Saturday Sermon

By Pastor ARTHUR S. OLSON
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THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP

"If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me."

These words bring to us a truth that many people wish to overlook. Many want a comfortable religion that will not disturb them too much or cost them too much. And so many fail to realize that there is a cost of being a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ. But we cannot afford to overlook that little "if" in the verse quoted.

God does not compel any of us to become His children, nor does He anywhere say that all men are going to be His children. The choice is left with him. God encourages all to come, but He does not compel. As a matter of fact God places clearly before all who are invited that there is a price to pay for all who become followers of Christ. God wants us all to consider this price and then to follow in full knowledge that it is going to be just a jolly trip or any easy walk are then going to find that they were mistaken. Some will thus fall by the way. No, God wants us to see that there is a price, and then to become disciples prepared to pay that price.

The first thing mentioned is, "let him deny himself." Every heart has a throne on which someone is ruling.

The natural thing for man is that self is on the throne. But when one becomes a follower of Jesus Christ, a change must take place. Self must be dethroned, and Christ must take over that throne. No longer is it possible for self to be the dictator, for Christ must rule there. Now, selfishness is the basic sin and the last thing that a man wants to do is to allow Christ to become the ruler of his heart. Man is willing to give up many things in the name of religion or of Christ, as long as he does not have to give up the rule of his heart. But no one can be a follower of Jesus Christ without allowing Him to become the ruler of his heart. Are you willing to deny yourself and to allow Christ to rule? Only as you are can you become and be a disciple.

The second part is something that many rebel against for they are not willing to suffer for their faith. But Jesus says that one who would become a disciple must be prepared to bear a cross. The Lord bore a cross to the top of a hill and there was nailed to it for us. The same Lord calls His disciples to bear a cross for Him. The Bible even says, "Yea, and all that would live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecutions." There is no exception. If we are going to be followers of Jesus, we are going to have a cross to bear. What is the cross? It is anything and everything that we bear because we are disciples of Christ. The world hated and killed the Lord. They will not love His followers either.

Friends, let us count the cost and then follow Jesus.

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Rev. J. A. Roskam Dial 5060

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Morning Worship 11:30 a.m.
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BEING PRESENTED with a silver engraved walking cane at a civic dinner last Saturday, as a token of the City of Prince Rupert's esteem for 40 years of service to the city is ex-Alderman George B. Casey, (centre). Making the presenation is Mayor George E. Hills, son-in-law of Mr. Casey. At left is Mrs. Casey who married the long-time supporter of trade unionism and "the working man" in 1902. They have five children, George and Darrow in Trail, Ruby, Mrs. Frank Warne and Mary, Mrs. Albert Lucas in Vancouver, and Mickey, Mrs. A. J. Teed in Prince Rupert.

IODE Chapters To Observe Anniversary With Founder's Day Tea This Monday

The Prince Rupert Chapters of the Imperial Order of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire will observe the 56th anniversary of the founding of the organization with a "Founder's Day" tea Monday at the home of Mrs. H. W. Steel, 514 Third Avenue West. Proceeds will go into the convention fund.

With more than 32,000 members in 960 chapters the IODE is the largest voluntary patriotic women's organization in Canada and spends nearly $1,000,000 annually on its projects. The IODE was organized by Mrs. Clark Murray in Montreal in 1900. It is non-political and non-sectarian and open to all women who are Canadian citizens or British subjects.

The aims of the IODE are to foster a bond of union among women and children of the British Commonwealth; to care for the widows, orphans and dependents of servicemen; to provide prompt action in times of emergency and to preserve the memory of the deeds of Canada's war dead and preserve soldier's graves.

This year, 13 post-graduate scholarships (overseas) of $2,000 each and 20 bursaries to the value of $1,600 each in Canadian universities is being provided from the First and Second World War Memorial Funds. The scholarships represent only a portion of the $240,000 assistance given to Canadian students and schools, providing books, educational supplies and monetary aid for fees, transportation and hot lunches.

Thousands of knitted and sewn articles of clothing and quilts are distributed in Canada, Great Britain, Europe and Korea.

The local Queen Mary Chapter, Duchess of Edinburgh, Cambrai and Municipal Chapter of the IODE take an active part in all projects.

Civic Centre Timetable

SUNDAY

Adult—Badminton Club.

Meetings—Little Theatre, Vessel Owners, Earle Birney Public Reception.

MONDAY

Pre-school 3-6 years; Arts & Crafts 2:30—3:30.

Juniors 6-12—Playground 4-5 p.m.; Boxing.

Teens—Boxing, Teen room open 3:30-9 p.m.

Adults—Earle Birney Lecture 8 p.m.; Chess & Checkers 8 p.m.

Meetings—Women's Co-Op Guild.

League Basketball Practices 6-10 p.m.

Anxious Time For Bride-Elect When Not Met at Journey's End

An Austrian bride-elect who arrived in the city in the early hours of January 30, spent a few anxious hours wondering why she hadn't been met by the childhood sweetheart she had come to marry.

Isolde Elfreide Zimmermann, 22 of Ferndorf, Austria, who speaks no English got off the Canadian National Railways train here to find that no one had come to meet her.

Unaware that his bride-to-be had arrived in Prince Rupert was Oswald Kofler, 26 who had come from Austria two years ago to live with his uncle Oswald Kofler sr., at 101 Hays Cove Circle.

After an agonizing wait, the girl met a trainman who speaks German and after hearing of the girl's plight, the man called a taxi and dispatched her to the address she was carrying with her.

