

"I KNOW SOMETHING GOOD ABOUT YOU"

Wouldn't this old world be better
If the folks we meet would say,
"I know something good about you."
And then treat us just that way?

Wouldn't it be fine and dandy
If each handclasp, warm and true
Carried with it this assurance,
"I know something good about you"?

Wouldn't life be lots more happy
If the good that's in us all
Were the only thing about us
That folks bothered to recall?

Wouldn't life be lots more happy
If we praised the good we see?
For there's such a lot of goodness
In the worst of you and me.

Wouldn't it be nice to practice
That fine way of thinking, too?
You know something good about me;
"I know something good about you."

--Selected

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SCHEDULE OF REGULAR SERVICES

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 A. M.
Worship Services	10:30 A. M.
Evening Worship	7:30 P. M.
Thursday Evening Bible Study	7:30 P. M.

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"Not forsaking the
assembling of
ourselves together"
Heb. 10:25

INQUIRE

Faith has its difficulties, but before you doubt, take the trouble to inquire. The more you inquire, the more you will find that the difficulties of doubt are greater than the difficulties of faith. Believe your beliefs and doubt your doubts. Never make the tragic blunder of doubting your beliefs and believing your doubts.

--Frank L. Cox

INDIFFERENCE

One of the tragedies of life--Indifference!
Indifference toward the home;
Indifference toward the welfare of others;
Indifference toward moral decay;
Indifference toward political corruption;
Indifference toward religious error;
Indifference toward the Bible;
Indifference toward the church and its work;
Indifference toward God.

Indifference is defined as unconcernment, lukewarmness, lack of interest, neutrality. We should be aware of the fact that the Bible condemns all of these meanings in relationship to our God. In order: Lk. 10:30-37; Rev. 3:16; Rom. 8:5; Matt. 12:30.

Indifference never wrote great works, nor thought out striking inventions, nor reared the beautiful architecture that scans our cities, nor breathed inspiring music, nor painted glorious pictures, nor accomplished heroic adventures for mankind. All of these grandeurs are born of enthusiasm and are done heartily. And so it is with our Christian service. Indifference will never clothe our family, provide for the poor, relieve the sick and afflicted, study the word, promote growth in Christian graces, teach the gospel, support the church, love one another, visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and keep oneself unspotted from the world--all of which are clearly commanded in the word of God. No, all of the duties are accomplished by those who gladly accept the word and set out with conviction to perform a Christian service, to make their calling and election sure.

Would it not have been a tragedy of all tragedies, brethren, if our Father would have shown indifference toward us as we have shown toward him? Suppose he would now turn his back on all our needs. Just how

long would this old world last? Suppose that he became indifferent about the sun shining, the rain falling, the air enveloping the earth, life bearing after its kind, or the precise movements of the heavenly bodies. Just how long would we exist? Yes, what if our God were indifferent to our redemptive needs? Would he have suffered his son to leave his side, to be subjected to the ridicule, humiliation, and crucifixion by his own creation? No, he would not have, if he had been indifferent.

Thank God that his love transcends ours, or we would be without life, much less, hope in the world.

We, as with David of old, can only stand amazed at God's interest and mercy toward his children: "What is man, that Thou art mindful of him? And the son of man, that thou visitest him? For Thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honor. Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of Thy hands; Thou has put all things under his feet: All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field; the fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, and whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas. O Lord our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth." Psalms 8:4-9

--D. H.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CORNER

The Youth Group has purchased some new song books to learn some new hymns. We have visited and sung some songs at Marks Nursing Home. These people enjoy having visitors and we feel we have helped make them happier. Three of the girls plan to attend the Michiana Banquet May 14 at South Bend. This is a banquet given by the Donmeyer congregation. We also plan to do some work around the church building. The Youth Group would like to thank Earl Gieseke for helping and encouraging us.