

William Carey: Becoming Like the Father of Missions



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William Carey, Father of Missions

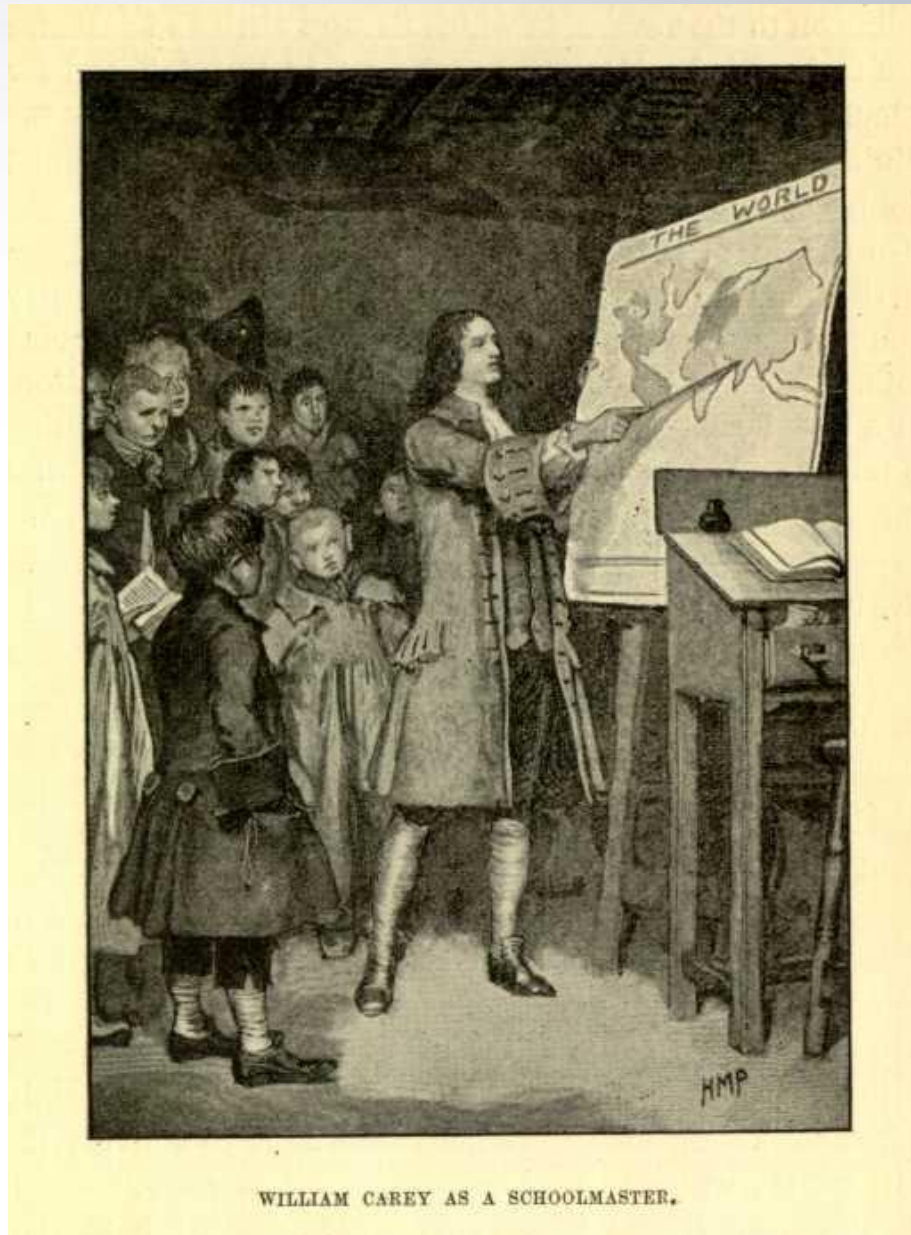


WILLIAM CAREY'S BIRTHPLACE.

Carey's Trade



Carey's Development



WILLIAM CAREY AS A SCHOOLMASTER.

