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Sermon of the Month

Say Unto This Mountain Remove To Yonder Place And It Shall Remove Matthew 17:20

by L. J. Ehrlich

The challenge of this age: Move a Mountain Intact! "IMPOSSIBLE" is the cry of the multitude, but Christ has said, "NOTHING SHALL BE IMPOSSIBLE UNTO YOU."

Many Laodecian churches are in the icy gripes of the Valley of Doubts and despair. Indifference and procrastination are the rule of the day, lost souls are perishing and church doors are closing.

Once a man prayed "God save us from ourselves"! Ourselves? Yes! What do you mean ourselves? Simply this; Today's church condition cannot scripturally be linked to world conditions, but rather to our cold calloused heart! Some Christians are making excuses and quoting the scripture to justify their spiritual lethargy, thus quoting, "When the Lord returns will he find faith?," or "In the last days perilous times shall come . . . Satan's power shall be increased," etc., etc.

Yes, these are true prophetic scriptures, but they are NOT concerning the TRUE CHURCH! Christ has said, "Greater works than these shall he do", John 14:12 and "If ye shall ask ANYTHING IN MY NAME, I WILL do it." John 14:14.

There is a verse in a song that goes something like this, "Jesus said it, I believe it, and that settles it." Too many today are singing "Jesus said it, I heard it, and I'll think about it." Don't deceive yourself Christian, God is not PLEASED with your half-heartedness! There is much to do and the Lord is depending on us to it . . . and Here is a program that cannot fail:

Use FAITH!

1. Accept Christ as YOUR PERSON-

All Saviour.

2. Find His Will through CONSTANT STUDY of the Word.

3. Daily practice humbleness, sincerity, unselfishness.

4. BELIEVE! "Say to this Mountain, Remove!"

A. Romans 5:1 Saving faith is the ACCEPTANCE of God's gift to man through Christ.

B. This faith will ACCEPT God's promises of leadership and provision.

C. Conquer your fears by "launching out into the deep" don't head back for the safety of the shore when storms threaten. Remember, The FAITH that launches is Powerful enough to Sustain!

D. Heb. 11:6 (Read) In failing to please God, can we expect to receive His blessings, His power; and His guidance?"

CONSTRUCT FORTICATION.

Eph. 6:11

1. Aggressive action will fortify faith and give victory over Satan!

2. Take a firm stand against the idea that Christianity must be revamped to conform to the trends of the world.

3. Don't forget your weapon "The sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God."

4. Daily use the "Shield of Faith" to quench the fiery darts of the wicked.

DON'T FORGET FINANCE. I Cor. 16:2

Much has been said about finance. But be assured Christian of this one thing, It is not a question of "Can I afford to tithe?" but a question "Can I afford not to tithe!"

1. God's scriptural plan for financing

His work is perfect, if followed. Those who do not tithe are theiving from God!

Malachi 3:8 "Nor theives . . . shall inherit the Kingdom of God" I Cor.

6:10. DO YOU believe it?

2. Tithe means tenth. It is ALREADY Gods, not yours! Men are put in prisons and jails for taking property or money from others. Men also will burn in the lake of fire for STEALING God's portion Rev. 20:14, 15

3. Don't forget offerings. Tithes go to carriers of the Gospel. Offerings go to maintance, upkeep, and support of God's work in general.

4. Souls are lost in eternity because SO CALLED Chrisitans FAIL to tithe and thus ministers must work for their livillhood instead of "fishing for men."

5. Tithe promptly and regularly. God never has given any Christian a license to withhold or delay his tithe!

Disagreements or hurt feelings are NO EXCUSE for stealing from God!

6. What shall be gained? Malachi 3:10. . . "more than you can receive."

What is the solution to your problem? How can a sleeping Christian awaken himself from deep slumber? The answer will only come to those who seek FIRST the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.

FORGET the size and weight of the mountain in your way. Jesus said, "Say unto this Mountain . . . Remove"!! and it SHALL REMOVE!" This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our Faith.

God is looking for saints who, when they are blown over by tribulation, become "taller than they were before."

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EDITORIAL

It is with the deepest regret that we come to the end of our ministry here in Galena, Kansas. The Lord has been so very good to us in the past six years. Our last Sunday is the 19th of July. We are looking forward to our labors with the wonderful people at Hardesty, Oklahoma and trust that God will bless us as we work together to further the cause of Christ in that area.

