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## Two Roads

*In the morning, when you wake,  
Two roads before you lie  
For the day. Which will you take,  
Since either you must try?*

*One's the road of selfishness,  
And those who travel there  
Cause others sorrow and distress  
By tears and frowns they wear.*

*And one's the road of helpfulness,  
And those who pass that way  
Have cheery words and smiles to bless  
The ones they meet that day.*

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## EDITORIAL

Many young people who attend school look for jobs during the summer to help with their expenses. After school is out they are very enthusiastic about getting a good paying job of which they can be proud.

This is a commendable attitude for any young person to take and some succeed in getting just that kind of summer work without sacrificing principle.

But I believe the greater majority of our young people have their spirits dampened as they go "job hunting." They may even become depressed when they are turned down, or must decide for themselves that they cannot take the job, because they have established the principle within their own hearts and minds that obedience to God should have priority over all other desires and ambitions.

Many times it is necessary for the young people to accept more

menial tasks to meet their expenses in order not to compromise with the way of the world. It is not easy, especially for a young person, to lower himself in the eyes of the world and his own relatives in order to be pleasing to God.

Taking a job with less dignity attached makes it appear that you are not too efficient or intelligent or you could "pull down" a better job.

If you are one of these young people, have you ever stopped to realize that this is one way in which you are being "persecuted for righteousness' sake," and that the indescribable glories of the kingdom of heaven are promised to you if you remain faithful? "If, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God." 1 Peter 2:20.

Your heavenly Father knows what you have need of and has promised to supply your needs. The Bible tells us, "... Your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." Matt. 6:32-33.

You must be diligent in whatever honest work there is for you to do and carry it out as faithfully as if it were the most important job in the world. Then no matter how small your wages are, faithfully pay your tithes and offerings. In this way you will prepare yourself for the blessings of God, which give greater joy than any worldly praise.

"He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much." Luke 16:10. B. B.

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Pass This On To A Friend



## NOT OF THE WORLD

By Eld. Stanley J. Kauer

**S**PEAKING of His disciples, Jesus said, "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world." John 17:16. And in Romans 12: 2 the instruction of the Lord through the apostle Paul is, "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." It means a great deal to set our standards of life and conduct by Bible principles rather than by the ways of the world all about us. Most people are so much afraid of being considered peculiar that they feel they must follow most of the popular fads and fancies and to dress and act and talk much as does the world. But if we are the true people of God, ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, we are "a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people. . . ." 1 Peter 2:9. This does not mean we should do things just to be queer, but rather that we should follow Bible principles and standards regardless of what the world may think of us for so doing.

God expects His people to keep themselves neat and clean. Before David went into the house of the Lord, it is recorded that he "washed and anointed himself, and changed his apparel. . . ." 2 Sam. 12:20. Before Joseph went

before Pharaoh, he shaved. Naomi told Ruth to wash and anoint herself before she went to see Boaz. The anointing was with a small amount of olive oil which acted as a skin lotion. God's people washed, and were clean, and natural.

On the other hand the Bible describes a very wicked woman thus, ". . . thou didst wash thyself, paintedst thy eyes, and deckedst thyself with ornaments." Ezekiel 23:40. The most wicked woman named in the Bible was Jezebel, the wife of the wicked king Ahab. Jezebel attempted to save her life by impressing the reformer, Jehu, with her good looks. When she heard that he was coming, ". . . she painted her face, and tired her head, and looked out at a window." 2 Kings 9:30. But the favor of good men is never to be won by the use of face decorations and Jezebel met a violent death as she well deserved.

The apostle Peter describes the Bible standard for Christian women in 1 Peter 3:3, 4, "Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of the wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel: but let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price."

These Bible references show

that there is a Bible standard for conduct and dress. In general we see that the Bible condemns display, adorning with jewelry, and the use of "paint," or colored material to change the natural appearance. Christians have chosen the way of God before the way of the world and therefore do not follow the dictates of worldly fashion in these things. It takes courage and conviction for people—especially young people, to be different from other people. But we must choose Christ and His way before the way of the world. And there are others who have the same thought, in the churches which call people to personal Christian living. The Youth for Christ organization condemns the use of tobacco and liquor, and also speaks against the use of lipstick. Among the churches which uphold high personal standards of conduct, these things are considered and taught, and surely we of the Church of God should not come behind.

