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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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## The Price of Revival

*"Wilt Thou not revive us again:  
that Thy people may rejoice in  
Thee?" (Ps. 85:6).*

Many Christians today are talking of revival. "Revive us again," they pray and preach. There is no doubt that a revival is needed in Christendom. There is an alarming trend toward lukewarmness, lightness, frivolousness among Christians. The Word tells us, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness," but too many are seeking their own interests and hesitate when a decision to put God first in their lives is presented.

Nevertheless there are a few who see the need of revival among God's people, and are praying earnestly that God would revive us again. How many, however, realize just what a revival is, and the actual price of having a revival? Sometimes those desiring it the most are standing in God's way, and hindering a reviving of God's people.

May we put the words of our text in these words: "Lord, wilt Thou not bring us back into use after our drifting away from Thee? Restore unto us the joy of Thy salvation that Thy people may also rejoice anew in Thee." A revival is God bringing His people into joyful union with Himself. Today Christians have lost the joy of **humility**. They have lost the joy of **dying out to self, that Christ only may be seen in their lives**. True prayer is lacking in many lives, and the **Word of God**

is sadly neglected. In this short meditation we wish to point out the price, but are we actually living up to our willingness?

First, we will consider the **joy of humility**. Being humble does not simply mean keeping our mouths closed. Many mouths seldom open, but the thought life is vile, full of judging, hypocrisy, self-esteem and criticizing. A humble person will confess his faults, and is not likely to repeat the confession every few days, for he will not continually be doing the same wrongs over and over. He is extremely conscious of his defects and shortcomings. His confession will be sincere. A humble person does not talk about his fellow Christian behind his back, if it is something that will cause shame or injure his friend's reputation. He does, however, keep himself continually in a lowly position before God, accepting all that comes into his life as from the hands of a loving God. He is conscious, most of all, that God knows his heart. A humble person will never present a polished surface outwardly, and have a heart full of hypocrisy, appearing to man better than he really is. There is a joy in humbling ourselves before God. Before revival comes every child of God must let that revival begin in him, and obey God's words: "If My people, which are called by My Name, **shall humble themselves...**"

Then there is the **joy of dying out to self**. We read that Jesus said, "Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." Naturally speaking, it is impossible for one full of life and in perfect health to just lie down and die. It is true, there are

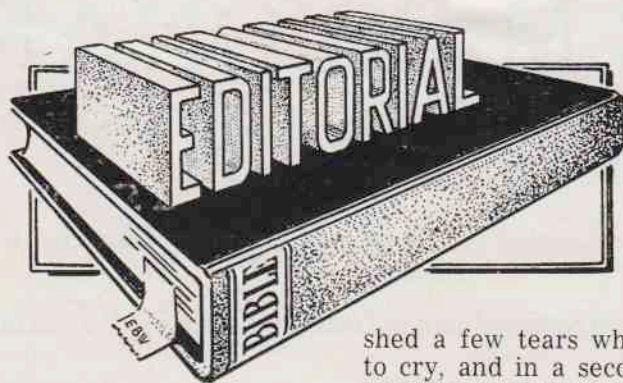
sudden deaths, but it is very likely there was a hidden disease or heart condition unknown to the individual. However, that same one in perfect health may be suddenly killed and wiped out of existence in a moment of time. In the Christian life it is necessary for the Christian to die out to self, to all his interests and desires, and live constantly a new life in Christ. When one is dead to his own desires there is much less talk about disappointments over personal upset plans. Rather, the Christian is all out for Christ's will and work, and if his plans are interrupted or destroyed because God gave him an assignment, others never hear a word of complaint.

Hastening on, God will send a revival when His people are in the **right prayer attitude**. When prayer is a joy to the Christian, revival is on its way. To many, prayer is a repeating of familiar words and phrases, but with the mind reviewing the activities of the day, or the duties of tomorrow. First of all, nothing should hinder prayer. Some may find it convenient to set aside a certain time during the day to be alone with God in prayer and meditation, and others may find it more convenient to stop for prayer at different times each day. However, the main thing is to not let any duty, visit or visitor, radio program, shopping tour, fellowship get-together, etc., rob you from a time of heart-searching and committing of one's life and all into the Lord's hand. Second, our prayers should not be selfish, centered in ourselves, our family and relatives. Third, we must ever keep uppermost in our minds that God has promised to answer our prayers. Never give up in your

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We like the terms actor, imitator or impersonator in this century. Hollywood with its actors are copied after and admired the world over. Impersonators are considered talented and in many cases amusing, imitators are often accredited with being funny or cute, yet, how we disdain the term hypocrite. In one dictionary the definition of the four words is nearly the same. He then, a hypocrite, is one who is an actor, an impersonator or an imitator.

Webster declares a hypocrite is one who lives under pretense and gives pretense as a synonym. Funk and Wagnall say he is one who acts a false part as a part on a stage. Again it declares it to be one who makes a false profession. Jesus was concerned enough about it and showed displeasure with the hypocrite enough to pronounce three woes upon him, placing him in the same position as the pharisee and scribe who showed no real traits of spirituality.

A hypocrite then, is one who professes to love God with all his heart but at the same time has a hidden love for the world. Many in this age have grown worldly in heart even though outward signs tend to Christianity.

A hypocrite is one who professes to love fellow Christians, but, inwardly does not. John says "little children let us not love in word only but in deed." It is easy to say, "My Brother, I love you," while I am unduly critical of his faults or mistakes or while I am free to gossip about him everywhere, many times misrepresenting the truth.

I am afraid many times the man in the pulpit "acts his part" when he doesn't feel it in his heart. For example, I have seen some while preaching, squint and do his best to

shed a few tears while pretending to cry, and in a second of time be laughing or joking. Any pretention with lack of sincerity would be classed by Webster as hypocrisy.

The hypocrite is a double minded man, often trying to please two opposites. Here is a man who talks in your favor while he is in your presence but talks against you when in the presence of opposition; he tries to be both liberal and conservative, depending on where he is.

Jesus knew how distasteful the hypocrite was in the eyes of others and pronounced judgment against him (Matt. 4:51). The hypocrite turns many away from the truth. Let us think seriously — am I a hypocrite? An actor? A deceiver? or am I an asset to the Kingdom of God.