In Acts 4:13 we read, "Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus." There was something different about these men . . . they stood out! There was a power in their lives that was genuine. Let us look closer.

First of all we find their prayer life was fruitful. When these men prayed . . . something happened. They put out their hand by Faith and the crippled man sitting at the gate of the Temple stood up and walked away. There was POWER in their prayer. When they prayed, things were changed! The Heavens were moved! When we pray in Faith believing, something

is going to happen. I read some time ago the statement one man made that praying is dangerous. How true! When we pray, we need to consider our requests and the implication they carry. Sometimes people ask the Lord to save their loved ones, no matter what the cost. This is a big order and could require the life of someone else dear to them.

Elisha one time prayed for a double amount of power that Elijah had. There was a price placed on it and Elisha was willing to pay that price. What a picture of our blessings from the Lord today. We wonder why there is no answer to our prayers many times. Are we paying the price? Are we faithful to every service at the church in honoring the Lord? Are we faithful in prayer and Bible study? Are we faithful in our tithing to the Lord and the offering for the upkeep of His work? Are we faithful in helping to carry the burdens of our brothers and sisters in the Lord?

Elisha was to follow Elijah and see him when he was taken up. The Lord requires our full surrender to follow Him all the day . . . every day. Not just on Sunday morning. Our yielding to Him in FULL SERVICE will bring the blessing.

It was said of Bloody Mary that she feared far more the prayers of John Knox than the armies of her enemies. Do our prayers cause men to fear us? So . . . the prayer lives of Peter and John made them different men.

What about their lives and testimonies? I believe the life they lived proved the things they said. When they made a statement it was lived out. Men are looking for a reality in our lives. Men speak of the different blessings in their lives but for many this is only a theory and something they know . . . it is NOT an actuality or

something found in their daily living. If these things such as sanctification are not lived daily in our lives, how are we going to get men to live them? Peter and John lived their testimony. They PROVED they had been with Jesus. They could prove to the world by their lives that living for Christ was real for them.

In this chapter Peter and John were told not to preach anymore in the name of Jesus. They said we have seen His workings . . . we have walked with Him . . . we have touched Him with our hands, How else shall we speak?

They went their way in the face of threatenings . . . only to ask the Lord for more boldness.

Oh! That we could have a real vital encounter with the Lord. Can the world tell we have been with Jesus? I believe if I am the kind of a Christian I should be, the world will know it. They can tell by my dress, my speech and the actions of my daily life. As a nurse told me the other day about a Christian woman that had been in her care some four years ago, "There are some people that are different and they make an impression on you." What kind of impression is your life leaving . . . a weak Christian, a medium Christ-centered life . . . or a STRONG Christian whose life lifts the standard of Christ for all to see each day and in every circumstance of life.

ADDRESS CHANGE

After July 19th all correspondence should be sent to us using the Hardesty address; Box 133, Hardesty, Oklahoma 73944. We will continue to edit the Report there as soon as we locate another printer. Our plans call for the next issue of the Report to be out around the first of September. We will not begin our ministry there until the

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NEWS from the CHURCHES

FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS— PEOPLE'S CHURCH—

Beginning June 1, 1970, Bro. and Sis. L. J. Ehrlich, former pastors of Faith County Church in Shattuck, Oklahoma, assumed their new pastoral duties of People's Church in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

During the first part of June a D. V. B. S. was held and 23 young people were saved. Following D. V. B. S. 14 young people attended the 4-State Youth Camp at Baxter Springs, Kansas.

The church people are hungry for spiritual growth and are praying for real revival. Ministers of the faith are welcome to visit anytime. The church is located one block east of Highway 71 in South Fayetteville.

L. J. Ehrlich, pastor

ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO—

The Lord has been really good to us these past few months. We as a church feel refreshed and revived after the special services conducted by the Rev. Roy Wooster. We enjoyed having him and his wife; they were a real blessing and the Lord met with us.

A number of our youth attended the Baxter Springs Youth Camp and were blessed of the Lord. We are really enjoying the new addition to our pastor's family, Kennon Mark. Sis. Clay Bard was with us in several services and we always enjoy her visits because she is such an inspiration.

