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—JOHN NEWTON

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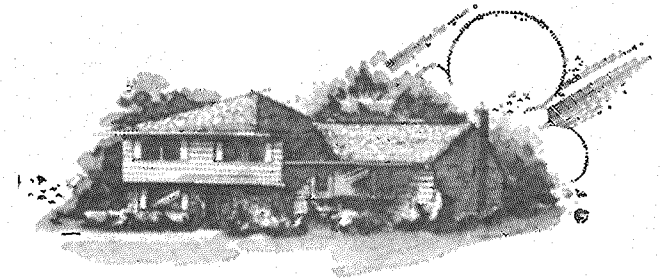
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# A Supposedly Minor Offense

by Martha Ling



Even as slaves, the Hebrews had been accustomed to gourmet delights in Egypt, and their clothing was probably much nicer than what they were wearing on this desert trip. The hot, tiresome journey set the people to complaining and looking back. They did not have enough vision to realize that God was going to supply their needs. In spite of their covetousness of the old ways, God provided manna for their hunger, and kept their clothes and shoes from wearing out for forty years! (Deuteronomy 29:5). It was to these people, who had just left the richest country in their time, that God spoke the words, “Thou shalt have no other Gods before me.”

The Israelites had been putting fleshly wants and desires before their desire to please God, and in so doing they were breaking at least two commandments—the first and the last. Not only were they coveting things that were impossible for them to have at the moment, but in so doing they were putting those wants before God. The desire for these pleasures was causing them to grumble

against God and against Moses, their God-chosen leader.

“For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world” (1 John 2:16). Perhaps we are lucky since we have Christ’s own thoughts on the lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes, and the pride of life. And yet I believe this is one

area in which Christians fall down. Sometimes we find ourselves just as occupied in "keeping up with the Joneses" as the rest of the world. Christ explains in Matthew 6:24-34 that we should not be so concerned about clothing, food, furnishings, etc., that we cannot put God's interests first. ("For after all these things do the Gentiles seek.")

Unless we examine ourselves closely, this *supposedly* minor offense may be all that is needed to keep us from entering God's Kingdom. For instance, if we get to the place that our pleasures take preference to tithe-paying, what do you think will happen? Would this not be putting something before God? Consider 1 John 2:15—"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." If we are so busy buying the latest clothes, the fastest cars, and the most expensive furniture (when we could get by on less and still be neat and attractive), per-

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### ETERNAL

No matter how low he has fallen  
 In the muck and mire of sin,  
 How devious the path he has followed,  
 How base the heart within;  
 No matter how close he has come  
 To the bottomless pit, and beyond;  
 No matter how wicked and worthless  
 He is some mother's son . . .  
*And she loves him!*  
 —W. C. Thurston.

ousness, although seemingly haps our pocketbooks will be empty when offering time comes at church—or when we see someone in need.

Christ explains in the Sermon on the Mount that our treasures here on earth are but for a moment—they pass away, and we are left with nothing but our love for God and others. What will we feel like when we face God at judgment time, stripped of our earthly treasures?

One of the biggest pitfalls to modern man is the credit card. Although they may be fine for emergencies, if one is not careful he can become hopelessly in debt because of them. Credit cards make it so convenient for a youth beginning life on his own to get everything he wants and needs from the very start, instead of working, saving, and waiting for his new furniture, T.V., stereo, and other pleasurable items. Soon he may have to borrow to pay off these bills . . . and then borrow to pay off the loan, and he goes farther and farther into debt—*unless* he is very careful at the beginning to charge only what is absolutely necessary! Romans 13:8 warns us to "owe no man anything, but to love one another." Although we may have to borrow for certain large items (such as cars), it looks as if we ought to borrow as little as possible, even if we must do without at times. Love is the only thing we should owe to others.

Paul over and over exhorts us to be content with what we have (or possibly we could insert—*with what we can afford, without owing others and without taking from God*). See Hebrews 13:5; Philippians 4:11, 12; I Timothy 6:8. He also explains we should not be conformed to this world (Romans 12:2). In other words, we may be somewhat different, as horrible as it may sound. We need to be content with the necessities and pleasures we can afford—in moderation. We are to live soberly and modestly, so as not to attract undue attention (see Titus 2:6, 12; 1 Tim. 2:9; I Peter 3:3). The Pharisees were condemned for placing importance on clothing (Mark 12:38).

Christ gave up certain things for us. (He did not even have a place of His own to sleep—Matthew 8:20), so why can't we sacrifice certain things in order to give more to His work? According to the signs of the times, it will be very soon that He will reappear. We need to sacrifice even more of our time and money now to see more saved, if we love our fellowman. We must deny ourselves and follow Christ (Matthew 16:24-26).

To you young people who have not yet left home, or who are only beginning a life of your own, consider these things, carefully reviewing the Sermon on the Mount. Let God guide you, so you will not fall into Satan's trap. Remember, lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes, and covet-

harmless, sever you from God just as surely as Sabbath breaking, killing, or any other commandment breaking.

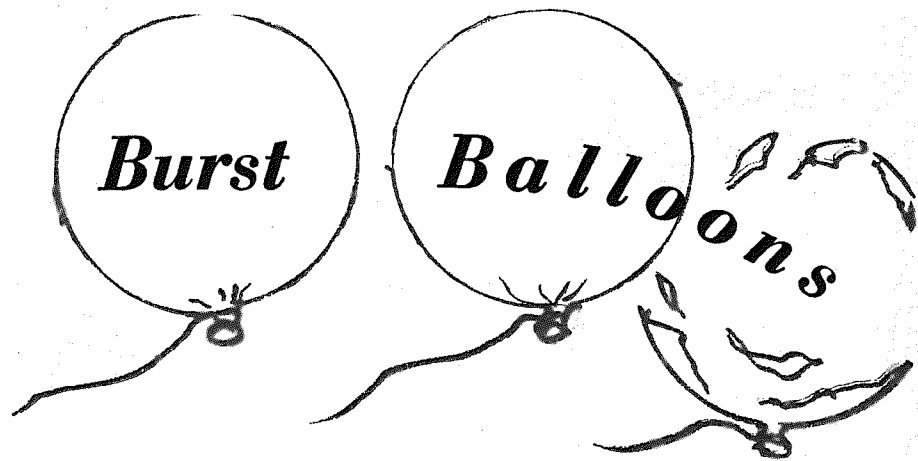
"Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou that *for all these things God will bring thee into judgment*. Therefore remove sorrow from thy heart, and put away evil from thy flesh: for childhood and youth are vanity" (Ecclesiastes 11:9, 10).

"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil" (Ecclesiastes 12:13, 14).

