

Title: What Shall we say of this life?

Opening Scripture: Jesus said to her, I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet, shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.

PRAYER: Our Father, who art in Heaven, we know that you are the God of the living. And we know that in your sight those whom we call dead are still alive; we offer thanks to thee for giving us the victory over death, through ^{him} Jesus who lives, though he was dead; even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

We are ~~always~~ always to remember that our memorial services are not for the dead, but for the living. There is no word that we can say which can reach the ear of ~~her~~ ^{Lowell}. There is no music, however sweet, that can touch ^{her} heart. And, although we would pay a tribute to ^{her} and ^{her} faithful Christian life, this service is ~~primarily~~ for those who are gathered here today out of love and respect for Lowell.

The question that comes to mind when one dies is this: "Was she ready to go?" We thank God that, she settled this matter many years ago when she repented of her sins and trusted Jesus Christ as her personal Saviour. And since that time she has grown ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ the grace and knowledge, serving Christ (well in His Church,) with her friends, and to her family.

I shall always remember the joy and privilege which was mine, to set with her ^{This Past Tuesday} and share the things of God. ~~(She could read from her own Bible and I from my English.)~~ And to be honest, I sometimes wondered who the Pastor was? -- Ruth or myself -- For you see, her love and compassion was very sincere and deep.

Rea 116:15 - Precious in the sight of The Lord is the death of His saints.

I. What shall I say of ^{RUB's} Life?

*as I relate to her
church experience*

1. IT WAS A LIFE OF HELPFULNESS

Like her ^{Lon} ~~mother~~, ^{RUB} went about doing good. She touched many lives with her good works. She blessed many hearts because of her kind words. She lifted many people closer to God through her own consecrated Christian life. ~~FRUIT of The Spirit, Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, gentleness~~

2. IT WAS A LIFE OF HUMILITY

Although she went out of her way and beyond the call of duty to help others, she never boasted about it. Not in the ~~three~~ years in which I knew her. ^{RUB} always kept in the background, willing always that others should have the credit and that God should have the glory. ~~she could~~

~~she told that~~
~~she only had one argument with~~
~~example of humility.~~

RUB

~~she~~, could say with John the Baptist, "I must decrease, but Christ must increase."

Joined F. B. C. in 1926

3. IT WAS A LIFE OF FAITHFULNESS

Jesus said, "Be faithful unto death and I will give you a crown of life." ^{RUB} was ~~the~~ faithful and today as we gather here in this service, ^{RUB} is at the right hand of God where she ^{has} received her crown. God was first in ^{her} life. The worship of God was important to her. She was always at her place in every service of the church. It can be truly said of ^{RUB} that she sought first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.

4. ^{RUB'S} LIFE LEAVES MANY PRECIOUS MEMORIES

During all the days that are left to her loved ones, they will be having many sweet memories of her. ^{God bless Family} These memories will bless and enrich ^{you} ~~them~~ forever. ^{you} ~~They~~ will remember the worthwhile things she said and the unselfish things she did. And I believe ^{your} ~~their~~ lives will be richer for these memories.

5. Rev's life tells of the ~~happy~~ Blessed hope.

When a Christian leaves us, it is not forever. We have a hope, a hope backed by the Word of God. It is the hope of another life, where we shall be with Jesus and where we shall see our loved ones again. "If in this life only, we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable." But we have this hope, a blessed and wonderful hope. If this life is all, it isn't worth the candle. So we thank God for a hope that is steadfast and true.

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~~A WORD FROM MARY~~

One way to prepare for death

There is only one way to prepare for death and the judgment. That is through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. There is no other way of salvation. "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God ~~shall~~ abideth on him." *and she was there when she heard clearly to also, trust in Jesus*

*Song
Blessed
Assurance*

In the church, one of our ladies recently underwent a serious and operation. Later, I asked her to tell me about it. And she said, "When they rolled me out of my hospital room and toward the operating room, I just closed my eyes and turned it all over to God and He gave me peace and brought me safely through." * So I ~~leave~~ leave you today with the peace of God. Turn all your ^{LIFE} sorrow over to Jesus. He will bring you safely though, giving you grace and comfort for today and courage for all of your tomorrows.

Rev Stanku

And, may God bless the memory of Mary Granic. And may He bless and comfort all of you who mourn today. And may all of us place our hands in the nail-pierced hand of Jesus and follow Him until He ~~calls~~ ^{calls} us home.

*Song - In The Garden
OLD Rugged Cross*