### TIGHT SHOES

Ever go to a shoe sale? I did once. I liked the shoes quite well. They were just like another pair I once had except they seemed a little tight. But every new pair of shoes seems just a little snug, and these were a bargain. So I bought them.

They were uncomfortable for a few days — quite a few, in fact. But each time I put them on, it was with the conviction that yesterday had solved the problem and today they would fit. My feet weren't really sore, just cramped.

So it went, until I finally admitted to myself the shoes were too small, and my feet were really sore. I gave the shoes away.

When we face up to our problems and admit they do exist, we are in a position to find a solution. When we admit to failure, to sin, to wrongdoing, we open our heart to a cure. Confession is one of the first steps to spiritual health and cleansing. Confession brings guilt to the

surface where it may be washed away. It unmask the problem which has been eluding us and, seeing it squarely, we are able to deal intelligently with it.

If we close our eyes to our need and refuse to admit that it is there, it will remain a festering sore. John offered a better solution when he declared, "If we confess . . . he is faithful . . . to forgive . . . and to cleanse. . . ."

Why not get rid of your "tight shoes"?

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## Holiness Teachings

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### TOPIC: POSITIVE HOLINESS

#### Sub Topic: Holiness According to the Apostles

Be ye holy; for I am holy. I Pet. 1:16.

That the Apostles commanded the churches to be holy cannot be doubted. The only question that can possibly arise is this: Do they require personal holiness to the extent of being now saved from all sin? It is believed that a legitimate interpretation of their own words must always answer this inquiry decidedly in the affirmative.

Paul, writing to the Romans, says: "Whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of His Son". Rom. 8:29.

It is the moral image of Christ here mentioned, and given in another place, as follows: "Who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners." Heb. 7:26. To this image all believers must be conformed in order to meet the original purpose of God, and measure up to the Gospel standard.

Mark, it is not an election to any peculiar relation or place, but to a holy state, a state of assimilation and likeness to the spotless image of Jesus. When this takes place, it must be conceded the subject will be without sin; for such conformity can mean nothing less than the pre-eminent beauty of holiness. It is the holiness of Christ, not imputed

to us, but wrought in us.

In the sixth chapter of Romans, Paul treats the subject under five different comparisons:

1. It is the destruction of "our old man" by a violent death in opposition to suppression and confinement. "Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin." Rom. 6:6.

2. It is absolute freedom from sin, just as real as the freedom of the spirit from the body, in the case of physical death. "For he that is dead is freed from sin." Rom. 6:7.

3. It is a twofold salvation, which destroys completely the nature and practice of sin: "Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Rom. 6:11. To be dead to sin is to be separated from it, and unmoved by it. To be alive to God is to pulsate and burn toward Him in the absence of all counteracting sinfulness: that is, the whole being flows Godward, with no sinful eddies of reflux currents.

4. It is a transfer of service from sin to righteousness; that is, from sin, as a master, to righteousness, as a dominating principle and fixed habit. "Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness;" Rom. 6:18. "That henceforth we should not serve sin". Rom. 6:6. Where this transfer of service takes place, righteousness becomes supreme and governing, to the dethronement and exclusion of all sin. Anything less would be a mixed service, rendering the words, "being then made free from sin,"

inappropriate and wanting in strict truth.

5. It is such a thorough change of nature from sin to purity as to cause the production of another kind of fruit, and fruit which is the very opposite of that which germinates from unholiness. "But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life." Rom. 6:22. Now all seeds produce their kind. We cannot therefore sow sin and reap holiness. Nor can a holy seed produce the noxious weeds and jungle of an unholy life. There must be identity between the seed sown and the harvest produced. In this case the fruit is "holiness," which proves that the heart has been seeded with the same grace. "By their fruits ye shall know them."

And this explanation determines the meaning of the phrase, "free from sin," so often used in this chapter. It is not grafting a holy bud into a corrupt tree, and growing a mixture of good and evil fruit, but the extermination of the seed of sin, so that the entire yield is "fruit unto holiness."

How any man can analyze this chapter, and not discover that perfect personal holiness is the reigning idea of the apostle's teaching, can only be explained on the ground that a theological bias is as hard to remove as Canada thistles.

To so construe the language of the apostle as to make him teach imputed holiness, or holiness in Christ in contradiction to personal purity, is to make the whole chapter unmeaning, and render the motives and inspirations to holiness contained in it utterly ineffectual.

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## CHURCH NEWS

### Munson, Penna.

We are praising God for the wonderful dedication service we had June 22, 1969. God came in a wonderful way and met with us.

The Pastor, Rev. Dewey Evans, welcomed everyone to the service and asked Rev. Herman Noll to lead the congregational singing with the accompaniment of a fine orchestra. We were also blessed by a fine special song by the Cooley family.

We wish, once again to thank all the different churches who helped prepare the building so it could be dedicated to God for His glory. We especially thank Rev. Cooley and his church for helping us. This was a tremendous help to us.

It did us so much good to see so many folk come to worship with us in this special service. Approximately 180 persons were there. We also thank the Lord for the wonderful offering received in the service.

Rev. Paul Miller, General Superintendent, gave a wonderful sermon by the help of the Lord on the subject, "The Dedication of the Temple." Following the sermon Rev. Miller called the trustees of the church to come forward and presented the key to the board. He then spoke of the duties of the trustees and concluded by asking Rev. LaDette Cooley to pray a prayer of dedication.

The Lord blessed the congregation in a mighty way and the service will be long remembered by all in attendance.

— Mrs. David Evans, reporter

### Allentown, Penna.

The Rev. Earnest Miller reports that his son, Ronald, was inducted into the armed forces January 8th, 1969. Most of his stay was in Texas where he was trained in medics.

Both parents and son enjoyed some time together in May, at which time he was united in marriage to the former Sharon Christoff of Bethlehem, Penna. Sharon

was saved at Penns Creek Camp in 1968 and has been attending the Allentown Church. Rev. Miller performed the ceremony.

The Millers drove Ronald to Fort Dix, N. J. where he shipped out after only a few days in the states. He is presently stationed in Germany. All interested persons may write to him at the following address:

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### Milesburg, Penna.

