

Chutney

by C.T. Studd

C.T. Studd's sermon 'Chutney' calls Christians to actively live and die for Jesus, embodying the spirit of a warrior in the fight for salvation.

Scripture: Philippians 2:5

Topics: "Commitment to Christ", "Sacrifice"

Description

C.T. Studd passionately expresses his desire to emulate Jesus, who sacrificed His glory to save sinners, emphasizing the call to live a life of dedication and battle for Christ. He rejects complacency and the comforts of a quiet life, urging believers to actively proclaim salvation and engage in spiritual warfare. Studd highlights the importance of genuine action over mere words, encouraging Christians to follow Jesus' example of courage and commitment in the face of adversity. He draws inspiration from biblical figures like Epaphroditus, who risked everything for the sake of the Gospel, and challenges his audience to stake their all for Christ.

Transcript

I want to be like Jesus,
Who left His throne on high
For hell-deserving sinners
To live, and work, and die.
Forsaking all His glory,
His power He laid aside,
His entrée--lo! a manger!
His exit--crucified!
We human fools rejected,
And left to stand alone,

The only real Victor
This world has ever known.
By men despised, rejected;
By devils deified;
By friends denied, forsaken;
By angels glorified.
I'll live and die for Jesus,
Battling for the right,
Proclaiming Christ's salvation
To sinners left and right.
I will not be a mannikin!
To live in ease at home,
I'll be a Christian warrior!
Who loves with Christ to roam.
I will not be a skulker!
Those words ring in my ear,
"Shall your brethren go to war?
And ye? shall ye sit here?"
I'd sooner be a sceptic,
Who'd ne'er confessed Christ's Name,
Than make a great confession,
But fear to play the game.
If I to others preached and taught
That consecration's right,
I wouldn't stop in Britain,
To merely talk and write.
I wouldn't say to others "Go,

"The wolf needs your attentions;
Myself I'll tickle the pretty lambs
Who frequent our Conventions."
I wouldn't like to criticise
The fighters in the ring,
Unless I had the pluck to cut
Dame Europe's apron string.
I wouldn't be a talker,
With his pretty nouns and verbs,
His nicely polished phrases,
And alliterated words.
Such things may please old women,
And the maids of either sex;
They nauseate a soldier,
They irritate and vex.
For the soldier's heart is simple,
And true, and brave, and strong;
Not quite the man to tickle
With a sentimental song.
The offerings of a soldier
Are wrought of golden deeds,
He cultivates no flowers,
He reckons words as weeds.
His words are few and simple,
And giv'n with such a snap
As makes you think of lightning,
And its after thunder-clap.

For his commands are rugged,
And terse, and loud, and hoarse,
But they set the men in motion,
Artillery, foot and horse.
For his men are dead sure certain
That when they're sent to the front
Their Chief won't stay in Britain,
Shunning the battle's brunt.
For their Captain's "Go" means "Come,"
And he fights at the head of his men,
And not all the pleasures or wealth of the world,
Could tempt him to leave them then.
Thus Jesus leads the way,
As well as brings up the rear,
And He's always there in the thick of the fight,
To save, and help, and cheer.
I'm going to stake my all for Christ
Like brave Epaphroditus,
Who gambled with his life for Paul,
The prince of Christian fighters.
For how can man live better
Than gambling for the Christ,
Who lived and died for sinners,
And heaven sacrificed?
So I'll live and die for Jesus,
Battling for the right;
Proclaiming Christ's salvation

To sinners day and night.

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