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"The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it." Psalms 68:11.

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Heaven's Earnest Appeal

By Rev. Victor Glenn

Editor, Missionary Herald

In Genesis 6:3 we read, "the Lord said, my spirit shall not always strive with man." This is a declaration of God concerning the antediluvian world. He was about to destroy those people, but He would not let judgment come until the spirit was done striving with them. For at least 120 years the Holy Spirit strove with the people. When the ark was finished, He shut Noah in. The sounds of those doors as they were being closed echoed through the hill announcing that mercy had fled and wrath had begun. Then the fury of God's wrath broke as the waters of the flood rose until every sinner was destroyed. God's spirit had ceased to strive with man.

Notice first of all that God does strive with man. I mention this as a necessity, because there will be no concern about your soul without the spirit striving. Without the spirit man is in darkness. He is in the shadow of death. He is utterly helpless within himself and only as the spirit of God deals faithfully with his soul is he awakened by the power of God. It is by the Spirit that he is awakened to shed that unbidden tear, and to experience that agony of soul. All this is the work of the Holy Spirit; that concern which God puts within your heart to awaken you to a sense of need. This, my friend. must come through the ministry of the Holy Spirit to your soul. Without the spiritual awakening, there is no conviction of sin. A person

can sin on and on without any concern whatsoever, without any feeling of remorse, without any awareness of the disastrous end awaiting him.

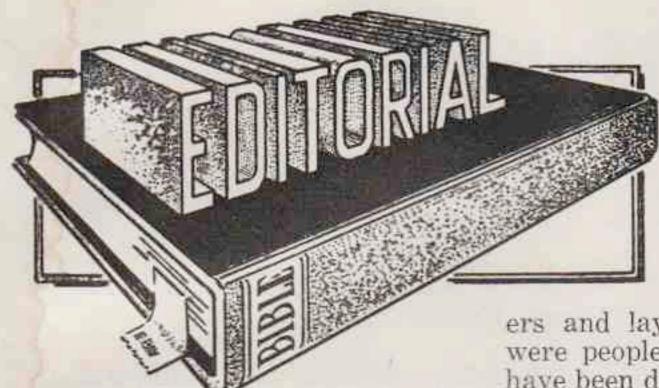
Yes, conviction only comes as the Spirit of God the Holy Spirit awakens. There is no godly sorrow for the past unless the Holy Spirit strives with the soul. There is no softening tendency, no concern whatsoever, is felt unless the Holy Spirit brings conviction to the individual. Here we can begin to see how very important it is for the Holy Spirit to awaken the hearts of men and women. My friend, the tragedy of tragedies is the fact that there is very little conviction upon the hearts of men and women today. They seemingly go on without any concern whatsoever, yet they shall stand guilty before the Lord at the judgment. Yes, the Spirit of God is the only hope of awakening that heart to a sense of awareness, to a quickening of the senses through the Word preached again and again. Warning after warning is heralded out when the Spirit of God takes those warnings and makes a personal application to that soul, and they are awakened to their sense of need.

This striving may be resisted and rejected to the point that the heart becomes very hard and the tears cease to flow. God's Word speaks of man being without feeling, and he is speaking about a person that is left alone. He speaks about Ephraim being joined to his

idols and let alone. Ah, my friend, here we can see the tragedy of rejection. Even after the Spirit of God has faithfully warned the sinner, awakened the conscience of that individual to a sense of deep need, aroused the heart of that need; after this quickening of God's eternal words to the soul of man, that man may go on resisting and rejecting him and choosing sin instead of righteousness, choosing rather disobedience instead of obedience, and choosing rather rejection instead of acceptance, saying, "I shall take my own way, I shall decide for myself" and pay no heed whatsoever to the voice of the Spirit of God. There will be no success in our ministry without the spirit striving. We become like machinery without moving power.

There is the certainty of the spirit striving. Who would ever be saved without the spirit striving within you? Salvation is impossible wtihout the striving of the Spirit. It is only on this ground that God can judge and condemn the wicked. He strives with the backslidden. He lets you see that with the light and knowledge that you possess, it is only God's mercy that has kept you out of hell. It is only God's mercy that gives to you another chance to come under the influence of the Gospel. It is the mercy of God that causes you to repent, bringing back memories of better days when you knew the Lord. Yes, my friend, the Spirit of God is certainly dealing with the hearts of individuals. The Spirit strives with those who halt between two opinions. God has been striving with you through sickness, when promised to serve you Him.

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Called to be Saints!

The words of my topic are found in the first chapter of Paul's Epistle to the Romans. The Roman Church was known throughout the whole world for their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Naturally this caused that devoted apostle to rejoice, but he was not satisfied to let them relax in that state of their Christian experience. Faith is vital from the very beginning of any Christian's life, but faith without works is dead. There are some Christian principles and some Christian duties which every true Christian will endeavor to build into his life.

Paul expressed his desire to visit the church at Rome so that he might impart some spiritual benefit to them. His interest in them was motivated by an inner concern that their faith would not fail. This should be characteristic of every true servant of God. Christ himself said to Peter, "Simon, Simon, Satan hath desired to have thee that he might sift thee as wheat, but I have prayed for thee that thy faith fail not." This concern is expressed by the spirit in I Timothy chapter 4, and is directed toward we that are living now. "In the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron."

Surely in this day of educated compromise we need to be alert, and in constant communion with the Father through the Holy Spirit lest we be deceived. If ever we needed to try the spirits and fast and pray we must do it now! The devil is out to deceive the very elect and I have been amazed to discover that many of the preach-

ers and laymen whom I believed were people of sincere convictions have been deceived by the seducing spirits of our day. I am frightened by the continuous grumble of professing Christians saying "I don't see any harm" in so many things that are of a worldly nature. The scripture saith: "If any man love the world the love of the father is not in him." (I John 2:15)

I find two conditions given in the Bible which render a person free from condemnation. The one is found in Romans 8:1 "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the spirit." If it is evident that the things you are pursuing in life are for the satisfaction of your own selfish lust, but you still see no harm in them, then you fall into the other category; "Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness to work all uncleanness with greediness." (Eph. 4:19) Your conscience is seared as with a hot iron!