Milesburg reports victory thro the Blood of our Lord and Master. These have been a fast few months that have passed. We have been busy and happy in the Lord. Time and again the Lord has come to our services, prayer meeting, Sunday School and Sunday evening, I can think of several times when the Lord was so very near in Glory and conviction and Praise the Lord there have been finders. A fine young couple have come to us recently and have been saved and are really walking in the Light. She is on the Dean's list at Lock Haven State and we thank the Lord they came our way. Then at Mount of Blessings Camp, which our church enjoyed attending, he was sanctified and she is still seeking but victory will soon be her portion. Another of our couples, attending their first camp, were both sanctified. He is in the air force and was saved in February while in the Philippines. We never quit praying for him and there he found the Lord. He is home on leave and attending the camp was sanctified on that Great Thursday night service at the Camp that all will remember who were there. She really enjoyed this her first camp. Then too, Rev. Larry Strauss filled the pulpit one Sunday in the absence of the pastor. His ministry was enjoyed by all present.

Visitors the past two months have been here from Okinawa, Jacksonville, Fla., New Jersey, New York, Maryland and the Erie and Lan-

caster sections of Pennsylvania. To all the Standard family, when in the area, we shall be glad to have you worship with us. We appreciate all of these who have come in.

Wedding Bells rang for Kathy Stauffer and Dennis Sherman. Kathy is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Myles Stauffer. She is the niece of Bro. Fred Watson and the sister of Sis. Marlin Stahl. Pray for them as they enter the new avenue of life that God may be the Supreme Element in their lives. So all in all these have been good months here and we still go on encouraged in the Lord and in His Gospel.

### Mt. of Blessing Camp

Herman Noll, Camp Sec.

It is report time for the Mount of Blessings Camp and truly it was a Mt. of Blessings. What Glory! What Singing! What Shouting! What praying all of that which goes along with a great Camp Meeting, great messages, tremendous altar calls and responses, many seekers and many finders. Glory, well it was a wonderful camp. There is much to report but first all honor and Glory to the Lord for coming and staying among us here at Camp. The meetings broke in the third service that being the first Friday afternoon service. From that time on, victory was almost the constant portion. Bro. Carroll was the very able camp director under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. All of this report is given in Honor to the Spirit.

This Camp will be remembered for the great altar service at which time between 200 and 300 souls lined the altars. At times there was hardly room for those who wanted to help and encourage. The last Sunday night those who were there saw a rare old-fashioned conversion along with the many other conversions, all of those altar scenes will long be remembered.

The singing was at its best with the Tillises supplying this and leading those great congregational singing sessions. The echoes still linger in memory. One of the finest orchestras ever to be there assisted in this measure. Some of the songs sang by the Tillises: "I'm Almost Home, Wonderful Is Jesus, I've Just

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### Mt. of Blessing Camp

Herman Noll, Camp Sec.

Heard from Heaven, Harbored in Jesus, I'd Rather Have Jesus, (as only Sister Tillis can sing this song), "The Touch of His Hand, I Met the Master" and others will long be remembered. There were other presentations, the Cuban Brother Roberto Batencourt sang "I'd Rather Have Jesus", the Mahaffey Duet and the School Quartet. So this was wonderful.

The Youth Meetings were well attended, well ministered to and well received. A variety of presentations were given in singing and I remember one night Sister Tillis had the young folks go out on the Camp Grove and bring in anything they could find that was mentioned in the Bible. A total of over 30 items, from water and stones to spiders and shoe latches were shown. This proved to be very interesting.

The Evangelists Rev. Dennis Barber and Rev. Fred Watson brought great and wonderful messages. Here are some of their statements as well as those of the other speakers:

The day of fear of Old-fashioned preaching seems to be gone. —Barber.

A desire in our mind for the blessing of God is one thing but paying the price is another. —Barber.

Samuel demonstrated Holy living in anointing one who he did not know and who was not a favorite with him. —Barber.

We had best be impartial in measuring up to the Standard. —Barber.

To have the Spirit of the Lord come upon us is not a bad qualification to be a servant of the Lord. —Barber.

David had fought his battles privately and won. —Barber.

David fought fiercely for sheep who could not even say thanks. —Barber.

You will meet a giant and you will have to conquer it. —Barber.

If there is something in our system fighting God, it will have to go

before victory comes. —Barber.

A Holy Spirit filled program cannot be run without people filled with the Spirit. —Barber.

When people start making restitutions, it is hard for the devil to stop a revival. —Barber.

When the preacher quits preaching on Sin, sin will flourish like weeds in a garden. —Watson.

Confession makes one feel better but that is not being saved. One can take an aspirin tablet and feel better. —Watson.

If we want revival, we will have to stop entertaining. —Watson.

Going to church four times a day is not monotonous if we know the Lord. —Watson.

The Bible covers all our needs but if there is something not specific, the Holy Spirit will be faithful and come personally to you. —Watson.

God's platform is "Holiness unto the Lord". —Watson.

We have left the Catholic movement run off with the crowd, the Tongues movement with the Divine healing, the world with the shouting and it is time we get into this thing. —Watson.

When God comes, we ought to welcome Him. —Watson.

When David danced before the Lord, it was a Holy dance, not a square or round dance. —Watson.

Jacob wrestled with an altar nurse until he went out of joint. —Watson.

We can't even shout enough for the supreme court to hear us. —Watson.

When you're discouraged, shout. —Watson.

There is a difference between demonstration and demon-stration. —Watson.

The Apostle Paul knew his place and that is a good thing for all of us to do, find his place. —Halter.

God wants to share and reveal to us our place in life. —Halter.

God never puts us in a void. —Halter.

We are separated from but also to some things. —Halter.

We do not slide into an experience. —Halter.

It takes time to be spiritual. —Halter.

God has no double Standard. —Halter.

God's main interest in us is our Holiness, not happiness. —Halter.

The things about us that is liken-

ed to God is our souls. —Barber.

All that we know only takes in so much territory. —Barber.

Everything that is tainted with sin must pay the penalty. —Barber.

If we live in sin, we are taking the chances of the circumstances that we live in. —Barber.

Every sin committed by the man in the natural, when the resurrection comes and the body is raised, the body then spiritual will be defiled and must pay the penalty. —Barber.

Difference of opinion comes to what means most for us. —Watson.

