

Father Francis among the roof tops! We do our own repair work.

## OF TRUTH . . .

CHRIST is the corner-stone, the principle of reconciliation – the unifying influence in all life, but particularly in the life of those who seek Him out – to be with Him with genuineness of heart and mind. In Christ we are one with others – we are one within ourselves – and we are one with God. CHRIST IS TRUTH. The closer we come to Christ the closer we are to Truth. Those who are in fact close to Truth simply cannot be at variance with each other. If they happen to find themselves at odds with others, it is that one or the other is not close to Truth. IT IS AS SIMPLE AS THAT! Two cannot go in opposite directions and still claim to be in touch with Truth. If Truth is One, and all present accept and believe such and such to be the objective Truth, then what is the basis for division? Is Truth established simply by the word of the self-proclaimed communicator of truth?

It is vital that we should not only be baptized into unity, but that we should also appreciate its significance. Unless we experience our oneness

in Christ we will always see LIFE IN DIVISION.

All are called to serve God. Therefore, the service of God should be understood in simplicity rather than as a service of various parts. For those who claim union with Christ, there can be no division. If there is division (and there is), the individuals in question who are the cause of division – who make themselves too much the measure of their words – seem to be more interested in promoting <u>parts</u> (programs, opinions, causes, externalisms) they propose as self evident creeds (manmade creeds) rather than in reflecting Truth which is Christ – which is the Gospel.

Truth is one – IT HAS NO PARTS – IT CAN HAVE NO PARTS. The spiritual life should bring unity out of multiplicity, and should reduce the rules of perfection to a single – single – formula. As soon as we move away from the simple formula, complications inevitably set in. The spiritual life – to which we are ALL called – should allow Charity to emerge in peace. If the spiritual life does not reflect Christ, as He is in Himself – in His oneness – then it is time to examine the spiritual life more closely.