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We live in a wonderful world that is full of beauty, charm and adventure. There is no end to the adventures we can have if only we seek them with our eyes open.

EDITORIAL ETCHES

i distinctly remember the motivating, exciting adventurous feeling that gripped hold of me when, as a child, my parents bought me a new box of crayons. All the way home from the store my fingers "itched" to take the sharp new crayons out of their box so i could color on any and every piece of paper i found.

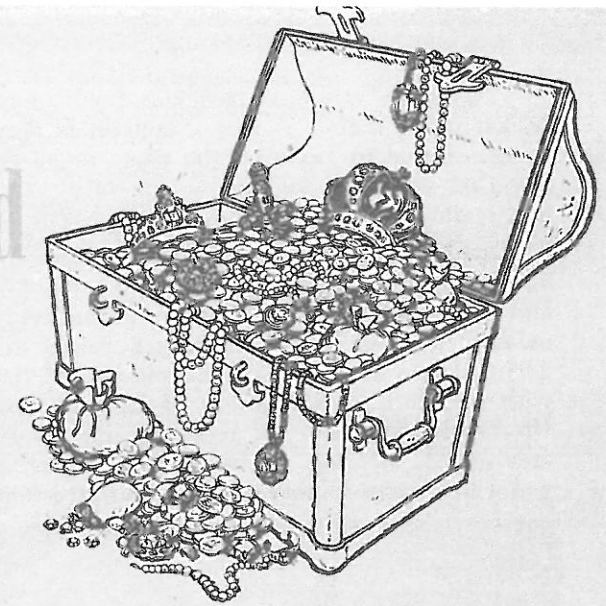
When i entered grade school this same exciting, adventurous feeling swept over me each time i got a brand new "Big Chief" tablet... i could hardly wait to go to school the next day so i could write on the unmarked pages of my new tablet.

During my life's experiences since those days of crayons and tablets, this motivating, exciting, adventurous feeling has recurred many times. When i get a new piece of sheet music, when i check out a stack of books from the library, when i buy a box of stationery, ingredients for a new recipe, or a pattern and material for a new dress, or when i enroll in a class, take up a new hobby, or start out on a vacation trip, i feel so excited, so eager and so ready to embark upon a new adventure.

And now, once again, the motivating, exciting adventurous feeling is sweeping over me, but this time i feel all excited about the NEW AIM. Beginning with next month's issue, AIM will no longer look the same or be

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Unclaimed Riches



by Marty Furman

How many of us have too much money, more than we can possibly use? Not too many, in these troubled days of inflation! No one sits around and argues about the value of money... it is a well-established fact that money is necessary for survival in our society.

Last year our local newspaper ran a story about a man who found an old uncashed check for a million dollars, and was, of course, very anxious to find out if it was still redeemable. There was much skepticism and amazement that anyone could have possibly overlooked a million dollar check, and since it was not mentioned again in the paper, I presume it must have been a hoax. But it did stimulate my thinking about unclaimed riches Christians have.

Let's face it, Christians, although we may not be fed to the lions in our society, neither are we well thought of, or respected in a distinctive manner. I'm generalizing, I know, but I mean as a whole, Christians are put down by the rest of the world. As I mingle with non-believers, I hear such remarks as, "Christians, hah, they're just big fakes," or "Christians are just tag bearers... They're no different than me—they get just as upset as I do about trivial matters." Hearing such comments as this always hurts me, because they do not read like an account out of the New Testament describing the Christians of that day. Although those Christians were neither appreciated nor respected, they were recognized as being followers of the new way started by Jesus of Nazareth. Could it possibly be that we, as Christians, are forgetting to do something important such as claiming the riches that our Lord left us, to insure a successful walk with Him even in the twentieth century?

The Bible is a very precious book to me for several reasons, one reason being that it is like a coupon book with lots of very beautiful things offered to me. And the price of all these wonderful things is so low that you can't get any lower—they are FREE!! Free riches, now that ought to be a sensation in our present world!

Before my conversion I had read my Bible and prayed, but never had I prayed the prayer of reception—the ABC Prayer. ASK, BELIEVE, and CLAIM. We all ask, we try to believe, but rarely do we claim. I never had either until an earnest, young minister explained this wonderful prayer to me. An example of this prayer is found in John 11 with the story of the raising of Lazarus from the dead. Jesus thanked His Heavenly Father for receiving His request BEFORE He had even received it. It takes a strong faith to believe so much that you are going to receive something, that you give thanks before it is even yours.




