the Bapt*s.. (Bap.)
"I try to do t. best I know...
"My relig. is t. Golden Rule"
A person might do all those thgs and never get within sight of the golden gates...

T. ONE WHO WANTS TO READ HIS TITLE CLEAR... HAD BETTER READ T. CONDIT*S

3) T.par.of the great feast/that a king made for his son - Christ t.bridegroom, t. red.of earth -t.true ch.- the bride...

The prescribed attire for t.guests -a wedd̄g garment - color not spec.Let's suppose it was white

NOW WD A MAN BE SUCH A FOOL AS TO SAY "Oh well I'm not going to wear white. I won't wear black but a sort of grey - pepper and salt..."

IF WHITE IS PRESCRIB.HE WD BE SHUT OUT BY GREY JUST AS TRULY AS BY BLACK..

"They shall walk with me in white, for they are worthy."

4) What are t.req-s for salvat. Rep.-Faith - Confession-

AND IF ANY ONE WILL NOT COMFESS CHRIST *SOMTHG WRONG.

C f.a yg man tellh his girl he loved her and wanted to marry her and wantg her to be

THAT RING SAYS * "I BELONG TO THIS MAN AND HE BELONGS TO ME

And if she won't go forw.w.him in ch.& be married to him - she doesn't love him supremely

AND THAT IS WHAT JESUS ASKS US TO DO *, GO FORW.IN CH.AND CONFESS THAT WE BELONG TO HIM AND HE TO US....

In the OT we find t.expres -"If any man draw back my soul shl have no pdas.in him."

5) People dilly-dallying - takg forever to make up thr mds for or ag.Christ
Now Jesus is reas.-but such a thg as too much time -cf. for fields where some accept J.the first time.....

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6) SO IF YOU ARE HESITATG HES.NO LONGER - you surely know eno. abt Christ to mk up yr md - Do it -rep.bel.confess and be saved.....and thenbe bap.and md a member of the church.

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7) And now to you who have done that -is there only one grt act of confessg that you needed to do, and no more confessg
Not at all - a Xn is to be confessing Christ all thru life.
You confes Him bef.the church- now confess Him bef.the world
How people are in danger of holding back -being ash.-cf.Whosoever shl be ash of me and..."

8) Hap.exper-s - a member of a fam.baseball team who become a Xn,and wondered what his mates wd say -and one af.ano.told him they tht he had done a fine thg...
One famteam, base ball or football sends a member ahead to find out the hrs of serv-s for t.memb-s....

9) T.couple in So.An.t.Harveys...

Peo.expect t.miss's family to talk relig....but when...
Cf.army officer in Cuba...

So confess Him in words -

10) And co fess Him in deeds -ev. decis.for t.right when you ed decide f.r t.wrong -every inst.in wh.you choose hon, instd of dishon....kdness instd of cruelty - clean living instd of unclean -is a confes,of Christ.....

Mama's story of Henry Jones and Uncle Mart going to party -and how he was later chged ....serene and kind....

11) Wonerful pass-s in Bible abt confession - r ad them.... e.g.this in Book of Rev.3:5 "He that overc., the same shl be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot his name out of t.book of life but I wl confess his name bef. my Father , and before his angels."

Outline
Intro - Romans + titles - int.
I - Th[illegible] - eg - [illegible]
II - Substitutes - [illegible] - confess
III - Delay - IV - Behold now -
V - After O [illegible] confess [illegible]

"It's the word of a gentlemen - and that's all I've got to say."

And many del-s to the BWA in London this summer will be shown there a picture of the famous Livingstone in the Engl.-and that I am only in...

Fever that md Liv.ache all over. But his courage and cheerf.knoew no limit. *Wondrous bty of the hotest -bids and animals, flowres they had nev seen bef. -crocdiles and snakes -starnge food -sleep at night to the tune of queer and unearthly cries from the.jungle beats and birc

Hostile tribes -but Liv's kdness conq.them; fasc.by a magic lantern w'th slides that he had -and somet. afriad.

At last the ocean was reached - lked out and cdn't see across it - natives excl. "All at once the world said to us, 'I am fin.; there is no more of me!"

And there in t.harbor a warship lay at anchor -to take Liv.back to Engl.-the queen Victoris had sent for him, all Eng;wished to do him honor.-

What a choice he had to make:- to appear bef.the Queen but brk his word to t.boys, or to turn back into the dangers of the jungle and travel a thous.miles back into the trackless waste. What wd you have done?

Liv.said -"I have gvn my word to these boys that I wd see them back. and I must go."and they svarted out And the ship started out, and ran onto a rock and all the crew per.

And in that part of Africa to-day they still rem.Liv.-and refer to him as "the man who kept his word".And where do you suprose he learned to kp his word?From Jesus -Liv.once was tellg why he believed what J.had sd here in the NT.and he put it thus