Dear reader, instead of becoming sour and bitter at me won't you please search the scriptures with an open heart and mind, then go down on your knees in fasting and prayer, hungering and thirsting for the righteousness of God, and permit Him to search your heart, and try your spirit.

The real purpose for Paul going to Rome to preach the Gospel was to see them established as saints of God. It is good to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, but it is quite another thing to accept the Gospel of Christ without rebelling or being ashamed. The Gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation and therein is the righteousness of God revealed. There is no excuse for man not knowing the righteousness of God in this day when people are so highly educated and the Bible is readily accessible. Oh that man would awake to righteousness and cease to sin! Jesus said, "Except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the Kingdom of Heaven." There is none righteous by his own good graces or moral principles, but thank God there was one who was obedient even unto the death of the cross and through His obedience many have been made righteous. I do not mean that we are made righteous when we die. I believe in living soberly, righteously, and Godly in this present world.

Paul continued to write to the church at Rome and firmly declared that sin shall not have dominion over you and that being made free from sin, Ye become the ser-

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Pharaoh's Prophetic Pronouncement

Thou shalt be over my house, and according to thy word shall all my people be ruled: ONLY IN THE THRONE WILL I BE GREATER THAN THOU." Genesis 41:40. Read, also, verses 37-45, of the same chapter.

This lesson is taken from the experiences of Joseph in Egypt, after having been sold as a slave by his brethern. After the family had been brought down into Egypt, and made to dwell in "the best of all the land," or Goshen, and after the Patriarch Jacob's death, his brethren came to Joseph thinking that now he would be angry with them, and take out his spite on them, but Joseph said to them: "But as for you, ye thought evil against me; But God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive." (Genesis 50:20.)

We find Pharaoh's words, unknown to him, were to be understood in a prophetic sense.

-These Words Were Meant To

Apply to JOSEPH—
It has been a miserable trip down, naturally speaking, for a Jew's son never did take lightly his old heritage, and refused to be a slave. The stinking camels, the cursing Ishmaelites, and then the thought that his own brethern had done this unto him! Too much! Dastardly deed! Foul memories! Tearful nights! Joseph, you had tremendous victory, to come out unspotted in this chain of events!

Things seemed to have improved when he got a position with Potiphar, who was head of the execution squad, and the head marshall of that area, Soon the "LIE" is told and sworn to, and Joseph goes to jail. And yet we read, "And the Lord was with Joseph." We are likewise reminded that the account reads, "And he was there in the prison." Sometimes we are prone to feel that if we serve God there never will be a buckboard experience, no trials, no thrills, no spills, just easy sailing. William Jay, a Congregationalist Minister in the 1800's said, concerning the statement of Genesis, "And he was there in the prison. . . ," Joseph was not DESERTED, for God was with him. He was not DISCOURAGED. for we never hear him complain. He was not DEFEATED, for his spirits rose, and he had the privilege to minister to the very elite of Egypt's society, servants to Pharoah himself! He was not there DESERVEDLY, for a lie had "penned him up." He was not there DEFINITELY, for God got him out in due course, and in fine style.

Now the elevation has taken place, and Pharaoh speaks the words of the text, giving Joseph unlimited power in Egypt as the Prime Minister of the land, soon to be torn with famine after seven years of unusual plenty. Pharaoh had great confidence in this man, as he said, "Can we find such an one as this is, a man in whom the Spirit of God is?" Verse 38. The answer was, "NO!", for Joseph was God's choice for the hour.

—These words were meant to apply to JESUS—

Jesus ALWAYS kept His own will in subjection to the FATHER. In the prohetic utterance in the Psalms, He said, "I come to do Thy will, O God. Lo, in the volume of the Book it is written." He prayed to the Father, for His human side needed the fellowship, for He was "Son of man," as well as, "Son of God!" In Gethsemane He prayed, "Not my will but Thine be done." The First Adam had prayed, "Not

THY will, but MINE be done," and he had turned Paradise into the wilderness. Now it remained for the Second Adam, Jesus Christ, to pray, "Not MY will but THINE be done, "and to turn the wilderness back into Paradise, and make Gethsemane the Gate of Heaven. A little olive tree wilderness became the vestibule of Heaven! He became the Scape Goat, The Sin Offering, The Burnt Offering, The Lamb Slain, The Paschal Lamb, The Passover—and as such He of all the Godhead, and of all heaven, became the worthy one, the wellbeloved, who is worthy to open the seals of God's sealed book in Heaven! If one listens carefully, one can almost hear the Father say: "Only in the throne will I be greater than thou, BLESSED SON!"

—These Words May also Apply To The Justified—

Since we are joint heirs with Christ, this makes us inherit a position of privilege and blessing in the Eternal Kingdom. Dr. Joshua Stauffer, in speaking of the reign and rule of the saints, says it is not reasonable to suppose that we shall rule over one another, but that he believes Dr. Jowett was right when he said, "Earth will be the nursery stock that will inherit the Planets in the Universe where we will rule through-out Eternity.

This truth of being next to God, puts saints in a great area of Opportunity for service to use all of our ransomed powers to do HIS will. Opportunities have never been greater for the sanctified.

This puts us, also, in the area of a great responsibility, for God has entrusted into our hands great and mighty privileges, when He says, "Only in the throne will I be greater than thou." Preach it, tell it, and live it.

—T. E. F.

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Our Losses

WALKER, Lloyd C., died on August 21, 1965, at the Phillipsburg General Hospital, after an extended illness. He had been hospitalized for one day.

Mr. Walker was born in Boggs Township, RD 3, Bellefonte, Pa., August 24 1892, the son of John and Martha Freil Walker. In 1916 he married Grace Watson, who survives with six children: Lester and Mrs. John Milton, Milesburg; Gregg, Valley View; Mrs. Cyrus Wion, Altoona; Mrs. Mervin Croyle, Jennette, Pa.; and Mrs. Howard Kerstetter, Baltimore, Maryland.

Also surviving are 19 grandchildren; three great-granchildren; two sisters.