Carey's Enquiry



AN
ENQUIRY
INTO THE
OBLIGATIONS OF CHRISTIANS,
TO USE MEANS FOR THE
CONVERSION
OF THE
HEATHENS.
IN WHICH THE
RELIGIOUS STATE OF THE DIFFERENT NATIONS
OF THE WORLD, THE SUCCESS OF FORMER
UNDERTAKINGS, AND THE PRACTICABILITY OF
FURTHER UNDERTAKINGS, ARE CONSIDERED,
BY WILLIAM CAREY.

For there is no Difference between the Jew and the Greek ;
for the same Lord over all, is rich unto all that call upon him.
For whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.
How then shall they call on him, in whom they have not
believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they
have not heard? and how shall they hear without a Preacher?
and how shall they preach except they be sent?

PAUL.

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Carey's Enquiry, Cont.



- Section One: An Enquiry whether the Commission given by our Lord to his Disciples be not still binding on us.
- Section Two: Containing a short Review of former Undertakings for the Conversion of the Heathen.
- Section Three: Containing a Survey of the Present State of the World

Carey's Enquiry, cont.



- Section Four: The Practicability of Something being done, more than what is done, for the Conversion of the Heathen
- Section Five: An Enquiry into the Duty of Christians in general, and what means ought to be used, in order to promote this good work.
- **Summary: Carey urged on the church missions as the duty of the church.**

