

Pilgrim's Progress (2): Christiana follows Christian (pp. 201-215)

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I. The Second Apology (pp. 390-397)

The first objection to Bunyan's second book might be **doubt that the book is really written by Bunyan** _____

The answer? "'Tis true, some have, of late, to **counterfeit** _____" and have even "**stitched** _____" but...

these don't 'sound' like Bunyan and he will vouchsafe his own testimony of authenticity... _____

The second objection might come from those who wish Bunyan "**damned** _____ life and limb"

The answer? "Fright not thyself, my Book, for such **bugbears** _____ Are nothing else but **groundless** _____ fears."

bugbears = a imaginary creature (invented to frighten children)

noddy = a fool or simpleton

Bunyan's first book had already been welcomed in France, **Flanders** _____, **Holland** _____, **New England** _____ and elsewhere.

The third objection comes from those who find "His words and stories are so **dark** _____"

Bunyan sends his second book "To **friends** _____, not **foes** _____" whose spiritual minds will discern his meaning and will find his metaphors an aid to memory.

The fourth objection comes from "some love not the **method** _____ of your first: **Romance** _____ they count it; throw't away as **dust** _____."

Bunyan bids Christiana in response to **greet all in love, and seek those who will rejoice in what she has to teach them** _____

Yea, may this second Pilgrim yield that **fruit** _____

As may with each good Pilgrim's fancy suit;

And may it some **persuade** _____, that go astray,

To turn their feet and **heart** _____ to the right way,

II. Mr. Sagacity "an aged gentleman came by"

sagacity = keen intelligence, shrewdness

"When [Pilgrim] was here, he was Fool in every man's mouth, yet now he is gone, he is

highly commended of all _____."

What makes men curse preachers in their life and build monuments to them after their death? **They resent their preaching, but think to gain some benefit by honouring their memory** _____

III. Christiana "do you hear anything of his wife?"

Mr. Sagacity assays to give Bunyan an eyewitness account, "for I was upon the spot at the **instant** _____"

What circumstance began to work on Christiana's mind and bring conviction for her former ways?

the death of her husband _____

Christiana: “I have sinned away **your father** _____.”

That night Christiana had a **dream** _____.

What three things did Christiana see in her dream?

1. **A broad parchment with the record of her deeds** _____
2. **Two ill-favored ones who feared they would lose her** _____
3. **Her husband, Christian, received into glory** _____

Secret: “the Merciful One has sent me to tell thee, that he is a God **ready** _____ to **forgive** _____.”

Christiana: “My children, let us pack up, and **begone** _____ to the **gate** _____ that leads to the Celestial country”

IV. Neighbors “two of the women that were Christiana’s neighbors”

Christiana’s neighbours were astonished at her greeting, “for this kind of **language** _____ they used not to **hear** _____.”

The eldest was Mrs. **Timorous** _____, she was “**daughter** _____ to him that met Christian upon the Hill of Difficulty, and would have had him **go back** _____ for fear of the lions.”

Christiana: “**Tempt** _____ me not, my neighbor: I have now a **price** _____ put into my hands to get **gain** _____.”

Her young companion was named **Mercy** _____, who could not join her companion in reviling Christiana because:

1. **She was affectionate towards Christiana** _____
2. **She was concerned for her own soul from Christiana’s witness** _____

Mrs. Timorous has four friends, who comment on Christiana’s “rash” plans:

Mrs. Know-nothing: “Do you think she will go?” “Aye... my great argument ... the **troubles** _____ she was like to meet ... [is what will] put her **forward** _____ on her journey.”

Mrs. Bat’s-Eyes: [she is blind] “I see, if [her husband] were here again, ... [he would] never run so many **hazards** _____ for **nothing** _____.”

Mrs. Inconsiderate: “Away with such **fantastical fools** _____ from the **town** _____.”

Mrs. Light-Mind: “Come, put this kind of **talk** _____ away.” Why? **because she would not trouble her mind with it — she is one who occupies her mind with wanton things** _____

This remark is a thrice repeated theme in the chapter: “The bitter goes before the sweet; yea, and forasmuch as it doth, it makes the sweet the sweeter.”

What is the bitter? **the troubles and persecutions of this life that a Christian may experience** _____

What is the sweet? **the blessings of the world to come** _____

What is the first trouble Christiana encounters? **the reviling of these women** _____