

"Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth."—Eccl. 12:1



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SUPREME PURPOSE:

"That the Father may be glorified in the Son." (John 14:13)

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That we might do good to all men, and that believers might have joy.
(Galatians 6:10; John 15:11)

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ANNOUNCEMENT:

WE HOPE you will not feel too badly about this issue being only half as large as usual. But, the Lord willing, we will make it up to you next month. The next issue will be a very *special* one. It will contain either 64 or 72 pages and will be an issue you will not soon forget. In fact, if this coming SPECIAL ISSUE fails to move us, or if we forget its message, then that will indicate that something is TERRIBLY *wrong* with us.

Look for this Special Issue and READ EVERY WORD. Life and Death are involved—literally.



Character---the Basis for Marriage

By ATHENS C. PULLIAS

Preparation is required for the successful performance of any work. In law, medicine, business, or religion, everyone recognizes the need for training. Lack of preparation will endanger the success of any endeavor. Since marriage is the most important social adventure in life, careful preparation by training and instruction should most assuredly be made. The fact is, however, that far too little is being done along this line.

Every day, boys and girls plunge thoughtlessly into this life-long contract with no idea whatever of its duties, responsibilities, or higher spiritual privileges. To many, marriage is a legal shortcut to the fulfillment of physical desire. I put the question directly to parents and teachers: What instruction and training of a really practical sort are you giving your boy or girl in preparation for marriage? The answer to that question would often be embarrassing. We foolishly assume that Mother

Nature will guide our children. The results testify to the contrary.

Special and direct instruction should be given in the home, church, and school, by parents, physicians, preachers, and teachers, to prepare each young person for the varied phases of married life. This is the only effective way to get at the divorce problem. As long as your boy or girl gleans such information as he can get from sordid books and ill-informed companions, you will continue to see the increase of broken homes. The young man and young woman can, with the help of God-fearing parents, make preparation for this supremely important venture in living.

This preparation should be personal. Here are a few simple principles that I would suggest to young people. Keep a healthy body. "If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." (1 Cor. 3:17) Develop your mind to maturity for marriage is an institution for men and women, not children. Keep morally pure, so that you can bring to the marriage altar a character as pure as you want your mate to bring. There is no double standard of morals. God requires as much of men as He does of women. (See Gal. 3:28).

There is a social side to preparation for marriage. You will marry someone from among your associates. Therefore, keep good company. Lot ruined his children by placing them among evil companions. Countless other parents have repeated this awful mistake. Resolve to marry a Christian. Preserve your good name. It is exceedingly precious in any relationship, and especially so in marriage. Marriage is based on mutual confidence and respect. A bad reputation will destroy the faith of your husband or wife, in you.

In fact, this entire process of preparation must be undergirded by spiritual qualities of faith in God and His Word. There is tremendous power in two genuine Christians working together in any good work. It is doubly true in the home. This spiritual preparation is the real basis for personal and social preparation. This is another way of saying that solid

Christian character is the best possible basis upon which a marriage can be founded. Divorce is almost unknown where both the husband and the wife are faithful Christians.

I do want to add a final note of warning. Prepare yourself for marriage, and then be sure to choose someone who has in like manner prepared for it. All your efforts at preparation may be wasted if you enter a marriage with someone who has made no preparation and who has no respect for God. Christian character, in the husband and in the wife, is a solid rock on which to build a happy home.

—20th Century Christian

Bad Dog! . . . Smoking! Now Emphysema!

EMPHYSEMA HAS BEEN PRODUCED IN DOGS BY INDUCING THEM TO SMOKE CIGARETTES

In the "Scientific American" (Aug. '66) is an instructive article on "Smoking Dogs." We quote.

Emphysema, a lung disease that caused more than 17,000 deaths in the U. S. in 1963, has been produced in dogs by inducing them to smoke cigarettes. The disease is about 13 times more common among cigarette smokers than among nonsmokers. The death rate from emphysema has increased nearly sixfold in the past 10 years. The disease now afflicts more people than lung cancer and tuberculosis combined. Lung cancer, however, is more frequently fatal; it caused more than 40,000 deaths in 1963.

