

Salvation Army Marches and Evangelism

by William Booth

The sermon highlights the significance of the International Congress in London 1904, which marked a great expansion of the Salvation Army's activities and brought together people from all parts of the world in a common religious enthusiasm.

Duration: 2:25

Scripture: Psalm 133:1, Acts 1:8, Ephesians 4:3, Colossians 3:14, Revelation 7:9

Topics: "Evangelism", "Church Growth"

Description

This sermon reflects on Salvationist meetings and the International Congress in London in 1904, showcasing the growth and expansion of the Army's activities over the years. It highlights the unity of different races in a common religious enthusiasm, as seen in the great march past at the Crystal Palace led by General William Bull.

Transcript

This is a typical London scene in perhaps 1904 or 5, showing a Salvationist meeting assembling outside a public house. Let us catch another glimpse of this world, half a century ago, in movement. This scene shows traffic outside the Mansion House in the City of London.

Among the earliest motion pictures of the Army's activities that have been preserved are some scenes of the International Congress in London in the year 1904. Coming out of the Congress meeting are some of the puzzles who took part. The hall used was a temporary building in the Strand, specially erected for this purpose.

A great expansion had taken place since the first Congress 20 years before. Years of consolidation in Britain and tremendous expansion into many other countries that had been invaded by the Army in those two decades. The General, accompanied by Commissioners Cadman, Pollard and Kitching, goes to the saluting base for the great march past.

This took place at the Crystal Palace. The General acknowledged contingent after contingent from all parts of the world. To William Bull, taking the salute with such vigorous enthusiasm, the International Congress was an event of great importance, for he believed in associating all the races of the earth together in a common religious enthusiasm.

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