Funeral Services were held at the Wetzler Memorial Chapel at Milesburg, with the Rev. A. John Perna, a former minister, and Rev. Tom Frantz officiating. Burial was made in the Advent Cemetery in Boggs Township.

Brother Walker often attended and it was a privilege to have ministered to him at various times. and enjoyed his fellowship. His son, Lester and family, are members of the Milesburg Congregation. Two of his sons-in-law, Rev. Cyrus Wion of Altoona, Pa., and Rev. Howard Kerstetter of Baltimore, Md., are ministers in the Evangelical United Brethern Church. May God bless the memory of this departed friend.

Tillis, L. Roy, son of Clark and Mary Tillis was born August 6, 1895 at Arbuckle, West Virginia, and departed this life August 30. 1965 in the hospital at Chillicothe. Ohio, at the age of 70 yrs. and 24 days. On March 6, 1915 he was united in marriage to Viola Harris and to this union were added 11 children. He leaves to mourn his departure his faithful companion, Viola, 6 sons, Jonathan and Sherman of Rutland, Ohio; David of Nipgen, Ohio; Rev. Amos Tillis Missionary to Eritrea, East Africa; Curtis of route 8 Chillicothe; and Rev. William Tillis of Williamsport, Pa.—5 daughters, Mrs. Mary Rhinehart, Mrs. Ruth Bower Mrs. Nellie Krebs, all of Chillicothe, Ohio; Mrs. Esther Kennedy of Langsville, Ohio and Mrs. Goldie Ratcliff of Grove City, Ohio. 34 grandchildren and 2 great-grand-

children. Also surviving are 3 brothers, Jess and Bryon of Massieville, Ohio, and Clark of Blanchester, and many other relatives plus a large circle of friends.

Early in life while a young man he was converted and consecrated himself to the work of the Master. He heard and accepted the call of the Master to preach the Gospel to the lost world. For nearly 50 years he went up and down the countryside all hours of the day and also the night giving himself, physically exhausted; wearing out; because he knew the work he started must be finished. He finished well. His last gospel message was preached August 25, five days before his home going. He laboured many years patiently under the hand of affliction; but no place to stop. He also served in the capacity of pastor and preached in 200 churches. He was a member of the Jefferson ave. Church of Christ in Christian Union, Chillicothe, Ohio.

Recently Bro. and Sis. Tillis celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary which was well attended. For more than 50 years Bro. and Sis. Tillis have walked down life's road together, sharing their joys and sorrows, living for others.

Beautiful Spirit, free from all stain, Ours are the heartaches, the sorrows the pain;

Yours is the glory and infinite gain.

Your slumber is sweet.

Peace on your brow, your eye lids so calm.

Peace in your heart 'neath your folded white palm,

Peace dropping down like a wonderful balm;

God giveth you rest.

Beautiful toiler, your work is all done.

Beautiful soul into glory is gone, Beautiful life with the crown you have won;

God giveth you rest.

In memory of Rev. Roy Tillis By a friend.





Tharp, Morgan (born, January 11, 1873) at Nady, Arkansas, passed into God's presense at the age of 92 years. Final services were held from God's Missionary Church at Nady, on April 18, 1965, with his pastor, Rev. Henry Tharp in charge.

Don't Judge By Size!

Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, thou art very great. ... O Lord, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches (Ps. 104:1, 24).

The wonderful things in nature are the smallest.

A flea leaps 200 times its length. A man would have to jump 1,200 feet to equal this proportionately.

The housefly takes 440 steps to travel three inches, and does it in a half second—corresponding to a man running 20 miles in a minute.

An ant lifts a load many times its own weight-a man would have to lift a diesel locomotive and carry it on his back to compare with that of the ant.

Turnip seeds, under good conditions, increase their weight 15 times a minute, and in rich soil turnip seeds may increase their weight 15,000 times a day.

There is no force more powerful than a growing squash. A squash 18 days old has been harnessed in such a way that in its growing process it lifted 50 pounds on lever —19 days later it lifted 5,000 pounds. —Sel.

It Is Dangerous To Walk In the Dark

By Leslie D. Wilcox

We are told that a frequent cause of home accidents is the attempt to walk through unlighted hall or rooms or up and down stairs without proper light. In the darkness one may miss a step or trip over some object left carelessly lying on the floor. The result may be a bad fall, fractured bones, or even death.

In the spiritual world it is also dangerous to walk in the dark. We need the illumination of God's Word and the Spirit's guidance on our pathway. If we attempt to walk in the dark, we may fall over some obstacle that lies unseen across our way. In the realm of spiritual life, light comes to us from the Word of God. The Psalmist said that the entrance of God's Word gives us light. Therefore we need constantly to keep our lives under the close searching of the Word.

Some people seem to have the idea that light is something to be shunned. They seem to shrink from the possibility that the light might show up some shortcoming or failure in their lives. They appear to treasure certain things so much that they are unwilling to submit them to divine scrutiny, lest they be shown to be wrong in some way. Any such attitude is dangerous for a Christian. If we would keep God's grace we must continually keep our lives open so that the sharp two-edged sword of the Word may pierce into the conscience and discern the thoughts and intents of the heart. Only thus can we hope to keep the grace we once received fresh and effective in our lives. It is for those who "walk in the light," not for any who shun or avoid the light, that a promise is given that "the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." This condition of walking in the light is necessary, not only for the initial cleansing but also for the continued cleansing that is basic to a holy life.

Another important source of light is from the personal guidance of the Holy Spirit. The privilege of being included in sonship. "As many as are led by the Spirit of

God, they are the sons of God" (Rom. 8:14). When a Christian goes on to the experience of heart holiness, the guiding of the Spirit becomes clearer and stronger than in his experience of regeneration. There are several reasons for this. It is in the very nature of the carnal mind to hinder and impede all spiritual contact of the soul. When that obstacle is cleansed away, the film that impeded the spirit's vision is removed. Further than that, the Spirit of God enters into the life of the sanctified in a way that He could not do in the preliminary experience of regeneration. The soul becomes more keenly aware of Him as a Person than was possible before. These changes of condition make the leading of the Spirit sharper, clearer, and more steady in the life of the sanctified than in the life of those who are only regenerated. But, even with its added strength, the guidance of the Spirit does not become overwhelming nor irresistible. soul must still hear and heed the voice of the Spirit, and it is still within personal prerogative to either yield obedience to that leadership or to reject and disobey.

