

**Devotional Thoughts :: Amy Carmichael**

**Amy Carmichael - posted by sweetipie (), on: 2008/9/19 2:45**

I have been reading the Outobiography of Amy Carmichael, and it has been just such a pleasure and blessing.

I would like to share some interesting things that is written in the book that meant so much to me.

"The Christian Church in Banalore was very active. Active in the sense that the Christians attended Church, recieved the sacrements and paid their dues. landians love meetings. Meetings of any kind. They oblingley flocked to meetings that lasted for hours, then returned home- unchanged. The fact that there had not been one convert in a year's time did not seem to bother the Christians. It bother Amy. Depression like a black hand, dragged her down. But worst of all as she des cribed it 'the temptation to ambition- then the spiritual perishes.'

{I truly believe that this is the state of the Church today as wel.)

"After amny years she (Amy) realized that one must expect to be misjudged - Christ was."

"Onward Christian Soldiers

sitting on the mats

Nice and warm and cozy

like little pussycats

Onward Christian soldiers

Oh how brave are we

don't we do our fighting

very comfortably?"

"The secret of going on is to get away."

"Amy's goal was to train good soldiers for Jesus Christ. Academic accomplishments being secondary."

{Amy wrote a letter to all the churches nearby, and this is what she wrote.}

"Do you know of any women who will help us, for love of God living by faith?" {They replied with this;} "No such women exist anywhere in the church."

{That was shocking for me... but that still is the truth is most churches today.. Oh, if that letter could have been sent a few years later.. }

"It was easier for them to have faith, than to worry."

"Diamonds that reflect the most light have recieved the roughest treatment. Every flaw must be cut out, even a microscopic flaw."

{Oh, how that hurts so much dear Lord, but it is so necessary.}

"Faith never wonders why."

"Prayer throws light on the problem of pointless pain."

I have such a burning passion for children, and so did Amy. That is why I am so grateful for this book. The Lord has blessed me in abundance while reading it.

All the glory to Him....

**Re: Amy Carmichael - posted by HeartSong, on: 2008/9/19 2:57**

Quote:  
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All glory to Him. Amen.

**Re: Amy Carmichael - posted by JoanM, on: 2008/9/19 3:04**

When I saw your post (Why does the Children of God have to suffer?) I thought immediately of a poem by Amy Carmichael. As I do not have that book, I am only able to give you a poor recollection of the point of it: Those that have no scars (wounds?) cannot have traveled long with Jesus.

If you, or no one on SI knows this poem, I have a friend who has the book of poems and can copy it later.

**Re: - posted by sweetipie (), on: 2008/9/19 3:39**

That would be so kind of you. I don't know that poem that you are speaking of. so if it is possible to post it on this page, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

**Re: Amy Carmichael - posted by Koheleth, on: 2008/9/19 6:35**

This might be the poem mentioned:

Hast thou no scar?  
No hidden scar on foot, or side or hand?  
I hear thee sung as mighty in the land,  
I hear them hail thy bright ascendent star  
Hast thou no scar?

Hast thou no wound?  
Yet I was wounded by the archers, spent,  
Leaned me against a tree to die; and rent  
By ravening beasts that encompassed me, I swooned;  
Hast thou no wound?

No wound? No scar?  
Yet, as the master shall the servant be  
And pierced are the feet that follow Me;  
But thine are whole: can he have followed far  
Who has nor wound nor scar?

Amy Carmichael

**Re: - posted by ilive4only1 (), on: 2008/9/19 11:05**

Amen, amen, amen

**Re: Amy Carmichael - posted by ilive4only1 (), on: 2008/9/19 11:08**

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It causes me to ask myself this question.

**Re:Oh, the Body of Christ - posted by JoanM, on: 2008/9/19 11:48**

Bless your heart, you found it Koheleth.

How I love my sisters and brothers on this site. How we help one another. Well I remember the last Saint I found that for. He followed and still follows Him.

I also love Sweetipie's (Annelize) signature quote: "A woman's heart should be so lost in God. That a man needs to seek Him in order to find her." Did our Father reveal that to you? May God give you the desires of His heart in you.