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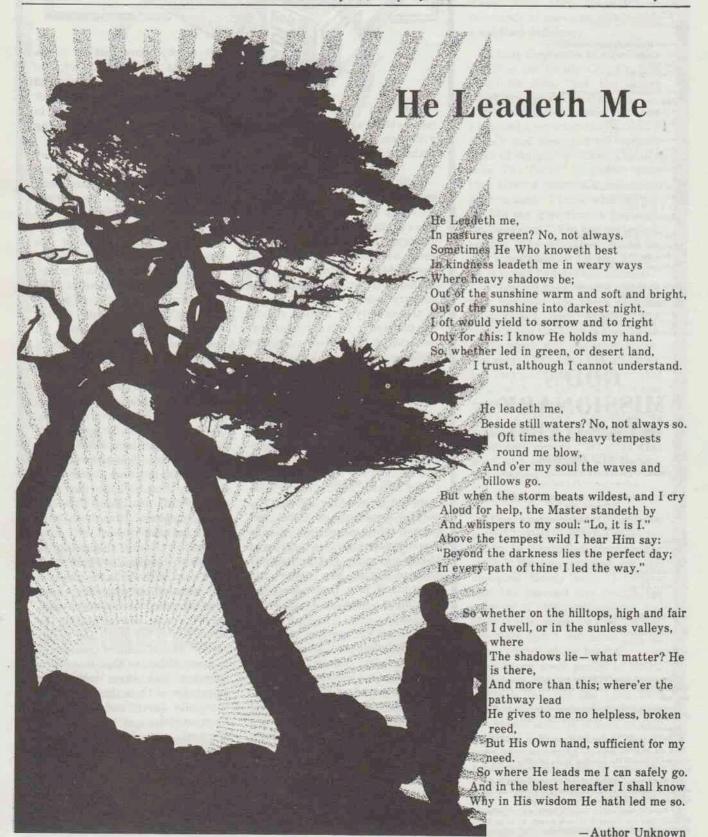
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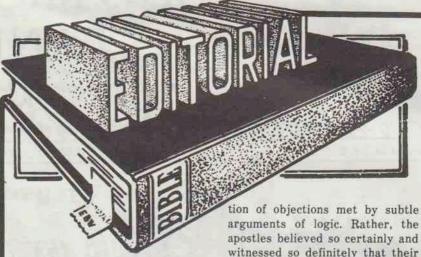
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Acts 4:14 "And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it."

Josh McDowell, a popular apologist for the historicity and reliability of the Bible, who appears annually on many college and university campuses, has written a book entitled "Evidence that Demands a Verdict." While McDowell is performing a valuable ministry today in pointing people to the validity of Biblical claims, this passage in Acts shows us that the church has always needed evidence to present to a gainsaying religious and political world. From its very inception the Church of Jesus Christ has been opposed, sometimes by the political system of the day; many times by the leaders of a particularly entrenched religious system. So it was in this scene in the Book of Acts.

The notable healing of the lame man had far-reaching effects. The pointed preaching of Peter had pricked the consciences of the Jewish leaders and his mention of the Resurrection had particularly enraged them. Now Peter and John stand in a face-to-face confrontation with the scowling Sanhedrin.

As the two apostles were arraigned before the Jewish court they had two things going for them. The first was their boldness. They were not trembling or cowering in fear. They were not fuming or sputtering in rage. They were not brash but bold, a boldness born of confidence in the power of their Risen Lord.

Charles W. Carter writes, "Courage born of confidence is the most disarming weapon known to man. Here there was no anticipa-

arguments of logic. Rather, the apostles believed so certainly and witnessed so definitely that their faith became contagious, even in testimony to the unbelieving Sanhedrin."

We need an injection of holy boldness today. The church has taken a defensive stance long enough. It is time to become aggressive in our witness to the world. Surely opposition will come. Certainly Satan will bring his fiends against us to thwart every effort. Every inch of ground gained will be contested. However, the early church thought it all joy to suffer for Christ. We cannot expect to be carried to the skies on flowery beds of ease, while others fought to win the prize, and sailed through bloody seas.

The Sanhedrin marvelled at the attitude and actions of the two apostles. Then somebody remembered that a few weeks before a single man stood before them with clear eyes and a calm demeanor; a presence which condemned them. These men are somewhat similar-aha, oh yes-these men have been with that other man-Jesus!

Matthew Henry, that prince of expositors, writes, "Those that have been with Jesus, in converse and communion with him; have been attending on his word, praying in his name, and celebrating the memorials of his death and resurrection; should conduct themselves in every thing, so that those who converse with them may 'take knowledge of them that they have been with Jesus,' and this makes them so holy, and heavenly, and spiritual, and cheerful; this has raised them so much above this world, and filled them with another. One may know that they have been in the mount by the shining of their faces."