I had several problems in my life that I desperately needed help with, and had prayed often about, but to no avail. I followed the minister's advice and found a verse in Psalm 34, where David was freed from his fears. For six years I had tried to overcome a phobia of driving and couldn't manage to do it. The moment I sat behind the wheel, I fell apart and started shaking and crying. I was 22, an R.N., wife and mother, and was chained to this fear which was all out of proportion. I knew that a childhood accident was the root of this fear, but even after taking a driving course and passing it, I still couldn't drive. I read those wonderful words in Psalm 34:4 over and over, "I sought the Lord and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears." Also I claimed Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Immediately I was able to drive, and in a matter of weeks I had my driver's license. A real miracle! These promises removed all kinds of fears and insecurities from my life, and I still claim them today when I need them. These riches are everlasting, for Jesus said, "heaven and earth may pass away, but my words shall not pass away."

Another of my favorite promises is Isaiah 26:3, "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee, because he trusteth in thee." That promise has kept my "cool" intact through many a trying

situation. There are thousands more promises in the Bible to enrich our lives and to keep us through these perilous days... don't let them continue to be unclaimed riches!!

In these modern times of headache pills, nerve pills, pep-up pills, vitamins and many more chemical agents to help keep us at a functional level, there is a better way. Try Psalm 119:105—"Great peace have they which love thy law, and nothing shall offend them." Throw those old nagging worries and trials off, Christian! Stand tall, and LIVE rejoicing in His riches.

"Being confident of this very thing, that He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ" (Philippians 1:6).



The
Volleyball
Game

by Shirley Meier

As I sat there watching the volleyball game, I was suddenly struck with the similarity between that game and our Christian lives.

One of the most noticeable similarities was the unity existing between the players. Each player exerted every ounce of his energy to help bring victory to the team. This same inexhaustible energy should exist in each of us Christians so that we might win the victory of eternal life. This is not just an individual effort, but it should be a team effort. We should work together to bring others to salvation through Christ Jesus so that their goal will become the same as ours—Eternal Life with Him.

Another obvious similarity was the endurance of each player. When one of the teams fell behind, each team member seemed to experience a new burst of

energy, and it was that renewed strength and determination that kept the team fighting to win. As Christians, we, too, must possess this type of determination and endurance, for many times we are faced with hardships that we just can't cope with alone. We can overcome our trials only by drawing from God's bottomless well of strength.

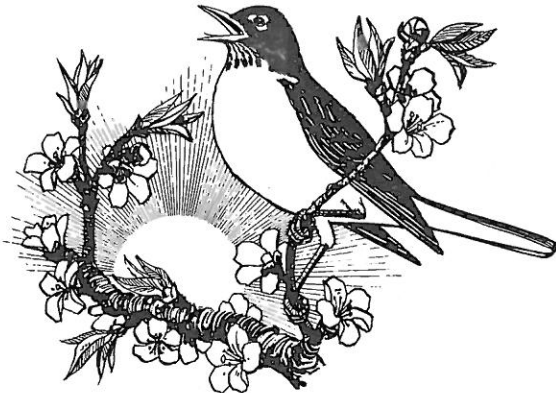
And then there was the similarity of encouragement. Whenever an individual missed the ball, a

fellow team member would say, "Don't worry about it," or "You'll get it next time." As Christians we should give encouragement to others walking along the narrow road with us.

As in the game of volleyball, let's give everything we've got to winning the victory. Let's work together, learning to overcome hardships and hindrances by trusting God, and let's encourage each other to keep striving for perfection in Christ.

Little Things

by Deloris Tuttle



Little things mean a lot to me . . . A delightful story was recorded long ago and is told again and again. Jesus had entered into Jericho where Zacchaeus lived. Like many times before, people gathered in a large crowd to see Jesus—some for curiosity—some for healing—some for the loaves and fishes that were handed out on certain occasions. Going for the free handouts is not a 20th century novelty.

Being little can certainly be a disadvantage in a crowd of people. This did not stop Zacchaeus. He stopped by a sycamore tree

and climbed up into it. His ingenuity and eagerness to see the Lord had great rewards. Most of us make excuses and think we cannot alter a given situation—so we remain one of the crowd. Zacchaeus had it easy, we may say. Jesus did not overlook Zacchaeus. He said to him, "Make haste and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house." Salvation came to Zacchaeus. Are we willing to overcome—"climb a sycamore tree" just so we may see Jesus—or do we just content ourselves standing among the crowd? I believe Jesus

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would not have come to visit Zacchaeus in his home if he had remained one of the crowd. What are you going to do?