The experiment with dogs was designed to duplicate human cigarette smoking as closely as possible. The dogs (beagles) inhaled cigarette smoke through tubes inserted in their tracheas. Of 10 dogs in the original group five died in the course of the experiment. The deaths were caused by blood clots in the heart and lungs and by pneumonia. The five surviving dogs exhibited pathological changes indicating varying degrees of emphysema. The changes, indistinguishable from those that characterize emphysema in humans, were absent in 10 dogs used as controls. They reported that dogs reacted to smoking much as humans do. At first some of the dogs became dizzy and nauseous. Later some "showed evidence of liking cigarette smoking . . . by wagging of tail and jumping into the smoking box voluntarily." (Condensed).

—Christian Victory

JUST FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO DO RIGHT—

Though it is difficult, we know that we can do all things with the grace of God, which He never refuses to them who ask it earnestly. Knock, persevere in knocking, and I answer for it that He will open to you in His due time, and grant you all at once what He has deferred during many years.—Nicholas Herman

MISUNDERSTOOD!

An elderly man was making his home with his daughter's family. At first everything ran smoothly. The daughter enjoyed sweet fellowship with her father. Every spare minute she had was spent with him, recalling pleasant memories she had and talking of spiritual things. But suddenly everything was changed. The daughter was spending more and more time alone in her bedroom.

The father wondered what was wrong. Why was his daughter's attitude toward him changing? Why was she preferring solitude to his company? He knew nothing that would cause a rift between them. So great was his concern that he considered moving to an old folks' home, feeling that his daughter had become tired of him.

Then one morning she brought in a beautiful knitted sweater.

Hours of loving work had gone into the making of this gift. The daughter had been willing to be misunderstood in her work of love knowing that when her purpose was revealed all would be well.

Have you ever known discouragement in your service for God? Have you felt sometimes that He was withholding His love from you and leaving you walk alone? Have you longed for fellowship only to feel His presence withdrawn? Take new courage, for when He seems the most distant, He is really working out a wonderful plan for your life.

The hymn says, "Standing somewhere in the shadows you'll find Jesus." When you can't see Him or understand His movements, just trust. God will yet reveal His purpose, and you will rejoice in knowing that He has worked lovingly and wisely for you.

—Hannah Moor



HEALTHFUL AFFLICTION

The air from the sea of affliction is extremely beneficial to invalid Christians. Continued prosperity, like a warm atmosphere, has a tendency to unbind the sinews and soften the bones; but the cold winds of trouble make us sturdy, hardy, and well-braced in every part. Unbroken success often leads to an undervaluing of mercies, and forgetfulness of the giver; but the withdraw of the sunshine leads us to look for the sun.—Spurgeon

Does God Live Here?

It was a little old dilapidated farmhouse with spacious but unkempt grounds and a tumbledown picket fence that had never seen a drop of paint. A stranger came walking along the dusty road, opened the gate, and walked up the path to the low door and knocked.

The farmer's wife answered the door. She expected to see a neighborhood friend, but it was a stranger standing there. He asked, "Does God live here?"

The woman was perplexed and dumbfounded, and did not answer. Again the stranger asked, "Does God live here?" But the woman was so confused that she could not answer. And the third time the man asked, "Does God live here?" But there was no answer, and instead, the woman closed the door and ran out of the back of the house. The man shook his head, and walked away.

At the barn, where the husband was working, the wife told him excitedly of the strange visitor. The husband blustered and floundered for words. He finally said, "Well, didn't you tell him we belonged to the church?"

"No," answered the wife conscientiously, "that wasn't what he asked."

"Well, didn't you tell him I'm a deacon in the church, and you're a member of the Woman's Missionary Society?"

Be she answered, "No, that wasn't what he asked."

Together they pondered over the strange visitor, and the meaning of his myterious question. And they came to the conclusion that they had only been playing with their pretentions, and that their home was not a place where God could live.

. . . Homes were instituted as places where men and women should live together in unity and happiness; where children should be reared into worthy lives. But many enemies threaten the home today—disrespect, disloyalty, lack of Christian atmosphere, little or no wholesome literature. Many parents have

become lax in their discipline. In the fear of being old-fashioned, they are permitting their children to do things that are not only questionable, but often demoralizing and dangerous.

—Adapted from Baptist Messenger, via Sunshine Magazine

The Gift of Love

What marriage is may be summed up in these lines from a ceremony used by Peter Marshall:

"Dearly beloved, the marriage relation when rightly understood and properly appreciated is the most delightful as well as the most sacred and solemn of human relations. It is the clasping of hands, the blending of lives, and the union of hearts, that two may walk together up the hill of life to meet the dawn—together bearing life's burdens, discharging its duties, sharing its joys and sorrows.