We believe the Church of God (7th day) has the true Bible message of salvation, the true doctrines, and an understanding of the Bible above others. But God expects more of us than to merely have a head knowledge of His Word. He expects us to be "holy," devoted to Him and living for God and not for the world. When we go into a store to buy clothing we should stop and think, "Is this dress appropriate for a Christian? Is this 'loud' necktie in keeping with Bible teaching against showy adornment? These high-heeled shoes may be stylish, but they are uncomfortable and unhealthful. Is it right for a Christian to wear such things just

to be in style with the world?"

As Christians we need to develop a sense of conservative judgment. A great fault of the world today is that it has lost that sense of judgment of what is right and wrong, proper and improper, good taste and poor, helpful or harmful. We can develop such a true sense of thinking about things, by considering good and bad points from the Christian point of view. The Christian does not want to make a show of himself either by overdressing or underdressing. He wants to be neat and clean and have his actions and dress in good, conservative taste.

"In the world, but not of the world" . . . yes, it means a great deal but surely there is a great blessing to be gained by being "in" in the world, but "of" Christ. In passing judgment on our actions and clothing let us not ask, "What is the harm if I do thus and so," but rather, "What is the good which I will gain and how will my Christian influence be affected." And the Lord help all, young and old, to decide right and hold up a high standard, fitting for the name "Christian."

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### IT TAKES COURAGE

To refrain from gossip when others about you delight in it.

To stand up for an absent person who is being abused.

To be a real man, true woman, by holding fast to your ideals when this causes you to be looked upon as strange and peculiar.

To refuse to do a thing which is wrong though others do it.

To live according to your convictions. —Sel.



# Living Testimonies

By Bertie Freeman

*"Ye are our epistles written in our hearts, known and read of all men." 2 Corinthians 3:2.*

**H**AS THE thought ever occurred to you that you are known and read of all men? Some people may never read a Bible but they read your life day in and day out to see that you are living what you teach. Do you make good reading? Are you an interesting subject that points out the virtues of a Christian life?

A good life is the best testimony that we can give. There is no mistaking the things that are done. Always remember wherever you are that no matter how high the company might be, no one is higher than a child of God. You are royalty—a child of the most high King. Let your light shine for God. Be like the minister of a small country church. One day a very distinguished statesman sat in the congregation. The services went on as usual and the old minister preached with his accustomed earnestness and plainness of speech. At the close of the services, several of his congregation gathered about him and said, "Brother, we had a very distinguished visitor today, but you did not seem to be at all embarrassed." Thereupon the minister replied, "I have been preaching in the presence of Al-

mighty God for forty years, and do you think, with Him as one of my constant hearers, any man can embarrass me by his presence?" It we expect to be children of God we cannot be afraid of man, or afraid to testify to others. Never allow yourself to be overcome with awe to the extent that you cannot acknowledge God.

Never be too busy to pray for strength to go through the day. Maybe the epistle will be halted in the middle of the second chapter if you forget to pray. If we are too busy to pray, then we are just too busy. In the words of a minister, "If you have so much business to attend to that you have no time to pray, depend upon it, you have more business than God ever intended you should have." Halt in your work to pray, and pray that you may halt in time that you may not sin.

Obedience and peace should have a part in the epistle of Christian living. It is not said that **AFTER** keeping God's commandments, but **IN KEEPING** them there is a great reward. God has linked obedience and peace together and no man can separate them. Nothing can give us greater peace of mind and soul than

to know that we are striving to our utmost to be obedient to God and to His Word.

We are free to obey or to disobey as we choose. God warns us of the consequence of disobedience, but He will not compel us to obey. Someone has said that an Englishman's cottage is his castle. The winds may whistle through every crevice, the rains penetrate through every cranny, but into that cottage the monarch of England dare not go unless the cotter is convicted of fault. Even so with Christ, He has given us our temples (the human body) and He will not force an entrance. We must open the door.

Samuel reminds us that "to obey is better than sacrifice, to hearken than the fat of rams."

Faith and trust will be penned into our epistle. Faith that God is, "and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." Faith to trust when the sky is dark above us and the sunshine of God's love is no longer seen. Faith in the hour of trial and temptation and in the face of great persecutions. Faith to help with problems too great for us in our frailty to cope with. Faith that gives peace of mind and security of soul. Matthew Arnold says, "That will break a worldly man's heart which will not break a godly man's sleep" We need a sense of dependence on God and a willingness to so depend.