Jesus told about sitting opposite the treasury, watching the people throw in their money. A certain widow threw in only two mites. Many were giving large sums of money. They seemingly went unnoticed in Jesus' story. He said the widow gave more than anyone because they cast in of their abundance and she cast in all. Only two little mites!—A very small thing!

Elijah dropped in at a widow's home many years ago. The cupboards were bare. They were in the midst of a famine. All she had was a handful of meal and a little bit of oil. —Only enough to make a small cake. Elijah asked that the cake be made for him instead of for them. She obeyed and they were blessed many days with food because of her faith. Just a little cake! Do you feel that if we cannot make a lot of cakes, i.e., do big things, we do nothing (1 Kings 17)? The diligence of Elijah's hostess was recorded in the scriptures.

Jesus speaks of serving other people—visiting those in prison, visiting the lonely, helping the sick. He served other people, and if we are true followers of the Lord, we will do the same though it may be only a small, insignificant favor, unheeded by those about us. The Lord did not overlook little things when He was here and we are

servicing the same One today. Our deeds will not be overlooked if done in faith and love.

Jesus, on one occasion, took a couple of children and held them on His lap. The disciples felt it was a waste of time. Why was He not healing the sick or preaching the gospel? He took time to show love to children. Jesus did not want to miss seeing the happy gleam that twinkled in their eyes when He showed them affection.

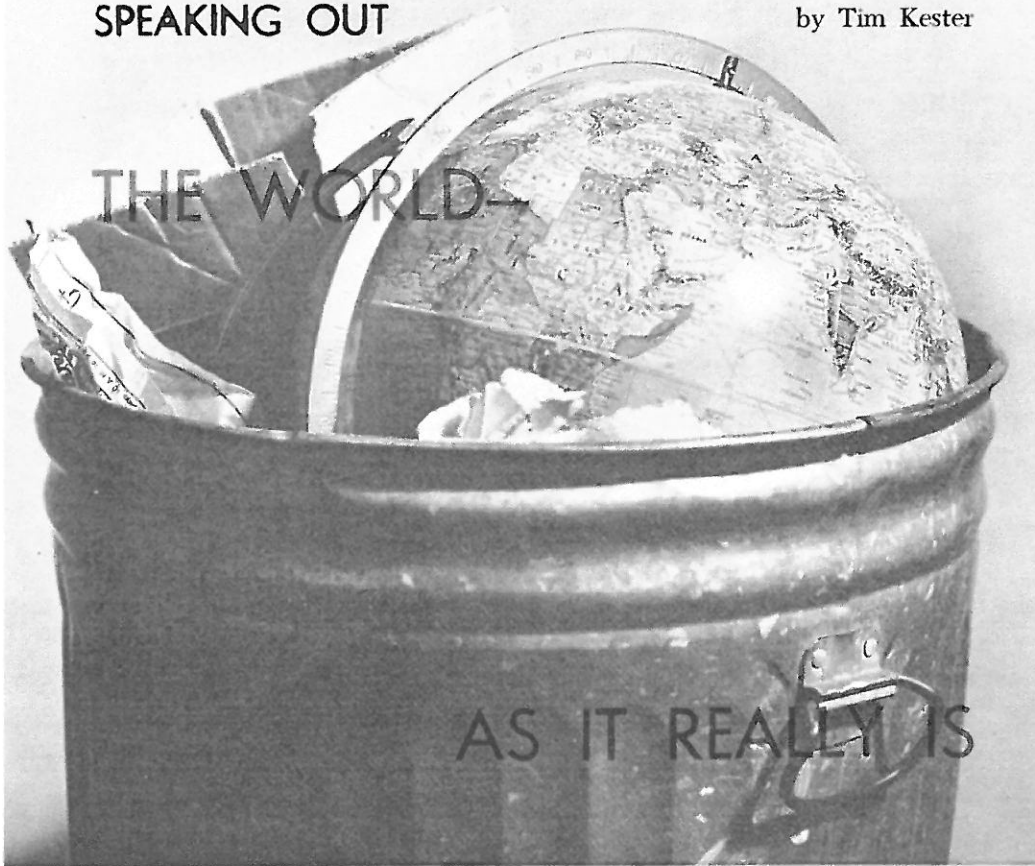
Today, as teenagers, opportunities are at hand for you. David was just a teenager when he challenged the giant Goliath. Goliath is said to have towered a height of nine feet nine inches. David did not let the "giant" rob him of a blessing that would deliver both him and his people. May we not let the "giants"—or temptations—overcome us! Let us win, and in so doing, deliver us and perhaps many others about us. Christ is greater than any giant.