"Marriage is more than moonlight and roses, much more than the singing of love songs and the whispering of vows of undying affection. In our day it is by many lightly regarded, and by many lightly discarded. But marriage will ever remain in the sight of God an eternal union, made possible only by the gift of love which God alone can bestow."

—20th Century Christian

Words Fitly Spoken

"A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver."—Proverbs 25:11

Faith can make use of the waters of affliction, to swim faster to Christ.

•
Ever since the Fall, all comforts of this life have a thorn and a thistle in them.—L. R. Shelton

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Neglect is all that is needed to produce evil.

•
The man of the hour never watches the clock.

•
Better not try to be flowery; remember that's only one stage removed from becoming seedy.—Sunshine Magazine

Notes from Mom



Dear Young Friends,

If one could paint a picture of the *inside* of a petty person, it would make an ugly portrait!

To be petty means that one is occupied with trivial things. This is Mr. Webster's definition, but it does not really give a complete picture of one who is petty. It is bad enough to be occupied with trivial, unimportant things. But too often such interest in trivial things is accompanied with malice.

A really petty person is not content to merely notice small, innocent things. Often there is more of a tendency to notice each tiny fault—or even perhaps *make* of a harmless word or deed, a fault. Too often pettiness and an evil tongue of gossip go together. They make a wicked team, too! If some good deed or word cannot be misinterpreted, at least it can be insinuated that there must be an ulterior, evil motive for it. One who is really petty believes the *worst*, not the *best* of everyone.

In a world where there is so much pettiness, we should manifest the very opposite—a greatness of mind and soul. Wherever there is any *evil*, the best antidote is *good*. It is right here, too, that we so often fail. Even those who deplore a hateful pettiness are too prone to react to it with their own pettiness. How can any evil be overcome by adding to it?

Of course, it is *easier* to react to petty behavior with our own pettiness. One must *strive* to offset any evil with good. It just comes naturally to answer evil with evil. It requires *character* to resist this tendency.

We hear someone speaking of things which are unimportant, (and none of their affair) giving always the worst light on them, and how do we react? Too often we say something like this: "Why she is *petty*! She said this, or this, or this! You'd think she would have better things to think about," etc. Well

of course! But don't *we* have better things to think about than her pettiness? Can we not see that as we discuss such a person's pettiness in great detail, we too are being petty? We are attempting to combat a disease by catching it ourselves! An epidemic breaks out this way! What we need here is a good strong "shot" of magnanimity (there's a word for us!) It means greatness of mind and soul. Surely it is needed most wherever pettiness is encountered,—not just another case of the disease we would overcome!

Here we need compassion too. For one who is petty, interested in trivial things, using them to hurt others, needs our deepest sympathy. How empty such a heart must be! How pitifully unhappy the life that must grasp at such trivial straws for fulfillment! And how sad it would be if we should allow such a person to set *our* standards! How sad if we become infected with the same deadly virus! Where's our hypodermic—quick!

See you next month, the Lord willing.

Lovingly,

MOM

Round Table Discussion

• YOUTH PROBLEMS ANSWERED BY OUR READERS •

This department is mainly for the views of you the readers.
Please send in any questions you would like to
see discussed in this department.

QUESTION: "What is a friend?"



Edwina Crosswhite, 19, Jackson, Miss.: "A friend is a person who stands by you no matter what happens. He is always willing to help when there is a problem."



Dale Victor Knowles, II, 20, Ottumwa, Iowa: "Proverbs tells us 'a friend loveth at all times.' A friend is one who stands beside you thick and thin, when everyone else is gone he will be there. A true friend will also rebuke and chasten in a loving way if necessary. I think Jonathan was the perfect example of a friend."

Minnie Jones, Richlands, N. C.: "A true friend will never coax, persuade nor entice me into things I feel to be wrong. A friend will steady me instead of shake me from holding on steadfast to things decent and honest in the sight of God and man. There are those who pretend to be our friends when what they intend to do is to stray from the straight and narrow way."



Cheryl Vass, 18, Floyd, Va.: "A friend is someone who knows all about you and still cares for you regardless of your faults and shortcomings. He is a person you can tell your troubles to without fear that he will tell others about it. A friend is also sympathetic, understanding, and dependable. A good friend is very desirable in a world such as we live in and a good friend is very precious to us. Thomas A. Becket, the archbishop of Canterbury, who was murdered at the request of Henry II, said, 'Better are the blows of a friend than the false kisses of an enemy.' Robert Hall said, 'A friend should be one in whose understanding and virtue we can equally confide, and whose opinion we can value at once for its justness and its sincerity. He who has made the acquisition of a judicious and sympathizing friend, may be said to have doubled his mental resources.'"