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### Who Needs



## **Heart Purity?**

Lawrence A. Whitaker

"I wish the churches were as afraid of imperfection as they are of perfection; of unholiness as of holiness; of sin as of sanctification," said a noted evangelist. Years ago someone said to Dwight L. Moody, "The world has yet to see what God can do with one man who belongs totally to God." After silent, prayerful thought, Moody said, "By the grace of God, I'll be that man." Heart purity is available to all believers in Christ. who are not of the world, as He is not of the world. Consider the following who need heart purity.

### Many Christians merely exist, the fire of God's love burns dimly.

There are, (1) tired Christians, who work if cajoled and coaxed; (2) retired Christians, or hasbeens, who usually sit idly by — the victims of do-nothingism; (3) rubbertired Christians, who go along if the road is smooth; (4) flat-tired Christians, whose ego has been punctured and pride wounded. The angel admonished the church in Sardis to "Be watchful, and

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strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God."

# These need purity — countless souls who give no signs of religious progress or growth in grace.

They are not "practicing Christians." As one has suggested, "A practicing Christian is a debt-paying, neighbor-loving, law-abiding, Christ-glorifying person — a person who practices what he preaches."

Chaplain Raymond Lilly, the black Samaritan, was such a Christian. He was visiting the children in a ward of a Chicago hospital. He spoke cheerfully to them, told them about Jesus, and gave them little gifts. One of the patients, a little boy who had been seriously injured in an automobile accident, was from a very poor home. Chaplain Lilly showed special kindness to the boy and then passed on to the other children. He hadn't gone far when the little boy beckoned him to come back. "What is it, my boy?"

asked Lilly. The boy said, "I just want to ask you if you are Jesus Christ."

Twelve believers were asked, "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" Each answered, "No." The need was then met. The Holy Spirit fell on them.

# These have need of purity — thousands of converts who realize a spiritual deficiency.

In time they come to experience SELF is not totally Christ's. Self seeks its own, "not the things which are Jesus Christ's."

A conversation ensued between a hen and a pig when they passed a church and observed the sermon topic of the pastor: "How Can We Help The Poor?" The story goes that after a moment's reflection, the hen said, "I know what we can do. We can give them a ham-andegg breakfast!" The hog protested, saying, "The breakfast would be only a contribution for you, but for me it would be total commitment." Any commitment God's children may make to God short of total commitment isn't enough. Joy comes when the Lord is loved with all the heart, soul and mind, Emerson said, "This time like all times, is a very good one if we know what to do with it." God offers His converts heart purity. Presenting the body a living sacrifice is reasonable. He transforms the mind and proves "What is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

#### This is heart purity

"For their sakes I sanctify myself," Jesus said, "that they also might be sanctified through the truth." He was praying for His disciples. Moody said, "I believe that the moment our hearts are emptied of pride, self-seeking, and all that is contrary to God's Word, the Holy Spirit will come and fill every corner of our hearts."

So many need purity of heart.

Time waits for no man. David sang,
"This is the day the Lord hath
made; we will rejoice and be glad in
it." Moses said, "It is time to seek
the Lord." Paul declared "grace"
would help in time of need. Jesus
pronounced His blessing upon the
pure in heart. Who is sufficient for
these things? "I Thank God
through Jesus Christ our Lord."

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Dear God's Missionary Standard Family, Friends and Readers:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your prayers, cards, letters of encouragement and love offerings during and after my forty-five days of hospitalization in 1980.

God answered prayer and guided the surgeon's hands as they operated on my right #4 disk June 16th, prostate July 7th, then removing my cancerous right kidney July 14th.

God gave me a quick recovery. I was discharged from the hospital July 29th and started preaching August 12th. Thank the Lord and all of you that cared and prayed. Please pray that I will accomplish all that God spared me to accomplish.

Your grateful brother in the Lord Jesus Christ,

Rev. Fred Watson



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## HOLINESS - The Death Route!

by Paul Miller Assistant General Superintendent

In the last issue, we were discussing the matter of entire consecration, often referred to in holiness literature as the death-route or dying out. Paul said, "I am crucified with Christ" (Galatians 2:20). It is not things so much to be considered here as one self. I.

One question that is in the minds of many people is, How long after one is truly converted must he be sanctified or how long is this dying out process? While many preachers have seemingly placed a premium upon the time involved, it is really up to the individual as to how long a time is involved. The Scripture, does not however, make it clear in any place that this should be a long or difficult procedure. Some have sought the experience of entire sanctification for years, yet never have attained the experience, while others have gotten through in a day or less.

Peter would seem to indicate that, "remission of sins" and the gift of the Holy Ghost" were not far separated, (Acts 2: 37-39).