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### A GODLY FATHER—BUT THE DAUGHTER HAD SOMETHING TOO

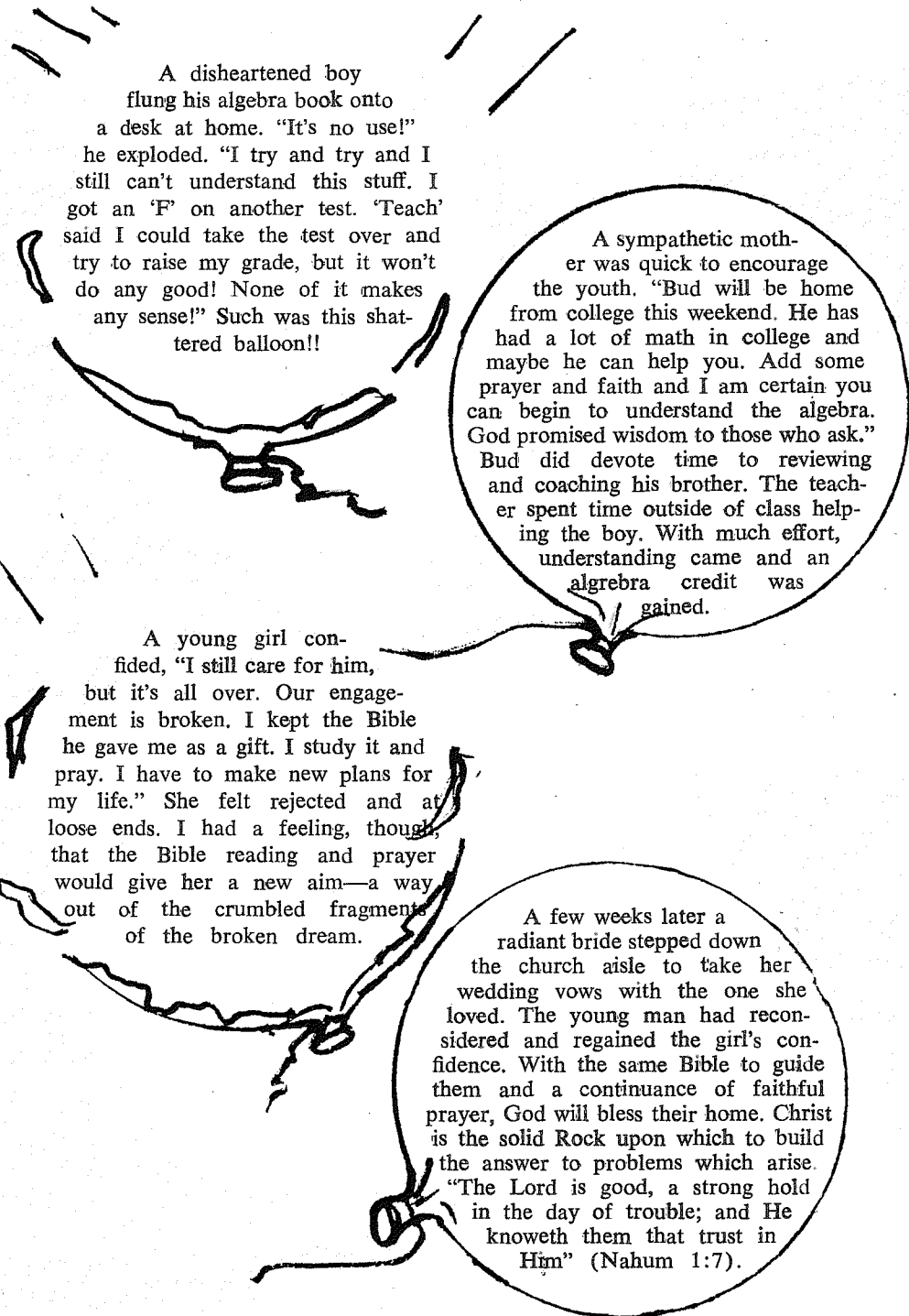
I read recently of a young lady who was walking by Niagara Falls with a group of other people. Her father stopped as they looked at the falls and said, "Let's step aside into this forested place and give a word of thanks to God for the glories of this tremendous beauty that we have seen." When he finished, his teen-age daughter said to her friends, "Oh, isn't my father good!" And then she continued, "But the only ones that really know how good he truly is are those who live with him at home."  
 —James Kennedy in The Presbyterian Journal



By Thelma Severance

A thin-faced lad with a thatch of blond hair charged with full speed across the large yard behind his home, a gay red balloon bobbing and bouncing at the end of the string he held high above his head. He lowered the balloon to his hands and caressed its smooth roundness—it was so very special to him. Most of his toys were other children's discards or inventions of his own imagination. With another burst of energy he raced across the yard, then back again and around and around, the balloon bobbing and diving as if a live companion to the small child. He flopped backside against the house and paused for breath. A sudden BANG! Bits of thin red rubber floated in disarray to the ground around the brown, bare feet. In stunned silence the child fingered the end of the string and the red fragment dangling there. Great tearing sobs rasped from the frail frame and he flung himself into his mother's arms as she hurried from the kitchen door toward him. "My balloon broke! Oh! My pretty, pretty balloon!" He clung to her as she put protecting arms about him and smoothed back the ruffled hair. With soothing words she quieted the stormy heart. Sometime there would be another balloon—maybe sometime soon, she promised him.

In every life there are bitter disappointments that lay in fragments about us much as a burst balloon. Our Heavenly Father waits to enfold us in His strong arms and send us on our way again with His promise to sustain us. "Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea I will help thee; yea I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness" (Isaiah 41:10).



A disheartened boy flung his algebra book onto a desk at home. "It's no use!" he exploded. "I try and try and I still can't understand this stuff. I got an 'F' on another test. 'Teach' said I could take the test over and try to raise my grade, but it won't do any good! None of it makes any sense!" Such was this shattered balloon!!

A sympathetic mother was quick to encourage the youth. "Bud will be home from college this weekend. He has had a lot of math in college and maybe he can help you. Add some prayer and faith and I am certain you can begin to understand the algebra. God promised wisdom to those who ask." Bud did devote time to reviewing and coaching his brother. The teacher spent time outside of class helping the boy. With much effort, understanding came and an algebra credit was gained.

A young girl confided, "I still care for him, but it's all over. Our engagement is broken. I kept the Bible he gave me as a gift. I study it and pray. I have to make new plans for my life." She felt rejected and at loose ends. I had a feeling, though, that the Bible reading and prayer would give her a new aim—a way out of the crumbled fragments of the broken dream.

A few weeks later a radiant bride stepped down the church aisle to take her wedding vows with the one she loved. The young man had reconsidered and regained the girl's confidence. With the same Bible to guide them and a continuance of faithful prayer, God will bless their home. Christ is the solid Rock upon which to build the answer to problems which arise. "The Lord is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and He knoweth them that trust in Him" (Nahum 1:7).

An anxious family waited outside a hospital emergency room. A youth just out of high school with a bright future before him had been struck down by a careless, inexperienced driver. Careful examination of the unconscious boy, X-rays and surgery, revealed that the injuries were extensive but survival was assured.

*Why should there be the pain, the days in bed, and the months on crutches, we cry out?*

God knows the answers we do not know. Sometimes trials reveal more of God's will to us; sometimes a refining of our nature takes place to make us pure for His kingdom. "But He knoweth the way that I take: when He hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold" (Job 23:10). This young man testifies that he has had to ask God for courage. With faith in God, the future can be assured and blessed of God. A new life is being built; may Christ be the Foundation of that life!

I chatted with a teacher friend. We discussed an illness which had drastically changed my life, including plans I had to complete certain college courses so that I might be better prepared to help the children I often work with. I turned the conversation from myself to my friend. Her face saddened as she related that a son had become involved in a crime that might well mean a prison sentence.

Alcohol and drug addiction had caused the young man's problem. I told my friend I would pray for her and her boy. She grasped at the promise and pleaded for my prayers. God can send His Spirit to lead and intervene. A new life can be built. . . . "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God" (Luke 18:27).

Over and over the stories of shattered dreams as fragmented as burst balloons can be related. Youth are graduating from high schools and colleges and the jobs that were hoped for are sometimes impossible to secure. New plans have to be laid and followed through. Men with college degrees are pumping gas or doing other jobs they were not trained to do, thankful for a chance to even have a job and not becoming cynical and faithless as though God had failed. After all, manual labor is not degrading! Prayerful reconsideration of plans may reveal God has another way of life for the disappointed one; step by step God will guide if we let His will become our will. At the right time He will provide the desired goal. "Ask and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you" (Matt. 7:7).

