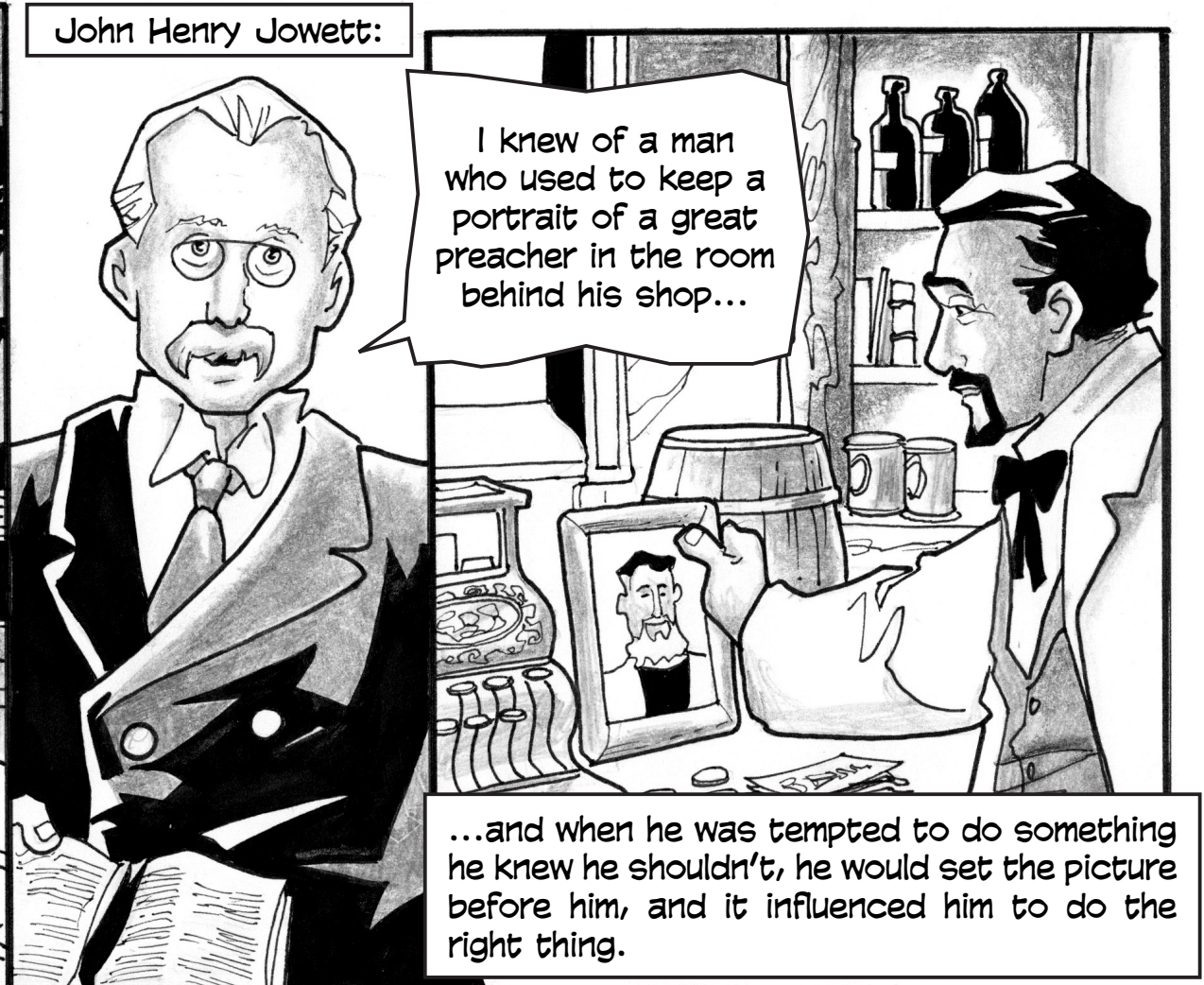


“I Have Set the Lord Always Before Me”

I have set the LORD always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. (Psalm 16:8 KJV)



John Henry Jowett (1864-1923) was a gifted preacher and Christian writer. Although his preaching style was not dynamic (he read all of his sermons), the depth of his knowledge, the clarity of his language, and the power of his life commanded respect. (Adapted from Christian Classics Ethereal Library.)

But the object of the Psalmist David's contemplation is no earthly personality, no matter how noble and ennobling.

He "sets" before him a vision of the loving and holy presence of God...

...and in the glory of that searching light, David determines his affairs.

"Setting the Lord always before me" is not a temporary vision; it is a fixed outlook.

It is not only a Sunday contemplation;

Jesus, guide me about the dance class tomorrow...

it is the permanent background of the week.

If the Lord is "always before me,"
then I will see everything in relationship to Him.



But to "set the Lord always before us," not only means we possess revealing light; it also means we make the right choices.



Thank ye so much, Moira, for encouraging me to join the troupe!

We who "set the Lord always before us" not only discern the real nature of things; we choose the worthy...



What a beautiful song.

and resist the improper.



When we place God before us, the worry and stress go out of life because we are grounding our actions on what God would have us do and our thoughts on God's promises.

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