It would also appear that in the thinking of Ananias, Paul should receive the Holy Ghost without delay. Later Paul demonstrated this thinking when he urged the Thessalonians, so recently converted from heathenism, to seek the experience of entire sanctification, (I Thess. 4:3; 5:23 & 24).

Many of the early Holiness Fathers preached the necessity of early seeking of the experience. Rev. J.A. Wood said, "There is no time stated in the Scriptures which must elapse after conversion and before the soul is entirely sanctified. The only prerequisite to seeking holiness is the justified or regenerate state, even babes in Christ are exhorted to go on unto perfection." (Perfect Love. P. 30)

John Wesley-"The next morning I spoke severally with those who believed they were sanctified. There were fifty-one in all, twenty-one were men, twenty-one were widows and married women and nine were young women and children. In one the change was wrought in three weeks after she was justified. In three seven days after regeneration, in one five days and in S,L, aged fourteen, two days only." (Wesley's Journal, August 4, 1762)

In Wesley's letter to Thomas Rankin he wrote, "I have been lately thinking on one point wherein, perhaps we have all been wanting. We have not made it a rule, as soon as ever persons are justified, to remind them of going on unto perfection; whereas, this is the time preferable to all others."

Rev. Luther Lee-"This progressive work may be cut short and may be finished at any moment, when the intelligence clearly comprehends the defects of the present state, and faith, comprehending the power and willingness of God to sanctify us wholly, and do it now, is exercised." (Lee's Theology, P.214)

Dr. Jesse T. Peck- "They were not wholly sanctified when they were justified. This they have learned by experience if they did not from the Bible, where it is clearly taught; and they argued that time is necessary for the completion of this work. How much time we know not, but, a long time, and at length it has been, perhaps in many cases extended until the period of death. In this way, with a few weeks and months; but, with most years, many long years passed and the time of their entire consecration has not arrived.

But why might not the work have been sooner completed? There is surely no time fixed in the Scriptures, which must elapse before the work can be completed. The Savior prays, "Sanctify them throught thy truth" thus assuming that they were eligible for this great blessing." (THE CENTRAL IDEA OF CHRISTIANITY, PP. 110-111)

Why, then, must a soul go on and on seeking but never seemingly able to attain such an experience? I believe several things are involved, namely:

LIGHT. Rev. Lee said, "When the intelligence clearly comprehends the defects of the present state and the willingness of God to sanctify us now," (Lee's Theology, P. 214). Some trouble may be that the seeker does not see clearly the steps that must be taken or when he may expect to receive the experience. Hazy, and often contradictory preaching on the doctrine has led to confusion and some misconceptions concerning the need and its cure which often leads to a shallow commitment and not a clear definite victory.

FAITH. Again may we quote from Lee's Theology, "Faith, comprehending the power and willingness of God to Sanctify Wholly, and to do it now, is exercised." (P. 214) Many sincere seekers seemingly can never reach the place in their seeking where they can trust God or believe Him to do the work now. Some have gone for long periods of time, while some have even died believing that God can cleanse them from all sin but not that He will do it now.

WILLINGNESS. To be fully yielded to God, His desires, will and demands, ensures us a ready victory. Unwillingness keeps one from real victory and aften leads to open rebellion causing one to eventually realize no victory at all and to live a backslidden life to be eternally lost. It is this unwillingness that causes a prolonged inner battle and keeps one from knowing the sanctifying grace, ending in confusion and despair.

Let us quickly consider some areas of unwillingness.

RESTITUTION. Many things have been made known and made right before conversion while under deep conviction; some are revealed during seeking and right after conversion, but some may not be revealed until one is seeking to be cleansed. This writer had one such experience. It was something that had been totally forgotten and was left so until I was seeking to be sanctified. For several days after I had received the light on it I tried to evade the issue but God would not let it be so. I tried seeking but could get no liberty in prayer until sufficient steps were taken to right the wrong that had been done. I am convinced that had I not made it right, I would be a backslidden soul today.

A call to some specified work for God is another area of unwillingness. Dress and adornment, paying of tithes, unholy ambitions and our ideas and notions are all areas of inner strife and spiritual conflict that will prolong the dying out process and often leads to total defeat. This by no means exhausts the list but will serve to channel our thinking in the right direction.

If we will walk in all the light we have it will lead us up to the experience where faith will take us over the Jordan, if we refuse to obey truth and light it will eventually cause the soul to return to his former life and be lost.

# Missionary Message

#### INTRODUCING OUR LA CROIX TEACHERS

Our school at La Croix has approximately 260 students this year. Teaching these students are five Haitian teachers whom we feel are doing a fine job. The teachers' day at school begins at 7:00 a.m., and continues until about noon. Some of these teachers have large classes, the largest consisting of seventy students! How would you like spending about five hours a day in a room crowded with

seventy lively youngsters? However, complaints are very few, for the teachers love their students and have a longing to help them.