Agnes Romeyn, 17, Chiliwack, B. C., Canada: "A friend is a person who stands by in time of joy, but also in time of tribulation. A friend will not slander about you but instead will stick up for you at all times. As friends you should be able to tell each other the truth without having hurt feelings towards one another."

QUESTION: "How do we keep a friendship?"



Edythe Fenter, Portales, New Mexico: "Prov. 18: 24 says, 'A man that hath friends must show himself friendly and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.' I think that the best way to enrich a friendship is by treating your friend as you would want him to treat you."

IT IS WONDERFUL TO LOVE!

The Little Boy Found—

A Message in an ECHO . . .

A friend has returned from the Swiss Alps with a most challenging narrative. He spent a few nights in the mountains and one night the gracious hostess told him about an early experience. Her little boy went out upon a rocky ledge one morning and seemed to become aware, for the first time, of someone else across the great chasm.

"Hello! Hel-lo!"

"Hello! Hel-lo!" came back to him.

"Who—are—you?" he inquired.

"Who—are—you?" was the reply, word for word.

Was there another boy across the great chasm who was enjoying mocking him? After a few moments he became angry.

"Why don't you step out and let me see you?"

"Why don't you step out and let me see you?"

"I'm standing right here. Look at me."

The very words came rushing back at him.

His blood boiling, the little fellow cried: "I'll fight you!"

And the other voice called for a fight.

Almost too angry now for words, the boy rushed indoors and to his mother. He knew there was a boy on the next mountain who wanted to have a fight with him and threatened to do him bodily injury. The mother listened and smiled.

"Go outdoors again," she encouraged, "and shout, 'I like you, and just find out what happens.'"

The boy scampered out into the brisk, beautiful sunlight of the Swiss Alps.

"Hey you, over there, I like you."

Another voice replied, "I like you!"

The boy was surprised and rushed back to his mother with the wonderful word; he had made friends with the boy on the other side of the deep chasm.

When my friend recited the summit-conference I thought of the poetic line, "Give to the world the best you have, and the best will come back to you."

—Philip Jerome Cleveland, in *Christian Economics*

A Scientist's Testimony

By A. CRESSY MORRISON

Former President of the New York Academy of Sciences

By unwavering mathematical law, we can prove that our universe was designed and executed by a great engineering Intelligence.

Suppose you put ten pennies, marked from one to ten, into your pocket and give them a good shuffle. Now try to take them out in sequence from one to ten, putting back the coin each time and shaking them all again. Mathematically we know that your chance of first drawing number one is one in ten; of drawing one and two in succession, one in a thousand; and so on; your chance of drawing them all, from number one to number ten in succession, would reach the unbelievable figure of one in ten thousand million.

By the same reasoning, so many exacting conditions are necessary for life on earth that they could not possibly exist in proper relationship by chance. The earth rotates on its axis at one thousand miles an hour; if it turned at one hundred miles an hour, our days and nights would be ten times as long as now, and the hot sun would then burn up our vegetation each long day, while in the long night any surviving sprout would freeze.

Again, the sun, source of our life, has a surface temperature of 12,000 degrees Fahrenheit, and our earth is just far enough away so that this "eternal fire" warms us just enough, and not too much. If the sun gave off only one-half its present radiation we should freeze, and if it gave half as much more we should roast.

The slant of the earth, tilted at an angle of 23 degrees, gives us our seasons. If it had not been so tilted, vapours from the ocean would move north and south, piling up for us continents of ice. If our moon was, say, only 50,000 miles away instead of its actual distance, our tides would be so enormous that twice

a day all continents would be submerged; even the mountains would soon be eroded away. If the crust of the earth had been only ten feet thicker, there would be no oxygen, without which animal life must die. Had the ocean been a few feet deeper, carbon-dioxide and oxygen would have been absorbed and no vegetable life could exist. Or if our atmosphere had been thinner, some of the meteors, now burned in space by the million every day, would be striking all parts of the earth, starting fires everywhere.

Because of these and a host of other examples, there is not one chance in millions that life on our planet is an accident.

Animal wisdom speaks irresistibly of a good Creator who infused instinct into otherwise helpless little creatures.

The young salmon spends years at sea, then comes back to his own river, and travels up the very side of the river into which flows the tributary where he was born. What brings him back so precisely? If you transfer him to another tributary, he will know at once that he is off his course, and he will fight his way down and back to the main stream, and then turn up against the current to finish his destiny more accurately.