We'd like to extend an invitation to anyone who would like to visit with us in our church.

Julia E. Wilkerson, reporter
Jerome Crowhurst, pastor

BELLVILLE, TEXAS— FULL GOSPEL MISSION—

How great God is! How much there is to do and how SHORT the time! God has been blessing our little church in a wonderful way. It is so good to feel His mighty presence with us in each service. There seems to be a greater desire in each of us to do more for our Lord, even the small children of which the number has increased the last few months. We are grateful to God for this.

Andy Qualls, pastor

AMARILLO, TEXAS—

God has been blessing our church and His spirit has been felt in the church services. The Rev. and Mrs. Ronnie Martin, Shari Cook, Dorothy Kinser, and Gary Kerr, conducted a revival from May 3rd to May 13th. These services were very outstanding. The spirit of the Lord was manifested in sermon and song. Readings given by Brenda Martin were a real inspiration to the congregation. We give God the praise for His mercy and blessings during this time. Our prayer is that the enthusiasm that was shown during these recent services will continue and God will be glorified.

Neil Ragan, pastor

GALENA, KANSAS—

We praise the Lord for His blessings in our church. We had a wonderful D. V. B. S. in the spring. Our teachers and workers labored very faithfully and we ask God to repay them 100 fold.

We now find ourselves in Youth Camp. A large number of our youth are in camp, some for the first time.

Some come from families that do not attend church. Our prayers are that the Lord will bless each life in a great way and reach the hearts of those parents that are lost without Christ.

July 19th will be our last Sunday in the Galena church. The Rev. Paul Clanton and family will begin their labors here soon after. We ask God's richest blessings upon the new pastors and the church that it will continue to grow in the Knowledge and Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Howard Whiteley, pastor

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA—

We enjoyed a week of services with the Carl Jelsovsky's the last of April. The Lord blessed and we felt His wonderful presence with us. We have resigned as pastor here and will be leaving the first of August. At present Sis. Edna Schultz is here visiting. We are being blessed of the word as she preaches.

Pray for the work here, and for us that we will be led in the perfect place that He has in store for us.

Frances Dearing

BAYARD, NEBRASKA—

I would like to report the church is doing fine and each service finds His presence with us. We closed our vacation Bible school on the 12th of June. We had an enrollment of forty-three. The staff of our school was one of the finest I have had the privilege to work with. No one could have complemented it more. We had one hundred turn out for the closing exercises. The church was completely full. We praise His Name for making the efforts of all a success.

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Copy Deadline 25th of Each Month

Children's Hour . . .

—By Carolyn Quesenbury



Rescue . . .

At Blue Harbor

Tommy Ballard watched his cousin Ben gaze out across the ocean.

"Isn't that view super?" Tommy asked.

"I'll say." Ben took a long look, then said, "This whole week has been super, thanks to you."

"Well, when your telegram came, I decided I was going to show you a real good time." Ben mustn't know what a blow the telegram had been, how rough it was to give up a week at camp. But if he could win Ben to Jesus Christ, it would be worth giving up camp.

"Maybe we'd better get back to the other side of the island and row over to the main shore," Ben said. "Do you think we could get ourselves some lunch and straighten up the house? Your folks should be back from Pine City by two o'clock."

Tommy grinned, "Sure!" Then he added, "A place like this makes a fellow think about God, doesn't it?" He thought of how often in his letters to Ben he had mentioned the Bible and Jesus Christ; he remembered that Ben had never made any comments on those subjects when he wrote back.

"Doesn't it make you think about God?" Tommy's voice was solemn.

Ben cleared his throat. "We'll talk about that some other time."

When the two had pushed through the brush and come out on the other side of the island, Ben whistled. "The

wind's coming up. Did you notice that the water looks rough?"

Tommy gasped. "The boat. It's full of water."

The boys hurried to the water's edge. Quickly Tommy pulled off his shoes and socks, waded to the side of the boat, and stared down.

"What's wrong?" Ben asked, his voice full of fright. "Can we bail the water out and get to the mainshore?"

Tommy shook his head. "There's a hole in the boat. After the wind came up, the boat must have been blown against a rock."

"You were right," Ben said. "You told me we should pull the boat further up on the shore."

