

## 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** \_\_\_\_\_