Whatever your disappointment, look to God through prayer and to His promises in the Scriptures. Remember "... that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed..." (Romans 8:18). We are told to forget "... those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before... press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 3:13, 14). The prize is Life Eternal where there will be no more burst balloons.

#### LITTLENESS OF BIG MEN

Great men never feel great, and small men never recognize their smallness. That is one reason for the greatness and success of the former and the insignificance and failure of the latter.

Emerson spoke of the "greatness of humility," and Moody preached, "Be humble or you'll stumble." It is true that the man who is so proud that he turns up his nose at his fellows usually bangs his toe on a boulder and is brought low, to be lifted up and dusted off by those whom he regards with contempt.

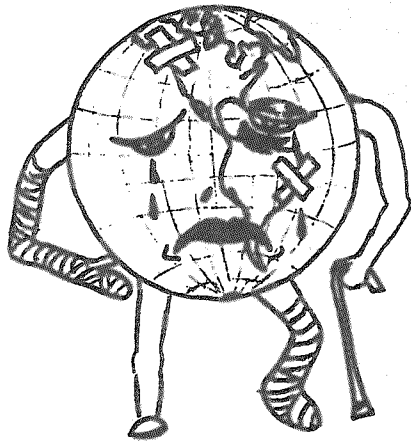
Spurgeon said that "humility is to make a right estimate of one's self."

The greatest men are those who are humble enough to make themselves small in order to be of service to others. They are those who command respect by what they have quietly accomplished, rather than by their loud boastings about what they are going to do someday. The man who does something worthwhile does not need to announce the fact repeatedly—the world will learn of it and will beat a path to his door.

## Teen Guidelines

# People, Problems, and Pollution

by Calvin A. Burrell



Planet earth has a problem—a very bad problem. This difficulty has to do with her air, her water, and her land. You see, earth's air and water and soil are becoming very crowded, very noisy, and very dirty. And that's no joke. It's a life and death matter for the human race since we depend upon clean

air and water and soil for our very existence.

Pollution! Today, it's everywhere! And it's killing us! The best-informed scientists tell us that something must be done to reverse the trend of pollution on our planet during the 1970's OR we may face the extermination of normal life from the face of the earth! Doesn't that sound more than vaguely like these Bible predictions:

"And the land is defiled: therefore I do visit the iniquity thereof upon it, and *the land itself vomiteth out her inhabitants*" (Leviticus 18:25).

"The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof" Isaiah 24:5).

When God created the heavens and the earth, He made all things "very good." In the original order of the earth and nature, God installed a wonderful bal-

ance and harmony among all His creation. As long as this pattern was not seriously interrupted by outside forces, "nature" kept this planet in beautiful condition: pure, uncorrupted, and relatively quiet.

But God also created man, and gave him something that no other creature possessed. This unique possession is the privilege of making up his own mind, and doing "his own thing." In exercising this privilege, far too many men choose to behave in a way that was contrary to the revealed will of the Creator. This rebellion against God is called "sin." And *sin* is the reason why there is pollution in the earth today.

Let me explain.

Nearly every sin can be boiled down to a basic selfishness which exists in people. It is a greedy willingness to do what *we* want to do, regardless of what God says about it. This kind of a "live it up—pay later" attitude will inevitably bring disaster, both in the physical and spiritual realms.

In his efforts to "get all you can," and "can all you get," mankind has had little or no regard for the total effect of such greed upon the environment and the generations to come. Thus, it was not until the mid-1960's—just a few short years ago—that man began to think seriously about what his "prosperity" and greed were doing to planet earth. It wasn't until nearly 1970 that "ecology" became a household word; and now, it may be too late!

Actually then, planet earth's problem is not so much dirty water and soil and air. Planet earth's major problem is *people*—selfish and sinful people. For wherever there are people, you will be sure to find problems—and pollution!

Things are bad. The air we breathe is smog-filled. The water we drink is either polluted or heavily treated with chemicals. The soil from which our food comes is often bleached of nutritional values or laden with unhealthy chemicals and foreign substances. There is precious little pure air or water—or anything—left. The landscape is littered. Garbage piles increase. Things are bad, and getting worse....

What can you do?

1. **MAKE UP YOUR MIND THAT YOU WILL NOT LITTER OR POLLUTE.** You can hardly quit driving your car or burning the trash, but you can determine not to toss cans and wrappers along the roadside or in the park. Certainly a Christian should be the best example in this matter—don't be a litterbug.
2. **QUIT SMOKING.** The greatest single source of air pollution in many people's lungs is cigarette smoke. If you want to breathe cleaner air (and live longer), never smoke!
3. **BE INFORMED.** Keep abreast of the efforts to restore and retain natural purity in your community. **BE CONCERNED.** Cooperate with these

efforts wherever possible. Do what you can with this problem of pollution. You cannot do it all, but you *can* and you *should* do more than your share.

4. PRAY for those who are in authority, dealing with the pollution problem. Read I Timothy 2:2. A quiet and peaceable life partly depends on the fight against pollution.

5. SEE THAT YOUR OWN HEART AND LIFE IS FREE FROM THE POLLUTION OF SIN. Revelation 1:5 tells that Jesus *washed us from our sins* in His own blood. I Timothy 5:22 commands us to *keep ourselves pure*. In this pollution problem, we are either part of the problem...or part of the answer. Which is it with you?



# Big Man!

by Ivan Burrell

Wilt Chamberlain is considered to be a "big man." Many individuals are considered to be "big men." What is meant when an individual is referred to as a "big man"? What is used as the method or means of measuring a man? Are only professional athletes "big men"?

Most professional athletes are "big men" because sports like basketball, football, and hockey require that the players have a large physical stature to participate in the game. The superstars of the various sports are admired by their loyal fans. In this way they are "big men."

Young people have their own definition of what it means to

be a "big man." In cities throughout the country young people are involved in gangs, cliques, and clubs which require a person desiring membership to prove he is a "big man." This may be accomplished in various ways, such as sex, theft, drugs or possibly even killing. If the young person "proves" himself by "passing the test," he then becomes a recognized member. He has presumably attained the status of a "big man." What has he measured up to? What did he prove? He was measured according to the standards of a select group. This does not necessarily prove how "big" he is.

Just like the superstar is ad-

mired by his fans, the young person who accomplishes these daring acts is admired by his comrades. This is why the young person feels it is important that he do something impressive and sensational.

Is a man measured by the sensational feats he performs? The methods of measuring the greatness of a man differ according to various ideals. But God's ideals remain constant. The amount of physical power a man possesses or the immoral acts in which he indulges do not make him "big" either in the sight of God or the majority of men!

A really "big" man is one who has Christ dwelling in his heart! He truly has something "big" in his life! Therefore a Christian man, whether of large or small physical stature, can truly be a "big man." He has access to a Power beyond human comprehension—the power of God conveyed through Christ. The man who has not invited Christ into his life has no power to do anything to change prevailing circumstances. He is doomed to accept his "fate."

The man who accepts the power of Christ in his life is enabled to say "NO." ... NO to alcoholic beverages, drugs, cigarettes and immoral acts. Along with the power to say "no" the Christian has power over sin. And the reward of overcoming sin is the promise of a future eternal life in God's Kingdom. Every person who has ever lived or ever will live has the same opportunity to claim God's wonderful promise of eternal life.

The promise of eternal life certainly is a big promise! It is a promise made by God for all those who are "big men" according to His standards.

