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## In Memoriam

"I Have Fought the Good Fight"

King George VI, like his father, a man of God, greatly beloved, followed the gleam. Herein was the secret of his inspiring example to his people.

It sounds so simple, but the gleam is followed only by unwearied effort, often by agony of spirit, and always by sacrifice.

In the great hope for his lasting health—his passing in his sleep on the morning of February 6th, 1952, came as a great shock to the Nation, and the World, that mourn him. In his inspiring example of devotion to duty, love of the home life and quiet humour he was revered and beloved.

During his reign of many and great vicissitudes, his Christmas Message in our time of greatest peril, simple faith and dauntless courage inspired the Nations of the World:—

"I believe from my heart that the cause which binds together my peoples and our gallant and faithful Allies is the cause of Christian civilisation. On no other basis can a true civilisation be built. Let us remember this through the dark times ahead of us and when we are making the peace for which all men pray. . . .

"In the meantime I feel that we may all find a message of encouragement in the lines which, in my closing words, I would like to say to you, 'I said to the man who stood at the Gate of the Year, "Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown!" and he replied, "Go out into the darkness, and put your hand into the Hand of God. That shall be to you better than light, and safer than a known way!"

May that Almighty Hand guide and uphold us all.

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