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"for thou stand by me this night
the angel of God"

SUBJECT: FACING THE FUTURE
WITH GOD.

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FACING THE FUTURE WITH GOD.

The test.

Perplexity, disillusions. No sun, no stars; tempest only and shipwreck.

The promise of God, the angel in the night.

- a will and a purpose for Paul: Beyond storm and sea, word . . .
- the glorious gift of all his people and partners.

The faith and assurance of the apostle.

- his own belief and confidence. Appeal to rest, based on will of God.
- their response? 34-37.

[A personal talk to each one. Frank, open. Lay bare my heart and soul.]
your faith and confidence

Days of sorrow. Days of bewilderment, perplexity.

Prophecy of doom and of failure, of shipwreck and disaster.

Job's comforters, no hope, no cheer, no faith, no star.

1. The church will die.

Held together by a tremendous personality, incomparable preacher
when God snatches him away, gives like strength fall apart.

2. The first pastor will fail.

No matter what he does. Cannot be another such preacher.
To be different, to be off-beat, to fail.

3. Their leadership and example in evangelism and missions will
become a memory. These great days are past. No way to
go back down.

That the church will die.

- (1) The labor of the man of God who served her 47 years.
(a) Mrs. Truett, "the church is on a new foundation, built around Jesus the Christ and not Brown himself."

(b) My remembrance of G. Truett since my last.

Thinking of whom - "G. Truett's vocabulary" - "poor, simple, sincere and" - "mild" - "modest" - "shy" - "kind" - "gentle"

- But Truett "menta wonderful farce" - "He had" - "help me to save his soul, better"

(c) His attitude. Sallie's funeral address.

(2) The people. What kind of people gathered here?

"Now that the days of trial have come, let me be the first to forsake her."

(a) Boys, Broaders, Manly, Williams. But we shall die first."

2. That the minister will fail.

A personal crisis before that; human weakness of death.

To stagger, stumble, blunder, mistake, unoriginal, trying to measure up! the world looks on, "See, I told you so."

But ultimately would not matter, just personal death-trait,
even if not that a fallen leader takes with him the institution,
it leads, sometimes mortally sick. It will not be just I; but
the whole church, dependent too much upon the pulpit, die then.

1. The answer of God. 23-25

I am your eloquent prophet, minister, writer.
But not dead are they, then speak as in the strong sea over the gloom of night.
A word to do: "my strength is made perfect in weakness. Glory in infirmities."
"my arm is bound to help." I shall show her what I the Lord am able to do.

2. The answer of the people.

(a) Dr. Alexander's letter.

We asked Dr. Truett and I were soon be invited a visit
but we are too frightened and loyed to his supporters. All

As long as you can live, pray, believe in: a rock of stability, a hope of immortality.
Wherever you cannot, in a hope of power.
And you shall always be the one to pray.

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"Christ's way for his people is that 'one soweth and another reapeth.' David gathered the material for the temple but the task of building was left to Solomon. When Moses went away, Joshua was called to carry on. So came the call to Elisha when Elijah was taken away. 'God burieth the workman but the work goes on.' The generations stand together in an unbroken solidarity. It took two men to write the immortal poem In Memoriam — Arthur Hallam to die, Tennyson to write."

Dr. Eugene Soller died Raleigh N.C., June 18, 1931. June 19 funeral in 1st Ch. Wacc. Dr. Tamm address.

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SUBJECT: Facing the Future
with God

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Acts 27: 20 - 25

FACING THE FUTURE WITH GOD
"for I believe God"

I. In His Providential Care

1. How faith in God keeps a man calm!

amidst the scene of terror
27: 30 - 37 the sailors gave thanks, fleeing
: 42 the soldiers cry out to kill the prisoners
: 20 all, then, no longer fear

But the apostle quiet, calm

2. In the confusion, part of the storm, some anchors
need to be cast 27: 29

27: 25 ^{faith} part of the storm, some anchors
: 24 to divine purpose. Immortal until completed
[then, only God stands over the day]

: 25 hope, assurance Job 6: 19

: 35 gratitude [given in the storm]

III In His Promise of Resurrection & Eternal
Life Through Jesus Christ - Centered on the resurrection

~~Acts 26:8, 23, 27~~

1. The longings clearly expressed in speculation?
~~philosophical and literary~~
(of Bob Ferguson, "when we die, our souls go up, we
hope to meet again.")

(b) Two basic argument for immortality, the same
ones that we are except the soul etc big will
reinforce it, but we couldn't believe that the
resurrected created or soul itself to do it.

(c) Plato
Considered are no arguments for a future life & not an
argument we must wait on souls until we can't
find a more sure road / God almighty would more
readily carry us.

(d) Cicero
"...."

(e) Tertullian
"...."

Don't feel place there hope is not lost than the glad.
g. with joy, full pleasure before us. "Wait 5 sec"
g. caterpillar crawling on leg. Full of envy despair.
wasp alone in a garden of rose. Dreams? flowers
garden, bees powful, wasp to fly. too beautiful for realization? God so good,
but how soon my day ...
God treat us as well as a widow?

g. I supposed don't terrible think Resurrection to a peasant:
Do these pull down your ch. streets are all set, walls,
or reputation been taken God is a father world,
Cities upright to peasant, then you must pull down
the stars also Ps. 16:11; 17:15
48:15; 23:39.34

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~~the trial - based on the resurrection~~
~~Act 26:8, 23, 27~~

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(a) Philo, "when we die, our souls go up; we
are to meet again."

(b) Two Pauls, argument for immortality, the same
conception are except the soul like ^{big} will
eternize it, but he couldn't believe that the
rescued create or soul itself to do it.

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Considered are no arguments for a future life & not on
which we must wait on souls until we can't
find a more pure world (the earth would more
nearly satisfy us).

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IV In the Service Before Each Us

23:16; 37:34 A witness
immortal until accounted

1. A witness in Rome
Phil. 1:17, 13
4:33

2. But also, Not just for all 276 on board
may saved by our man who
we all owe debt to because the grace
other places we sleep well
Peter, 5:9 & 10. first.

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The Voltairian of America [Bob Ferguson?]
was pictured before an audience the
tortures of the Inquisition, and added,

"There is next much of the
martyr about me. I would
have told them, 'Now you
write it down, and I'll sign
it. You may draw me
a million; you may draw
me hell & a million, but
stop persecuting me!" "

He would have turned giddy
to his own terrible belief if
the thumbscrew were put on.

Now call the roll of the X²
martyrs ... St. 11:

Cicero wrote:

"There is, I know not
how, in the minds of men
a certain presage, as it were,
of a future existence, and
this takes the deepest root
and is most discernable
in the greatest geniuses
and most exalted souls."

The prayer / Tennyson:

"Ah, Christ that it were
possible
For me short down to see
The souls we loved that they
might tell us what and
where they be. "