"I'll swim across," Tommy said, "then ask Chad Morris what to do. He's lived here sixty years and really knows boats. Maybe he can come across with one of his boats and get you and tow our boat back. We can bail part of the water out, pull the boat up farther on the shore, and then tip it and get the rest of the water out. I know Chad can fix the hole."

"But you can't swim across," Ben protested. "Not in this choppy water."

"Sure I can," Tommy said. "With just my shorts on. I'll be OK." He began pulling off his clothes, waded out to deeper water, and began swimming with strong strokes.

On he went, on, on. The main shore was closer now, but he was getting tired. "Please help me, Lord," he prayed.

Suddenly he felt something around his left leg. Frantically, he reached

down, pulling as hard as he could. Then he chuckled. Only a piece of seaweed!

The wind whipped around him. Not much farther, though. At last Tommy's feet touched bottom. Minutes later he scrambled onto the beach. "Thank You, Lord," he whispered. "Thank You so very much."

Rest a few minutes. Dash home for dry clothes. Then hunt up Mr. Chad Morris and ask him to help

It was when the wind and the waves had lessened, when Chad had brought Ben and the other boat to the mainland, when Tommy and Chad were drinking hot chocolate and eating hamburgers in Chad's cottage that Tommy told his cousin, "We didn't dream our trip to the island was going to end this way!"

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BIBLE PUZZLE

Make a decision whether the description fits one, neither, or both of the Bible persons named after it:

1. Had a famous son: Jesse, Num
 2. Unusually tall: Samson, Saul
 3. Remarkably rude: Nabal, Jude
 4. Loved to fish: Aquila, Kish
 5. Exceedingly fat: Eglon, Nebat
 6. Rode in the ark: Enoch, Mark
 7. Chose a fertile plot: Elisha, Lot
- If in doubt, read Genesis 13:11, Judges 3:17, I Samuel 9:2 and 25: 14-17, I Chronicles 10:14, and Numbers 13:8.)

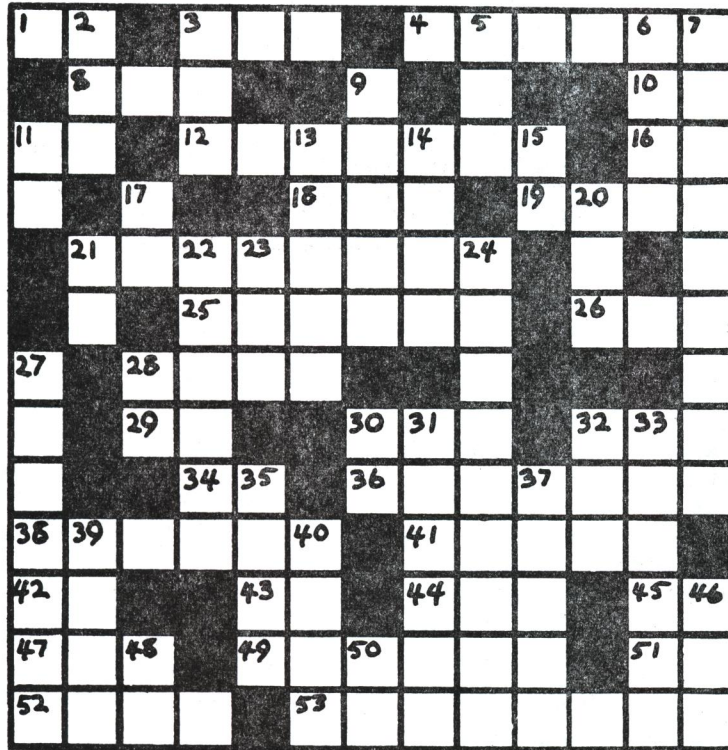
Answers:

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| 1. Both | 4. Neither |
| 2. Saul | 5. Eglon |
| 3. Nabal | 6. Neither |
| | 7. Lot |

Crusaders for Christ

A Reluctant Prophet Regrets A Great Revival

Jonah 3 and 4



Answer in next month's issue.