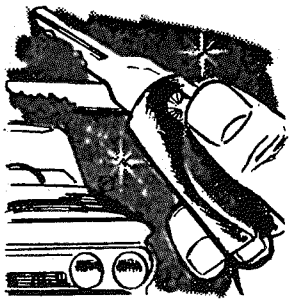
Nevertheless, it must be made clear that Christians are not necessarily "big men" according to the measurements of the world. Christians may not be "big" in the eyes of professional sportsmen, gangs in the cities, or even businessmen. But after all, which measurements are MOST important—those of man or those of God?

KEEP FACING IT!

A tramp, when asked about his philosophy of life, replied, "I turn my back to the wind." That probably is why he was a tramp. Following the line of least resistance is what makes rivers and many men crooked. A man cannot drift to success.

In contrast to this philosophy is the statement which Captain MacWhite spoke to his mate in Joseph Conrad's immortal tale of the sea, *Typhoon*. In the midst of a great storm, MacWhite said: "Keep facing it! They may say what they like—the heaviest seas run with the wind. Always facing it! That's the way to get through!"

It is better to be shunned by the worldly, wicked and proud because you live for God than be applauded because you are one of them.



# Youth... And Its Follies

by Harvey L. Earl, Jr.

**T**he screeching of brakes and the backfire of twin exhausts brought me running from the house. Another night of booze, debauchery and wild rides in a souped-up heap. Man, this was living. Never mind yesterday's hangover or Mom's look of despair... today... tonight... that's what counts. Youth... hell-bent on self destruction!

The pleas of parents, the warnings of friends, the brush with the old man law, were merely halters for high spirits. Yeah! Like who's got time for "party poopers" or "squares"? Problems? Sure... pimples and tomorrow's pleasures. Responsibility? Something they saddled on parents as the price of bringing me into the crazy world.

Then the big crash... "We the jury, find you guilty." "It's the sentence of this court that you spend the rest of your life in prison."

This guy is kidding... he can't mean me. Then bleak reality, and forty foot walls. Quarantine, a place where you lose yourself and take on a non-entity—a number. Surely the lawyer will be here tomorrow to "spring me" as in times past.

How can a youth of sixteen,

or eighteen, or even twenty, cope with this den of iniquity? They don't even speak my language in here: "New fish? Pretty boy? Punk, Hack?" Like, what's with these characters? Then, out of the safety of quarantine, and into the jungle of hardened cons, heartaches and despair. Bewildered? Who wouldn't be when another man stares at you with lust in his eyes... because you are young and like to stay neat and sharp.

You learn fast, or go down fast... the choice is yours if you really are a man and want to hold your head up.

Oh, they try every con game in the books, from commiseration, to a declaration of complete love. Even force, until you pull your shank, and show no shame or fear. Who thought I'd ever at-

tend school on time and never miss a single day?

I was one of the lucky youths... they put me in education. First it was just a mass confusion and hard struggle. Then a few rays of light dawning in what had been utter darkness. Nothing comes easy if it's worthwhile. Huh? Two years before I'd have died rather than admit even that much.

Thank God I have such a good family. What must it be like for the young guys who wait anxiously for the mailman's tread, only to have him pass their cell night after night? What empty, lonely hours we spend when the cell door clangs shut and we are locked in with the shadowy memories of the yesterdays spent so recklessly and foolishly. Can it be only twelve years ago since I was last home?

It seems an eternity, yet somehow the time has passed. I smile to myself when I think of the "peach fuzz" beard and of how self-centered I was then. Just a few more months, then graduation from high school. Mom sure will be proud. I'd give anything to recall her tears and heartaches spent on my selfish youth.

Yes, I've been lucky. Another dawn and another administra-

tion has replaced most of the corrupt prison pitfalls. Even today, when a youth finds companionship from one just a little older, one who will guide him from the cesspools of prison's mistakes, the older con and even a few of the unfeeling hacks accuse them of "running together."

The education Dale Carnegie and other worthwhile endeavors offer to us young men, make it possible for us to help others, and to accept our own responsibilities.

Rehabilitation? At one time I thought it was just a catchy word for spelling bees. Now I know its real worth, and hope to improve as the years pass... and to help others... so that we, the youth of the prison, might hold our own heads high and challenge the future.

Yes, from utter selfishness to a longing to help others. From bleak darkness to sunshine and hope. Hope for the future. Hope, not only for myself, but for the few that call me their friend.

I'm grateful, still young, and in a better position to understand myself and others. Perhaps, someday, I can help someone to capitalize on their age and avoid, not youth... but its follies!

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Some time ago Hope Dais asked to be relieved of the position of editor of this magazine as soon as a suitable replacement could be found. We are happy to announce that Gail Rincker will be the new editor of AIM, beginning with the June issue. We know that the enthusiasm and dedication which Gail brings to the paper will be a real asset.



# Tell Me, Please

Youth Questions Answered by  
Dale G. Lawson



## QUESTION

Please give me some straight advice on how long or short my skirts should be. I so want to please the Lord without looking like a little old lady.

## ANSWER

If by straight advice you mean a point to measure by, I don't have one.

You see, people have their own opinions concerning the matter and those opinions run from three inches below the knee, bottom of the knees, middle of the knee, top of the knee, to . . . ?

The Bible does not give us a set measurement and that is the reason for such varied opinion. I could give you my personal opinion (and I do have one) but I doubt if you are looking for personal opinions.

Here are some good (fair) guidelines:

Wear your skirts long enough so that your Christian character is not besmirched.

Wear your skirts long enough so that you do not by the shortness of your skirt attract lustful attention from men around you.

Wear your skirts long enough so that you can sit comfortably

without exposing yourself. If you have to squirm and tug to keep covered, by all means try a longer skirt.

With these hints and your earnest desire to live like God wants you to, modesty will naturally be a part of your life.

God's standards are not relative to social acceptance, so sometimes one may have to look a bit "old lady like" to please Him. Though the nude look may be socially acceptable, God does not condone it.

## QUESTION

What does it mean to be "translated" as Enoch or Elijah were?

## ANSWER

Let's start with John 3:13! John said, "And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven."

This makes it necessary for us to conclude that they were not translated (transported or transferred) to God's abode; to the heaven of His throne.

Now! Hebrews 9:27 says, ". . . it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment."

Then Hebrews 11:5 includes

Enoch with a list of the faithful—verses 4-12—and verse 13, inspired by God's Spirit, says, "These *all* died in the faith, not having received the promises."

This makes it necessary for us to conclude that the ascension of Elijah to heaven was a

transfer through the heaven (atmosphere) to another place and that he died! Also it shows that Enoch's translation (that he should not see death) was a temporary one. It may well have been that unrighteous men sought his life.

Dear Elder Burrell,

May God bless you and keep you in the blood of Christ Jesus!

Wonderful news! The "preacher mailing campaign" has been a great success. We've had many replies and further inquiries. The Lord's Word doesn't go out void and it is a wonderful way to do some "armchair and desk" witnessing! One preacher really enlightened us on the blood of Jesus and its great significance. (More on this later.)

I hope all others participating in this campaign are getting positive results! I know the Lord blesses all efforts to preach the gospel of His coming Kingdom. This wasn't a waste of time. It has given greater peace and understanding to us as well as warning preachers of their responsibility for their congregations' knowledge of the truth.

I'd like to join you in encouraging all our vivacious youth groups across the United States to start, continue, and finish this campaign. It brings blessings to all attending to it.

"Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you *faultless* before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy" (Jude 24).