The guidance of the Spirit includes two things. By guidance we ordinarily think of those pomptings of the Spirit whereby He suggests to one that he ought to pray, or testify, or witness to some needy soul, or perform some other service for God. However, this type of leadership is but one half of the guidance of the Spirit, and probably the less important half. The other phase of the guidance of the Spirit is what we call the checks of the Spirit. By this term we describe those times when, by a



gentle restraint, the Spirit would suggest to the soul that some step ought not to be taken, that some word would be better left unsaid, or that some favored act or indulgence would be better omitted from the life, for it does not glorify God.

When God checks one in this fashion, it is not usually by some violent warning. God does not blow a siren, nor does He lower an impassible barrier across the pathway. His usual method of checking is by a still, small voice. Often it is no more than a gentle sense of restraint that makes one feel that perhaps some course of action ought not to be pursued. These gentle checks are very easily ignored, and many persons have done so. The result is that after a few times the checks begin to fade from the soul, and after a little the soul is no longer aware of any checks. The still, small voice has ceased to speak. There is no sense of tragedy or impending disaster. What has happened is that one no longer hears any checks. Sensing nothing to impede his choices, the soul is lured to a false sense of security. He goes on professing to be sanctified, but he has lost his vital sense of warning since the checks were choked out of his soul.

After a time a careless attitude begins to develop. Senses that were once keen to spiritual danger are now dull. Convictions that were once strong have been blunted. The person has difficulty seeing anything wrong in things he once shunned. Eventually he begins to take up things which he at one time laid aside under conviction that they were detrimental to the life of the soul. It is easy to see where such a process will eventually lead. It all begins with disregard for the checks of the Spirit. The sad thing is that a large proportion of professing holiness people are living where they no longer hear any checks of the Spirit. This is a dangerous place. Many of the involvements of spiritual and moral relations are too subtle for mere reasoning to grasp. Sometimes the only way we can be warned of impending danger is by the checks of the Spirit. When one has lost that, he is, to a degree, walking in darkness and it is dangerous to walk in the dark.

-From Wilcox's excellent book, Beyond the Gate

Gaining this World!

Quotations—Collected and Arranged

"Do you remember when Marilyn Monroe died? Everyone stopped work and you could see all day the same expression on their faces, the same thoughts: 'How can a girl with success, fame, youth, money. beauty... how could she kill herself? No one could understand it because those are the things that everyone wants, and they can't believe that life wasn't important to Marilyn Monroe.... People have nothing in the lexicon of their experience to know what fabulous success is ... they don't know the emptiness of it ... It's a fraud and a gyp....It's the biggest disappointment." So says Hollywood Star Brando in Newsweek.

Yes, Hollywood Stars gain this world! but lose the next! "Had I wealth and love in richest measure. And a name revered both far and near, Yet no hope beyond, no harbor waiting, Where my stormtossed vessel I could steer; If I gained the world, but not the Saviour, Who endured the cross and died for me, Could then all the world afford a refuge, Whither in my anguish, I might flee."

In contrast: "In this day when Hollywood's hollow-hearted heroes are fawned upon, John Glenn is greatly refreshing. He is matter of fact and sincere. He comes from a thoroughly Christian home. Admitting that while in orbit he had not time to sit and pray—it's a very busy time—he added: 'I feel we should all live our lives as if this were the last day...My peace has been made with God for a number of years, so I had no worries on that line!'"

"This year the Canadian women will pay \$500,000,000 into the coffers of a world-wide conspiracy, a conspiracy dedicated to one unswerving purpose, the purpose of driving men mad, yes! mad, with desire...Woman is both fashion's slave and master...She puts on fashionable clothes with the sole purpose of tempting men." So charges Canada's Maclean's Magazine. A preacher could hardly make a stronger indictment than that!

"The New York Sun received

the following letter from one poor slave: 'A cancer specialist tells me that he cuts out five or six tongues every week of cancer of the tongue that develops from the hot stream of tobacco that always hits the tongue in the same place. I would like to give up smoking,' said he, 'but I can't.'

When will people learn to go to the Great Physician! — the Savior!

"There are at present some 17,000,000 mentally ill in the United States. Half the hospital beds are occupied by such persons... It is being urged that for the mounting numbers of mentally ill there must be a triple expenditure of \$3,000,000,000 outlay in the next ten years." (Saturday Evening Post)

"Some fifteen years ago Dr. Raymond Cattell, stated that speaking in round terms a decline of average I. Q. for town and country of about three points per generation is indicated; or one point per decade. If this were to continue for three hundred years half the population would be defective...the present rate of change must be one of the most galloping plunges to bankruptcy that has ever occurred."

And still men and women will not flee to the Great Physician! the Savior of Men!

"There are times when sin's payoff, at least in part, follows fast on a man's heels. Men usually think of payday some day, but seldom do they dream that 'this night shall thy soul be required of thee.'

A bandit held up a bank in Plenty, Sask., and made away with \$20,000. In his wild escape from the law he careened off the road and was badly crushed beneath the crashed and stolen car. In the midst of the mess he saw but one way out-just finish himself off with a bullet through his brain. 'The wages of sin is death,' said the Great Law-Giver! While fleeing from the law he hastened himself, self-destroyed, into the presence of the Law-Giver and Judge of all the earth! What a poor payoff! O, sin, what a paymaster! What wages! How sure! How poor!

"O, what emptiness! without the Savior, Mid earth's sins and sorrows here below, And eternity! how dark without Him! Only night and tears and endless woe! What! though I might live without the Savior, When I come to die, how would it be? O, to face the valley's gloom without Him! and without Him! all eternity!"