If there are giants that need to be overcome, use the strength that God gives you. If you are too small, climb a sycamore tree instead of standing with the rest of the crowd. If you cannot do very much, do what you can, using the abilities that the Lord has given you. We have discussed here only a few of the countless illustrations mentioned in the Bible which remind us to take advantage of opportunities—no matter how small.

Little things do count!

SPEAKING OUT

by Tim Kester



If we just sit tight for awhile, the messed up economy and the scandalous political arena will soon be straightened out. After all, isn't that the American spirit? We survived the Great Depression and World Wars I and II, and look how much stronger and better it has made our country. This is just another situation that needs some of the good old Yankee spirit. We'll whip these problems and the United States will be a grander-than-ever place to live.

Now let's look at reality. Even those who went through the Great Depression now wonder if America has enough unity and spirit to survive a real depression like it had back then. The government can no longer be trusted. The end of the Watergate trial by no means brought an end to the corruption in government circles. Before the American public had a chance to focus its attention on some other matter after the Nixon Administration scandal, the Central Intelligence Agency came under suspicion and was brought under investigation for illegal activities.

Serious problems for our nation surface faster than they disappear.

Perhaps America is finally reaping what she has sown. Moral decay accounts for a large percentage of the reappings, and the general apathy of the people for the rest.

The United States is supposedly the world's leader in democracy and peace, yet she is one of the main contributors to the suffering and hardships existing in the world today. *National Suicide*, a book by Anthony C. Sutton (published in 1973), holds the United States responsible for many of the aggressive acts of Russia and her allies including the Korean War, Vietnam War, and the Hungarian invasion. Ever since our entry into public school, our minds have been fed the nationalistic food of how we, the nation of the United States, are always right and how serving our country in any way is as respectable as service to God. But how often are the citizens of this country consulted before drastic action (i.e., war, trade agreements, legislation, etc.) is taken by the government? We are required to support and defend our country's laws, wars, etc. even when the cause misrepresents us as individuals. All this brings to mind the fact that when humans rely on their judgment alone, the results are catastrophic.

The odds are stacking up against mankind, and unless Christ comes with the Utopian government and way of life, man will soon be listed among the extinct species.

Prophecy reveals in Luke 17:26-30 that the last days prior to Christ's second advent will be as infamous for corruption and evil as the day of the flood in Noah's time and of Sodom and Gomorrah in Abraham's era. It will take the hand of God to pull the world out of the mess we're in now. Americanism and any other form of man's selfish hopes and dreams will continue to crumble, proving that God is still omnipotent and has it all together.

No longer can countries rely on themselves for the bond and the determination needed to survive these days of chaos. Israel learned a lesson in the Yom Kippur War in '73 that victory in a war of that magnitude requires more than a national effort. And now the Arabs are building up their forces at an even faster rate than before. At present, Syria, Israel's Arab nation to the north, has stockpiles of Soviet-donated war arsenal to last for a thirty-day war of the Yom Kippur size while Israel has only a twenty-five day arsenal. Other of Israel's neighbors have not reported on the size of their stockpiles. This is just one example of how the world does not have it together as some people like to dream.

Jesus Christ will be the answer to this totalled-out condition in our 20th Century civilization. He should be our anticipation and our reason for living. He will establish the only government that will prove to be truly successful and just. Make your decision today for the Christian way of life, and your mind will no longer be bogged down with the turmoil of these chaotic times. Let us look up, for our redemption draweth nigh.

If I Were the Devil

by Paul Harvey

If I were the Prince of darkness I would want to engulf the whole world in darkness. I'd have a third of its real estate and four-fifths of its population, but I would not be happy until I had seized the ripest apple on the tree. So I would set about, however necessary, to take over the United States.

I would begin with a campaign of whispers. With the wisdom of a serpent, I would whisper to you as I whispered to Eve, "Do as you please." To the young I would whisper, "the Bible is a myth." I would convince them that "man created God," instead of the other way around. I'd whisper that bad is good and good is 'square.'