We need more than theology in our religion. —Barber.

The keys to the kingdom are never delivered to an ecclesiastical circle. —Barber.

Preachers should never throw away what an enemy will tell them as it may be the truth that a friend may never tell them. —Barber.

It is better for folk to have confidence in our religion than it is for us to have our own way. —Barber.

The world wants to see Christ in our religion, not our theology. —Barber.

You can live a good unregenerated life but not good enough to make Heaven. —Barber.

We are living in a day when the word LOVE is being despised. —Watson.

God is not to be despised in government, home, church, community, parent or preacher. —Watson.

Carrying the Bible will not make you holy. —Watson.

On seeking God, some folks will never get out of the brush unless they take it by the job. —Barber.

The church will fire up or we will not make it. —Barber.

The devil will not by-pass us but will try to get us. —Barber.

The fellow that has two works of grace is not in confusion. —Barber.

If there is a defect in your spirituality, do all you can to get clear. —Barber.

The sleuth hounds of hell are after us tonight. —Barber.

When the Prodigal son left home he said GIVE. When he came back he said FORGIVE. —Watson.

God has not called me to fight my Brethren. —Barber.

If we think we are not biased in our religious thinking, just let the Lord deal with us on some mistake. —Barber.

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## A PAGE FOR YOUTH

### Message By Rev. Bradley Halter, Gen. Youth Pres.

"Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." I Tim. 4:12.

You cannot blame dead churches on the young people. I speak in defense of youth. A poster in a large town read something like this, "This summer give young people something besides yak." Perhaps that is a good suggestion for the church. Usually it is the older people who set on the preacher and balk against light and truth. But get the young people saved and sanctified and all out for God and the church will have a hard time keeping up with them.

The text suggests that youth is a despised age. Childhood is the dependent age. A child willingly acknowledges his need of help from others. Middle-age is the disgusting age. The middle-aged person realizes that he cannot do some things with the ease and efficiency of a few years ago. Old age is the declining age. The strength of former years has faded and continues to ebb away. Only youth is the despised age. Young people commit most of the crimes. Young people tend to be more reckless than any other age group. Young people have lost the innocence of children and have not replaced it with the hypocrisy of adults. Therefore youth is the despised age.

With this thought in mind Paul writes, "Let no man despise thy youth." While the facts remain about youth, as a Christian young person you can move away from the mainstream and step out from the crowd with the result that your youth will not be despised but honored and respected. Christian young people ought to so live that onlookers will say, "There's a young person that is different." Christian youths' lives ought to add respect and dignity to being young.

The writer goes a step farther. "Be thou an example of the believers." Certainly a distinction is

noted between believers and unbelievers. You've heard it said that it is hard to tell a Christian anymore just by looking at one but the truth is that Christians still look like Christians. It means just as much to be a Christian today as it ever did. Timothy had chosen to join himself with that small band of people called Christians. His mother and grandmother were spiritual. There is no record of any religious or spiritual inclinations on the part of his father. Timothy had a decision to make. Whether it involved a choice between mother or father we do not know but it did involve the same thing each one's choice involves — minding God or not minding God. You must choose between joining yourself with the unloved holiness people or taking the popular way. You must choose your associations — other young people who want to go all out for God and holiness or young people who are disinterested edge-nibblers or perhaps downright sinful.

It is common to look to Grandma Jones or Grandpa Smith for an example of Godly living in the church. We choose someone who has been matured by years and experience for a spiritual display piece. This scripture tells youth to be an example of the believers, an example to the church and to the world of what a Christian is. A young Christian's life should consist of the same things that an older Christian's life does. The elements of the Christian life will be prevalent in both though in the one to a deeper degree of refinement and greater perfection. The young Christian should exhibit all the elements of a Christian — an aversion to sin, a love for holiness, an ardent use of the means of grace (prayer, Bible-reading, church attendance, partaking of sacraments, etc.), self-renunciation and self-discipline — in all the areas dealt with in this verse.

How is youth to be an example? First, in word. Titus 2:8 reads, "Sound speech, that cannot be condemned." James says "the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity." Someone has correctly observed that the untamed tongue is hell's pilot light. A pilot light on a gas range dis-

penses with the use of matches. You simply turn a knob which opens a valve and allows the ignited fuel to burst from the burner. All some people need to do is to open their mouth and they immediately spew forth fiery venom of hell. Young people have been known to gossip. David prayed, "Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips." Thus every word and every statement and every conversation should be guarded and controlled and halted if necessary so that we can be an example of the believers in word.

Also young people are known to be given to foolish talking. Now no one is more happy or has more of a right to laugh than the Christian and yet no one is more aware of the serious issues of life than the Christian. It is not a question of laughing or not laughing but when and when not to laugh or how much to laugh. There is a place for lightness without looseness and fun without foolishness but not for undisciplined laughter and unrestrained frivolity. Foolish talking and jesting are not becoming. Jesus said that every idle word shall be accounted for in the judgment.

Furthermore youth is to be an example in conversation or daily living. If a professed experience of salvation or holiness does not work here it is artificial. Only the genuine works in all circumstances. Daily life is where one's experience really counts. Some young people can cry tears at home, testify at church, and be a terror in school or with their friends. Nonsense. Jesus never gave anyone an experience so small it could be hidden or exposed at will. Regeneration and sanctification changes one's whole life. You will find it impossible to play the same role and fill the same spot you formerly did. You will not be found at the same places or doing the same things. It will not take the world long to find out that you got old-time religion. One sure way to lose an experience is to be ashamed of it. To be an example in conversation means an unrepachable life behind an irrefutable testimony.

An example in charity could best be understood by a study of I Corinthians 13. Suffice it to say that youth can demonstrate a compas-

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Sept. 19 - 28, Hanover, Penna. (G. M. C.)

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**Should You Be Teaching?****Selected**

The pilot is the envied idol of the airways. The unseen tower man, however, starts the pilot with his expectant passengers on his way and brings him safely into port.

The pastor is the recognized leader in the church. The faithful, effective teacher hidden away in the Sunday school classroom, however, in no small way controls the traffic of those who will expectantly come to the church; and he helps substantially to safeguard their lives and destinies.

To teach well any age group in Sunday school is not easy. It is demanding. It involves hard work. It is, nevertheless, tremendously rewarding.