Did you ever hear of goat sense? Martin Luther said: "If two goats meet each other on a narrow path of water, what will they do? They cannot turn back; they cannot pass each other. If they were to butt at each other, both would fall into the river and be drowned. Then, what will they do? Nature has taught them. One lies down, and lets the other pass over it, thus both are unhurt." Is goat sense wiser than men sense? It would appear so.

Have you heard of the professor of 'sacred cows'? "A professor of sociology from the University of Albert, as reported over C. B. C., was recently addressing a public gathering in Edmonton on the subject of divorce. He said the marriage ordinance should not be for life, and he likened its sacredness to India's 'sacred cow.'

The professor has not likely read Romans, chapter one. There he is photographed, untouched and true to life: 'Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, and changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to...four-footed beasts'—or sacred cows!

Those who degrade God's sacred character and ordinances breed worse than barnyard morals among their captive classroom victims. Read the rest of Roman one. False sociology leads to a sunken society. Wrong philosophy gravitates to wretched filthiness." From the Prairie Overcomer.

"If I gain the world, but not the Savior, Were my life worth living for a day, Could my yearning heart find rest and comfort, In the things that soon must pass away? If I gain the world, but not the Savior, Would my gain be worth the life-long strife? Are all earthly pleasures worth comparing, For a moment with a Christ-filled life?"

These quotations are collected and put together with comments by Faith Dell Ford.

Annoucements

Missionary Services will be held at the Church in the Valley, Milesburg, on Sunday evening, October 10, when the Reverend and Mrs. Carl Shuey, who are in charge of our Miami, Florida, Mission work to the Cubans, will be with us for the evening. Music and singing will also be presented in Spanish, in addition to the Gospel Message.

REVIVAL SERVICES: Milesburg Church. October 31-November 7, 1965. The Rev. Willis Miller of Damascus, Ohio. Hear this man of God, who knows the Book like few ministers in the Holiness Movement. Special music and

singing each night.

Revival Services: Nesbit Chapel, Nesbit, Pa. November 4-14, 1965. The Rev. Andrew Whitney of Albany, New York is the engaged evangelist. Rev. Whitney is the General Superintendent of the Pilgrim Holiness Church of New York.

Evangelistic services will be held in the Spring Garden God's Missionary Church, Allenwood, Pa., November 18-28, 1965. The engaged evangelist is the Rev, Marlin Hain of Stonington, Pa.

A NOTE OF THANKS

We wish to thank everyone for the beautiful flowers and the many cards of kindness and sympathy. It was most deeply appreciated.

Signed, The Tillis Family

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God's Word is, "Present yourselves unto God as alive from the
dead, and your members as instruments of rightousness unto God"
—Romans 6:13. "Ye are not your
own . . . For ye are bought with
a price: therefore glorify God in
your body"—I Corinthians 6:19-20.
"They . . . first gave their own
selves unto the Lord." II Cor, 8:5.

Consecration is the actual present surrender to God of the whole man and all we possess. The mistake is made by many in regard to consecration is, it is not a reality. They pretend to give God their all—their children, money and posessions, their time and reputation. But it is only in sentiment. It is not real. God and His cause are no better off after it than they were before. They pretend to give all at the altar, and they live the next day as if it were all their own.

Christ's Ownership

The ground of consecration is Christ's ownership. He has redeemed us, purchased us. As a master buying slaves in a slave-market got their talents, service and earnings, so are we the slaves of Jesus Christ. The old masters often branded their names, or pricked their initials on the arms or limbs of their slaves.

Paul subscribed himself, "the slave of Jesus Christ." He says, "I bear about in my body the brands of the Lord Jesus."—Galatians 6:17. It was something that the great Apostle gloried in that he was the slave of Jesus Christ, whose absolute ownership he gladly acknowledged.

The act of consecration is to recognize Christ's ownership and to accept it. Say to Him with the whole heart, "Lord, I am thine by choice." The ancient Israelites came to David, their heaven-appointed but uncrowned King and said: "Thine are we, David, and on thy side thou son of Jesse."—I Chron. 12:18. So should we come to Jesus and gladly say, "Thine we are, O Christ." Paul said of Jesus, "Whose I am and whom I serve."

The revealed condition of the indwelling of the Spirit is a full and complete surrender, on our part, of all the powers and susceptibilities of our being, to the divine occupancy and control.

It is well to make this act of consecration a very definite one in our spiritual history. George Whitefield did it in his ordination service. "I call heaven and earth to witness that when the Bishop laid his hands upon me, I gave myself up to be a martyr for Him Who hung upon the cross for me. I have thrown myself blindfolded

and without reserve into His Almighty hands."

The essence of consecration is in the sentence, "Yield yourselves unto God." When you yield yourselves you yield everything else. All the details are included in the one surrender of yourself. "Yield yourself unto God."

Consecration is not to God's service, not to His work, not to a life of obedience and sacrifice, not to the church, nor even to the cause of God. It is to God, Himself, "Yield yourselves unto God." Your work, your service, your obedience, your sacrifice, your right place and your alloted duty will all follow in good time. Consecration is the willingness and the resolution and the purpose to be, to do, and to suffer all God's will.

Consecration is a definite transaction and made once for all, does not need to be repeated unless we have failed to keep it. We consecrate just as we are married. The vow is upon us, and in the force of that vow we walk all our

days.

When the Sacrifice is Complete— The Fire Will Fall

Consecration has in it the nature of a real sacrifice. It is the presentation or giving away of all that we have to God. It is a ceasing any longer to own anything which we have hitherto called our own. All goes into God's hands for Him to order and arrange, and we take simply the place of servants, to receive it back again, what He chooses.

This is no easy task, and can only be done in the might of the Holy Ghost. But, when it is done, when all is laid on the altar—body, soul, spirit, goods, reputation, all, all, ALL—then the fire descends and burns up all the dross and defilement of sin, and fills the soul with burning zeal and love and power.

Undue Love Of Self

Consecration is a being crucified with Christ. It means dying to all those pleasures and gratifications which flow from undue love of self, the admiration of the world, the ownership of goods, and the inordinate love of kindred and friends which go together to make up the life and joy of the natural man. This may be painful, but we must be crucified with Christ if we are to live with Him.

