

SATURDAY NIGHT SERMONS
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OUR BROTHER IN BONDS.
Text: "I was in prison and ye came unto me."—Matt. xxv, 36.

Ever meet him—your brother in bonds? Think of him as a wild beast to be manacled, kept behind stone walls and iron bars? You may find him quiet, commonplace, fond of children and flowers; possibly reminds you of your cousin Bob out west. Truth is, he's just your brother caught in sin in the history of the world's story of treatment of those who go astray. The criminal is a defective. He commits crimes not because of strength, but of weakness. He is a sick child. Hygiene, nutrition, education and environment would have changed his course. Society must be protected from him as from smallpox, and the sick one must be cured. The condition that produces this criminal ought to be remedied. He's ignorant—not in "reading, 'riting and 'rithmetic," but his view is wrong. Society is first a possible victim, then a vindictive enemy. Government is politics, police part of the gang. Hunger, drink, illegitimacy, an unjust social system, are slippery stones in his path. He doesn't know that which you know—that most causes and most remedies the kingdom of vice and virtue, lie within him.

A System That's Wrong.
Our prison system's wrong. It's a ghastly farce sending a man to jail, where he will be fed and sheltered, while the innocent members of the family are left out—jail walls to starve or worse. Who's punished—the man or his little twelve-year-old girl solliciting male passersby? He ought to be allowed to work and earn wages, after jail board bill, be sent to that family. In my county a man stole \$100 worth of copper wire from a corporation that is daily robbing the poor. Three years in an example. The state robbed him of three years of his manhood, and he has come back to society imbibed and actually driven to steal again. He now has a "record." He is being dogged and shadowed. Three times he has got work and three times has been discharged—a "jail-bird." The police and detectives to keep up their "record" will hound him till they have him back of the bars again. Then, again, the long fixed sentence is wrong. A crime is committed. Public demands heavy punishment. Five, ten, twenty years are given. There's a thrill of gratified vindictiveness. The penalty is awful. The public shudders with a shudder of horror. The victim is forgotten. The public goes away to suffer. The public goes long since forgotten if he is still undergoing punishment. Consumption, rheumatism racks his body; hair is gray; skin is ghastly. It's a mistake, a shocking perversion of justice. He is buried alive. The electric chair is more merciful. Reformed? Repented? Yes, years ago. Then parole him. Our right to keep a man in prison stops when he ceases to be a criminal. The system is "kind" to the erring, however. Of 600 graves I saw in a little cemetery of one of the largest prisons 400 had died between the ages of twenty and thirty! Others go mad. Matthew tells the story. God be merciful!

Thieves and Thieves.
"Yes, preacher, but he was a pick-pocket, embezzled, used false pretenses." I know, but why isn't it criminal when a corporation does it? The gas company bribes city council and charges \$1.00 for eighty-cent gas. Oil, beef, sugar, flour are raised because one man "cornered" the market. Other drug food and babies die, sell fourteen ounces to the pound and cheat the poor. Hard times fill prisons. Arrests increase as price of food goes up. One house of correction warden tells me he had 900 more cases in last panic year than today. Petty larceny done in despair was chief cause. Street walkers went up in numbers 75 per cent. "All poor people," he added thoughtfully. "Why weren't there any rich in the number? The answer is food for thought. It also explains growth of socialism. Then frequently men of wealth escape. If a man is poor and has a poor lawyer or none he is convicted, thereby establishing his guilt. If he has money and gets one or many skilled lawyers, he may escape and so is declared innocent. "Let the prisoner stand up," says "Hiz-zoner." "Where's his lawyer?" He doesn't have any or one not skilled in defense. Then of course he's guilty. It's a quick job.

The Caught and the Uncaught.
The number of uncaught criminals is ten times as great as the caught. The real jail is out of doors. If I get \$5 worth of groceries and 75 more away without paying I'm as much a thief as the fellow who broke in the back window and took that amount from the shelves. At least Christ said so! From great manufactory waste "byproducts" are now used and represent a good share of value. The criminal is the waste product of society, once valueless and hopeless. Punishment for vengeance only. But modern Christ men are at work, saying that the criminal is still a human being, even though he has sinned against society, and that saving a man is a great deal bigger business than burying him alive. Maude Ballington Booth—let her name be writ large—helped us mightily to remember Pitagoras's prisoner who was condemned and executed and who said, "I was in prison and ye came unto me."

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N. B.—Tax payers owning property or paying tax for others will please send to tax collector in each township or special school district in which they own or pay for property. This is very important as there are many special school districts. Those who do not wish to come to the office can write me, not later than December 31st, and I will furnish them with the amount due and they can remit me by check, money order or registered letter. If stamps are sent do not send above two (2) cents as I cannot use them. Please do not send me cash without registering same, as it is liable to get lost. If sent otherwise it must be at sender's risk.

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Levy for Constitutional School tax	2 Mills
Levy for Ordinary County tax	6 Mills
Levy for Sinking Fund	14 Mills
Levy for East Indian School	14 Mills
Levy for State Game	2 Mills
Levy for State Constable	12 Mills
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Levy for interest on Pickens R. R. Bonds
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Given under my hand, this 29 day of Sept. Anno Domini 1911.
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