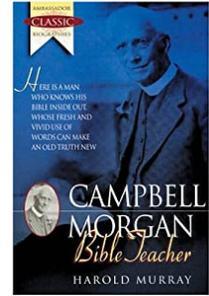


Campbell Morgan, Bible Teacher

Harold Murray (1938)

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His biography was very ably written by the Rev. John Harries. (24)

God's will when making decisions

I heard no voice replying, but I had an answer as clearly and distinctly and directly as any man ever had a word from God, and this was the answer: 'Make your own choice. I am with you, whether in the States or in London.' (39)

[We often hear of folks waiting on a clear direction to be given by God as decisions are to be made. I think more often than not this is the direction given by God.]

Arousing interest in the Word of God

He travelled up and down and across the United States and Canada, everywhere addressing large audiences, and arousing great interest in the study of the Word of God. (44)

Rev. Charles T. Cook, the Editor of *The Christian*, commented: "He it was who really opened my eyes to the value of systematic Bible study and Bible teaching." (47)

Another once commented, "I had never properly understood how each book of the Bible has its own particular theme until Dr. Morgan revealed the fact by means of those compelling blackboard analyses. His aim always is to let the Bible deliver its own message." (48)

Assurance of the resurrection

The early Christians were accustomed to bid their dying friends goodnight, so sure were they of their awakening on the Resurrection Morn. (50)

Indifference to religion

We are face to face with an awful indifference to religion. That is due to the passionless condition of the Christian Church, and that in turn is due to the utter uncertainty of Christian people about the authority of the Book of God. (51)

Too busy for the family?

A man once told Morgan that he was so busy he didn't get home at night after the kids were in bed, and on Sunday he was at church all day. Morgan told him, "My dear brother, for God's sake and the children's sake drop something in your business and if you can't do that, drop something in the church and look after your bairns. They are the best investment you've got." (78)

Sermon preparation

Two things are vital. First, personal, first-hand work on the text. And then all scholarly aids obtainable. I never take down a commentary until I have done the first-hand work and have made my outline. To turn to commentaries first is to create a second-hand mentality. I speak freely, from a brief most carefully prepared. (88)

Helping the poor

You say, "Can't we improve the dwellings of the poor?" Yes, God help us to do it. But one of the best ways is to improve the man that lives in the dwelling. (108)

Antagonism to God in human nature

There is a common and deep-rooted antagonism to God found in human nature. It is based on the fact that the human soul, alienated from God, does not know God.

God is everywhere; in the sky, and air, and sea, and the trees, and the lake, and the birds, and the flowers; and yet we cannot find Him. Why not? We are alienated; and we are at enmity in mind. (109)

Busy-ness

These are evil days. It is the age of rush, of movement, of effort. The old sacred art of contemplation and meditation is almost dead. It is the age when men and women are trying to live even within the Church by dissipating and exciting forms of so-called religious services. The old solemn hours of quiet loneliness with God that made the saint of the past are almost unknown. We are carried up and borne forward before we know it upon the rush that characterizes the time. (113)

Death characterized as sleep

He spoke of death as a sleep. "Sleep is not a cessation of being. It is an unconsciousness of all things around."

"As a rule, so far as we are concerned, they are asleep. Aren't you rather glad for their sakes that this is so? I am ... I say emphatically no other voice than that of Jesus could have reached that young man Lazarus." (123)

The problem with the world

The one thing that is the matter with the world is that it has turned from God, and does not know God. (129)

I speak the things I know

I have endeavored to speak the things I know. I have many doubts, I have many questionings. There are certain departments of theological thought in which I find myself utterly at sea. I never take them into the pulpit. (141)

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