Clues Across

- 1, 3, 4 " ——— of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast"
- 8 "When the wicked, even mine enemies and my ———(s), came upon me" Ps. 27
- 10 "Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ——— that treadeth out the corn" I Cor. 9
- 11 "the word ——— the Lord came unto Jonah"
- 12 "should not I spare ———, that great city?"
- 16 initials of two nations which besieged Jerusalem (II Chron. 24: 23; II Kings 24:2)
- 18 a son of Bela (I Chron. 7:7)
- 19 "I am the Lord your God, and none ———" Joel 2

- 21 "the people of Nineveh ——— God, and proclaimed a fast"
- 25 to agree or assent
- 26 "when the sun did arise, that ——— prepared a vehement east wind"
- 28 "The fruit of the righteous is a ——— of life" Prov. 11
- 29 king who fought children of Israel at Edrei (Num. 21:33)
- 30 "that great city, wherein ——— more than sixscore thousand persons that cannot discern?"
- 32 "how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a ——— gathered her chickens" Matt. 23
- 34 Hebrew word for God
- 35 "Deliver my soul from the sword; my ——— from the power of the dog" Ps. 22

- 33 "Because strait is the gate, and ——— is the way" Matt. 7
- 41 "—— ye one another with an holy kiss" I Cor. 16
- 42 initials of two disobedient prophets (Jer. 37:13; Num. 31; 16)
- 43 "Now ——— chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous" Heb. 12
- 44 initials of three sons who were disappointments (I Sam. 4:21; Gen. 28: 8; II Sam 15:13)
- 41 initials of the first man; the first baby (Gen. 4:1)
- 47 "Mine eyes are ever toward the Lord; for he shall pluck my feet out of the ———" Ps. 25
- 49 "——(s) thee according to thine own heart, and fulfil all thy counsel" Ps. 20
- 51 the father of Shuppim and Huppim (I Chron. 7:12)
- 52 "So Jonah was exceeding ——— of the gourd"
- 53 "let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry ——— unto God"

'Clues Down

- 2 "Peter followed him afar ———" Matt. 26
- 3 number of lepers Jesus cleansed (Luke 17)
- 5 "how long will it be ——— they believe me?" Num. 14
- 6 "What things were gain to me, those I counted ——— for Christ" Phil. 3
- 7 "Nineveh was an ——— great city of three days' journey"
- 9 "use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love ——— one another" Gal. 5.
- 11 "Jonah went out of the city, and sat ——— the east side"
- 13 relationship of Rebekah to Abraham before she married Isaac
- 14 competed with
- 15 "the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that ——— fainted"
- 17 "it is better for ——— to die than to live"
- 20 "The ———(s) of the lame are not equal: so is a parable in the mouth of fools" Prov. 26

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CROSSWORD—

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- 21 "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall
— be overthrown"
- 22 "The work is great and — (r)
and we are separated upon the
wall" Neh. 4
- 23 "He casteth forth his — like
morsels: who can stand before his
cold?" Ps. 147
- 24 "The discretion of a man — his
anger" Prov. 19
- 27 "God prepared a worm when the
— rose the next day"
- 28 "he caused it — be proclaimed
and published through Nineveh by
the decree of the king"
- 30 an advertisement
- 31 "and cast him forth into the sea;
and the sea ceased from her —"
Jonah 1
- 32 to go in haste
- 33 to involve as a necessary result
- 35 "Forty years — was I grieved
with this generation" Ps. 95
- 37 "he that is — among you all,
the same shall be great" Luke 9
- 39 man who offered more excellent
sacrifice than Cain (Heb. 11)
- 40 "But God prepared a — when
the morning rose the next day"
- 46 "let man and beast be covered with
sackcloth, and —"
48 initials for place to which Jon-
ah's ship was going (1:3) and Jon-
ah's father (1:1)
- 50 small city which defeated Isreal-
ites (Josh. 7:5)

WANTED: Men, women, boys, and girls to extend their education at the Apostolic Faith Bible School beginning Sept. 8 thru Dec. 10, 1970.

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Answer To Last Month's Puzzle

CHURCH NEWS

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We have experienced the usual summer slump in our attendance. However, before school was out, the Sunday School was consistently in the forties and we had between fifty and sixty in the Sunday morning worship services. God is so good if we will stay faithful to Him.

We have resigned as pastor here and have accepted the pastorate at Beaver, Oklahoma. The time spent here has been a blessing to us and the people have been very kind. Our prayers will be with them always.