In the ears of the young people I would whisper that work is degrading, that cocktail parties are good for you. I would caution them not to be extreme in religion, in patriotism, in moral conduct. And the old I would teach to pray—to say after me, "Our Father which art in Washington." Then I'd get organized. I'd educate authors in how to make putrid literature exciting so that anything else would be dull, uninteresting. I'd threaten TV with dirtier movies, and vice versa. I'd infiltrate unions and urge more loafing, less work. Idle hands usually work for me.

I'd peddle narcotics to whom I could. I'd sell alcohol to ladies and gentlemen of distinction. I'd tranquilize the rest with pills.

If I were the devil I would encourage schools to refine intellects, but neglect to discipline the emotions; let those run wild. I'd designate an atheist to front for me before the highest courts and I'd get preachers to say, "She is right."

With flattery and promises of power I would get the Courts to vote against God and in favor of pornography: Thus I would evict God from the courthouse, then from the schoolhouses and the Halls of Congress. Then in His own churches I'd substitute psychology for religion and deify science. That way men would become smart enough to create super-weapons, but not wise enough to control them.

If I were the devil I'd take from those who have and give to those who wanted and thus kill the incentive of the ambitious. Then my police state would force everybody back to work. Then I would separate families, putting children in uniform, women in the coal mines and objectors in slave-labor camps. In other words, if I were Satan, I would just keep on doing what Satan is now doing. . . .

—From Paul Harvey's syndicated column in the VP

Dear FYCer,

COMING SOON...

AN ALL NEW AIM!

Yes, there is coming an all new AIM with a new style and format and with an exciting, fresh approach!

Basically this is what you can expect to find in the May issue and all following issues of AIM:

1. AIM will be more of a newsletter style production rather than a formal magazine. Many of the features you have been familiar with in AIM will continue in the new AIM; however, they will appear in a new arrangement. We are interested in the local FYC groups and want to feature what FYCs are doing so that each group will have the opportunity to develop a better program through sharing ideas. You can help by submitting reports about your local FYC to the AIM editor.
2. AIM will be exciting! It will carry the latest about what is happening in the FYC work, and will show you how you fit in with other local FYC

groups, with the National FYC, and with the youth work in other lands.

3. AIM will be sent free to all registered FYCers. Make certain you receive AIM, by registering with the National FYC office.

AIM can be many things to different people but most importantly it should reflect the ideas of young people. Your suggestions, ideas, and articles will make AIM a reflection of FYCers and FYC groups everywhere.

Don't miss it! THE ALL NEW AIM. COMING, MAY, 1975.

Sincerely,

Ken Knoll

Ken Knoll

The Age of Discovery

by Albert Stiede

The process of "growing up" from childhood to being an adult is a wonderful, frightening time of life. There is so much that is new to you. This holds true for each boy or girl as they pass through the teen-age years into being young men and women. This time of life is wonderful because you discover new ideas, new situations, new understanding of your environment. You learn your personal relationship with that environment and with the people with whom you come in contact.

This time of life also holds some frightening, uncertain thoughts for *youth*. Up until now you had probably accepted normal parental authority on faith. Now you begin to realize you will some day soon be faced with some of the problems of being an adult and of having to make decisions on your own. This is when you begin to think that perhaps, if it were up to you, you would do or say things differently. In your own mind, and perhaps aloud, you start to question the actions and advice of those in authority.

If you are inclined to be assertive you might contradict that authority. You might rebel, and refuse to obey. If you are timid you might feel that those in authority (your parents, teachers, or other older persons) are wrong about some things, but you feel that you cannot change it so you comply, unwillingly however, against your better judgment.

Doubts will often plague you, sometimes making you think life is just too much to bear. From thinking you know nearly everything, and this will happen, you will sometimes feel that it is all a delusion, that circumstance is out to beat you.

If your parents are God-fearing and understanding, they will probably have been helping to guide your thoughts and attitudes. If they are not, if for some reason their own thinking has been twisted, the situation is unfortunate but not without remedy. In this case, look about you, find others your age who are level-headed, and inquire as to how they have achieved this.

Find someone older whom you can respect—your pastor, teacher, or older relative—and seek advice from that person. As you do this, however, remember that your parents are still responsible for you, and *accept their right to guide you as they believe is right*.

God gives a good rule to follow in the fifth of the Ten Commandments. "*Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee*" (Exodus 20:12). Honor their rights and responsibilities as parents. Honor their experience. Honor their knowledge of right and wrong. "Honor" here means to treat with respect or high regard.