Some of you have already visited the field and were able to meet our teachers face to face. For those of you who have not yet been able to do so, perhaps we can help you by this little article.



First we have Perard (Pair-a) Alexandre who has been with us ever since the school began. Perard is a very conscientious young man who has been to Bible School and loves God with all his big heart. He is married and has two sons and one daughter. He teaches in our French classes.



Then we have Mercius (Merceeees) Estilien who has been teaching
for us for seven years. Mercius has
also been to a Bible School, and he is
teaching our highest French classes.
He has a lovely disposition and has
the respect of his students. Mercius is
married and has three children. He is
also assistant pastor for a Conservative Baptist Church.



Charles Celucieu came to us just last year. He, too, is rather reserved, but God is helping him. It is he who has seventy children in his care. His patience is great, bless his heart. He is teaching in our second year of Creole. He is unmarried, his mother is dead, and his family lives in another area. He is living with some relatives at La Croix.



Vesta Alexandre is our only female teacher, and she has been with us since 1973. She is the teacher for the little ones, the first class of Creole. She loves the children and they love her. Vesta, better known as Tata, is unmarried, and lives with her family just across the road from our station. For those of you who have heard of Topeep, Vesta and Perard are two of his children.

Emmanuel Philippe came to us in 1977, and we feel God sent him to us. At first he was so shy and nervous that we nearly despaired of his becoming a teacher. But he painstakingly strived to obey all instructions and he has developed into a real worker and teacher. At the same time he began to teach, he started to come to church, and he quickly and eagerly walked in the light. God has blessed and used him, and we thank God for Emmanuel. He is teaching in our first class of French. He is his mother's only child and he lives with her. He has suffered with some physical ailments, but God is wonderfully touching him. Please continue to pray.



Now that you have become acquainted with our teachers, we trust it will be easier for you to pray for them. They have a great responsibility, and they each would be so grateful to know that you all care enough to pray and call them by name before the Throne.

God bless you!

Happy in Jesus, Bonnie Williams



# For The BOYS and GIRLS

# LONE JOE'S PARTNER

Would you like to have a partner to go with you wherever you go? It would be good for us all to have a partner like Lone Joe had, the man I'm going to tell you about today.

Lone Joe was an old man who lived alone in a little house with only one room, which stood back from the street among some trees. Now there was a family that lived very close by, in a trim, white cottage with a garden, and a lawn about it. This family had a little girl, Edna May.

Some of the children in the community said unkind things to Lone Joe and at times did unkind things, too; but Edna May never did, for she liked to go to Lone Joe's house sometimes and talk to the bent old man who lived such a long time and could tell her such good stories.

One Saturday when it was cold, Edna May's father said, at dinner:

"I wonder if Lone Joe has a good dinner today. Mother, couldn't we send something to him?"

Edna May said, "May I take it?"

"Yes, Edna May, but since dinner is ready, take time to eat your dinner first — and tell Lone Joe if he needs anything to let us know. We don't want him to go hungry or cold, next door to us."

Mother fixed a nice dinner on a plate for Lone Joe and put it into a basket. Then Edna May hurried to his house. Lone Joe opened the door when Edna May knocked. He smiled when he saw the basket and smelled the dinner.

"You're a good little girl, and you have a very good mother and father, to remember Lone Joe," he said. "Here I was down to one 'tater,' but says I to my partner, says I, 'Something will turn up.' It always does; and, sure enough, it has — the

best dinner I ever ate."

"Partner — Lone Joe?" inquired Edna May. "Who's your partner? I thought you lived alone, and that was why they called you Lone Joe."

"Oh, y' can't see him, but they's a partner with me all the time," he said. "The Lord gave me a partner a long time ago, else I could not have lived here all these years. He helps me out of all my tight places. I call him 'A Believing Heart."

"A believing heart!" Edna May didn't quite understand. "But what it is, anyhow, Lone Joe; and how does he live with you or help you?"

Edna May sat down, while Lone Joe proceeded to explain:

"It's like this: a long time ago, I

read in the Good Book where it says if we love God, He will help us and take care of us; but we've got to believe that He is going to do what He says He will do. It says 'Believe in your heart' really' way down here" — and Lone Joe put his rough old hand on his ragged shirt front.

"So I asked the Lord to make my heart a believing heart, so's I'd always believe—and He did! Now when I get the rheumatism and can't sweep the depot, and things like that, and my old pocketbook is empty, I just trust the Lord to keep my believing heart, and it tells me it's going to be all right—and, sure enough, it is! See?"