TEACHING OTHERS is a means of grace for ourselves. To present the Bible in such a way that the Holy Spirit may use it to change the lives of our pupils will mean that we shall have to study and prepare. The diligent, prayerful, open-hearted study and application of the Word which this necessitates will change our own lives for the better. We cannot be the same for long.

New light will come. As we walk in it, faith will grow. Appreciation of God as known in Jesus Christ will enlarge. God's kingdom among

men will take on new significance, and therefore new insistence.

As we enter into the problems and needs of our pupils, we shall find the solution and supply for our own. As we regularly share our experiences with others, we make room for continual growth in our minds and hearts.

Then, to see the changes that the learning of our students brings to them will afford us a stimulating and satisfying sense of accomplishment.

Still there is more. The Bible indicates that those who instruct others Godward are scheduled for special reward: "Many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake. . . And they that be teachers shall shine as the brightness of the firmament" (Dan. 12:3, KJV margin).

Pay for teaching in Sunday school isn't half bad!

THERE ARE OTHER reasons you should consider teaching in Sunday school. A prominent state governor not long ago gave one. He said that "the decline in religious conviction, moral character, and family life" comprise a greater threat today to the American way of life than Communism or international ballistic missiles. He urged that the trend be reversed with "religious and moral teaching."

The governor's words are quite true; so, love of country and a sacred regard for uprightness should motivate us to teach. It is, I know, a great deal easier to wring one's hands, blame the politicians, and lament that the Ship of State is going on the rocks than to do something positive to prevent the catastrophe. But we must keep in mind that democracy is just as strong as the moral fiber of its people, and that working with small groups of all ages in Sunday school provides a choice opportunity to lend a hand in what needs to be done now.

As Christians we follow Christ Who was himself a teacher and commanded us: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations . . . teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you" (Matt. 28:19, 20).

Furthermore, some one taught us as they were led out by the Holy

Spirit. We are, therefore, in debt and need to make payment. The knowledge that has come to us through faithful teachers sent by God puts us in debt to Him. What we know and what, through that knowledge, we have become is God's gift to us. What we do further with that knowledge and how we serve is our payment to Him. Our privileges put us in debt also to our fellow men. The Apostle Paul said it like this: "I have an obligation to all people, to the civilized and to the savage, to the educated and to the ignorant" (Rom. 1:14, TEV).

ALERT TEACHERS able to meaningfully communicate the gospel are desperately needed. We may seek for reasons why we cannot qualify and so excuse ourselves. But the reason may not be too hard to find, and it may not provide an excuse. The real reason may be largely a matter of mental and spiritual lethargy. The incapacity we feel may be a result of neglecting opportunities to qualify ourselves.

There are helpful means of improving our capacities. There are training courses. There are many helpful books to which your pastor will be glad to cite you. There is always the preparation that comes through diligent, faith-supported prayer. And there is the grace of God.

In Hebrews there is a warning for those who neglect to develop into spiritually mature persons able to instruct others. "For though by this time you ought to be teachers," it reads, "you have need again for some one to teach you" (Heb. 5:12, NASB).

We are inclined to dodge teaching something because it is difficult. We often defend ourselves by saying that our hearers would never grasp or understand that. "It is one of the tragedies of the Church," William Barclay has said, "that there is so little attempt to teach people new knowledge, new approaches, and new thought. . . It is true that often to try to teach in such a way is to meet the lethargy of the lazy mind and the embattled prejudice of the shut mind. But the task remains."

What about you and this task? Should you be teaching?



## Dept. of Home Missions

### FORWARD IN THE NAME OF THE LORD

#### SEFFNER, FLORIDA

It was a beautiful Sunday afternoon on June 15th as 51 people gathered beneath the shade of the Australian Pine for a ground breaking service.



The service opened with Rev. William Lutz from Sarasota leading the congregation in several choruses including "The Old Fashioned Way, Second Blessing Holiness, How Great is Our God, Jesus Sets Me Absolutely Free, and We'll Work Till Jesus Comes."

We were happy to have Rev. Larry Slavens, Home Missions Supt. with us to share in this forward thrust. As he led us in prayer we knew that God was taking record of the meeting, and knowing the desires of our hearts would truly help us in this great undertaking.

Rev. Kenneth Walter, District Supt., brought a very timely message concerning the challenge and responsibility of this important step, basing his remarks on Neh. 4: 1-6. He emphasized five important steps necessary to accomplish this task.

1. A Vision of the need.
2. Intercession.
3. Initiative.
4. Faith.
5. Cooperation.

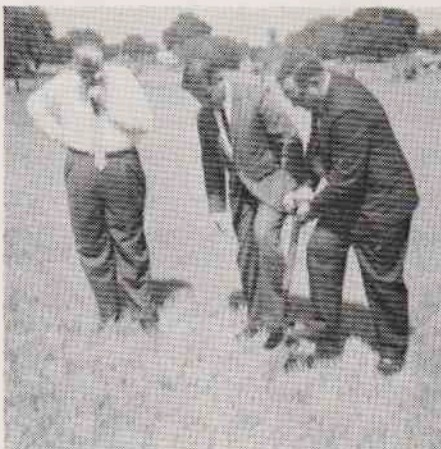
The Spirit of the Lord settled sweetly upon us as Rev. and Mrs.

Lutz sang a beautiful song entitled, "So Great is His Love". A building fund offering was received while the quintet from Kissimmee sang, "Just a Little Talk With Jesus."



It was a joyful privilege to have Rev. Paul Miller, General Superintendent of God's Missionary Church with us for this happy occasion. Bro. Miller presented the blueprints to the District Council and commissioned them to build it well as unto the Lord. For within these proposed walls will be the Church not made by human hands. He further commissioned the entire group to stand by with their means and their prayers.

Bro. Miller and Bro. Walter then joined hands as each placed a foot on the spade to turn the first ground for this new church building. Others also sharing in this were Rev. Frank Collier, pastor of this new church, Rev. Slavens, Rev. Lutz and Bro. Chester Green, lay-member of the board.



It was hot and heavenly but this was only the beginning for now comes the labor, sweat and tears. We need your prayers and financial

support. This fine group of people have been meeting in homes for over a year. God has held them together and they are worthy of our prayers and deserving of this new church building. There is nothing available in this area (Tampa) to buy or rent, so we must build.