In Christ Jesus,  
Cindy Gibbs

"Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the Church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood" (Acts 20:28).

# Who's Charting Your Course, Mate?

(RALLY OF THE MONTH)

## SETTING

The stage setting is quite impressionable. The stage is set nicely with a cardboard boat 3 to 4 feet high. A bulletin board in the background displays the theme over a sea and sky setting. A sail, easily made from a sheet, may be hung on a mast. Ropes draped from the top of the mast to the bottom of the boat and colored nets flung over the side will add originality to the setting. Waves drawn with colored chalk or painted on a foot-wide roll of white paper covering the lower portion of the boat give the effect of the ship's actually sailing on the sea.

The narrator stands offstage (unseen). Announcement of numbers is unnecessary because all participants are informed ahead of time as to when their part will be.

## SCENE I (*Curtain opens*)

*(Crew working on ship...ropes slung over shoulders...anchors placed... Sailors are hastily buying tickets to come aboard. Some sailors try all kinds of methods to board the special ship.)*

"Stand by to weigh anchor"

"Belay!"

"Hold Fast!"

"Aye, sir!"

Ticket Master: (*Yelling*) "Behold! Now is the accepted time. Behold! Now is the day of salvation!"

1st Sailor: (*Sailor rushes in to buy ticket...*) "I'd like a one-way ticket to Paradise Island, please."

Ticket Master: "There are certain requirements one needs to meet. Are you ready to meet them?"

1st Sailor: "Aye, sir! The fruit of the Spirit...temperance!"

Ticket Master: "Well done! The 'Charity' will be boarding soon!"

2nd Sailor: (*Running...out of breath*) "I've been trying so long to get here. That old snake downstairs has been trying to shanghai me!" (*Hold up Bible*) "And this is what's brought me through!"

Ticket Master: "Stand fast...bondage!"

3rd Sailor: (*Hesitates...stands in background*)

Ticket Master: "Come on, what's holding you up?"

3rd Sailor: "I don't know. It's a long way to Paradise Island! There's

just so many problems once we get under way. The lurches, tumbels and capsizes or upsets that could surface."

Ticket Master: "Let us not be weary in well doing, Pipes (*referring to a mate*), for in due season we'll reach Paradise Island if we faint not."

END SCENE I...*Curtain closes*

Narrator: Luke 8:22-25.

*(Change scene background. The whole ship must be shown. Set up masts, ropes, sails.)*

SCENE II (*Curtain opens*)

Narrator: "All passengers are on board..."

Deck members  
calling back



Paul Heavilin, Sandy Moldenhauer, and Pam Baker are shown in the ship "Charity." All three were instrumental in initiating the ideas for this rally.

and forth: "O.K., Skipper, weigh anchor!"  
 "Let's set sail!"  
 "Stand by the main sheet!"  
 "Pack on sail!"  
 "Take ship!"

1st Mate: "All hands on deck!" Listen, mates, this is gonna be a rough trip but for those of you who can stay with it, there's a dazzling treasure awaiting ya at the journey's end. We've set the sail for Paradise Island and we ain't gonna come aground until we see the shinin' island."

2nd Mate: "There's a lot of advantages to sailing on the 'Charity.' Our Captain is the finest and wisest Skipper on the seven seas. You can be assuring yerselves that He won't be lettin' us down. Yes, Captain Christ has helped many a falling sailor back into the ship. He helps them buffet the waves and bruise the sea. And the strangest thing of all is He don't hold no grudges when we've disobeyed orders. Forgive 'N Forget, that's His policy."

1st Sailor: Excuse me, mate, but when can we see the skipper?  
 1st Mate: Now don't ye be worryin' about seeing Him, lad, cuz if yer a faithful worker you'll be feelin' Him right beside you in everything ya do."

**ALL SAILORS SING** (except 1st and 2nd sailors):  
**"If You Know the Lord"** (the revised version)

**SONG: Jesus the Master**

2nd Sailor: "Hey, Mate, what do ye say? Ye think our faith will get us through this one?"

1st Sailor: Well, this will be a rough run, but in this here Captain's log (*hold up the Bible*) I read that it only takes faith like a wee grain of mustard seed to get us a long way! This rig should land us safe on Paradise Island."  
*(INTERRUPTION!!)*

3rd Sailor: *(To first mate)* "STOWAWAY ON BOARD!! STOWAWAY ON BOARD! Sir, sir, below deck they found a stowaway!"  
*(Turning and addressing deck officer)*: "Deck officer, fetch him up on deck."  
*(Sailors bring in stowaway)*

3rd Sailor: "Here he is, 1st mate."  
 1st Mate: *(Picks up microphone)*—"Captain Christ, sorry to be disturbing you, Sir, but we have to be reportin' a stowaway aboard... any orders, Sir?"

Stowaway: "Please, please give me a chance. I know I did this in the wrong way. I should have worked harder for my passport."

Captain: "Crew, if a mate be overtaken in a fault, you who are

spiritual, restore this one in the spirit of meekness, considering yourselves lest ye also be tempted."

1st Mate: "Ye know, lad, when you desire employment on the 'Charity,' ye have to have a personal interview with Captain Christ, and then submit to the rules of the ship which are written in the Captain's log."

*(1st Mate hands stowaway a Bible.)*

Stowaway: "I do want Christ as my Captain and I want to make this voyage to Paradise Island."

Captain: "Study to shew thyself approved unto Christ, a shipmate that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth!"

**SONG: In Times Like These**  
 END SCENE II... *Curtain closes*

SCENE III *(Curtain Opens)*

Narrator: "The ship is now sailing along, night is coming on, clouds are gathering." *(House lights are off. Colored lights are being used.)*

3rd Sailor: *(Anxiously looking over the edge of the boat. Craning neck to see the dangers arising...)* "We've got to do something! We'll all be killed in this storm!"

**SONG: Don't Be Afraid**  
*(While this song is sung, the 3rd sailor will be pacing back and forth dramatically playing the fear scene. As soon as the song is completed, the sailor begins to act hysterical.)*

3rd Sailor: "Change course! Ease the helm! Change course, I tell you! (...running to the wheel. As he grabs for the wheel, he slips over the rail—into the back of the boat. As he slips, a dummy is thrown over the rail in the background and a splash is made in the baptistry.)

Captain: "No mate, having put his hands to the wheel and changing course, is fit for Paradise Island!"

Narrator: "Storm becomes turbulent and waves splash up over the rails."

**SONG: Instrumental: Master the Tempest is Raging**  
*(Lightning flashes, bolting down thru the black skies.)*  
 Crew members softly sing "With Christ in The Vessel."

Sailors *(together)*:  
 "Lend a hand, mates!"  
 "Shift the rudder!"  
 "Ease the helm!"  
 "Right 5 degrees—rudder!"  
 "Heave Ho!"

*(Storm slowly passes by, and a small voice of despair is heard thru the night.)*

Drifter: *(softly)* "Help, Help!"  
1st Mate: "It's a man . . . overboard . . . let's have some help, mates!"  
*(Crew rushes to lift the drifter on board—back of boat)*

Drifter: *(Out of breath, weak and weary)*  
"Oh, bless you, mates, I was traveling toward yer harbor when I was 'shanghaied' on to that wicked ship 'Sin.' The company was terrible. The only way I could escape was by jumping overboard. I've been drifting for days.  
*(Blankets are wrapped around him.)*

Drifter *(sings)* "I WILL PILOT THEE" *(Captain below deck joins singing on the chorus.)*

**Congregation then sings: Love Lifted Me**  
END SCENE III . . . *Curtain closes*

SCENE IV *(Curtain opens)*

*Crew members look over land*

**SONG: Lead Me, Guide Me**

"Land Ho!"