This honor should be held toward your parents and toward others who are needed to guide you. There is but one exception: If these parents are of the unfortunate group who deny or defy God, there may be times when you will be told to do things you know are morally wrong. In this case, and in this only, you must decide to "*obey God rather than men*" (Acts 5:29). Do it respectfully, but with a firm stand. In this sense you are still honoring your parents by doing the right thing instead of evil.

This is confirmed in Ephesians 6:1, which reads, "*Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.*" The phrase "*in the Lord*" means according to God's law and righteousness, for He is the Supreme Authority. He will never lead you wrong. *Even if they do not often admit it, parents are human, too, and they do make mistakes at times, but God never does.*

When you feel critical of your parents and feel that they have made too many mistakes with you, remember that when they became parents they were probably just emerging from the same period of growth and the same doubts and fears that you are now experiencing. Parents have to learn, too, by trial and error.

After the doubting, questioning, and the uncertainties of the teen-age years, which are all part of the normal growing-up process, you will find that you have weathered the storm in spite of all the difficulties. It has been an exasperating, laughable, tragic, lovable, and interesting time in your short life . . . and now you are a young adult. As you proceed on the road of adulthood, remember that a successful life must be approached with a positive attitude not saying, "*I know it all,*" but rather, "*I can learn to do my best at whatever I am talented at.*" Use the talents God has given you to serve Him and to help others and yourself. And remember, there are three types of satisfaction. Being *dissatisfied* means you have an unhappy outlook on life. To be *satisfied*

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by Daniel Davila

"Flight Number 904 for Madrid, now boarding . . ."

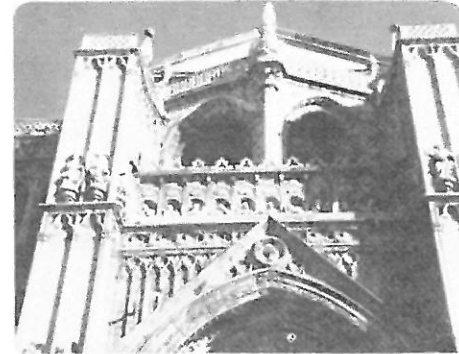


l. to r. Lowell Forbes, Patty Lippincott, Robert White, Daniel Davila.

The long-awaited call finally came and we—Lowell Forbes, a 1974 SVA graduate who now lives in Denver, Colorado, SVA seniors, Patricia Lippincott and Robert White, and me—boarded the TWA jet for our much anticipated "once in a lifetime"-type trip to Spain.



Our tour began in the city of MALAGA, but we saw very little of that city because of a heavy fog covering the area. From Malaga we traveled by chartered bus to Sevilla, then to Cordoba, and from there to Granada, Madrid and Toledo. We lodged in Sevilla at Hotel La Rabida which is located near the famous bull ring and the Gaulquivir River. Most of our touring was in Andalucia, a region in southern Spain rich with the remains and influence of the Moorish civilization.



The Andalucian cities of SEVILLA, CORDOBA and GRANADA are ancient and full of beautiful Moorish architecture. The largest cathedral of Spain and the third largest in the world is located in Sevilla.



GRANADA, the cultural center of all Europe during the Moorish occupation, is famous because of a song Agustin Lara, a Mexican composer, wrote about the city. Ironically, Lara wrote the song, *Granada*, without ever having seen the city of Granada! In Granada we visited the *La Alhambra*, the Moorish castle made famous by Washington Irving in his *Tales of the Alhambra*. The castle is authentically Moorish with engravings of the Koran on the wall, however, it shows definite Jewish influence in its famous courtyard, the Lyons Court. The main attraction within this beautifully landscaped area is a fantastically constructed fountain supported by twelve stone lions. Each of the lions represents one of the twelve tribes of Israel. The castle is full of fountains, pools, and garden walls made of cyprus trees trimmed in various shapes.

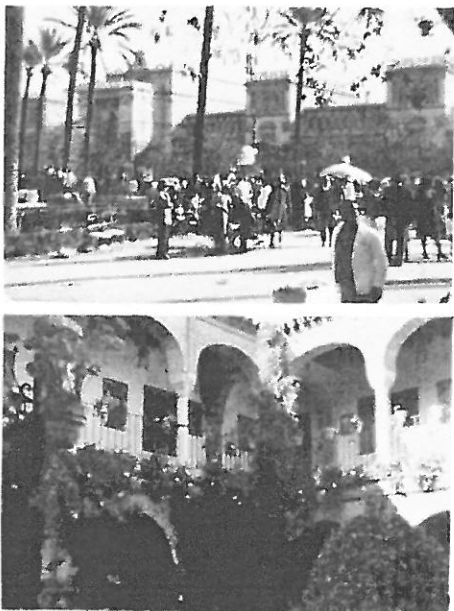
The water used in the many fountains comes from melted snow of the Sierra Nevada mountains. It is interesting to note that the Spanish conquistadors named one of our states "Nevada" and called the mountains in Eastern California, "Sierra Nevada." While in Granada we also visited the cathedral where the bodies of Queen Isabella and King Ferdinand lie.