If you can help us financially please send all contributions to the Treasurer of Home Missions, earmarked for Seffner, Fla.

— Mrs. Chester Green, Recording Secretary

On June 16th, 1969, another vision became a reality when Rev. Paul Miller our General Supt. met with the faithful folk at Seffner, Fla. to organize another God's Missionary Church.

The service was opened by the pastor, Rev. Frank Collier who led the congregation in that great Christian anthem, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name". Rev. Kenneth Walter led us to the throne of Grace in prayer, asking God to unite this body of believers in the love of God and the unity of the Holy Spirit, invoking God's blessings upon them.

Rev. Larry Slavens, Supt. of Home Missions, read appropriate portions of Scripture from I Cor. 12:12-31 and I Cor. 3:9-11 reminding us of the relationship of one member of the Body of Christ to another.

Bro. Miller then spoke on togetherness, stating that there is no division in the body. If we keep the blessing of God there will be no problems. There will be differences of opinions, tastes and desires, but when it comes to Christian essentials we are united. He further challenged each to fill his own place in God's work for "we are laborers together with God."

After reading the eight articles of the general rules of the God's Missionary Church, those desiring to unite with the church took their place at the front of the church. Nine were received into the church. Thus another God's Missionary Church was organized.

We welcome them into our fellowship and pray that they might

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## THE ENDURING WORD

By Raymond Pollard

"My words shall not pass away,"  
(Matthew 24:35).

A certain man had a dream. In his dream he went to consult his Bible, and he discovered all of its pages blank. It was at night time, but he went to see his neighbor and woke him from his sleep and requested to see his Bible. When it was brought, it too, was full of blank pages. Both of these men began to look for other Bibles, but in each case they found the Bible to be entirely blank. They decided to go to the libraries, and there endeavor to gather from famous books, quotations from the Scriptures in order to make a Bible. But they always found that wherever a quotation from the Bible had been, that part of the page was blank. In his dream the man was in agony, and woke in perspiration, with his brow cold. Upon awaking, the man was thankful that it was only a dream, and not a reality, for he still had his Bible and its pages were not blank.

Of course, this was just a dream, but it points out a solemn truth. What a dark world it would be, if there were no Bible in it with its marvelous truths! How we ought to thank God for the Bible! Through the years, men have assailed the Bible, but still the Word of God endures. The intervening years have not been able to diminish the power and splendor of that Word. It forever endures.

When Julius Caesar was dead, and Augustus had come to the throne, the Eternal Word became flesh and dwelt among men in the person of the Son of God. It was He Who declared: "My words shall not pass away." Today, few can quote from the words of the Caesars, but

thousands upon thousands draw life from the words of the Man of Galilee Who spoke so truly that the ages have not been able to erase the record of His invitation, His passion, and His love. Thank God for the Living Word, Jesus, Who left us the Enduring Word, the Bible!

Out of this Book has blossomed every national and social blessing we have. It makes nations and civilizations breathe and grow. The Word of God has looked down in love and judgment upon men and nations through countless generations, bringing inspiration, light and life to all those who receive it. It has brought healing to the sick, deliverance to the captive, strength to the weak, and courage to the encircled. What a tremendous influence the Bible has had across the pages of history! It has changed the course of men and nations. Kings and paupers have found guidance and strength through reading it's sacred pages. It has brought civilization to the savage, tamed the wild, and set up order where spiritual chaos once reigned. As a converted cannibal sat reading his Bible one day, a trader passed by and asked what he was doing. "Reading the Bible," was the native's reply. "Reading the Bible? Why, that book is out of date where I come from." The African made answer, "Well, you can thank God it isn't out of date here, for if it were, you would have been eaten long ago."

This Book has been held in high esteem by some of the most renowned men of history. Samuel Taylor Coleridge, the English poet and philosopher, said: "I know the Bible is inspired because it finds me at a greater depth of my being than any other book." Gladstone, England's grand old man of history, once said, "I have known ninety-five great men of the world in my time, and of these, eighty-seven were followers of the Bible." Daniel Webster once wrote: "If we abide by the principles taught in the Bible, our country will go on prospering, and to prosper, but if we and our prosperity neglect its instruction and authority, no man can tell how sudden a catastrophe may overwhelm us and bury our glory in profound obscurity."

No truer words were ever spo-

ken by any man than these by Mr. Webster. Our nation believes in a government whose basis is law. The Bible stands for law. From the Bible has grown the jurisprudence of all civilized nations and the true history of social rights. To the reading of the Bible, England and America may trace the forces which resulted in the coming of the Pilgrims to these shores, making it the foundation for a new American civilization, with its ideals of social and civil liberty and great spiritual democracy. The Bible, contributing largely to the settlement of the Thirteen Original Colonies, provided a common bond of understanding that was to make possible a new nation "conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal." When Connecticut was born, the founders pledged themselves to "maintain the liberty and purity of the Gospel." Roger Williams, under the same inspiration, sowed the seed of religious freedom in his government of Rhode Island. All the Presidents of the United States have pronounced the highest eulogies on the Holy Scriptures.

Yes, this nation has become strong and great because it was built on the foundation of the Bible. We are strong because our forefathers fed their progeny on the Word. But if America continues to take the Bible out of the hands of children in the classrooms, only later to place it in the hands of criminals in prisons, she will not long remain great or strong. Our nation will not long retain her strength if we continue to disregard the place of the Bible in our lives and in our society. We cannot long remain great if we transgress the laws of morality and righteousness. May God give us, as Americans, a return to the reading and practice of the Bible. If we are to have a revival, we must bring the Bible from its shelf of neglect, we must exalt the Bible against the charges of infidelity, and we must rescue people from indifference to the Bible.

Not to the strong is the battle,

Not to the swift is the race,

Yet to the true and the faithful

Vict'ry is promised through

grace.

