

Devotional Thoughts :: He Answered Nothing

**He Answered Nothing - posted by makrothumia (), on: 2006/3/18 6:00**

Title: He Answered Nothing

Book: Streams in the Desert

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"He answered nothing" (Mark 15:3).

There is no spectacle in all the Bible so sublime as the silent Savior answering not a word to the men who were maligning Him, and whom He could have laid prostrate at His feet by one look of Divine power, or one word of fiery rebuke. But He let them say and do their worst, and He stood in THE POWER OF STILLNESS--God's holy silent Lamb.

There is a stillness that lets God work for us, and holds our peace; the stillness that ceases from its contriving and its self-vindication, and its expedients of wisdom and forethought, and lets God provide and answer the cruel blow, in His own unflinching, faithful love.

How often we lose God's interposition by taking up our own cause, and striking for our defense. God give to us this silent power, this conquered spirit! And after the heat and strife of earth are over, men will remember us as we remember the morning dew, the gentle light and sunshine, the evening breeze, the Lamb of Calvary, and the gentle, holy heavenly Dove. --A. B. Simpson

The day when Jesus stood alone  
And felt the hearts of men like stone,  
And knew He came but to atone  
That day "He held His peace."  
They witnessed falsely to His word,  
They bound Him with a cruel cord,  
And mockingly proclaimed Him Lord;  
"But Jesus held His peace."  
They spat upon Him in the face,  
They dragged Him on from place to place,  
They heaped upon Him all disgrace;  
"But Jesus held His peace."  
My friend, have you for far much less,  
With rage, which you called righteousness,  
Resented slights with great distress?  
Your Saviour "held His peace."  
--L. S. P.

I remember once hearing Bishop Whipple, of Minnesota, so well known as "The Apostle of the Indians," utter these beautiful words: "For thirty years I have tried to see the face of Christ in those with whom I differed." When this spirit actuates us we shall be preserved at once from a narrow bigotry and an easy-going tolerance, from passionate vindictiveness and everything that would mar or injure our testimony for Him who came not to destroy men's lives, but to save them. --W. H. Griffith Thomas

**Re: He Answered Nothing - posted by crsschk (), on: 2006/3/18 9:19**

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**Re:, on: 2006/3/18 9:35**

2 Corinthians chpt.s 11 and 12

I seem to recall many a conversation between Jesus and the Pharisees. Too many to list here.

Just type "pharisees" into the e-sword.

When we stick with the Word alone, we see that there is a time and place for everything.

We cannot make a God out of our own scraps or images.

He is the Same God, from the O.T. Who speaks loudly still - for He is a jealous God.

Exo 34:14 For thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God.

Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, and today and forever.

**Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2006/3/18 18:57**

Quote:

-----Your Saviour "held His peace."  
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What a beautiful truth that Christ 'held his peace' through our lifes we can get caught up with so many small problems and trials but our saviour 'held his peace' what comfort that there is an high priest interceding on our behalf so that we can stand still in that day of trial. God give us strength.

Oh that you would die for me saviour divine, shed your blood for sinners undeserving, overcoming adam's curse in one fatal blow.