A PAGE FOR YOUTH

Dying for a Smoke

The following is taken from Norman Dunning's "Life of Samuel Chadwick." It has to do with the days when Mr. Chadwick was principal at Cliff College in England.

No man desired to take liberties with Samuel Chadwick. Shortly after the beginning of a certain term a student, much older than the average Cliff man, knocked at the door of the principal's study. On entering, he addressed the principal very timidly.

"Sir," he asked, "would you give me permission to have a pipe?" (It is a rule at Cliff College that no student smokes.) "I am not like these boys," continued the middle-aged brother, "I have been a smoker for twenty years. I finished my last pipe before I came through the college gates on Friday, and I have tried my best to do without tobacco since. But, Sir, I can't hold out any longer. I'm dying for a smoke."

The principal half turned in his chair and swept the brother with his glance from his toes to the crown of his head. "Is that really true, brother? Are you really dying for a smoke?"

"I am Sir," said the student.

"Then," said the principal, pointing to a seat beside his desk, "sit down in that chair, and die."

He went on to explain that any man who allowed a habit to get such a hold on him that he would die if he did not give way to it was better off dead. The would-be smoker looked first at the floor and then at the ceiling, and then at the floor again.

"Let's talk to God about this," said the principal. Together they knelt on the study floor. The principal prayed that God would glorify Himself in this man's life. The student rose from his knees, the craving gone. For a year he remained at the college, and the temptation to smoke never returned.

-Moody Church News



Never Out of Sight

I know a little saying
That is altogether true;
My little boy, my little girl,
The saying is for you.

'Tis this, O blue and black eyes, And gray, so deep and bright— No child in all this careless world Is ever out of sight.

No matter whether field or glen, Or city's crowded way, Or pleasure's laugh or labor's hum

Entice your feet to stray;
Someone is always watching you,
And whether wrong or right,
No child in all this busy world
Is ever out of sight.

Someone is always watching you,
And marking what you do,
To see if all your childhood's acts
Are honest, brave, and true;
And watchful more than mortal
kind,

God's angels pure and white, In gladness or in sorrowing Are keeping you in sight.

Oh, bear in mind, my little one,
And let your mark be high,
You do whatever thing you do,
Beneath some seeing eye;

Oh, bear in mind, my little one, And keep your good name bright;

No child upon the round, round earth

Is ever out of sight.

—Unknown

The Quality of Mercy

You have heard, or many even have memorized, the lines from Shakespeare on the subject of mercy. In case you have not, we will quote them here, for they are well worth reading in connection with our Bible study.

The quality of mercy is not strained

It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven

Upon the place beneath; it is twice blessed:

It blesseth him that gives and him that takes;

'Tis mightiest in the mightiest; it becomes

The throned monarch better than his crown;

His sceptre shows the force of temporal power,

The attribute to awe and majesty, Wherein doth sit the dread and fear of kings;

But mercy is above this sceptred sway,

It is enthroned in the hearts of kings,

It is an attribute to God Himself, And earthly power doth then show likest God's

When mercy season justice.

The Bible has even more important things to say about mercy. We quote some of them also. But just to keep you "on your toes," we have scrambled a word or two in each quotation. Can you write them correctly? Do not look up the Bible references until you have finished your list.

He that hath mercy on the ropo, pyahp is he. (Prov. 14:21)

He that showeth mercy, with selfnereuchs. (Rom. 12:8)

As we have deervice mercy, we tinaf not. (2 Cor. 4:1)

In thee the halfseters find mercy (Hos. 14:3)

The gushotier showeth mercy. (Psa. 37:21)

His mercy is on them that rafe him. (Luke 1:50)

The merciful man doeth dogo to his own olus. (Prov. 11:17)

Be ye therefore cimuferl as your haterf also is merciful. (Luke 6: 36)

God be merciful to me a risen. Luke 18:13)

His mercy runtheed forever. (I Chron, 16:34)

Surely songedos and mercy shall wolfol me. (Psa. 23:6)

He that testhurth in the Lord, mercy shall mopsacs him about. (Psa. 32:10)

I sturt in the mercy of God (Psa. 52:8)

Let not mercy and truth rakesof thee. (Prov. 3:3)

Ows to yourself in righteousness, pare in mercy. (Hos. 10:12)



How About Church Extension?

Many times questions have been presented to me like this: What is happening in these new fields of service we heard so much about last year? Is the work still moving forward? How are you using the money that is collected for Home Missions? These and other questions have been presented to the various board members of Home Missions along with some suggestions of how we might consider spending the money.

It is the desire of each member of the board of church extension that everything we do will be done through the leadership of the Holy Spirit. We know from experience that unless God heads the program, we will fail. Whatever we do we want to be a real blessing and asset to God's Missionary Church. We who have been elected to this office feel a responsibility to both God and our own dear people who stand by us with their prayers, and support so faithfully. want to fulfill the demands of the Lord by going out and preaching the Gospel unto every creature with whom we come in contact.

As many of you know, we have put forth an all-out effort to establish a church in Armagh, Penna. Armagh is located in the Johnstown area. One of our ministers heard of this church which was formerly occupied by the Methodist Church and suggested that God's Missionary Church consider it for a home Missionary venture. Naturally, we want to see God's missionary Church expand, so we investigated the church and discovered that it could be rented for forty dollars a month. It was necessary to have someone who felt the call of God upon them to move to Armagh and visit the people of the community in hopes that the church could be opened. It was decided that Rev. Fred Watson would assume responsibilities of pastoring the Armagh church and with the help of other interested people the church was opened and church furniture was bought and installed. Rev. Watson was no longer able to stay at Armagh. Brother and Sister Schaffer were directed of the Lord to go to Armagh. Brother and Sister

Schaffer covet your prayers in behalf of their new assignment. Because of the newness of this work, it will be necessary to help support the Schaffers. Will you please remember to pray for them and also support them through the Home Missionary department.

