Memories of Fr. James Stack C.Ss.R



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Fr. Jimmy Stack who died in Bishop Stortford in 1958.

I heard him preach a mission sermon in the mid-1940s in Liverpool and he certainly risked censure then in the way in which he would quote scripture.

I remember particularly the text "If any man should follow me "...

And he would repeat it as "If any man or woman would follow me... let him or her take up his cross or her cross daily and follow me."

He risked censorship because one was supposed to quote scripture exactly word for word, verbatim, but he wasn't afraid to change it to make it more inclusive.

A man, very much ahead of his time.