Billey J. Allen, pastor

CANYON, TEXAS—

We praise the Lord for his bountiful blessings here in Canyon. We recently elected officers of Faith Student Center for 1970-71. They are: Glen Fullbright, president; Jerry Barker, vice-president; Glenda Decker, corresponding secretary; and Sue Thompson, treasurer.

Although our group has diminished with summer vacation, our work for the Lord carries on. In addition to regular services we have College Vespers at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday and Rest Home Service at 3:30 Wednesday. The Adult class has taken a project of providing Bibles for our Sanctuary. Each family has a "Meal Barrel" into which 5c per member is placed at each meal. The total to date is \$25.

Recently our Pastor drove 33 young people to the South Texas Singing School in our faithful bus The Blue Flame. Due to efforts of many people we will soon retire the Blue Flame for a new bus to use in the Lord The Student Center is raising money for the air conditioner. Lord willing we will receive our bus this summer. We are in the process of sending Bibles to missionaries in India and Mexico. We will sell fireworks as a project for the 4th of July. Remember our work in your prayers.

Glenda Decker, corr. sec.
Faith Student Center

DEL CITY OKLAHOMA—

The Lord has blessed our church this spring. In March the Rev. Gail Schultz

held us a revival. Our V. B. S. was held the 2nd week of June and our church people participated in this effort real well. We have been attending some interdenominational Prayer groups and have found some hungry hearts desiring the Fullness of Christ. Pray with us for this effort. Some new families have been coming to our church and we praise the Lord for the opportunities He has given us to work for Him.

Edwin Waterbury, pastor

HUDSON, WYOMING—

We have recently moved our church building to the parsonage property and sold the church lots, clearing the entire property of debt. Now as God supplies the need we hope to begin building our new church.

Recent visitors were the Carl Jelsovsky's. We were able to keep him busy digging footing, etc. for the moving project.

The Lord is blessing and we are not discouraged. We plan to stay another year and welcome visitors anytime. Remember us when you pray.

Eugene Webster, pastor

**CARD OF
THANKS**

We want to thank everyone for their many cards, offerings, flowers, phone calls, prayers and other expressions of help during my illness. You'll never know how much your prayers have meant to me and my family. It's wonderful to know that people every where are praying for you.

Our thanks especially goes to the family of the Edwin Waterburys. They opened their home for us during our last stay in Oklahoma City and were wonderful in every way. Words can't express our appreciation to them.

We appreciated the visits of so many of our fellow-ministers. Your thoughtfulness was deeply appreciated.

May God bless each of you, and we ask continued interest in your prayers that God's Perfect Will might be done.

Ruth and Alford Whiteley
and family
Howard, Joel, Ted, and Opal

Children's Hour—

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"You were great!" Ben told his cousin.

"I'm glad I could do it." Tommy took a swallow of hot chocolate and grinned at Chad. "We'll never forget the way you patched that hole in the boat."

"We didn't expect our trip to the island to end the way it did," chuckled Ben. "You were great, Tommy."

"We'll never forget this day," Tommy said with a grin.

"Smells as if the second round of hamburgers are done," Chad put in. He shuffled to the kitchen.

"Know what I did while you were swimming across?" Ben asked Tommy.

"What?"

"I prayed for you every minute!"

Tommy's heart sang. "Thanks! Oh, Ben, do you mean—?"

Ben set his cup down. "I was the prize heel never answering what you wrote about Jesus Christ in my letters. I did begin reading the Bible, though, after you asked me to."

"That's great!" Tommy beamed.

"I guess I'd been all mixed up," Ben said. "I thought Christians were squares, that athletes and real heroes . . ." He broke off the sentence.

"Lots of star athletes are Christians," Tommy told him.

Ben nodded. "Today when you plunged into that water and struck out for shore, something happened inside me."

Tommy's face shone. "Boy, I'm glad!"

Ben leaned forward in his chair. "It isn't every fellow who'd give up his camp reservation to entertain a cousin he hadn't seen in three years."

"Give up CAMP?" Tommy burst out. "How did you know about that?"

Ben laughed. "The camp director's a friend of my uncle, Mom's brother. So Uncle Ed has made two reservations for the second week of next month. We can both go!"

Tommy whistled. "That's terrific!"