The Armagh Church is the only church in the community. believe that the Lord will help Brother and Sister Schaffer to raise up this work for the honor and glory of God. This is where a good bit of your Home Missionary money has gone over the past vear. Brother and Sister Schaffer have received no support as yet because we just don't have it to give to them. That is why I am writing to you today. God has helped us in a wonderful way in the past and we praise HIM for it. But the work must go on! WE CAN'T STOP NOW! There are people who are hungry for the Gospel in other areas and we want to help win them for Christ. Only eternity will reveal what your gifts have done for the Salvation of lost and dying souls.

In addition to the Armagh work, we have a work that was started some time ago under the direction of our General Superintendent Rev. George I. Straub. This church is located at Seven Stars. We have given some financial support to this work. Brother Straub has been faithful to the people of this area and it is expected that sometime in the near future a better and larger church will be bought or erected for the congregation at Seven Stars or someplace in that area.

Rev. Marlin Stahl is the pastor of the Hanover, Pennsylvania Church. This church and pastor is to be commended for all they have accomplished in the past with a limited source of finances. We feel as a Home Missionary Board that we would like to help in this part of the vineyard. Please keep this young man and his wife on your prayer list and if you care to help them financially, please mail your contribution to the treasurer of Home Missions. You will find the address of the new treasurer in this issue. We need the backing of all our readers and of EVERY PASTOR of God's Missionary Churches. Please do

not forget to mail in your offering every month. Request prayer for Home Missions and these pastors of these new works in every prayer service in your church as well as in your secret prayer. The Bible tells us that "The prayers of a righteous man availeth much."

Many of you have read in a previous issue how that the Lord helped us to raise enough money to help finish the church building in Tichnor, Arkansas. We praise the Lord for all these accomplishments.

This summer we were privileged to have Brother and Sister Rudolph Fasco with us at the Penns Creek Camp Meeting. Brother and Sister Fasco are Cubans who have been assisting in the work at the mission station with the Shueys. It was at Penns Creek Camp Meeting that God met the need of Brother and Sister Fasco by sanctifying them wholly. Late one night in the tabernacle God came and we know that Brother and Sister Fasco will prove even a greater blessing now than they were before.

So you see, we have lots of places to put the money you give to Home Missions. People are looking our way. One group of people from Virginia have started a building fund and are looking for a God's Missionary Church to be started soon in their town. These are just a few of the possibilities we have before us. We ask that you pray for us and PLEASE GIVE TO HOME MIS-SIONS. WE NEED YOUR PRAYERS AND YOUR SUP-PORT. We need a good many people to help the Schaffers at Armagh. We need a good many to help with the Hanover work. In addition to these, there are some pastors who have very little income. HELP US TO HELP THEM. If you specify we will put your money to any one of these works. Send your offerings and gifts to Rev. LaDette Cooley 426 E Bishop St., Bellefonte, Penna. Perhaps the Lord would have you personally give five or ten dollars a month to one of these new churches. Thank you for praying and helping,

Earl L. Deetz Jr., Supt. Home Missions

The Long Journey

Grandma Lorton was eighty, and year by year she had been getting more feeble, until now she could no longer go to town, or call on her friends, or even go to meetings. So she would sit in the big easy chair over by the window where she could see the people passing by, and the children playing, or perhaps the squirrels as they frisked about the big walnut tree in the yard.

Occasionally somone would come in to see Grandma, and on the first Sunday of each month the Juniors would hold a little service with her, bringing her flowers or a little present of some kind. But Grandma never seemed to be lone-some, for when nobody was there she would spend much time reading the big Bible which was kept on a stand close by her chair.

One day Jane seated herself on a stool at her feet and asked, "Grandma, why do you read the Bible so much?" Grandma was pleased with the question, for she loved the Bible dearly, and Jane was her favorite granddaughter.

"Jane," she said, "I'll tell you why I read this Book so much. I'm going on a long journey one of these days to a New Country, and the journey will be filled with interesting experiences."

"Why, Grandma!" exclaimed Jane, "you can't even take a little trip down the street, much less a long journey to a strange country."

"Now, Jane," said Grandma, "suppose you were going on a long journey, down to Brazil, for instance, what would you do?"

Jane was rather surprised. What could Grandma mean, anyway? "Why, I'd get a railroad map and find out about the steamship lines, and then I'd get out my geography and find out all about the country. I'd want to know something about it before I got there," she replied.

"That's just what I'm doing, Jane," said Grandma. "This Book tells me how to prepare for the journey, what kind of beautiful land it is, whom I will likely meet there, and many other things. As you said, I'm enjoying finding out all about it before I go."

Jane began to understand that Grandma was talking about the journey she would take into the next life, and a feeling of awe came over her. "Won't you be afraid, Grandma?" she asked.

"No, Jane, most of my friends have already gone ahead of me. I shall enjoy seeing them again," she said, "You don't remember your Grandpa, but that's his picture on the wall. I'll be seeing him one of these days soon." A tear glistened in Grandma's eye. "And there's Father and Mother, whom I have not seen for many a year," she continued. "Jesus will be there—I'll not be afraid; this Book has shown the way."

Winter passed into spring and then one day there came the word that Grandma was very sick, and one day not long after that Grandma went on the long journey. Jane was sorry that Grandma had left them, but she said, "I'm glad that she really did know the way, and is happy with Grandpa by now."

"These all died in faith... and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country... that is, an heavenly; wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city" (Heb. 11:13-16).

—Gospel Herald

Called to be Saints!

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vants of righteousness. It is only reasonable that you now yield every member of your body as a servant of righteousness to bring forth fruit unto Holiness. It is the duty of every Christian to glorify God in your body and in your spirit. It is most certain that God doesn't get any glory out of life that is all wrapped up in its own pride, seeking after its own lust, and doing that which is pleasant and right in its own eyes.

I am convinced that every believer is called to be a saint. Mr.
Webster says, "A saint is a holy or
godly person; son of great moral
and religious purity; one who has
been sanctified. My prayer is that
God may use this little article to
pierce through the hardness of
many hearts and cause them to
heed the call to be a saint.

BEWARE, LEST THOU BE DECEIVED!

Heaven's Earnest Appeal

(Continued from page 1)
Through the death of loved ones when God spoke to you. "Remember my Spirit" God said, "I shall not always strive with man."