— F. J. Crosby



## Compromise

### Leads

### Downward

E. G. Garrett

God has graciously blessed His people, and we have much for which to thank Him. It is marvelous to see the advances which have been made in the past few years, and to know of the attitudes which have changed for the better. However, I am much concerned over the matter of compromise that is taking place in the definition of SIN. In days past, sin was the horrible monster that caused people to be separated from God, while today it is only that something about us which we must learn to control — but this is not true. Sin is just as horrible today as it has ever been. It is that something which causes a person to be antagonistic to the law of God. It refuses to be subject to His law, but wants its own way. Sin has wrecked more lives than we can number, and it will go right on with its same practices until Jesus comes and destroys the devil.

First, let us look at the meaning of sin. Wesley states that it is a willful transgression of a known law of God. The Bible states simply that it is a transgression of the law of God. It is believed that God will not hold us responsible for something we have had no way of knowing. However, some folk use this as an excuse for staying away from church, reasoning that if they do not hear of the laws of God, then they cannot know the right way. It is a fact, however, that we will be held responsible for what we can know. It is true that fashions and styles of dress change through the years, but the penalty for sin remains the same. God is the same

yesterday, today, and forever. He does not change, neither does His estimate of sin change. The Bible says that it is wrong to steal. This means it is wrong to take something that belongs to another person. We are not to take things for which we have not paid, or which has not been given to us by the owner. If we steal, we are guilty of sinning against God and our fellow man. The Bible again states that it is wrong to bear false witness. This simply means that we are not to tell stories that are not true. How prone we are to tell those stories about others which we have heard by way of "the gossip vine"! We do not know whether or not they are true; but they seem so right, we go on telling them, just the same. We have sinned against our fellow man, and will have to face it. Sin is SIN, and there is no other way to define it.

It seems that we are faced with compromise as we endeavor to get the unsaved into our services. For some reason, we have come to the conclusion that if we refrain from preaching against the sins of the day, the world will come and listen. But, as a "man of the cloth," no preacher is called to preach smooth things to the people. God has called him to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ. The Bible does not tone down its message, but, being the Word of God, it thunders out the message of truth — and that is against the sins of the day. We have nothing but the truth to offer the world. In many fields of endeavor, we are not the best; but we **can** preach and live the truth of God's holy Word. The sinner does not want to hear that he can go on in his sins and still be a Christian. He knows better. Sin has gotten him into the mess he is now in, and the only way out is through the blood of Jesus Christ, and the forsaking of sin. It was the only thing that saved **us**, and it is the only thing that will save **him** now.

It is time that we name out the sins of our day. Preachers need to define sin and lay the truth down on the line. Anything which the Word of God states is wrong, IS wrong; and, beyond that, anything the spirit of God tells us is wrong, IS wrong. There are avenues of sin in life which only the Spirit can know and reveal. We need revival,

but we will never see it unless we first get this matter of sin settled. God will never come to a group of people who will not name out sin. We are only fooling ourselves when we think that God will bless OVER sin. He has not done so in the past, nor can He do so now. Revival will come when we get back to the proper terms of God's Book.

Brethren, let us awake, and give to the people the truth of the Bible. Let us please God, and not man. Sin is SIN, and it is the road to a devil's hell.

### WHAT CHRISTIANS NEED

Someone has made the following list of characteristics by which famous Bible characters are best known.

- The patience of Job
- The faith of Abraham
- The incorruptibility of Joseph
- The leadership of Moses
- The obedience of Samuel
- The courage of David
- The friendship of Jonathan
- The fidelity of Elijah
- The sympathy of Isaiah
- The humility of Jeremiah
- The non-compromise of Daniel
- The soul-winning of Andrew
- The world-rebuking of James
- The accuracy of Luke
- The consolation of Barnabas
- The purity of Timothy
- The hypocrisy-hating of Peter
- The love of John
- The evangelizing passion of Paul
- The spiritual fullness of Stephen.

Lord, speak to me, that I may speak

In living echoes of Thy tone;

As Thou hast sought, so let me seek

Thy erring children lost and lone!

— F. Havergal



## The Price of Revival

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prayer life. A truly, melting prayer time before the Lord daily is the price of revival.

Last, but by no means least, **reading of God's Word** must not be neglected in the Christian's life. A quick scanning through a chapter a day is not sufficient for spiritual growth. A quiet, prayerful reading and meditating on the Word of God brings rich results. The Word reveals sin in the life, and cleanses that sin. The Word stimulates prayerfulness, a holy and humble life.

Are you praying for revival? Fine. Now search your heart. Are you humble, dead to self, prayerful, and clean through reading the Word of God? When these things are right in your life, many other things will clear up.

## Message By Rev. Bradley Halter, Gen. Youth Pres.

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sion, an active love that will stimulate the whole church to a deeper concern.

Next the spirit of youth can set a standard for the whole church. The Bible says, "fervent in spirit." The word spirit suggests the attitude. I have met people whom you could not please. Nothing could be done to their satisfaction. There is something about a Christian that makes him easy to get along with. He adjusts to those about him without conforming to a lower standard than his God-given convictions and Bible standards. If the whole world adopted old-fashioned holiness standards you could still pick out the Christians by their adornment of a meek and quiet spirit.

We find also that in youth should be a flourishing exhibition of faith. Isaac was just a young man when he accepted his father's reply that God would supply a sacrifice. David was too young to join the army but his marvelous manifestation of faith in God in facing Goliath confounded the Philistine army and astounded the Israelite army. One act of faith by a young person defeated the enemy and gave new courage to

Israel. Your faith as a young person can work wonders in your church and among your associations. You can prove God. Put Him to the test. That problem that you are facing, that situation that looks so hopeless, those loved ones and friends who seem the hardest can be opportunities to triumph through faith. Your victories can challenge and encourage the whole church. If you as a young person see no immediate area to exercise faith, ask God to show you a need and then let your exercise of faith be an example to all.

Finally youth is to be an example in purity. The impurity of this age is an acknowledged fact. The impurity of youth is too often an accepted fact but not by God. God will not pass over lightly the carelessness of some youth in their relations with one another. Some pay for their carelessness in this life but all will pay at the judgment. Impurity is one of the oldest of sins with its roots in the depravity of uncrucified carnality. Impurity is the result of uncontrolled passion and unchecked lust. Young people have said, "I'll never do this" or "I'll never do that," but they did it. They exposed themselves to situations in which they could not trust themselves and consequently they failed the test. Keep out of the situations which bring temptations. Deny yourself the pleasure of those things which, even though the world and friends expect them of you, would lead you in a wrong direction and into temptation. There are some situations in which it is not reasonable for anyone to trust himself. "Keep thyself pure." Live so that you'll have nothing to hide a few years hence. Be an example in purity.

