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RIGHT OF WAY

“Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.” ~*Mark 1:3*. When President Garfield was shot, he was taken to a quiet, isolated house where he could rest in his fight for life. A special railway was to be constructed to facilitate bringing in doctors, nurses, family, etc. The engineers laid it out and it crossed the front yard of one farmer, but he refused to grant right of way. When they explained the purpose of the railroad, he said, “That is different, if it is for the President, you can run it right through my house.” Are you willing to give that kind of right of way to Jesus? Can you truly say, **“Not my will, but thine, be done.”**?

THINK ABOUT THIS

DeTocqueville of France visited America 150 years ago. Upon his return home, he wrote: “I sought for the greatness of America in her harbors and rivers and fertile fields, and her mines and her commerce. It was not there. Not until I went into the churches and heard her pulpits flame with righteousness did I understand the greatness of her power. America is great because she is good; and if America ever ceases to be good, she shall cease to be great.” I do not believe that very many of our pulpits flame with righteousness these days. Very few of our people want to hear it; most will not tolerate it. Think of the sins of greed, abortion, pornography, sodomy, etc. **“Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.”** ~*Proverbs 14:34*.

WORKERS WANTED

Walter P. Chrysler, the great American industrialist said: “The reason so many people never get anywhere in life is that when opportunity knocks, they are out in the backyard looking for four-leaf clovers.” Somebody (possibly Edison) said, “Genius is 10% inspiration and 90% perspiration.” We speak of the Lord’s work. Yes, we are saved by faith alone, but then it is go to work for God. Jesus said, **“Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth laborers (workers) into his harvest.”** It seems we are always short of workers in the Lord’s work!

THE LOVE OF CHRIST

George Matheson was engaged to a Christian young lady. He came down with a disease and the doctor said you will go blind. Matheson wrote to his fiancé and told her saying, “I will release you from our engagement if you wish.” She replied that she could not marry a blind man. Shortly afterward he wrote the song: “O Love That Will Not Let Me Go.”