"I'm going to have a believing heart for a partner, too," Edna May told Lone Joe, "'cause sometimes I've been afraid to go down the street after dark when Mother needed something. And sometimes I think a girl just can't be honest and truthful all the time — but if I have a believing heart, why, I can be, can't I?"

"That you can," said Lone Joe.
"And Lone Joe will ask the Lord to give you a partner — a believing heart."

So Edna May ran home with a new thought singing around like a little bird in her heart and mind.

EXCHANGE



#### EDITORIAL .....

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Help us to show forth to the world that we have been with the Master!

The second thing which enabled these men to stand with open face and confidence was that the healed man was standing with them. Here was evidence that could not be refuted. Argue as they might, pontificate if they desired, they could not deny the fact that a man who was over forty years old who had never walked was now walking. He stood silently as a testimony to the validity of the apostles' doctrine.

Carter writes, "There is an inescapable logic in the situation before the Sanhedrin. If the apostles' doctrine of the resurrected Christ were false, the man could not have been healed in Christ's name. If the man, whom they all knew to have been a cripple for more than 40 years is healed through the name of Christ, then the doctrine must necessarily be true. The man stands in their midst perfectly whole, through the name of Christ. Therefore the doctrine of the apostles is true and consequently, they could say nothing against it. One demonstration of divine powder is worth ten thousand theological or philosophical arguments. Christ commissioned His disciples to witness, and here is a convincing testimony."

Here is the greatest demonstration to the world of the worth of our theology. It is not to be found in scintillating presentations or lofty oratory but in the transformed lives of men, women, boys and girls. While liberal theologians and modern intellectuals may deny our reasoning they can never deny the truly righteous life of a lifted soul. May God help us to exercise the faith necessary to present this evidence that cannot be denied.

# Marinated

## In

## **Miseries**



Milo L. Arnold

I don't know a thing about cooking but I have eaten food which had been prepared by people who do. Actually, some cooks can give a flavor of distinction of some of the most commonplace foodstuffs.

Sometimes a very common vegetable or cut of meat is given the flavor it had by marinating it for a certain length of time in a certain kind of liquid. The dictionary says that to marinate is to soak in a brine, vinegar, or other liquid until the flavor of the liquid is communicated to the substance.

Now that makes sense. A cook can improve the flavor of quick ordinary food by sufficient marination in a flavor-giving liquid.

People get marinated too. That is why some people have such an odd personality "flavor." They are ordinary human beings but they have been soaking in something which gave them a change of quality.

The shelves of life are full of things which can be used for self-marination. There are all kinds of miseries and all kinds of blessings. Ordinary human beings can go through situations quite unchanged or they can be changed for good or for bad by the things in which they choose to soak themselves.

There are old people who have spent their lives soaking up every bit of happiness, loveliness, and blessing that they could find. They didn't just take it for granted. They immersed themselves in the goodness of life and stayed there. They kept finding more and more blessings and goodness in their cupboard of living and kept absorbing the flavor of them.

Today they are the sweetest, freshest, happiest people on earth. They have had their share of hardships and pains but they have made it a point to soak up the good things. Everybody loves them and wonders how an ordinary human being in an ordinary world of ordinary cares could have such a lovely flavor.

Then of course there are the people who have spent their lives marinating in miseries. They have had a way of soaking themselves in every bit of ugliness they could find.

If someone said an unkind word to them, they would soak in it for weeks. If life dealt them a hard blow, they would stay awake nights immersing themselves in it.

If somebody slighted them or walked away when they were telling of their miseries, they saved every bit of their ugliness and added it to their brine. If they failed to get elected to a job they once had or which they wanted, they were miserable about it and soaked in their resentments.

If they were overlooked in an invitation or if they were not praised when they had been martyrs, they soaked in it. If they had illness, they talked it to everybody.

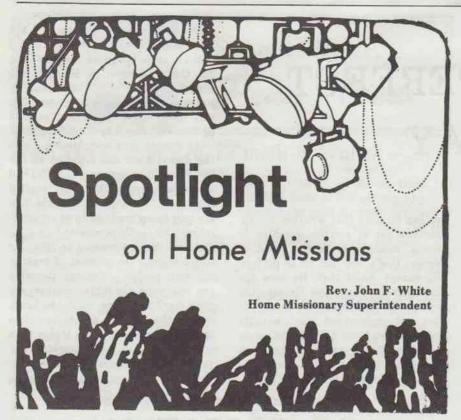
People marinated in miseries become the bitterest, most unpalatable dish on the table. They are never willing to be accepted as ordinary people with even the natural flavor of being human. They must give themselves the flavor of the brine of bitterness and the saltiness of sadness.

What a pity to ruin good food by marinating it in something bitter; but how much worse the misfortune to be otherwise valuable human beings and ruin ourselves by marinating in miseries!