Even more difficult to solve is the mystery of eels. These amazing creatures migrate at maturity from all ponds and rivers everywhere—those from Europe across thousands of miles of ocean—all bound for the same abysmal deeps near Bermuda. There they breed and die. The little ones, with no apparent means of knowing anything except that they are in a wilderness of water, nevertheless start back and find their way, not only to the very shore from which their parents came, but thence to the rivers, lakes, or little ponds, so that each body of water is always populated with eels.

A wasp will overpower a grasshopper, dig a hole in the earth, sting the grasshopper in exactly the right place so that he does not die, but becomes unconscious and lives on as a form of preserved meat. Then the wasp will lay her eggs handily, so that her children when they hatch can nibble without killing the insect on which they feed; to them dead meat would

be fatal. The mother then flies away and dies; she never sees her young.

Such mysterious techniques cannot be explained by adaptation; they were bestowed.

By the economy of nature, we are forced to realize that only infinite wisdom would have foreseen and prepared with such astute husbandry.

Many years ago a species of cactus was planted in Australia as a protective fence. Having no insect enemies in Australia, the cactus soon began a prodigious growth; the alarming abundance persisted until the plants covered an area as long and wide as England, crowding inhabitants out of the towns and villages, and destroying their farms. Seeking a defence, the entomologists scoured the world; finally they discovered an insect which lived exclusively on cactus, and would eat nothing else. It would breed freely too; and it had no enemies in Australia. So animal conquered, and today the cactus pest has retreated, and with it all but a small protective residue of the insects, enough to hold the cactus in check for ever.

Such checks and balances have been universally provided. Why have no fast-breeding insects dominated the earth? Because they have no lungs as man possesses; they breathe through tubes. But when insects grow large, their tubes do not grow in ratio to the increasing size of the body. Hence there has never been an insect of great size; this limitation on growth has held them all in check. If this physical check had not been provided, man could not exist. Imagine meeting a hornet as big as a lion!

It is scientifically, as well as imaginatively true, in the words of the Psalmist: "The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament showeth His handiwork."



You have the promise of the faithful God, to have all necessities provided for you, while you make it your care to serve and please, and trust Him.—John Bunyan

NEWS ITEMS . . .

• **"THE PERILS OF PANTS"**—A Church worker has this to say about the "Perils of Pants" for women: "Pants can be very tight and so can cause (the opposite sex) to be unduly occupied with 'exhibitionism.' . . . Male attire is forbidden women (Deut. 22:5). . . . Male attire worn by women alters the psychology of women, tends to spoil relations between the woman and the opposite sex, and easily damages maternal dignity before children."—Christian Victory

"The woman shall not wear that which PERTAINS (relating to, characteristic of, peculiar to, connected with, having reference) to a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment." (Deut. 22:5) Many will object by saying that women's pants or slacks are designed and made for WOMEN. Quite true, but note above what the word "PERTAINS" covers, and just WHO do you think was and is behind those MINOR changes in design? Don't beat the devil around the bush!—Editor

• **SUGAR AND ENERGY**—There is a popular fallacy that the consumption of white sugar will furnish energy. Here is a quotation from an article by Dr. Michael J. Walsh, a nutritionist, which appeared in the April, 1964 issue of *Modern Nutrition*, which shows the contrary: "Acting on the false-to-fact identification that sugar is energy, people eat more and more sugar in the naive belief that they are going to get more and more energy. Instead of more and more they are likely to get less and less energy—if the more and more sugar is in the form of the 'concentrated, refined, fermentable carbohydrates' which includes sugar out of the sugar bowl, sweetened gelatin desserts, sweetened breads, rolls, doughnuts, pastries, cookies, pies, cakes, syrup from canned fruits, etc., all of which from Dr. Walsh's observations are the preferred foods of our youth.

The reason why this kind of sugar reduces the energy is "that they are not likely to be accompanied by sufficient quantities of other factors (such as vitamin B1), which are needed to ensure the completion of the intermediate stages of carbohydrate metabolism. . . . A consequence of failure to complete the energy transformation is fatigue—the universal characteristic of every sick person."