When youth is asked to think about salvation his answer often contains the implication, "Too happy to think — time yet." In manhood he replies, "Too busy to think — more gold." In the prime of life, the excuse is, "Too anxious to think — worry." When declining and elderly he responds, "Too aged to think — older hearts harder to reach." On the dying bed it's too late to think — the spirit has flown. But eternity is "forever to think — God's mercy past. Into hell I am righteously cast, forever to weep my doom." Young people, now is

the time to start living for God. Waste no more time but quickly respond to the call of salvation and holiness. Determine to be an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity."

## Church News (Continued)

### Mt. of Blessing Camp

Herman Noll, Camp Sec.

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The burden should not be on only one brother but a concern to all. — Roberto.

The Shueys are doing a great work; I have been in their home and have seen how they have a concern and an interest for the Cubans. — Roberto.

Before building or planning anything, always consider the Lord. — Roberto.

Thanks to all who have contributed to the work. — Roberto.

We must invest because of occupying till He comes and also the need of this generation. — Bishop Miller.

Training and study techniques are constantly changed so as to make all appear unstable in the American system. — Bishop Miller.

Will our grandchildren be able to come and enjoy a Holiness Camp Meeting? — Bishop Miller.

In saving myself from this generation, I must save others. — Bishop Miller.

I will not say it is impossible to live victorious in public school but it is nigh unto this. — Bishop Miller.

If we are going to save our youth, a half hour Sunday morning, a youth service on Sunday night and 30 hours per week in a public school will not do it. — Bishop Miller.

We are not looking unto the size of our God's Missionary Church but unto the size of our God. — Thomas.

There were over 42 different preachers from at least 11 different denominations from six different states. People attended from 18 different God's Missionary Churches and we praise the Lord for this great Camp. Those of you who were there — Do you still remember that last Saturday night service? People are still remarking about it. All praise to the Lord for Blessing the Mt. of Blessing Camp in 1969.



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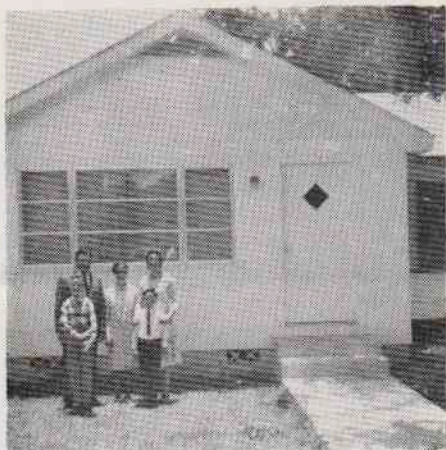
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find herein, that spiritual satisfaction for which they have been yearning. We say God bless Bro. Collier and this wonderful group of Christians and we shall be praying that God will reward these who have been faithful.

— Marvin Bubb, Rec. Sec'y.

## SARASOTA, FLORIDA



Through the providence of God another milestone was reached in the advancement of the Florida district with the organization of our third church.

On June 18th, after much prayer and careful consideration a fine group of God's choice people met with Rev. Paul Miller, Gen. Supt., Rev. Larry Savens, Supt. of Home Missions and Rev. Kenneth Walter, Supt. of Florida District in Sarasota to organize as a God's Missionary Church.

The meeting was called to order by the pastor, Rev. William Lutz and the Spirit of the Lord graciously settled upon us as the congregation sang, "Draw Me Nearer, What A Friend, Wonderful Jesus Is To Me, I Know the Lord Will Make A Way For Me, Got Any Rivers, and His Name Is Wonderful." A deep appreciation for the goodness of God and assurance of His faithfulness for the future was keenly manifested.



The warm words of greetings so humbly given by Bro. Miller seemed to dispell all strangeness and ease the tension of the hour. Bro. Slavens read an appropriate passage of Scripture from Eph. 4:1-16, after which we were led in prayer by Sister Lutz. With assurance that our prayers had reached the throne of Grace we were rejoicing and praising the Lord.

A brief but interesting history of the God's Missionary Church was given by Bro. Miller and articles 1-8 of the general rules were read from the manual by Bro. Walter. With a great appreciation of the stand we take against worldliness and compromise and for the God's Missionary Church, sixteen persons stepped forward and took the vows for membership.



After an ordination certificate was presented to Bro. Lutz with a commission to serve this people as shepherd the service was dismissed by a good season of prayer and hand shaking.

— Rev. Kenneth Walter,  
Dist. Supt., reporter

## Church News (Continued)

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I finally got to the place where I placed my theology on the altar. — Barber.

Divine truth will set you free and nothing else will. —Barber.

There is a stabilizer in your system if the Holy Ghost is in you. — Barber.

The Holy Ghost has to come before any evidence as He is His only evidence. —Barber.

Carnality cannot be consecrated to God. —Barber.

Folks professing with carnality on board are playing possum. — Barber.

If the possum in your spiritual soul even bats his eye or wiggles the end of his tail, the whole works is in there. —Barber.

The giant hid behind his shield and presented a perfect bullseye. —Barber.

A person saved and sanctified will endure or face hardship under the call of the Gospel. —Tillis.

Golden opportunities of life are left alone to answer the gospel call. —Tillis.

A sowing person is a weeping person. —Tillis.

There has to be a breaking of the string when going for God. —Tillis.

Seed should be sown in the morning of life. —Tillis.

What a blessed thought to know that God is looking for the young heart to sow seed. —Tillis.

As the U. S. Army looks for and takes the cream of the crop, why should not God. —Tillis.

If we are out of the center of the will of the Lord when Jesus comes, we will be out of place. —Shuey.

Missionary cannot exist without someone holding the ropes at home. —Shuey.

Persecution is the test of what we have on the inside. —Shuey.

Those of us that know the Lord should keep awake. —Roberto.

Many Cuban Christians were asleep when the sad day came. —Roberto.

What happened in Cuba is now starting to happen here in America. —Roberto.

We need Good Samaritans. —Roberto.

When we give in love, the Lord will bless abundantly. —Roberto.

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