As you read these lines, awaken my sinner friend and run quickly to the arms of the Saviour who is desiring to save you from your sins. The Spirit of God strives with the professor of religion who has never really been converted. God through His Holy Spirit is doing His best to awaken your soul to your true condition. What can God do to awaken you before your sleep of death? My friend, it is only as the faithfulness of the Holy Spirit tugs upon your soul that you can be saved. Pray now and be born of God.



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How to Treat a Danger Signal

H. Robb French

Never take a warning or cry of distress jokingly, contemptuously or indifferently. Many souls would have been saved, lives spared and calamities averted if this simple rule had been observed. Not that we believe every sound of alarm, but it does mean we will investigate them thoroughly before ignoring them. There are many false warnings about bombs hidden on planes or in public buildings but the authorities wisely take every precaution rather than risk an explosion. Boys drowning have cried for help only to be scoffed at, thinking it was a prank. When too late to save them their own brothers found to their horror that the cry was more than a joke.

Sacred and profane histories are replete with instances of calamities which could have been avoided were it not for the foolhardiness of the victims. In spite of warnings the antediluvians were carrying on business as usual right on the eve of the world's greatest calamity. Lot when warning his sons-in-law of their impending doom "seemed as one that mocked." In a short time they, their homes and their city Gedaliah, whom lay in ashes. Nebuchadnezzar appointed as ruler during the captivity, when warned of the evil intentions of Ishmael, treated it with contempt. He and his associates were soon dead and the people fled into Egypt.

Julius Caesar was duly cautioned about the fateful Ides of March but ignored the warning and was assassinated. The two world wars caught us utterly unprepared. Before the first world war we were signing peace treaties, making eloquent speeches on international peace and actually disarming while the Kaiser was getting ready to baptize the world in blood and tears. The same thing happened before the second world war. Pearl Harbor is a sombre monument of the utter disregard of danger on the part of our leaders who should have known better.

Literally thousands of our people have lost their lives in floods and storms who were amply warned and transportation provided but they laughed their benefactors to scorn.

It looks like the American people have suffered enough to learn the lesson of heeding warning signals but it is not so. If you speak to people about the danger of the course we are pursuing it is too often met with a raucous laugh, or an angry retort or an indifferent stare. The danger of inflation and bankruptcy used to give us grave concern but today we seem to be so intoxicated with cheap dollars we elect the one who can most recklessly toss billions hither and yon. Communism with its slavery, its bloody purges, its concentration camps, its torture chambers and it's godlessness at one time frightened us but that day is largely passed.

In the election of 1960 Cuba was a vital issue in the campaign but was seldom mentioned in this recent election. Dr. Penalaz, once a lawyer in Cuba, now a highly respected refugee in this country says that there are now 27 missile bases in Cuba. From 25,000 to 27,000 highly trained Russian soldiers are stationed there. When he stated that they had installed undersea missiles we understand the chief of our naval operations took it as a joke. It has since been verified. He also shows how Asia, Africa and South America, in the past four years, have been moving steadily behind the iron curtain. Listen to the man of the street, "Why worry about Cuba, Asia and Africa? I'm riding in the best car I ever owned. I'm eating the best I ever did and have more money in my pocket than ever." The thought of his being liquidated and his children and grand children robbed of their liberty, peace and prosperity doesn't occur to him.

The Word of God foretells the coming of a brutal, tyrannical dictator who will rule the whole world — Dan. 7; 2nd Thess. 2; and Rev. 13. The Bible also tells of the second advent of our Lord. Signs are rapidly and remarkably being fulfilled indicating His soon return. The greatest of all trage-

dies is that so very few are heeding the warning and the admonition of the Lord Jesus — "Be ye also ready for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of Man cometh."

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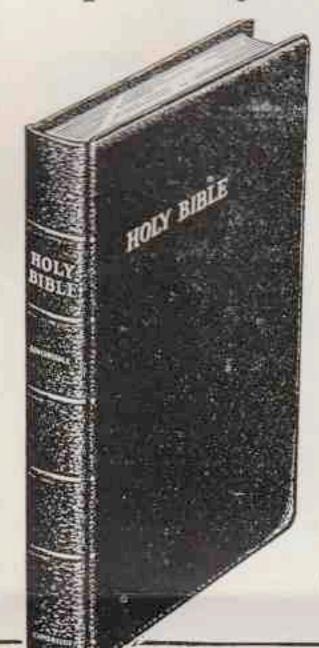
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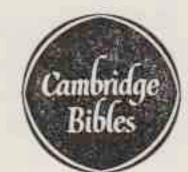
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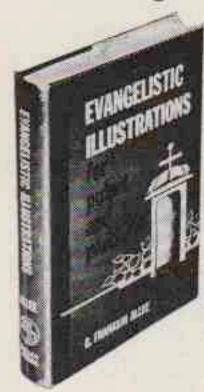
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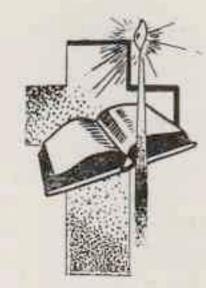
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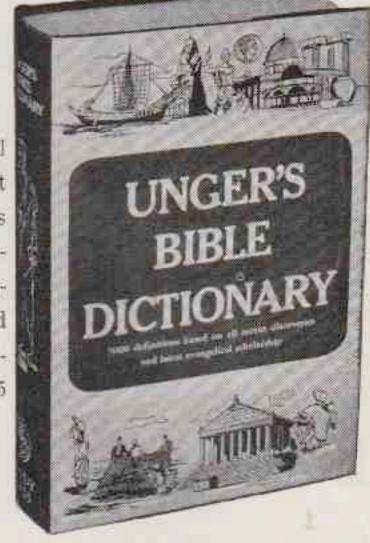
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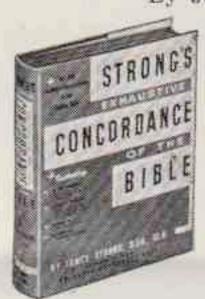
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