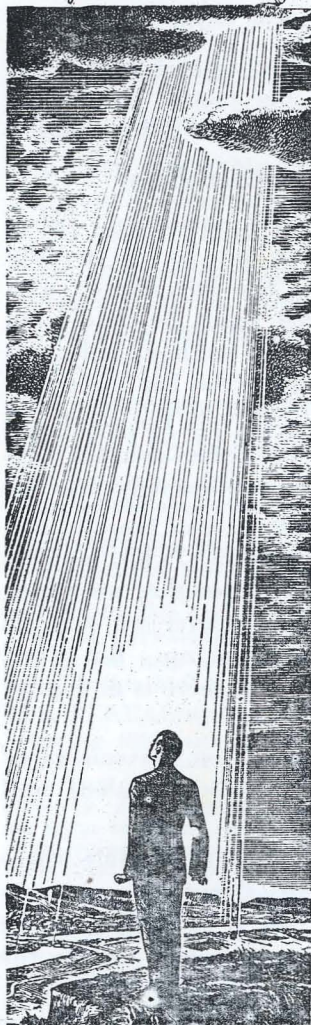
In other words it is a vicious cycle—you take sugar, you get a temporary surge of energy, but in a short time you want more sugar.

—Prevention

• **FOUR SUFFER EYE DAMAGE UNDER INFLUENCE OF LSD**—Four college students who gazed at the sun while under the influence of LSD have lost their reading vision completely and permanently. A spokesman for the Santa Barbara Ophthalmological Society disclosed the damage after a team of doctors had treated the eye injuries of four students from the University of California at Santa Barbara.

One of the students explained that he stared at the sun because he was "holding a religious conversation with the sun" while under the influence of the drug. The students, all young men between 18 and 24 years of age, said they felt no pain or discomfort as the sun was destroying their eye tissue—*National Observer*

Look unto the
heavens, and see
JOB 35:5



FATHER, ARE YOU THERE?

A little child lay in the dark;
The room was strange, he saw nowhere;
He was afraid,—but then he called—
“Father, are you there?”

He felt a hand, so strong and warm;
Close clasping his; then calm and clear
He heard his father’s tender voice:
“Yes, laddie, I am here.”

Like that small child we sometimes feel
That we are in the dark of care;
In terror of some harm we call:
“O Father, are You there?”

We reach our hand to Him and find
A blessed answer to our fear.
His hand holds ours, we hear His voice:
“Fear not, for I am here.”

So, though we tremble in the dark,
In need of strength and help and cheer,
We have a tender Father’s word—
“Fear not, for I am here.”

—D. M. Hayes

GOD IS ALIVE

’Tis sad indeed that some folk say
Today that “God is dead.”
But blest are those who by their faith
Proclaim “God is alive” instead.

Yes, God is just as alive today
As He was in the beginning Gen. 1:1,
And by His everlasting grace
He still forgives man’s sinning.

He guides and speaks to all who list
To what He has to say;
Through words He prompted men to
write;
God lives—He lives today.

He lives within the human heart
To all who claim His way.
It matters not what man may say,
Our Sovereign God lives today.

—Elta M. Barnett

FOR THE KIDDIES



An Old Man and a Small Boy

An old man was once walking with a small boy. They came across four shrubs. The old man said to his youthful companion, "Pull up the least one." The boy obeyed with ease. "Now the next one." He obeyed again, but it did not come up so easily. "And the third," said the boy's elder. It took all his strength to move the roots, but the boy succeeded.

"Now the fourth," said the old man. In vain the youth put forth all his strength; he only made the leaves tremble. He could not move the roots. They had gone strongly into the earth, and no effort could dislodge them.

The wise old man said to the ardent youth: "This, my boy, is just what happens with our passions. When they are young and weak, one may, by a little watchfulness over self and the help of a little self-denial, easily tear them up. But if we let them cast their roots deep into our souls, there is no human power that can uproot them.

"For this reason watch well over the first movements of your soul and by acts of virtue to keep your passions well in check."

The old man gave sound advice and so does the Bible where it instructs the child of God to: "Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth . . . for if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die; but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live." (Col. 3:5; Rom. 8:13).

—Horace E. Walker

THINK on these things:

... If the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and sinner appear? (I Peter 4:18)

Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is **NONE OTHER NAME** under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved. (Acts 4:12)

AND THE LORD SAID—

"But ye believe not, because ye are not of My sheep, as I said to you. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me: And I give to them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any pluck them out of My hand." (John 10:26-28)

He that believes on Him is not condemned: but he that believes **NOT** is condemned already, because he has not believed in the Name of the only begotten Son of God. (John 3:18)

SEND US NAMES OF JEWS . . .

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