Charity for others will be one of the first chapters read in the epistles for all men—charity enough to right the wrongs that we have caused and to forgive the wrongs caused by others—charity to have compassion and concern for others. We will help

those that need help, weep with those that weep, and rejoice in the good fortune of others.

Finally the love and care of God will be the closing chapter in our epistle. God's love is the beginning and ending of all good. Are you able to say:

"I know not where His islands lift  
There froned palms in air;  
I only know I cannot drift  
Beyond His love and care.  
And so beside the silent sea  
I sit with muffled oar;  
No harm from Him can come to me  
On ocean or on shore."

—Whittier



#### FORGET AND REMEMBER

Forget each kindness that you do  
As soon as you have done it;  
Forget the praise that falls to you  
The moment you have won it.  
Forget the slander that you hear  
Before you can repeat it;  
Forget each slight, each spite, each sneer,  
Wherever you may meet it.

Remember each kindness done  
To you, whate'er its measure;  
Remember praise by others won,  
And pass it on with pleasure;  
Remember every promise made;  
And keep it to the letter;  
Remember those who lend you aid,  
And be a grateful debtor.—Sel.

Keep my commandments, and live . . . Prov. 7:2.



# Hoeing Meditations

By Ruth Sheffield

The other day while I was hoeing, the thought came to me of what a comparison to life it could be.

Here in the Willamette valley where we live, mint is a major crop. From the plants peppermint oil is extracted to be used in candies and gums. You can even find it on drugstore shelves.

After the second year the mint plants grow solidly over the fields, not in rows, and of course like other crops, it needs hoeing. We are told of the curse of weeds in Gen. 3:18, "Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee."

Where I was hoeing, we set stakes to go by for a comparatively straight line across the field. We would line them up by some object at the end of the field, thereby setting our course. Just so in life, we have a goal. "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Phil. 3:14.

As we went along hoeing we suffered some discomforts. Some became sunburned, others were stung by bees. We have these in life, too. Those who set their aim for that high goal are often tempted of the devil, but in all things we know God is with us. "Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens. Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high

priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin." Heb. 4:14, 15.

I have a friend who quit her job of hoeing because of her family. We must not falter or give up our hope of reaching the goal as some have. We are given the example of those bidden to the feast in Luke 14. Many were the excuses given for not being there.

The weeds in the field are a good example of our bad habits and faults. There are weeds, such as the common pigweed, which must be cut off deep enough not to come back. So it is with our faults. If we don't do a good job of breaking them in the first place, how much harder it is the second time over. There are other faults like quake grass, which I'm sure everyone knows of. They need constant digging and special attention to get them out of our lives.

And at the end of the day how good it is to lay down the hoe; so it will be at the end of this life when our work has been finished and our goal has been reached. What wonderful joys we'll know if we are worthy. "Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city." Rev. 22:14.

# TEEN

## FISHIN'

Supposin' fish don't bite at first,  
What are you goin' to do?  
Throw down your pole, chuck out  
your bait  
And say your fishin's through?

Am sure you ain't; you're goin' to fish  
An' fish, an' fish, an' wait  
Until you've ketch'd a bucketful  
Or used up all your bait.

Suppose success don't come at first,  
What are you goin' to do?  
Throw up the sponge and kick your-  
self  
And growl, and fret, and stew?

No! no! you ain't; you're goin' to fish,  
An' bait, and bait ag'in,  
Until success will bite your hook,  
For grit is sure to win.

—Sel.

## FILL IN THE BLANKS

1. No man hath ..... God at any time. 1 John 4:12.
2. If ye ..... my commandments ye shall abide in my love. John 15:10.
3. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy.....  
...and none of them is.....  
John 17:12.
4. Great peace have they which love thy .....: and nothing shall ..... them. Ps. 119:165.
5. Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love ..... all sins. Prov. 10:12.
6. He that covereth a transgres-



- sion ..... love. Prov. 17:9.
7. Open rebuke is better than ..... love. Prov. 27:5.
  8. Reprove not a ....., lest he hate thee: ..... a wise man, and he will love thee. Prov. 9:8.
  9. Take heed that ye do not your ..... before men, to be ..... of them. Matt. 6:1.
  10. But the ..... can no man tame; it is an ..... evil, full of deadly ..... James 3:8.