"Land Ho!"

1st Sailor: "Crew mates, I can just see it now! That glorious island where we won't be troubled any longer. No more storms or rough sails."

2nd mate: "We've hit it! We've found the greatest treasure in the whole world, more than great treasures of gold or rubies or diamonds. More than all the pleasures this world has to offer. This is the treasure all men are searching to find. Captain Christ is such a Great Skipper. I knew we'd make it! Look! We're almost there!"

**Chorus by crew members: "We're Nearing the Shore"**

**SONG: The Lighthouse on the Shore**

Narrator: "Well, folks, our journey has ended and our crew has reached Paradise Island. How happy they are. *(Crew members must be smiling, and singing)* It's only by using the requirements and knowledge of their passports (the way of salvation) and charting their lives according to the instruction of Captain Christ that they have gained the treasure they had been searching for.

"Who's charting YOUR course, mate? Where does your course lead? Will you find a treasure at the end?"

*("Sheltered in the Arms of God" may be sung in conclusion if desired.)*

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## ... Into Every Nation

Reported by Ruth Ling

### A LETTER FROM A BROTHER IN TRINIDAD

The following letter was submitted by one of our foreign correspondents, Ruth Ling.

Dear Sister Ruth,

I apologize for not writing earlier. The bad weather has continued and during the days and nights there are heavy winds and showers. I study with a kerosene lamp which is always being extinguished by the wind at night.

I have received two issues of AIM, October and November, of 1971. These issues are interestingly and inspiringly filled with spiritual food which gives spiritual strength to readers in effectively resisting evil desires and in living wholesome lives.

By having deep faith, sincere trust and great confidence in God, He nourishes our minds with spiritual strength to enable us to live wholesomely. We will have happy and cheerful lives by doing what He requires and expects us to do. Spiritual strength liquidates lust, greed, anger, envy and malice, which are supreme in one's evil-infested mind. Hence we are able to see a lifetime of magnificent and splendid challenges—a life that is worth living and bubbling over with real suspense and real thrills.

Yes, our outlook changes; our very way of life changes. Instead of always being on the receiving end, we switch ends and make determined efforts in going all out to make others happy by giving and sharing. God expects us to give alms to beggars; God expects us to help the blind cross the street; God expects us to help the less fortunate member in our community.

One who lives by faith in God is both spiritually and physically equipped to face the trials and tribulations that are to come. Now is the time to have that deep faith.

Again, thank you very humbly.

Your Hindu brother,  
Gangaram Rameshwar

# “Get Acquainted”



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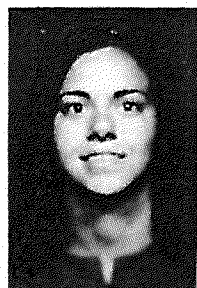
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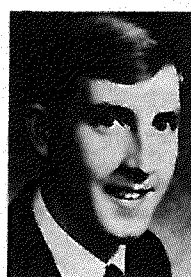
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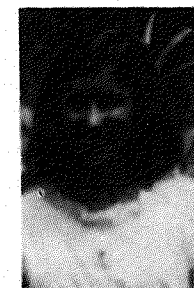
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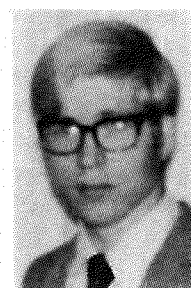
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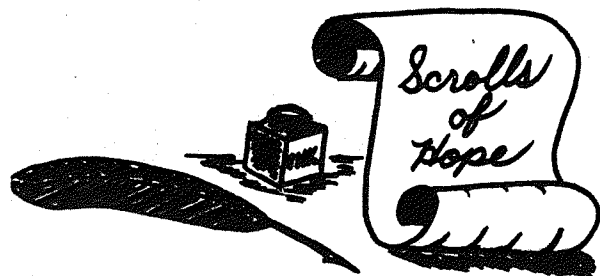


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From all directions—north, south, east, west, and even from across the seas—local F.Y.C. leaders responded with the “Get Acquainted” pictures we requested. We are sorry this feature does not include all local leaders but we hope you’ll enjoy this cross section. May God bless the dedicated efforts of these young people who are willing to become involved.



Could it possibly be eight whole years since I labored over that first editorial—and that now one hundred editorials later I sit at my typewriter still questioning whether or not I can put into words the thoughts and feelings within?

Again change brings about a mixture of emotions... regrets that many times we weren't able to put out the quality paper we would like to have put out... a longing to still be a part of a cause for youth—the importance and impact of which cannot be measured... relief that a dedicated, suitable replacement in the person of Gail Rincker has consented to assume this challenging responsibility.

As with so many pursuits in life, we never feel we are really "finished." Always there is a need to press on and accomplish more. With each issue of AIM, as it went to press, we felt a sense of accomplishment... but always the sense of accomplishment was accompanied by the need... the challenge... to move on to another issue... to find more inspiration... to keep up with the thinking and feelings of the youth of today.

Similarly, with the termination of my editorship, I am compelled to press on... to find continued interests in serving the cause of our Heavenly Father in spreading His gospel message. I will continue to share with you an interest in this youth magazine, and I hope that we will meet through correspondence, through the pages of AIM and, on occasion, in person at youth camps, camp meetings, etc.

Your new editor will need your help and support. An editor can do only "so much." An editor can "edit" the manuscript she has, but she can't "edit" the manuscript she *hasn't!* Don't let those little (or big) moments of inspiration go unheeded. Jot them down. Develop them. Share them with others through AIM. Remember that in order for you to have the many moments of inspiration you've enjoyed through AIM, someone had to care enough to take time to share their thoughts with you on paper.

May we continue to work together "... for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ" (Ephesians 4:12).



Bible Prophecy

## ... In the Last Days

by Stanley J. Kauer

### Perilous Times

"This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come" (2 Timothy 3:1).

The word "perilous" could just as accurately be translated *dangerous*. The period of the "last days" reaches from the time of the early church until the second advent of Christ. There have been dangerous conditions in every part of this time period, but this situation has increased a great deal in recent years.

The verses following the quotation list many causes of the dangerous times. These causes are listed in a general way. "For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers... fierce, despisers of those that are good..." These words do not tell how these would be expressed, and this has been different at various times. Today covetous men snatch women's purses or they "mug" people and rob them of their money. It is dangerous to walk through many of our city parks, especially at night. It is even dangerous to walk down some city streets at night. Frequently we read of people's being attacked and robbed in their own homes. This condition is getting worse and worse and the outlook is for it to increase yet more. How good it is that the people of God have the assurance of His care! Let us trust Him more and more as the perilous times get worse and worse!

### Mid-East Tension Increases

In recent weeks the cease-fire between Israel and the Arab nations has ended as fighting has broken out again. Armed forces of Israel have invaded Lebanon and Syria in a move to stop the guerrilla attacks on Israel farming settlements near the border. This has increased the general tension between Israel and the Arabs. The Arab nations still want to conquer Israel and take over all the land. But the Word of God shows plainly that after Israel has gathered from all nations of the world and established their nation again, they will continue there until the coming of Jesus.

"Because thou hast had a perpetual hatred, and hast shed the blood of the children of Israel by the force of the sword in the time of their calamity . . . Because thou hast said, These two nations and these two countries (Israel and Judah) shall be mine, and we will possess it; whereas the Lord was there" (Ezekiel 35:5, 10).

"And I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them . . . And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the Lord thy God" (Amos 9:14, 15).

