

## *C.T. Studd*

### *Worldwide Soul-Winner*



C.T. Studd was a son of a wealthy planter from India who retired home to England and was saved through the great Moody crusades there.

C.T. became captain of the Eton cricket team, and wildly popular.

He received Christ as Savior when a preacher staying at their home asked him if he was a Christian, and pressing the point, got him on his knees and led him to Christ. . . . and later that day, his two brothers also.

For six years, instead of telling others of Christ, he was silent and, as a result, backslid, grew cold, and let the love of the world come in.

When he again met the Lord, he began immediately persuading his friends to receive Christ. He said, "I cannot tell you what joy it gave me to bring the first soul to the Lord Jesus. I have tasted most pleasures this world can give, but those pleasures were nothing compared to the joy that the saving of that one soul brought."

Knowing that, when he reached 25 he would inherit a very large amount of money, instead of planning to spend or invest it, he arranged to give it all to the Lord's work, and trusting God for his supply, sailed for China as a missionary.

Later, in spite of ill health, he ministered in India and central Africa, sometimes against the advice of others. For most of those years he was separated from his wife and daughters who stayed in England. She directed the affairs of the Worldwide Evangelization Crusade, which he founded, and which had ministries in many parts of the world.

He told his critics, "God has called me to go, and I will go. I will blaze the trail though my grave may only become a stepping stone that younger men may follow."

When he went to be with the Lord from Africa at the age of 71, his last word was "Hallelujah."

Of his life he had said, "Some wish to live within the sound of church or chapel bell; I want to run a rescue shop within a yard of hell."

What if that preacher staying in their home had never asked C.T. if he was a Christian? What if he hadn't persisted? What if C.T. had continued in his backslidden state, never witnessed to that first convert? How many he won to Christ around the world may have missed heaven?

You may not go to the ends of the earth with the gospel, but you can reach your relatives, neighbors, and others with gospel literature and personal testimony.

Let nothing stop you!

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