## JESUS AND THE RULER'S SON

John 4:43-54

Jesus left Judea and went into Galilee. There was a good reason, one that Jesus Himself testifies of—He said, "A prophet hath no honour in his own country."

When Jesus came into Galilee, the Galileans received Him, because they had been to the feast in Jerusalem and had seen all the things Jesus did there. So Jesus came again into Cana of Galilee



# TALK



ed on Jesus and his whole house with him.

—M. H.

## THE WINGS OF THE MORNING

"Don't go, Jim," pleaded a pale-faced woman with silvery hair, looking into her sailor boy's face.

"Dont trouble so, Mother," answered the boy, somewhat impatiently, "I am old enough to please myself. I tell you, I like the ship, and I like my mates that are to be. Why shouldn't I go?"

"I want my dear boy to please God as well as himself," said the mother gently.

"Come, Mother," said Jim, defiantly, "don't talk to me like that; I don't want religion thrust down my throat. It's just because I get such a lot of it that I've entered my name on the books of *The Wings of the Morning*. I shan't get much of it there, I'll be bound."

The widow sighed deeply. It made her heart ache to hear Jim's reckless talk, but had she known it, the young fellow's flippancy was more assumed than real, to hide an uneasy conscience: for Jim could not get over his mother's prayers, and lovely, patient Christian life and example. Her silence was often a reproach to his godless ways, and he foolishly thought that if he "turned religious" he would have to let all the joy drop out of his life. So he determined to get away from God and be as good as possible.

Captain Matell, who owned the

where He made the water wine.

Now there lived in Capernaum a certain nobleman, you might call him a courtier or ruler, who heard that Jesus was in Galilee. The ruler's son was seriously ill; in fact, the boy was at the point of death. The ruler found Jesus and besought Him to come down to Capernaum and heal his son.

Jesus said, "Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe." The nobleman saith unto Jesus. "Sir, come down ere my child die."

Jesus' reply was brief, "Go thy way; *thy son liveth.*"

Jesus had spoken and the man believed the words Jesus spoke. He returned to his home. Before arriving, the nobleman met his servants who brought joyful tidings—"THY SON LIVETH."

"What hour did he begin to amend?" enquired the nobleman of his servants.

"Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him," answered the servants. When the father heard this he "knew that it was at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, *Thy son liveth.*"

The nobleman, himself, believ-

ship, *The Wings of the Morning*, was a very bad man, and well-known in the small town where Jim lived. His crew was picked up at the hotels, and were his boon companions.

Jim was gone seven months, and his mother daily expected a letter from him. He had a rough time of it on board during his outward voyage; and when in port visited theaters, and saloons, and ran riot with the rest of the crew. Of his mother and her God he seldom thought.

Then came the homeward trip, marked by the fearful storm and accidents.

In the midst of the storm Jim stood on deck, cold, wet, and shivering, and death staring him in the face. The captain lay below in his berth with a broken leg, caused by the fall of some ship's spars and heavy cordage. He was threatening and swearing fearfully, and Jim dreaded to go near him.

The mate and three of the sailors had been swept overboard by a heavy sea, and no human effort could be made to save them in such a fearful storm. The three apprentices and a few remaining men were almost helpless, and could only try to obey the captain's orders as he shouted them.

"I pity the day I ever came on her," growled one man in Jim's ear as he went to obey the captain's orders.

"Oh, why did I come?" groaned Jim, as the ship lurched dangerously.

He went below, and groped his way to his little trunk. Death seemed near, and his thoughts flew to his mother and her God. Why had he neglected prayer?

How unfit he was to die! How could he meet God!

"I can't pray. Where is my Bible? I wish that I could find it," he said as he groped about with his cold fingers.

He had never opened the Bible since he left home; but now he seemed to hear his mother's loving voice, and see her sweet, reproachful face, as she said, "Jim, my boy, don't forget to read God's Book. It will help you in time of trouble."

Surely this was a time of great trouble. He took the Book, opened it under the swinging lamp, and read, "If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me" (Ps. 139:9, 10). Strange, strange words! Had God really spoken them from heaven with a voice of thunder into Jim's ears, they could scarcely have come to his soul and taken hold of his understanding more completely.