When passing through LA MANCHA, the land described by Miguel de Cervantes in his philosophical novel of a clemented knight, we noticed that vehicals are marked with numbers denoting their maximum speed limit. If our driver had exceeded the speed limit marked on his vehicle, he wouldn't have been stopped by a policeman, but his license plate would have been photographed by the patrol. About two months later he would have received his ticket.

MADRID, Spain's capitol city, is both modern and ancient. The city, which has a population of two million, faces the problem of industrial pollution just as our own cities do. While in Madrid we visited *El Museo del Prado*, where we saw many famous paintings, and the royal palace.

TOLEDO is a monumental and historical city located along the Tajo River. While in Toledo we visited Puerta del Sol, Puerta Bisagra, the cathedral, old Roman bridges, and a synagogue.

If you plan to travel to Spain, be certain to take plenty of money with you for life is very expensive there. And ladies, don't worry about the flirtatious men—they bark but do not bite, thanks to the strict government of Franco. By the way, if you have anything against Franco, just keep it to yourself if you do not want to go to prison!



That Personal Touch

by Hope E. Dais

In the business world today, many firms and individuals go to great length to give their sales approach a very personal touch. Parents receive advertising brochures, or even little booklets, from children's book clubs, in which their child's own personal name is seen throughout.

The successful salesman comes to a home well versed in the art of "first-name dropping." It is his business to call you, not just Mr. and Mrs. Collins, but Chuck and Betty. He knows the magic in using one's very own personal name.

While the sales letter may sound very personal, and one may even be influenced by its warmth, we realize that we are just another number among millions that runs through the computer. And to the salesman, we're another average family whose good-will and acceptance are his bread and butter.

How strikingly the reverse is true concerning salvation. Regardless how personal we try to make salvation sound, we still cannot adequately express how very personal is God's love to each of us. It is beautifully expressed in the song, "He's big enough to rule the mighty universe; yet small enough to live within my heart."

It is touching to recall some of the incidents recorded in the Bible when the personal love and concern of Jesus were keenly felt. We read in Luke 19 about a short man who climbed a tree just to get a glimpse of this Jesus about Whom he had heard so much. What a thrill it was to this man when Jesus looked up at him and spoke his very own name, "Zaccheus, come down . . . for today I must bide at thy house." There was no "name-dropping" involved. Jesus was personally interested in this man, and Zaccheus had only to take the remaining step in Jesus' direction to become personally involved with this loving Saviour.

Just so He is interested in each of us personally.

We recall another incident—when Peter had three times denied that he was a friend of Jesus. Luke 22:61 records, "And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter." So much seems to be said in these few words. From them, one song writer was inspired to write an entire song, "He Tenderly Looked at Me."

Today we can realistically claim this personal relationship with our Saviour. A "first-name acquaintance" does not *begin* to describe the devotion of this Friend who "sticketh closer than a brother." The salvation God offers through Him is special to each one of us.—Personally.—Individually.

When we fail to live up to God's standards or to the commitments we make to Him, with this same grief Peter detected, "the Lord turns and looks upon us." It means that much to Him.

Business firms and their computers can never *begin* to reach the magnitude of God; and neither can they *begin* to *touch* the personal and genuine concern which He directs to each of us individually.

"... But the very hairs of your head are all numbered" (Matt. 10:30).

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the same. AIM will be produced with a new format and will vary in content, too. Although the purpose of AIM, as a youth paper, still remains to "promote *higher ideals and more challenging spiritual goals among young people*," it is going to take on an added dimension, and that dimension is to serve and promote the needs and interests of the FYC and of individual FYCers. It will become the voice of the National FYC as well as that of local FYC groups and individual FYCers. It will become an important medium for communication between the National FYC and the local FYC.

The new AIM will automatically be sent free of charge each

month to every registered FYCer.

Those AIM subscribers who are not FYCers will continue to receive the new AIM until their subscription expires, and policies for the continuation of subscriptions will be announced in future issues.

i hope that you, too, feel excited about the adventure of a new AIM. Get excited! It's coming next month!!