Personality marination is very much a do-it-yourself job. Nobody else can do it to you. You just choose what you like to soak in and soak to your heart's content. Once you start soaking you begin to like it and naturally add more and more of the same kind of stuff.

Some soak lightly in bland, meaningless non-attention. Some soak in the deep pools of blessing and goodness, and some folks enjoy their miseries while systematically sousing themselves in sorrows, real and self-inflicted.

It is amazing how our "marinating barrel" fills with whatever kind of stuff we choose to soak in. We can't choose what will come our way but we can surely decide what we will soak ourselves in.



Have you ever considered how Home Missions fulfills the scriptures? In the New Testament we have many Bible verses that relate to Home Missions... In John 1:11 we read that Jesus came to his OWN.. and they received him not.. This was the first Home Missionary endeavor.. The very first Home Missionary was our Lord who was sent by God to the Jews ... Jesus carried on this Home Missionary work in Matt. 10:6 by sending the disciples first to the lost sheep of the House of Israel... Several times in the gospels our Lord told us to go out into the highways and hedges and fill his house... In Acts 1:8 we have the great Home Missionary commission ... Be a Witness First at Jerusalem, which was home base... The message of the gospel is clear. How can we love one we have not seen if we love not those we see... Paul wrote if a man does not take care of his own he is worse than a man that does not believe in God at all ...

The Home Missionary message is clear and simple but unheeded by many. We are dying at home. The fruit around us is spoiling on the vine. The Old Testament writer told us to lengthen our cords or enlarge our own tents... It seems that this is not being done...

We need a revival for a Home Missionary Vision... Our giving to missions should be equal both at home and for foreign... We are out of balance if we are just helping one side and not the other no matter what side that may be... Many of our cities are

untouched with a true Holiness work... Many people have to travel miles for services each week... The untouched without the gospel of true conversion and holiness is beyond counting... So few of our churches have a visitation program, hold cottage prayer meetings, or ever go out in street meetings... The rest homes are neglected, while the other doctrines are having Bible studies in trailer courts, children's services in homes and many other outreaches... Our folks have so much time on their hands they spend it in parting, pleasure, running about when some of this effort could be put into Holiness Home Missionary work... We see so few saved so few new ones attending the services... The Spiritual Nursery is empty and in some places closed, for it has been such a long time since a new baby was born into the church... Our youth have more education, looking for better jobs but few are called to preach or evangelize... This is the sorry state all over the Holiness movement...

We must have a Home Missionary revival!.. How many new churches have we gained this year.. Not splits, or breaks from other existing works but a prayed in, dug out work among the truly needy... It is not our aim to grow on other people's hard work just by adding churches that have been victims of division... We want our people, our existing churches to get to work among people that do not attend a holiness church... There is plenty of work to do but so few to do it.. Jesus

said look unto the fields for they are white and ready to harvest.. These had to be home missionary fields for one can not see across the ocean with the natural eye ... It meant in our neighborhood. We have too many standing around idle all the day as Jesus spoke about in Matthew;... people who see nothing to do ..... Most of us have a mission field in our very own family... If all the families of Holiness people came to church most churches would have to build larger ones... We by no means feel we should stop any other missionary giving or works but we must start working at home... The foreign missions is only as strong as the home front is... The schools and the general conference are only as strong as our local churches.... Each new church brings more for every other department of the conference... We say we want to be a scriptual church, a Bible people-then we will have to be Home Missionaries.

We can not fulfill the New Testament without Home Missions... Jesus said to Go into all the world and preach the gospel... Your neighborhood is part of that world... That nearby trailer court is part of that world... That city in our state is part of that world... Let's seek a New Birth of Home Missions in our church this new year... Let's pray, let's give, let's go... We must or we will die... Get behind the Home Missionary Department now... Let us hear from you this week...



#### Only In A Holy Heart

Crucifixion without culmination. Aristocracy without arrogance. Concession without capitulation. Tactfulness without treachery. Ambition without aspiration. Conviction without cruelty. Confidence without carelessness. Humility without helplessness. Power without prestige. Beneficient without benefit. Declarative without derogatory. Denunciation without destruction. Separation without segregation. Haste without hysteria. Tenderness without timidity. Rebuttal without retaliation. Intensity without intimidation. Frustration without futility. Criticism without castigation. Disappointment without discouragement.

W. L. Boone

# GOD'S PERFECT WAY

"As for God, his way is perfect." Psalm 18:30a

Today our hearts can be encouraged as we recognize the truth of this comforting verse. We may be wondering about certain things that have happened to us. Our plans may have been completely changed. Sorrow may have clouded our skies. We may be wondering what is best for us. We may not know which way to turn. But

we can be sure that whether we experience joy or sorrow, sunshine or clouds, sickness or health, want or plenty, God's way for us is perfect. We cannot doubt that. He sees the end from the beginning. He sees the pattern He is working out in us. We may not understand why, but He does. We can know that He makes no mistakes. We can say, not with a sigh but with a song, "God! — perfect is His way" (Berkeley).