"The wings of the morning"! God had heard his impious words! God knew that he wanted to get away from the sound of His name. "In the uttermost parts of the sea," the hand of God had found him.

Down on his knees, unheeding storm and tempest, in the agony of deep conviction, poor Jim fell. "O God, have mercy! God, forgive me! Thou hast found me," came from his lips.

All round him the storm raged, but he did not hear it; his name was called, but he did not heed; and the angels said to one another, "Behold, he prayeth."

Far away in a little English

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# Choosing A Life Companion

There is no question in the life of young people that demands so much sanctified common sense, and so much prayer for Divine guidance, as the question of choosing a life companion. And there is no question about which young people, as a rule, are less willing to take advice from their elders than this question. Usually, when approached about these things, they will tell you that they are old enough to know what they are doing, and wish to be let alone. It is sad that many are soon disillusioned, and see their mistake when it is too late.

To be united in marriage with a young man or young woman outside of the will of God is nothing less than a tragedy. In these days of "easy marriage" and "easy divorce," many run headlong into matrimony without giving it much thought, only to have their matrimonial bark dashed against the rocks.

## *Marriage, A Divine Institution*

God's Word declares, "Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh" (Gen. 2:24). This Scripture shows that marriage was instituted by God in the time of man's innocency. It is therefore Divinely ordained and sanc-

tioned. And it is a "step that should not be undertaken by any unadvisedly, but with due consideration in the fear of God."

Since marriage is a Divine institution, God should be consulted before the step is taken. Why not let God choose your companion? He knows what is best for you, and He knows and sees the end from the beginning. It has been truly said that, "Matches that are made in heaven do not change on the way down." Many young people, like Samson, say, "She pleaseth me well," and that settles the matter for them. But like Samson, they live to regret it all the days of their life.

The marriage relationship should not be entered apart from the blessing of God. If there is one place where God's blessing is needed, it is in the home. But it is evident that God cannot bless a home where He has been left out. Therefore, if God's blessing cannot be asked upon a union, it had better not be effected.

## *Marriage, Designed for the Happiness of Man*

"And the Lord God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him" (Gen. 2:18). Notice that the "help" was to be "meet for him." It is evident that

she could be so only if she was like him in her relationship to God, in her desires and aspirations, and in her will. Only then could her will be lost in his, and only then could they truly be one, as God ordained they should.



"Kind, sincere smiles are stepping-stones to success; the avenue to sacred friendships; the dynamos that generate personal power; the elevators that lift our spirits; the devices that spread happiness and cheer. Have you a smile that people enjoy seeing?"



True happiness can dwell only in that home that God has made. How can a Christian girl be happy with a man who does not love her Lord, and who goes to work on Sabbath while she goes to church to worship God! No, my dear young people, true happiness is not found in that kind of a home.

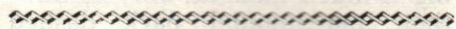
Every home is visited some time or other with tests and trials that are peculiar to the marriage relationship. If at such times husband and wife are truly one because God had joined them together, and if unitedly they can bring their burdens to the Lord in prayer, then their trials will be the means of drawing them nearer to God and nearer one to another. Thus their trials will be but stepping-stones to higher heights in the spiritual realm, and they will learn to understand and appreciate one another better through them. And God will sanctify every hard place to their good. On the other hand, if the home is divided against itself, it cannot stand. Love and

peace, which are so essential in the marriage relationship, will take wings and fly away. Sad, indeed, is the home where this is the case. The writer would save our young people from such a life.

### Marriage, "Only in the Lord"

It is, of course lawful for the unsaved to marry the unsaved (1 cor. 7:2). But it cannot be emphasized too strongly that the child of God has a right to marry "only in the Lord" (1 Cor. 7:39). It is quite evident that to marry "in the Lord" is to marry in the will of God, His will must be sought. How can young people know God's will about these things if they have never sought His will? And then, having sought and ascertained God's will, it is of vital importance that we do it. Many young people who have used their own judgment about these things have had cause to regret.

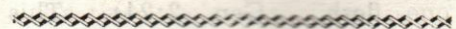
Surely, the reader will agree with me when I say that to marry "in the Lord" is to obey God's clear command regarding this matter: "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness?"