Arrival of Miss Zimmermann at the Kofler home proved a surprise to both men as they had wired the CNR at Terrace the previous night asking if Miss Zimmermann was aboard the train and had been told that she wasn't.

The young couple were united in marriage Monday afternoon in a quiet wedding ceremony at the Church of the Annunciation. Father O. P. Mehan officiated.

The newlyweds are making their home at present with Mr. Kofler sr. Both Mr. Kofler sr., and Mr. Kofler jr., are employees of Columbia Cellulose Company Ltd., at Watson Island.

READERS

- Grand Cafe open Saturdays till 2 a.m. This week we have Breaded Shrimp with Sweet and Sour Sauce; Deep Fried Wontun, Subgum Chow Mein. Phone orders a specialty. Dial 3215. (38)
- Meeting of Prince Rupert Fishing Vessel Owners Association will be held in the Civic Centre at 2 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 12. All members are requested to attend. (35)
- Moose Light Saturday, Feb. 11, 8 p.m. (35)
- Sons of Norway meeting Monday, Feb. 13, 8 p.m. (36)
- Cash for old gold — Baccer's

New Members Initiated Into Lodge

Four new members were initiated into the Valhalla Lodge No. 67 at the regular meeting Thursday with O. A. Johnson, president, presiding over the initiation ceremonies.

New members are Mrs. Reginald Webber, Mrs. O. V. Johnson, Mrs. Rayner Montgomery and Mrs. Sigmund Schjesvold.

During the business meeting donations by the lodge to the "Shower of Dimes" and to the current Boy Scout fund campaign were approved. The social committee announced it has completed plans for a "Leap Year" dance at the hall February 25.

The next lodge meeting will be held February 23 at which time four new members will be installed. Films will also be shown by I. L. Morse.

At a cribbage and whist drive following the meeting Thursday, the following won prizes:

Whist: Men's first, Knut Harberg; consolation, A. L. Morse. Women's first, Mrs. Andrew Dybhavn; consolation, Mrs. Knut Halberg.

Cribbage: Men's first, Mrs. Bjorn Wick; consolation, Mrs. Knut Rystad. Women's first, Mrs. Thor Bjorreson; consolation, Mrs. Carl Rosene. Luck box won by Mrs. Bernhof Pedersen.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Stanley Veitch and committee.

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10 Per Cent Member Increase Annually Kin Club Need Says District Governor

Stressing the value of belonging to Kinsmen clubs for young men between the ages of 21 and 40, District Governor Kenneth McConnell told the Prince Rupert Kin club that there was a great need for club expansion across Canada.

Mr. McConnell, governor of District 5, which takes in all of British Columbia except Dawson Creek, said that it was a fallacy to think that expansion meant merely the formation of new Kin clubs.

"You should be most concerned about internal expansion" he told Kinsmen at their weekly dinner meeting at the Commodore Cafe.

"Clubs lose 10 to 15 per cent of their membership every year through members moving away or older members dropping out."

He said the national Kin goal was a 10 per cent increase from March 31 last year to March 31 this year.

Mr. McConnell urged Kinsmen to bring as many young men as possible to Kin meetings "so that you can pass on the privileges." He said Kinsmen did a great deal for young men . . . "it gives them fellowship, helps to educate them and if they become officers, gives them a sense of responsibility."

The district governor also told Kinsmen that they should appoint a historian and keep a record of all club activities in a scrapbook.

He told the local club that on February 23 in Abbotsford, the Kinsmen club there was being honored by a visit from Hal Rogers, of Hamilton, Ont., the man who founded the first Kinsmen club in Canada in 1921.

In thanking the district governor for his address District Deputy Governor H. R. Sheardown said that visits from district officials were both welcome and valuable. He said that unless the national and provincial heads of Kinsmen visited the clubs occasionally there was a tendency for the group to become too self-centred.

Also speaking briefly to the club was Jon W. Glans, president of the Burns Lake Kinsmen who with William Glanville, also of Burns Lake, accompanied District Governor McConnell on his tour through the northern zone.

In other business Raymond Billing reported that the Kinsmen-operated car bingo for the Civic Centre had netted $1,172.52 for the proposed indoor swimming pool.

However, he said, as chairman of the last car bingo night he was not satisfied with the way the bingo is being run. He said it should be run entirely by the Kinsmen so that the club could keep track of all money — the proceeds and expenditures.

The meeting nominated William Bond as a candidate for the post of director on the Kinsmen B.C. Polio Fund. The voting will take place at the zone meeting at Burns Lake February 25. Two carloads of Prince Rupert Kinsmen are planning to attend.

Ten members of the club announced their intention to travel to Kitimat today for the charter night ceremonies to be conducted by District Governor McConnell tonight.

Sonja Ladies Lodge Honors Former Member

Twenty-one members of the Sonja Ladies and one guest Wednesday night observed a one-minute silence for the late Mrs. Julia Slatta, past member of the Sonja Ladies when the group held its regular meeting in the Sons of Norway hall.

During the business session, the meeting decided to stage the 25th "anniversary banquet" on February 25.

Reports were given by Mrs. John Carpenter, delegate to the Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society, Prince Rupert branch and by Mrs. Herman Rensvold, delegate to the Prince Rupert Citizenship Council.

The monthly chair prize was won by Mrs. Armand Lund while Mrs. Fovick won the monthly raffle.

Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. James Taylor and Mrs. Walter Seymour.

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