Not only is God's way perfect, but He makes our way perfect. "It is God that...maketh my way perfect" (vs. 32). Our way must be brought into conformity to His. A "making process" is necessary to perfect His way in our lives. It is this "making process" against which many rebel.

As woman was complaining about the many trials and troubles in her life. She said to someone, "I wish I had never been made." "My dear," replied the friend, "you are not yet made. You are only being made and you are quarreling with God's processes."

As we yield ourselves to Him, He will complete the process of making our way perfect. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55:8, 9).

-Author Unknown

#### CONSCIENCE

by Walter E. Isenhour

'Tis hidden deep from mortal eyes
Where only God can see,
And may be filled with guilt and sighs,
And dark as it can be;
Or, it may be clear as any day,
And full of peace and joy —
A precious treasure that may stay,
And never shall annoy.

If it is clear and clean and bright,
It's better far to own
Than fame, like that of some great
knight,

Or kingdom, crown, and throne; Yes, better than the wealth of earth— Than diamonds at your feet,

For with a conscience clear there's mirth,

And satisfaction sweet.

If there's remorse and guilt and shame

Hid in the human soul,
Though one may win laurels of fame
And think he's reached his goal,
Yet that accuser in his breast

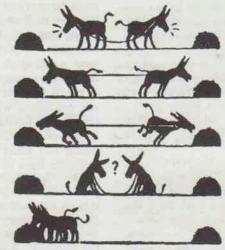
Which tells him of his guilt, Takes from his heart his sweetest rest,

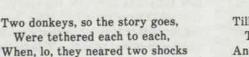
Since on the wrong he's built.

Ah, Conscience! You are little, though A mighty force within Which strikes a hard and heavy blow

Which strikes a nard and neavy blow Where there is hidden sin...

Or brings a benediction sweet From God's great throne above, When deep within the soul's retreat There's pure, abiding love! CO-OPERATION





That seemed within their reach.

Each sought his own: the rope grew taut,

As though each would apply His utmost strength to take his share, Or know the reason why.

They pulled and scraped and pawed and kicked.

As though indeed insane—
But not by foolish stunts could they
One single bite obtain—

Till, wearied, turning face to face, They talked the matter o'er, And mutually agreed that they Would thus behave no more.

At peace, they soon one shock devoured.

And ate the other, too.

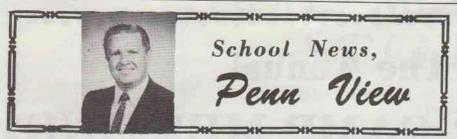
How good their joint refreshment seemed,

None but those donkeys knew!

Ye humans, crude and stubbornwilled,

Respect the common tether; Be wise, confer, agree, co-work, And "eat your hay" together!

-Author Unknown



## From the desk of Rev. Kenneth E. Walter --

"Ye also helping together by prayer for us." II Corinthians 1:11. If you will analyse the setting of this statement of Paul and Apostle, you will discover that he has been through some very serious trouble. He states in verse eight that, "We were pressed out of measure, above strength, insomuch that we despaired even of life." It is rather difficult to imagine the rugged Apostle reaching that point, but the fact remains that every human being has limitations no matter how rugged or godly he may be.

Many times Satan has challenged God to prove His people, especially when they have boldly declared their faith.

In Paul's first letter to Corinth he confidently declares, "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it." I Corinthians 10:13.

Now Paul has had the opportunity to prove his faith and is rejoicing in the grace and peace of God. His reference to his trouble was not to complain or cry the blues but rather to express his gratitude for the mercy and comfort he found in God and our Lord Jesus Christ.

While he is rejoicing in the deliverance God hath wrought he is reminded that the prayers of the believers at Corinth played an important role in effecting his deliverance.

I believe that Paul relied heavily on the prayers of God's people as he went about his God-given responsibilities. He appealed to the brethren at Rome for their prayer support as he was making plans to take the gospel to the unbelievers in Judaea and minister to the saints at Jerusalem, saying, "Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me." Romans 15:30.

Jesus presented the idea of partnership in prayer saying, "If two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them." Matthew 18:19. In just a little while as He faced the darkest hour of His earthly so journ, He felt the need for some partners in prayer. He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee aside and said, "My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death; tarry ye here, and watch with me."

Imagine how forsaken He must have felt as He returned for the third time to find them sleeping in unconcern while His heart was laden with the weight of the sin of the whole world.