Rose of the desert! thou art to me

An emblem of stainless purity,—  
Of those who, keeping their garments white,

Walk on through life with steps a-  
right. —D. M. Moir.



and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? Or



what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? . . . Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate" (2 Cor. 6:14-17). This is a clear and unmistakable call of God to separation. What are you going to do about it, dear young people? Are you going to ignore it and live a life of regret? Or are you going to obey it and enjoy God's favor and blessing? The writer of these lines urges you with all the vehemence and earnestness at his command to do the latter.

### *Marriage, Indissoluble During the Joint Lives of the Parties*

The idea, so prevalent today, that one can get married today and divorced tomorrow is clearly an idea that has its origin in the pit of hell. For God has stated, in no uncertain terms, that "they are no more twain, but one flesh." And to this Jesus added, "What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder" (Matt. 19:6).

The Apostle Paul agrees with this teaching, for he writes to the Romans as follows: "A woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband" (Rom. 7:2). And again, he says, "If while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress" (Rom. 7:3). From this we gather that no man has a right to sever the marriage relationship, except it be for the one exception that Christ made. And no person has a right to remarry while the first

husband or wife is still living. The divorce craze that is so prevalent to day is an abomination in the sight of God. The courts of our land may allow it: but God does not! And where God has spoken, those, at least, who profess His name, ought to take heed.

### *God's Gracious Safeguards*

God has very graciously guarded His ancient people Israel against these sins. He forbade marriage with unbelievers, saying, "Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his sons, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son" (Deut. 7:3). What reason did God give for this prohibition? The reason that, "They will turn away thy son from following me" (v. 4). This is the way mixed marriages turn out, with few exceptions. To expect your husband or your wife to turn to God after you are married, is to expect something which God indicates is not likely to take place. And if you deliberately disregard the Word of God and go contrary to His revealed will, then—note what He says—"So will the anger of the Lord be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly." A hard saying! But the truth of God! You cannot disregard it and escape the judgment that follows disobedience.

Furthermore, God forbade marriage with divorced and improper persons. "They shall not take a wife that is a whore, or profane; neither shall they take a woman put away (divorced) from her husband" (Lev. 21:7). If the courts of our land would abide by God's revelation, and refuse



divorced persons the right to marry as long as the other party is alive, the divorce craze would cease over night.

Joshua, in his dying day, warned Israel against this sin: "If ye . . . shall make marriages with them, . . . they shall be snares and traps unto you, and scourges in your sides, and thorns in your eyes" (Josh. 23:12, 13). "Oh," you say, "that was in the Old Testament." To be sure! But shall we in this age of a fuller revelation, this age of the Holy Spirit, this age of wonderful Gospel privileges, be less concerned about obeying God's Word along this line than they were? Will not God hold us even more responsible because we have greater light? Let us not think that what was an abomination in God's sight in Old Testament times is less so today! We cannot disobey God's clear revelation on this subject without suffering loss.

There are certain safeguards which, if followed, will keep young people from these sins. First, do not keep company with an unsaved person. To do so is to put yourself into the way of temptation, and this is always dangerous. And remember that, "The friendship of the world is enmity with God" (James 4:4). Secondly, do not think that you can lead your companion to Christ after marriage. As a rule it does not work that way. And thirdly, live close to God. Speak to Him about these problems, and listen to His voice. Obey Him in everything, and you will have no regrets. Remember that the lamentation, "Oh, if I only had," will not solve your problems after marriage.

## *The Glory of a God-planned Marriage*

The glory of a God-planned marriage is seen in the fact that it is a type of the sacred union which exists between Christ and His Church (Eph. 5:23-32). According to this passage of Scripture, wives are to submit themselves to their own husbands in everything, because the husband is the head of the wife. How necessary that the woman's head knows God! And in turn, husbands are to love their wives even as Christ loved the Church and gave Himself for it. That is a sacrificial love. And I do not believe that a carnal, ungodly, pleasure-loving, cigarette smoking and drinking man can possess that kind of love.