Yes, God is there and His Word is true. Wonderful things are yet to happen in the land which God gave to Israel. Jesus said we should watch for the signs which show that His return is near.

### Knowledge Increases

"...even to the time of the end...knowledge shall be increased" (Daniel 12:4).

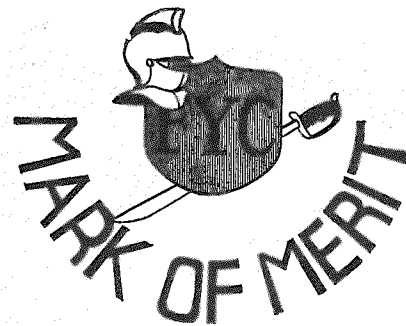
When President Nixon was in China we were able to see just what he was doing at the very time it was being done. This was possible by television equipment which is portable and thus could follow the president wherever he went. The television was beamed to a satellite which is located midway over the Pacific Ocean, and then beamed to the U.S.A. Such things would surely have been thought impossible just a few years ago. Just how much more God will cause man's knowledge to increase we do not know. How wonderful it would be if this great ability could be used to spread the true gospel!

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### "NOT GOOD IF DETACHED"

Did you ever notice on a railroad ticket, or on many coupons of various kinds, "Not Good If Detached"? The coupon was made of the same material as the rest of the ticket, was printed with the same ink, on the same press and was kept in the same office and used by the same company. But it was not good if detached. Its usefulness, its ability to take you places, was dependent upon its relation to the rest of the ticket.

Of how much worth is a church member if he is detached from the rest of the church? How much fruit can a branch bear if detached from the vine? How good is your hand when detached from your body? A Christian is one who stays with the rest of the church. He cannot serve apart from it. You may be a foot, a hand or an eye of the body of Christ, but you are not worth much to yourself, or to anyone else when separated from the church, which is His body.—*Selected*



By Nolan D. Rincker

As your new director for the Mark of Merit program, I want to encourage you to be active during 1972. Your FYC group can only be as active as each individual FYC'er. The same is true in many aspects of life. The United States is a country built upon a foundation of family life. The basic family unit contributes to the well-being of the nation just as the breakdown of family life leads to the decline and fall of the nation. This was the primary cause for the downfall of the great and powerful Roman Empire. A *lazy* FYC'er makes a lazy FYC. Be active! Be a supporter of your officers and sponsors! Carry out your plans to make your FYC more active than 1st quarter and last year.

I am looking forward to serving as your director. If you have any questions concerning the Mark of Merit program I will try to answer them.

The response for the first quarter of 1972 has been great—twenty-four groups have sent in their reports for the first quarter. If your group isn't listed among these twenty-four, you should make sure that a report for the first quarter is completed and mailed soon. Otherwise, your chance for winning a Silver or Gold Mark of Merit Award for 1972 will diminish.

### FEATURE PROJECT OF THE MONTH

In each month's AIM we would like to feature a brief summary of an outstanding project some local group has accomplished. Please send two or three action photos and a summary of a project your group considers notable.

### "QUARTER PER QUARTER" NATIONAL FYC SUPPORT

A few groups have set a goal and are working toward it. Has your group set a goal since the beginning of this new program the first quarter of this year?

### PROJECT FOR THE MONTH

Offer the adults of your local church an evening to have a

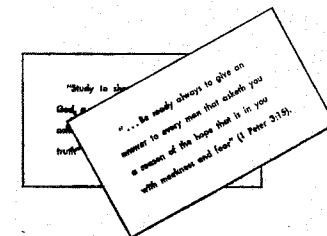
Bible study and/or social by volunteering to babysit for their children.

FYC	Merit Points	Bonus Points	Amount Sent	Goal
ARKANSAS				
Ft. Smith	163	25	\$18.75	\$75.00
CALIFORNIA				
Bloomington	155	256		
Lodi	175	305		
Ontario	150	194		\$50.00
Sacramento	105			
Stockton	208	381	\$20.00	80.00
CANADA				
Nipawin	120	60		
COLORADO				
Denver	208	170	30.00	100.00
IOWA				
Marion	195	360		45.00
MICHIGAN				
Southwest Michigan	143	20	18.75	75.00
MINNESOTA				
St. Paul	153	190	15.00	60.00
MISSOURI				
Kansas City	155	105		
Stanberry	163	10	60.00	102.50
OKLAHOMA				
Midway	130			
Tahlequah	168	160	8.00	32.00
OHIO				
Toledo	225	269	23.00	23.00
OREGON				
Elmira	188	115	9.00	36.00
Harrisburg	195	359		120.00
Marion	140	335		110.00
TEXAS				
Conroe	173	45	20.00	80.00
San Antonio (Spanish)	163	85	18.75	75.00
WASHINGTON				
Tacoma	165	445		
Walla Walla	155	142		
WISCONSIN				
New Auburn	175	105		60.00

# MINUTEMAN

by Marcia Woods

Ephesians 6:15	James 3:18
Psalm 119:165	John 16:33
Proverbs 3:1-2	John 14:27
Isaiah 32:17	Romans 10:15



Peace—a gift, a work, and a reward. Impossible? Consider these verses: “Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you . . .” (John 14:27). and “These things have I spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace” (John 16:33). Clearly, peace is a gift from God through His Son Jesus Christ. It is not, however, merely a gift that we set aside and ignore.

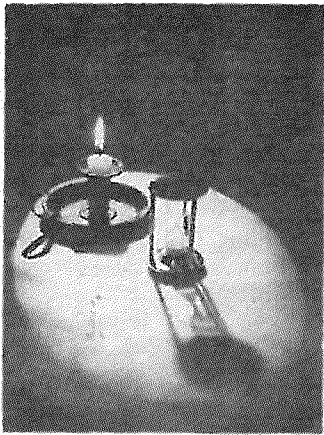
“And the work of righteousness shall be peace . . .” (Isaiah 32:17). “And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace . . .” (James 3:18). “And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace” (Ephesians 6:15). This gift from God is one that we are to spread to others in all that we do. Truly, he who gives has the most. To keep peace bottled up within us would be like a scientist withholding a revolutionary cure for cancer. It is of no value if we do not convey it to others. God has given us peace for two purposes. One is to comfort us in the absence of His Son (it is sent through His Holy Spirit) and the other purpose in His giving us peace is so that we may spread it to others. “And how shall they preach, except they be sent, as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things” (Romans 10:15).

He has given this peace to you if only you will love Him and keep His commandments. “Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them” (Psalm 119:165).

Think about it. Of all His children, God has offered the gift of peace to YOU. It's yours for the asking (and obeying).

The rewards to those who keep His commandments are multiple—“My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments: For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee” (Proverbs 3:1-2).





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## Take Time for God

by Marilyn Current

### THE HOLY SPIRIT (Part II)

"... Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God" (John 3:5).