"In the meantime, will you, will you tell me more about being a Christian?" Ben asked.

"Sure!" Tommy took a big breath. "Oh, Ben, I've hoped for so long that you'd want to know Jesus Christ

as your personal Saviour. I've prayed about it every night."

"I do want to." Ben spoke softly.

Chad shuffled in with a plate of hot hamburgers. "Interested in these fellows?"

"Are we ever!" Tommy felt as though he could eat at least three! Life was wonderful! He and Ben were both going to camp. Ben wanted to be a Christian! Before Tommy bit into his hamburger, he said a silent prayer, "Thank You, Lord. Thank You so very much!"

CHILD EVANGELISM

EDITORIAL

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first Sunday following Camp Meeting at Laverne.

Another Minister's list will be included in the next issue if at all possible. If you as gospel workers or ministers desire your name to be included on the list, please send it to us at Hardesty.

We ask an interest in your prayers that the Lord will bless us in our labors for Him. As the Lord leads us and directs, we will continue our work on the Report. We do need His wisdom and leadings. May the Lord bless each of you as you continue to back the Report with your prayers and offerings.

Howard Whiteley

There is one big difference between the deadline in prison camps and the eternal deadline. The first line in the prison camp was an actual line. The prisoners knew exactly how far they could go. But it is not so with God's deadline. No one knows where the line in his or her particular life may lie. No one, for instance, knows the day or hour of his death. When that moment comes there is no going back. This very moment, in which you are reading this article, is the only moment of which you can be ABSOLUTELY SURE! The next step may be over the line!

The Lord wants us not to be hot-house plants, but sturdy, storm-tryed, Caribbean Pines . . . blessed by every gale of trial, and flourishing despite the desert of disappointment that may surround us."

IT TAKES A MAN

Jo An Brose

A feeble-minded simpleton
Can walk the worldly ways;
But it takes a MAN to live for God
Through labor-laden days.

It takes some prayer and it takes
some food

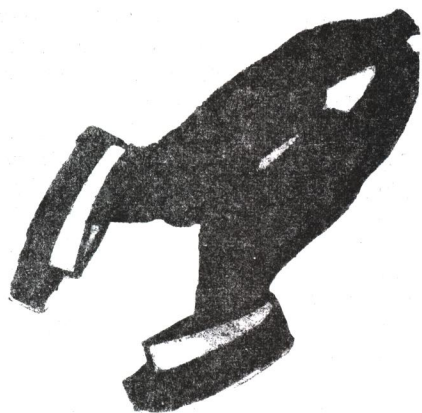
For anyone to live;
It takes a lot of BOTH of these
If to Christ our all we give.

His Word is what we feast upon
If against Him we would not sin;
And it takes a MAN to go and fight
That others we may win.

Human strength alone cannot
Make Jericho tumble down;
It takes THE MAN who died for us
And wore the thorn-built crown.

A child can sin so easily
And find it such a thrill;
But it takes a MAN to live for God
And go against selfish will.

Dr. Thomas M. Carter, an ex-convict, tells a thrilling story of the faith of his mother, who followed him with her prayers for many years until at last she listened to him preach the Gospel in answer to her petitions. On one occasion while he was in prison, she received a telegram stating that her son was dead, and asking what she wanted done with his body. Stunned, she retired to her prayer closet after instructing others in the house not to disturb her. She got out her Bible, spread it before her, and laid the telegram beside it. "Oh, God," she began, "I have believed the promise that thou art a rewarder of them that diligently seek Thee. I believed that I would live to see Tom saved and preaching the Gospel; and now a telegram comes saying he is dead. Lord, which is true, this telegram or your promises to me?" When she arose from her knees, having won the victory, she wired the prison: "There must be some mistake. My boy is not dead." And there was a mistake. Tom Carter was alive, became converted, and lived to preach! Say . . . are you a weak-kneed "pray-er", or a diligent seeker?



Teacher's Notebook

TEACHING THE LESSON

Article 3

Pupil Participation

In learning to do anything — drive a car, bake a cake, or play the piano — we are told how it is done . . . then we watch as it is demonstrated. But we NEVER actually learn how to do it ourselves until we begin participating in its action.