THE AGE OF DISCOVERY

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implies apathy with no urge to make things better. And to be *unsatisfied* is to realize there is more to learn, more to be done, more ways to apply yourself to a better and more rewarding life.

Things I Wish I Had Known

Having passed the first twoscore and ten years of my life, and realizing that the more sand that has escaped from the hourglass of life the clearer we should see through it, I find myself more prone to meditate and philosophise. My life has been rich. But there have been regrets, regrets which you, too, will experience in time. These regrets can largely be grouped as "Things I wish I had known before I was twenty-one:"

I wish I had known what I was going to do for a living, and what my life work would likely be.

I wish I had known that my health after thirty was largely dependent on what I had put into my stomach before I was 21.

I wish I had known how to take care of my money.

I wish I had known that a man's habits are mighty hard to change after 21.

I wish I had known that the harvest depends so much upon the seeds sown.

In spite of the philosophy of today, I wish I had known you cannot get something for nothing.

I wish I had known the world would give me just what I deserved.

I wish I had known the folly of *not* taking the advice of older and wiser people.

I wish I had known that Dad *wasn't* such an old fogey after all.

I wish I had known that everything Mother wanted me to do *was* right.

I wish I had known what it meant to Mother and Father to raise a son.

I wish I had known more of the helpful and inspiring parts of the Bible.

I wish I had known the tremendous value of the opportunity and the joy of serving a fellowman.

I wish I had known that there is no better exercise for the heart than reaching down and helping people up.

I wish I had known that the "sweat of my brow" would earn my bread.

I wish I had known that a thorough Christian education brings the best of everything else.

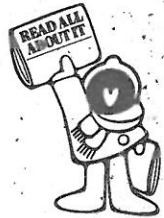
I wish I had known that honesty is the only policy, not only in dealing with my neighbors, but also in dealing with myself and with God.

I wish I had known the value of truthfulness in everything.

And today I wish I knew the formula for impressing you and other young people that life is a mirror which will reflect back to you just what you think into it.—*Selected*

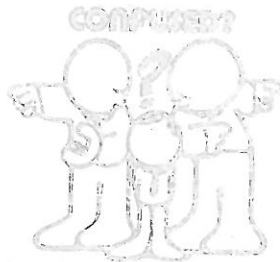


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There has been a change of personnel in the National office. Sister Rita Moldenhauer has resigned from the duties of secretary since her husband, Larry, has completed his internship at the Denver church and will be moving to another location to assume full-time pastoral duties. We thank Rita for her fine service as National secretary. Sister Gail Rincker is once again serving as secretary in the National office.

REMINDERS



If you have searched through the pages of this AIM looking for another DESIGN I installment, don't be dismayed at not finding one! Design I will no longer be carried in AIM, but will be sent to each FYC in a special "compile-as-you-go" type notebook. It is not likely that anyone has completed the four Design I installments previously printed in AIM, so continue in your reading and study of Matthew, Mark, John and I and II Peter until you receive additional instructions and installments from the National FYC office.

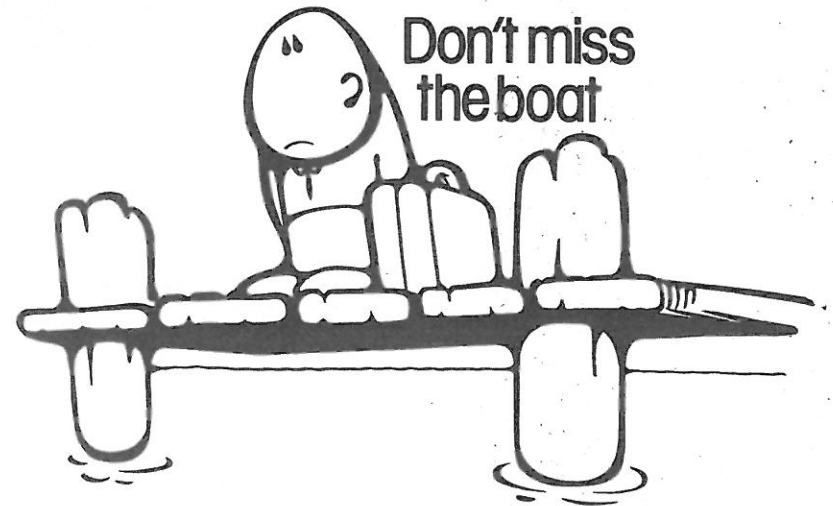
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