*PRAYER: "Lord, give me the infilling of your Spirit, that I may have power and Godly wisdom."*

#### IMPORTANCE OF THE SPIRIT

**June 1. John 3.** Importance: We must be born of the Spirit in order to receive eternal life.

**June 2. Acts 19.** Note: The infilling of the Spirit does not necessarily come at the moment of baptism.

**June 3. Acts 10.** Note: In the case of Cornelius' household, the Spirit came upon them before baptism.

#### THE PURPOSE AND WORK OF THE SPIRIT

**June 4. John 16.** Work: Reprove the world of sin.

**June 5. Ephesians 21.** Purpose: We have access unto God by the Spirit (verse 18).

**June 6. John 15.** Work: To testify of Christ.

**June 7. John 5.** Purpose. Shed God's love in our hearts.

**June 8. 1 Cor. 6.** Work: Sanctifies and justifies us (verse 11).

**June 9. John 14.** Work: Teaches us all things.

**June 10. 1 Cor. 2.** Work: Searches the deep things of God.

#### WARNINGS CONCERNING THE SPIRIT

**June 11. Matt. 12.** Warning: Blasphemy against the Holy Ghost won't be forgiven.

**June 12. 1 Thess. 5.** Warning: Quench not the Spirit.

**June 13. Eph. 4.** Warning: Don't grieve the Holy Spirit.

**June 14. Isaiah 63.** Example: The Israelites grieved the Holy Spirit

and He turned against them (verse 10).

#### THE SPIRIT WORKING AMONG MEN

**June 15. Matt. 28.** Note: (Verse 19) The Great Commission.

**June 16. Matt. 3.** Note: John baptized with water, but Christ baptized with the Holy Ghost and with fire.

**June 17. Luke 4.** Note: The Spirit was with Christ as He preached.

**June 18. Luke 5.** Note: (Verse 2). The Holy Ghost gave commandments from Christ to the apostles after He was taken up.

**June 19. Rom. 15.** Note: Paul did mighty signs and wonders through the power of the Holy Ghost.

**June 20. Luke 11.** Note: The Holy Spirit will be given to them that ask.

**June 21. Luke 2.** Note: The Holy Ghost was with Simeon, even before the time of the apostles, and Pentecost.

**June 22. Num. 11.** Note: Moses and the seventy elders received God's Spirit, and prophesied.

**June 23. Deut. 34.** Note: Joshua was full of the Spirit of Wisdom.

**June 24. Judges 2.** Note: The Spirit of the Lord came upon Othniel, Caleb's younger brother, and he judged Israel.

**June 25. Judges 6.** Note: The Spirit of the Lord helped Gideon in the war.

**June 26. 1 Sam. 16.** Note: The Spirit of God came upon Azariah to prophesy to Asa.

**June 28. Ezek. 2.** Note: The Spirit called Ezekiel to go to the chil-

dren of Israel, and tell them of their wickedness.

**June 29. Micah 3.** Note: Micah was filled with power, judgment, and might by the Spirit.

**June 30. Rev. 1.** Note: (verse 10) John received a vision through the Spirit.

This month Mike Meadows and Bonnie Asher have sent in their completions for their first whole year of 2T4G. Janet Meadows has finished one year and three months. Kris Bailey has three months—a new beginner. Very good! Some of you other FYCers who have thought about starting, but haven't yet... start today... o.k.?

Here is a list of all the active 2T4Gers at the present time. If your name isn't on it, shouldn't it be? (Editor's note: This list was compiled and submitted in the latter part of February.)

- \*\* Pat Jones, Alabama
- \* Bonnie Asher, Iowa
- Henry Asher, Iowa
- Kris Bailey, Iowa
- \* Diana Coulson, Michigan
- \* Kathleen Leach, Michigan
- \* Janet Meadows, Michigan
- \* Mike Meadows, Michigan
- Anita Rodriguez, Michigan
- Deanne Jackson, Minnesota
- Terri Salazar, Minnesota
- Joanne Hamlin, Minnesota
- Bob Salazar, Minnesota
- Mary Carol Davis, Minnesota
- Lucy Marrs, Missouri
- Sandra Young, North Carolina
- Dennis Young, North Carolina
- Rex E. Reed, Ohio

Please send completed folders to my new address: Mrs. Marilyn Current, 6008 Moeller Rd., Lot 133, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46806.

## "What's New?"

The National F.Y.C. office is the proud owner of a fine Royal electric typewriter. This used office-model machine was recently purchased for \$175. Those who are familiar with typewriters feel it was a good bargain.

Much of the funds for this purchase were supplied by local F.Y.C. groups from District No. 6. They are: Detroit, Michigan, F.Y.C.; Freeland, Michigan, F.Y.C.; Southwest Michigan, F.Y.C.; Owosso, Michigan, F.Y.C.; and Parkersburg, West Virginia, F.Y.C.

"Thanks" to each of those who helped, and we hope that all of you will appreciate a better quality of typing on the correspondence from the National F.Y.C. office.

## Youth Tour... East in '72

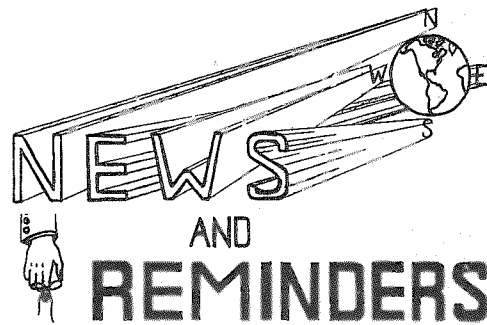
The National F.Y.C. is planning a Youth Tour east this summer. Please watch the June AIM for more details in this Christian effort by young people.

## The Latest Figure!!

The latest figure from the B.A.P shows 1,006 names on the National F.Y.C. mailing list in Denver. Thank you for your cooperation in up-dating our lists.

## Just Let Us Know!

Mark of Merit reporters, please send your reports to the new director, Nolan Rincker, P. O. Box 2370, Denver, Colo. 80201. (If, in the change-over in directors, you somehow missed receiving your report form, be sure



and let your director know. He will supply the needed forms.)

## Remember Our Denver Address

Since our move, address mail to: AIM, Bible Advocate Press, Box 2370 Denver, Colorado 80201.

## WE'RE SHARING OUR PROFITS WITH YOU!



## Stationery

The FYC stationery has been restocked, and is now available for sale. This stationery has the FYC shield on it, and is excellent for most types of letter-writing done by young people. You may use this as a money-raising project for your local group. The cost to you is 75¢ per packet, and you sell it for \$1.25. Order a quantity of these from the National Office.

# Youth Camps in '72

## DISTRICT NUMBER 4 YOUTH CAMP

At a beautiful camp overlooking Lake Texhoma, near Durant, Oklahoma

Planned for everyone within 999 miles of Lake Texhoma

June 25 - July 1

For ages: 9 through 25

Cost: \$15 per camper (Our prices are still frozen, but the weather will be nice!)

For information: Calvin A. Burrell, 1004 Fayetteville Rd., Van Buren, Arkansas 72956

## DISTRICT NUMBER 6 YOUTH CAMP

CAMP ST. MARY'S — ST. MARY'S, OHIO

August 6 - 12, 1972

For Ages 12-25 years

We are combining Youth Camp with the District Camp Meeting for economic reasons. Parents will not have to finance two camps and two trips. The cost for dorm and eats for all six days is \$31.50.

## SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT YOUTH CAMP

WILLIAM B. UMSTEAD STATE PARK

(Between Durham and Raleigh, North Carolina on Highway 70)

July 2-6

For information write to Dale Lawson, P. O. Box 108, Cludland, Ga. 30709

## CENTRAL STATES YOUTH CAMP

QUAKER HEIGHTS CAMP — ELBORA, IOWA

July 9-16, 1972

Fee: \$20.00 per camper

Camp directors: Elders Gerald Pedersen and Ron Sanders. Additional information may be obtained from: Elder Gerald Pedersen, 2504 Evergreen Drive, St. Joseph, Missouri 64503.

## OREGON STATE YOUTH CAMP

NORTH SILVER FALLS STATE PARK — SILVERTON, OREGON

June 23-July 2

For information, write to Duane Tilley, 595 Blackfoot Avenue, Eugene, Ore.