Arrival in India

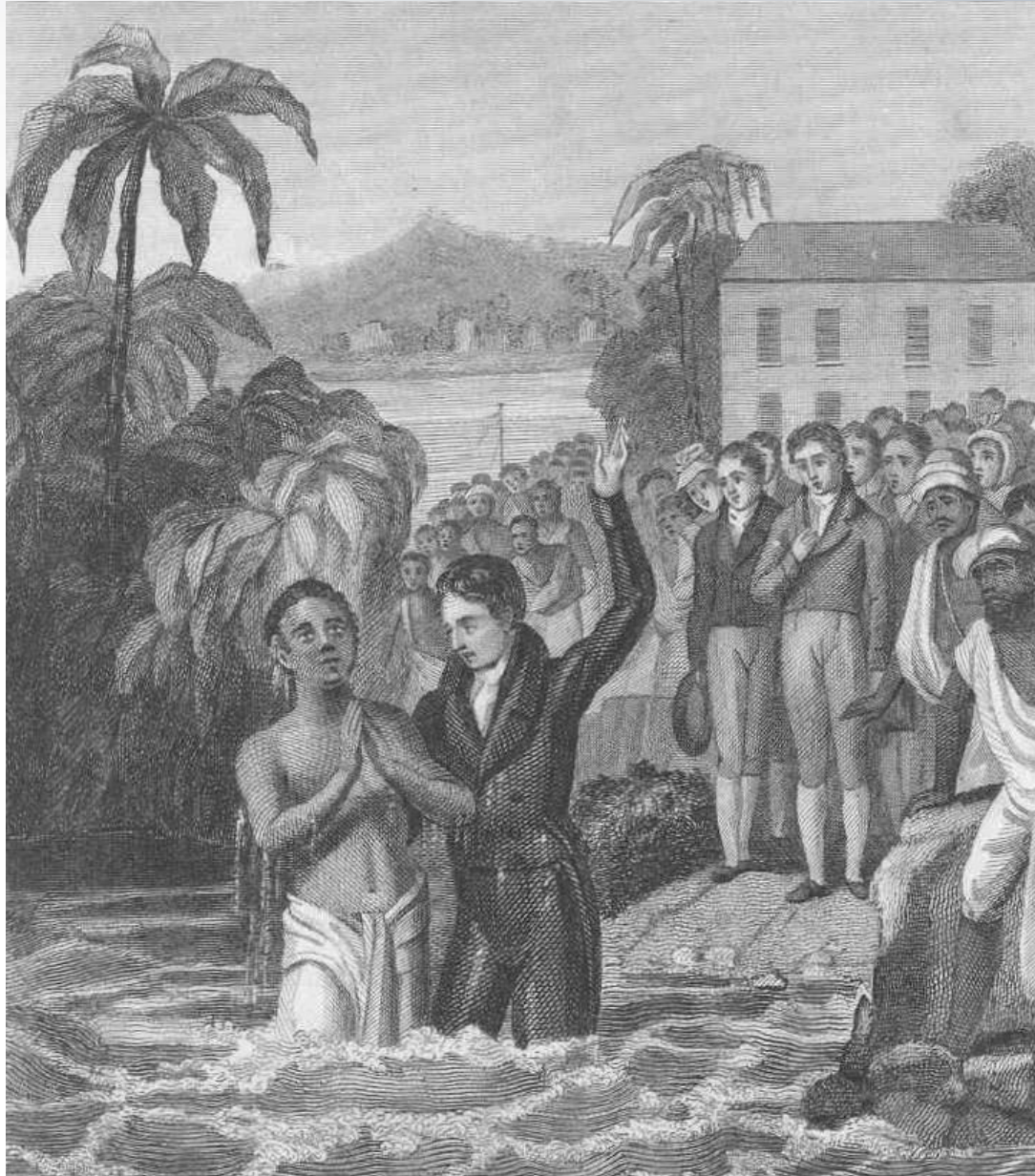


Carey's wife



- At 19, Carey married Dorothy, who was more than five years older than him.
- She bore him seven children, three of whom died in childhood. The remaining four became missionaries themselves.
- Dorothy broke down mentally after the death of their son Peter and never recovered, dying about 10 years later.
- Carey remarried once, and then a third time after 13 years.

Carey's First Convert



A Day in the Life of William Carey



- **5:45am - His Day Begins**
 - **Read a chapter in the Hebrew Bible and prayed until 7:00am**
 - **Family prayer with the servants in Bengalee**
 - **Read some in Persian**
 - **Read a portion of the Scriptures in Hindoosthanee**
- **AFTER BREAKFAST**
 - **Translation of the Ramayana in Sangskrit w/ translator until 10:00am**
 - **Went to the College and taught until between 1:00pm and 2:00pm**
 - **Upon return home he examined a proofsheets of the Bengalee translation of**
 - **Jeremiah until dinnertime**

A Day in the Life of William Carey



o AFTER DINNER

- Translated most of the 8th chapter of Matthew into Sangskrit w/ translator**
- Sat down with assistant to work on learning the language Telinga w/ tutor**
- Worked on a sermon from 6:30pm until just after 7:00pm**
- Preached at 7:30pm and ministered to the congregation until 9:00pm**
- Wrote a letter to a pastor friend (Ryland)**
- Read a chapter in the Greek New Testament**

o 10:00pm – His Day Ended

Serampore College





Dear WSK June 20^[86] - Evng

I send you a note of introduction to J. A. Symonds - whom I think most likely & valuable for the purpose you spoke of - (if I rightly understood it) - Symonds has leisure, has long been a reader of L. of G. & I have heard he for some time been wanting to have something to say in print about it - If possible send ^{it to him} him a copy of the ^{complete} your book in proof from the types or type-written in slips, complete - He fact get two or three fresh copies & send me one in advance - No doubt I would see many important corrections to be made - or additions - or elisions. - May be ^{through you may be not care} J. A. S. would like the chance of giving his say in such introduction - I don't think well of requesting any thing from Dowden

W W

Your Ruskin book has been read
but I have been reading it all day

- “I am this day 58, but how little I have done for God.”
- I am . . . A monument of Divine mercy and goodness.

Carey's Death



“A wretched,
poor and helpless
worm, On Thy
kind arms I fall.”

Lessons We Can Apply



1. He was a man of studied conviction

- He was, first of all, a “man of the Book.”
- This led to his choosing his ministry among the Congregationalist dissenters, and then the Baptists.
- Carey was an avid supporter of the abolitionist cause, even when slavery was publicly acceptable.
- This led to questioning the status quo regarding the lack of diligence in using “means” to take the gospel to the heathen.

Lessons We Can Apply



- 2. He was a man of Humility stemming from a biblical self-assessment**
 - Sometimes he was discouraged by his own sinfulness.
 - No one sensed his inadequacies for the tasks before him more than Carey.
 - His humility was expressed in his seeing himself as following in a train of missionaries

Lessons We Can Apply



- 3. He was a man who clearly saw his place in the local church and submitted himself to its direction.**
- 4. He was a man who cultivated God's Heart in himself and others for the whole world.**
- 5. He was a man of persevering faithfulness**
- 6. He was a man who surrounded himself with co-laborers as good and trusted friends**