Thank God He did not crumble beneath the load nor run from the responsibility though some of those who were closest to Him betrayed Him.

What a challenge this truth presents to those of us who bear much responsibility in the work of the Lord.

One need not wonder why his best friends seem to betray him for Jesus said, "The servant is not greater than His Lord." If people would not stand by Him then surely I cannot expect them to stand by me and Penn View Bible Institute.

But immediately I am reminded that there are many who are faithfully standing by. Your letters of support and words of encouragement have meant much to me. I could never have made it this far if it were not for your faithfulness and the assurance of your prayers.

I have never felt the need of having prayer partners more urgently than I do today. Oh, how I wish I could take some of you aside and share the burden of my heart so that we might agree together in prayer for some very urgent needs.

It would not be wise to be very specific about all the concerns of my heart, but will you join me in earnest prayer for revival here at Penn View Bible Institute? Some of our students are out of victory. We have tried to be patient, longsuffering, and understanding that we might win them to Christ rather than embitter them and drive them deeper into the world. Some would accuse us of compromising, but God knows our motive and desire to help young people is this crucial hour.

Will you also join me in prayer for the financial needs of Penn View? You may not be able to give but surely you can pray. I feel it on my heart to ask for 300 prayer partners who will pledge themselves to earnest prayer in behalf of this vital ministry. Please let me hear from you today.

#### Important Notice

Two years ago we had our first school benefit auction which netted our school over \$8000. This was a tremendous financial help to P.V. We have tried many fundraising projects across the years but this has been by far the most successful of its type.

Most of us have cleaned out our "junk" and other excess items in the first two sales, now we must move in another direction to secure good saleable items.

Some ladies are already at work making quilts and other hand made items. We would like to have a large stock of quilts, macrame, tools, antiques etc.

Any saleable used items will be appreciated. Put your old coins and other valuable items to work for God by investing them in Christian education.

This year our annual benefit auction is set for May first. We are trying to secure a building in a more strategic location off campus for this years sale. Please help us promote this sale by soliciting contributions and urging your church groups to work together on a project.

Make your plans now and reserve Sat. May 1, 1982 to attend. Please get all donations to us at your earliest convenience so they can be properly advertised. Thank you for your cooperation.



Dear Bro. Walter:

I am deeply concerned about our young people and the ministry of Christian education. You can count on me as a prayer partner. I will do my best to pray for Penn View Bible Institute daily.

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# The Annual INDOOR CAMP MEETING

February 19-28, 1982

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Song Evangelists:

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New Castle, Pa.

Evangelist:
Rev. Wilfrid Moutoux
Kitchener, Ontario, Canada

#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Nightly 7:30 P.M.

Mon.-Friday 10:30 A.M.

Sunday Morning 10:30 A.M.

Services will be held in the Memorial

Chapel.

## My Jesus

If I could only tell the half
That Jesus did for me,
How, taking all my sin away
He gave me victory.

For ashes He some beauty gave,
For sorrow, gave me joy;
For my distress He gave me peace
This world cannot destroy.

For hatred, envy, jealousy,
He gave me perfect love;
For loneliness gave fellowship
With Father up above.

For fear He gave me boldness, Gave hope for my despair; And for my love of pleasure He gave a cross to bear.

Oh, if I could but tell the half You'd surely want Him, too; Will you not try my Jesus now And SEE what He will do?

-Ethel M. Smith



# Contemporary Attitudes On Giving

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 I can't understand why the church always needs so much money. What do they do with all that money anyway?

2. I don't keep any records of what I give, and I don't want the church keeping any records. I just give from whatever I happen to have at the time. After all, doesn't the Bible say, "Let not your right hand know what your left hand is doing"?

 Someone is always after me to give something. This is one reason why I don't go to church more often than I do. I know they'd be after me to give more time, energy and money.

4. If I just had the money that some people have, I'd really do some worthwhile things. I'd give large amounts to the church, and I'd set a new record in giving to foreign missions.

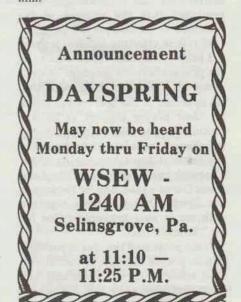
5. When I was on a salary, I tithed each week. But now most of my resources are tied up in investments. I'm not even sure that I could figure what my tithe would be. And besides, I feel that I have got to keep all my dollars working for me.

6. I just don't see how people of my

income bracket are able to tithe. I have friends who make less than I do; yet they give regularly and generously. I just don't know how they do it.

 I tithe regularly because I believe that if I don't, God will get his tenth one way or the other, even if he has to take it from me in some other way.

8. I have found that tithing is a good beginning point for giving; but when I remember God's goodness to me, I want to give so much more. After all, everything I am and have belongs to him.



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