

Summa Cords

Bad Psychology? Worse Than That

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It may be because I am an American or because I am a Christian, or for both reasons, but the one kind of cruelty that cuts deepest into my soul is reprisals.

Now Adolf Hitler aligns himself with Pontius Pilate and Caiaphas and all other historic betrayers of justice and punishers of the innocent.

Library Signpost

By Rev. Benedict Ehmann

Matters of November

The maroons and outcasts of November have their counterpart in the religious life of saints who bring in a close their final days of the Church Year before Advent.

Five Years Ago--

A ringing plea for peace was voiced by the church in this decade and in the nation as America marked the eighteenth anniversary of the Armistice signing.

rowed from him the idea that the virtues of the Gospel are weaknesses. He has taken over the pseudo-scientific hypothesis of the survival of the fittest.

In either case the crime of ordering reprisals is heinous. It is far more bloodcurdling to think of fifty or a hundred innocent men shot down in cold blood to pay for some one else's deed than to think of thousands slain in actual battle.

Of course the reprisals will not succeed. Truth, we say is great and it will prevail. So too justice is great and it will prevail.

Also these happenings violate the doctrine of hell if it needs vindication. People who live simple, uneventful lives remote from the cruelties and savageries of wicked men are inclined to think that no one could be so bad as to deserve hell.

Cross, by R. Hoornick. St. John of the Cross, by Fr. Brady.

The Festival of Hungry Ghosts. The Hall of Ten Thousand Years. The Feast of Great Forgiveness.

So do I read in the magazine 'The Christian' the article on the Festival of Hungry Ghosts. It is the feast of the Holy dead who are joined with Christ in God, but in a state of suffering.

I urge all my readers to buy, borrow, or come to the library to read the 'Communal' of Nov 7 with its article by Father H. A. Reinhold on Eternal Glory.

All books and readings recommended above are obtainable at the Catholic Evidence Library, Columbus Civic Centre lobby, Rochester.

EDITORIAL FEATURES

When A Loved One Passes On--

Gently the doctor replaced the wrist of the woman on the white bedspread. Sympathetically he turned to the kneeling man and said: "Your wife, Mr. Jones your wife has left us."

That almost all of us enter to stay until we are fit to reside with Jesus in Heaven.

This the Apostles preached and practiced. This the early Fathers taught and wrote. This the Bible in many places presupposes in such a way that no man with an open mind can doubt the meaning of this the catacombs give living testimony today.

If you want these proofs and biblical texts, if you want information on any Catholic subject it will be supplied gladly if you ask us at Catholic Information Society of Sarberik, P. O. Box 33, Sarberik, Pa.

It is not necessary to hope in order to act, nor to succeed in order to persevere. George Duhamel.

Now therefore with the whole heart and mouth praise ye Him, and bless the name of the Lord.

Put yourself always in the lowest place.

Fear Not

Come forth O Lord and scatter them in Thy wrath. The puny reprobates who stray from Thy sacred name. Sweep them from Thy path, And let not innocents be prey to guile.

How long O Lord of Hosts, shall they say: How long will Thou be patient with our iniquity? Betrayal base from what I myself have made? Shall they in blasphemy boast and say: We have not sinned?

Behold Thy faithful ones are sorely grieved. Banished the third day and dispersed the fourth. Aloft who ruled at their deceits, they shall be. The virtuous mourning at the evil work.

But Thou art Lord of Hosts, God of Hosts. The mighty fountain of the living waters. On high Thy strength is glorified and Thy holiness. Art Thou not weary of our sin, O Lord?

The virtuous men who have been persecuted. Their needy souls are crying out to Thee. At last the avenger will be seen, O Lord. Be still, My kingdom is not of this world.

Forget the vile and base things above. These let us see. My desire, Who purify the faithful, O Lord. And teach them still to say: Thy Will, not mine.

Seek not the vengeance which I desire, O Lord. Long have I sought for a sign, O Lord, but I have not seen it. Vengeance is Mine. I will repay, O Lord.

EDITORIALS

If the people who believe in God have been taught to know Him and serve Him, who are they to be blamed for what is right? Like any other humanly minded man he is the portion of any given city. Well to be desired, a man who is not a member of any church, and who is not a member of any political party, who is not a member of any labor union, and who is not a member of any other organization, is a man who is not a member of any organization.

Till All Was Leavened

Christ came to reform the world, to drive out from it practices, to make all men like to himself. He took upon himself a human body, and he lived back of all that man had lost when he sold himself by sin into the service of the devil.