

RESURRECTION ADDRESS FOR CHARLES S. COLE EXTRACTS FROM THE ADDRESS BY REV. ROBERT S. JUNGÉ

Love is the life of man. Together with wisdom, love makes the human form, an image and likeness of the Lord Himself. Today we think of a man who loves his family, the Academy, the Church, and particularly his wife. We speak in the present and say that he loves, for we know that our loves never die. A good man's loves are joined together under one ruling love, his love for the Lord His God. Only the Lord can know the ruling love in a man's heart. However, we can observe what a man stands for, and we can honor, respect, and love those things.

As a young man even before he was married, Charles S. Cole had the opportunity to observe regular family worship. Carefully preparing and providing family worship became one of the early and lasting causes in his life. The home must express its devotion to the Lord as the source of all its genuine usefulness and happiness.

Serving the war effort as a young engineer, led the couple to make their home in Pittsburgh and Washington. Their permanent home became Bryn Athyn, but they never forgot their experiences and the uses of the outlying societies of the church. There is a sense of community and fond friendship wherever we share the Lord's gifts with others. Those who love the Church sense this community of spirit wherever their uses take them. That common bond of love for the Lord and His Word draws them together as one in the human form.

The rest of Charlie's professional career was dedicated to New Church Education at the Academy. He was dedicated because teaching became an integral part of his life. Inspiring each individual student became a priority, even a passion. How often he lost a sense of time in preparing a lesson, or trying to help an individual student discover the answer. His students were an

opportunity from the Lord to build upon the innocent remains so vital to our homes, and at the heart of New Church education.

One of the first challenges at the Academy was to teach anatomy and physiology in the light of the Word. Later the challenge came to teach philosophy, again to illustrate and confirm the Heavenly Doctrine, but now to confirm it in many other fields, beyond chemistry and anatomy.

In the classroom, in school administration, and in all the life on the campus, the vision is to bring the spiritual to bear upon the natural. The understanding of the Lord's Word must become a blessing in the midst. That was the vision Charlie tried to bring to the College when he became its Dean. Each subject in its own way should be woven together with the others into a fabric to testify to the truth of the Lord's Word, indeed to testify to the Lord Himself. The variety of creation is from the Lord. The challenge is to explore and support those hopes and dreams; but let them blossom in freedom as if from themselves. Many individuals, many societies such as Kempton, or uses such as the British Academy, testify to the importance of such support.

When we come together to celebrate the entrance into eternal life of one we know and love, we have deep gratitude for the uses they have performed. As their love has reached out and inspired us, we reciprocate and love them in return. Love is reciprocal, but it is also conjunction. It is our hope and our earnest prayer that we will once again be conjoined to those we love who have gone before us to the other world. Hoping truly to serve the Lord together as our Heavenly Father, we become brothers in His Kingdom on this earth, even as we hope to be in His heavenly kingdom after death. Picturing then, our brother entering into those precious uses in the Grand Man of heaven, we pray that we may join him there when our day comes. As our Lord said to the prophet Daniel, "Peace be unto thee, be strong, yea, be strong" (Dan 10:19). Amen.