



He Makes It Taste Like Tea

In one of F.W. Boreham's books, he tells of an old Scottish woman living alone and very poor.

But she carefully tithed what little she had and gave to the church.

When unable to attend service, she expected a deacon to drop by and collect her offering. The deacon knew well she could not afford it, but knowing she would be deeply offended if he did not collect it, he was careful to stop by.

It was late afternoon one day when he made his visit.

Old Mary was sitting near a window having tea.

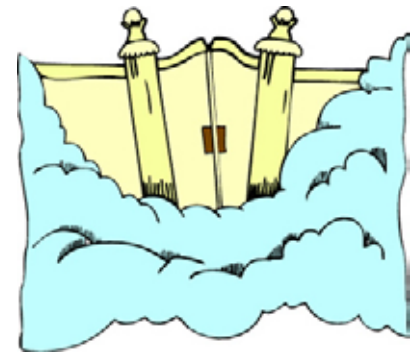
"The tithe is on the mantel," she said, greetings over. "Won't ye sit and have a cup of tea?"

The deacon sat, and when Mary passed him his cup, he looked down in surprise and exclaimed.

"Why, Mary! It's only water ye have!"

"Aye!" said old Mary. "But He makes it taste like tea."

**But godliness with contentment is great gain.
1 Timothy 6:6**



THE PASSWORD

Imagine for a moment that there is a password required to enter the gates of Heaven.

A great multitude come up and knock at the gate. The gatekeeper says, "The Password."

They say, "We were great on earth, and now we come to be great in Heaven."

A voice from within says, "I never knew you."

Another group come up to the gate of Heaven and knock. The gatekeeper says, "The Password."

They say, "We have no password. We did a great many noble things on earth. We endowed colleges and took care of the poor."

The voice from within says, "I never knew you."

Another group come up to the gate of Heaven and knock. The gatekeeper says, "The Password."

They answer, "We were wanderers from God and deserved to die, but we trusted repented of our sin, and put our trust in the finished work of the Lord Jesus Christ.

"Ay! Ay!" says the gatekeeper. "Lift up your heads, ye everlasting gates, and let these people come in."

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SALVATION = "repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ." **Acts 20:21**

Bible Thumper Wins

A physician, bright but critical, went to hear D. L. Moody. Although he had no thought of such a result, he was converted.

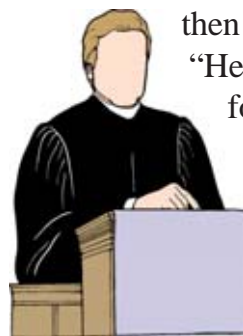
When asked the reason for his change of heart, he said: "I went to hear Mr. Moody with no other idea than to have something to laugh at. I knew he was no scholar, and I felt sure I could find many flaws in his argument. But I found I could not get at the man. He stood there hiding behind the Bible and just fired one Bible text after another at me till they went home to my heart, straight as bullets from a rifle. I tell you, Moody's power is in the way he has his Bible at the tip of his tongue."



Kind *but* Firm

John Wesley was a man who wanted peace in the home, church, and nation. He was not however, of that large group who want "peace at any price."

Wesley would give all the ground that his conscience would allow, and then he would say, "Here I fix my foot." After that, he would not budge an inch, though it cost him in many ways.



All this seems rather rigid and unbending, but a moment of quiet reflection will show that this was the only method possible if a standard was to be maintained.