

DR. WILSON'S STORIES OF SOUL-WINNING

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CHAPTER THIRTEEN

“ALL THE FAT IS THE LORD’S!”

Mr. Henry weighed about three hundred pounds. He was not only a very fat man, but he was big all over. He entered a church in an eastern city, and I greeted him in the lobby of the church by saying, “Good evening, sir; I am so glad you came tonight. Are you a citizen of this city?”

“No, I am not,” he said. “I live about twenty-one miles from here, and have a hardware store in that community. I heard on the radio that a doctor was holding meetings at this church, and I decided to come and hear what the doctor had to say.”

“That is fine,” I replied. “Did you bring a Bible with you?”

“No, I did not,” he said, “but I have one at home.”

“Do you think you could find Leviticus in your Bible?” I asked him. He answered, “Yes, that’s easy to find, it is in the front part of the Bible.”

I then asked him if he would look up Leviticus 3:16 after he went back home, and read that verse. I informed him that verse may have been written especially for him. He assured me that he would do so. He took an envelope from his pocket and wrote the reference, Leviticus 3:16, so he would not forget it.

Several days later, my friend returned, and as he entered the church, I saw from his face and his actions that a great event had taken place in his life. He was radiant with the joy of the Lord. There was no hesitation about his attitude. He came to me at once and said, “Doc, I read the verse, and as soon as I read it, I got right down on my knees to pray.” (The verse reads, “**All the fat is the Lord’s,**” and he weighed about three hundred pounds).

“When I prayed I said, ‘Lord, if all the fat is Yours, then I will give You all the rest of myself, You can have all of me, because You died for me.’”

His heart was filled with gratitude, the joy of the Lord came from his lips, and I could see that he had met with Jesus Christ, and they too were joined together in eternal bonds.

He listened to the preaching that night, as I was explaining to the people the sufficiency of Christ Jesus in saving the soul. It was the very message he needed. It established him in his faith, and made him more of an intelligent believer. He found that the Saviour had purchased him with the blood of the cross, and therefore would take care of him. He saw that his sins had been blotted out as recorded in Colossians 2:14, and he worshiped his Lord who did it for him.

Some months after this incident, I met a preacher from the community where my friend lived. I asked him if he knew a hardware merchant by the name of Henry who lived in that town. He replied that he knew him very well, and said, "That man is the most active preacher that I know. He closes his store at 6:00 o'clock, goes home to supper, cleans himself up, and then takes his car with a loud speaker arrangement on it, and a moving-picture arrangement in it, and visits villages and communities for miles around, giving the gospel, giving away tracts, and showing films from the Moody Bible Institute. He is a real soul winner, and is held in high esteem as a godly businessman.

The Scripture says, "**By their fruits ye shall know them**" (Matthew 7:20).

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