A union that is effected in heaven will be one where love reigns, peace abides, and blessing is enjoyed. In such a home the family altar, that great bulwark of the Christian home, will be set up. But it is evident that it can only exist where man and wife both love and serve God. Our national distress is, I believe, largely due to the breaking down of the family altar in our homes. We are fast becoming a prayerless nation, because our children are not taught to pray in the home.

A home where prayer is wont to be made is not likely to be broken up in the divorce court. Such a home does not, as a rule, help to fill our penitentiaries.

God help us to use our God-given sense about these things! But if young people still insist on ignoring God's Word, and marrying outside of His will, then I pray to be excused from being



asked to help them into a life that can bring no blessing to them, and which must surely grieve the heart of God.—*Adapted from the Missionary Worker.*

## LOS ANGELES "GOSPEL CHEER BAND" REPORT

The young people of the Church of God in Los Angeles met at the church on Sabbath evening, June 8, 1951, for their monthly meeting. Due to many recent activities, the program consisted of a few readings and songs, which was followed by a business meeting. The main feature of the month was the program given by the young people on the day of the dedication of the new church building, June 16. "Home at the end of the Road" was the theme of the program. Our appointed leader of the day was Sister Lawanna Adams. The program consisted of wonderful talent and was presented to a large crowd. A trio sang "Now I belong to Jesus." Then a poem was read by Eva Norton. Sister Clifton sang a number and Bro. Youngs gave a talk on the activities of the "Gospel Cheer Band." A solo, "The Lord's Prayer," by Harold Sweeney, and another solo, "The Holy City," by David Herron were beautifully rendered. Betty Caldwell and Naomi English each sang a solo. Orabelle Youngs favored us by a musical number on the marimba. Bro. Krumsick and daughter, Barbara, from Oklahoma, also sang for us. The highlight of the program was a talk, very ably given by Mrs. Betty Maynor, about the activities of Spring Vale Academy. We were quite fortunate in having Mrs. Maynor on the program,

since she was one of the faculty at Spring Vale. The accomplishments, purpose, and needs of the school were brought out in the course of the talk. The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Elder Haeger, of Lodi, Calif.

Submitted by,  
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## THE WINGS OF THE MORNING

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cottage a silver-haired mother was praying that God would save her sailor boy, and He was answering her prayer of faith. In "the uttermost parts of the sea," God had found and was leading her wayward boy.

So *The Wings of the Morning* did work for God that the captain knew not; and weeks after, when she arrived in port, Jim's mother heard the story; and she is now telling it to you.—*Unknown. Observed in Gospel Herald.*

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## A QUIET MIND

I have a treasure which I prize;  
Its like I cannot find;  
There's nothing like it on the earth;  
'Tis this—a quiet mind.

But 'tis not that I'm stupefied,  
Or senseless, dull, or blind;  
'Tis God's own peace within my heart,  
Which forms my quiet mind.

I found this treasure at the Cross:  
And there, to every kind  
Of weary, heavy-laden souls,  
Christ gives a quiet mind.

My Savior's death and risen life,  
To give it were designed;  
His love the never-failing spring  
Of this, my quiet mind.

The love of God within my heart,  
My heart to Him doth bind;  
This is the peace of Heaven on earth—  
This is my quiet mind.

I've many a cross to take up now,  
And many left behind;  
But present troubles move me not,  
Nor shake my quiet mind.

And what may be tomorrow's cross,  
I never seek to find;  
My Savior says, "Leave that to Me,  
And keep a quiet mind."

And well I know the Lord hath said,  
To make my heart resigned,  
That mercy still will follow those  
Who have a quiet mind.

I meet with pride of wit and wealth,  
And scorn, and looks unkind;  
It matters not—envy none,  
While I've a quiet mind.

I'm waiting now to see my Lord,  
So patient and so kind;  
I want to thank Him face to face,  
For this my quiet mind.

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God gives deliverance from the fear of man, from anxiety, from carking care, which often times robs us of our peace. In the parable of the sower in the Gospel you get this, the seed that fell among thorns is choked by what? Cares, and the pleasures of this life. The cares are in the same category with the pleasures of this life. The Lord thus proceeds to deliver His disciples from care, that they may be able in their hearts to maintain the attitude of waiting for Him. If my thoughts are down in the dust, how can I be found waiting for Christ? He therefore comes in, and would deliver us from the cares of this world, from anxiety concerning what we may put on, or our daily food.

—E. Dennett.

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