Your Sunday School pupil does NOT learn if he doesn't participate. The teaching method of Christ was to HEAR . . . then . . . DO! It is impossible to become a Christian without actively practicing or participating. The goal of each Sunday School teacher should be the salvation of each pupil.

For the very small child the participation may be in the form of taking part in a "finger play" while an older student would use participation in the form of answering or asking questions . . . or adding comments to the discussion.

In any class, old or young, no two pupils are alike. Some are ripe and ready to understand what is being taught; some are nearly ripe; others half ripe; others partly green, and some entirely green. The teacher must plan to engage the participation of everyone. This may be accomplished by different means for the different age groups. The teacher will learn after studying the pupils and often by trial and error, which methods are most effective.

Merely giving the pupil something to do to occupy the time is a sinful waste of opportunity. The "busyness" must be for a purpose; it must contribute to

the attainment of the lesson aim and get the pupil to think!

When a pupil reproduces in his own mind the truth being taught, he is learning. Just pouring out knowledge is not teaching. The teacher who talks on and on, telling what he knows without arousing mental response, is wasting his time and the pupil's time. Nor is true learning mere memorization and repetition of the words of the teacher, quarterly or the Bible. Why? Because the pupil, merely by reciting, is not participating. Although memorization is necessary, it must also be made meaningful to the pupil and the pupil must relate it to his own life . . . think it through, sift out, and retain that which is important.

In other words . . . the teacher's aim is to teach the pupil not only the words, but the thought. The pupil should be encouraged to express the lesson truth in his own words. Yes, it may be expressed crudely but the student is learning and this is what we're after . . . to learn the Word of God and the lessons implanted therein.

As the pupil advances in participation he will give a reason for that which he believes. He will discover a truth, seek proof for that which he has discovered, voice those proofs, and thus become a stronger believer than the one who believes but does not know why or who cannot explain why.

Even the youngest pupil will take a stronger hold of the truth if he can see a reason for it. The teacher's effort to encourage the pupil to seek out proof for a truth that is taught is made effective when the learner participates by telling of the proof he has discovered.

The participating pupil's next advancement is found in the study of the application of knowledge. Having his mind stirred by the presentation of a truth, then seeking and discovering verification of that truth, he next applies the truth to his own life. The boy who finds a use for what he has learned in his lesson becomes doubly interested and successful. What was idle knowledge becomes practical wisdom. The learning process is completed when this stage is reached.

This progressive participation varies, of course, with age. The mental activity of younger children lies close to the senses. Their ability to think

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How Others Do it

Share a time of prayer with the problem child whose class disturbances do not cease with the usual suggestion or reprimand from you. When a whole class can't continue because of one child's actions, a prayer time with that child can solve the problem.

Ask an assistant teacher or the superintendent to take charge of your class for a few minutes. Take the student to a quiet room where the two of you will be alone. Explain to the child that the two of you are going to talk to Jesus. Together you will ask Jesus to help the child want to be good in Sunday school and want to show God's love by cooperating with the other children. Pray a very simple prayer and then help your student to pray also. After the prayer assure the child that Jesus will help him want to be good and will help him actually be good.

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is limited. As they advance in age and in the learning process, they begin to think. Next, they begin to apply to their own lives that which they have been thinking. As a Nursery child the question is "What is that?" Then older, the child asks, "Where did it come from?" Later as juniors, intermediates and young people they ask, How, Why, etc.

Summing up this process of participation, the teacher is to:

1. Help the pupil to understand clearly the lesson aim.
2. Get him to express in his own words and thoughts, the meaning of the lesson.
3. Aim to make the pupil an investigator, finding for himself whether a certain statement is true, and thereby being able to give a reason for his opinions.
4. Induce the pupil to apply to his own personal life and circumstances the truth which he has heard, investigated, and proven.

Not only does participation help the pupil learn, but it makes the class session more interesting and vital to both the pupil and the teacher.

For some classes, the dismissal bell comes to quickly . . . "where did the time go." In others the teacher and pupils think the class will never end. What makes the difference? Why is one class so absorbed in the lesson the next one so boring to everyone? It's Pupil Participation! If the pupils are interested and thinking, the time flies by. But if there is no interest and the student's minds are not on the lessons, they are NOT thinking, the time drags.

The Sunday school teacher cannot compel participation . . . or reward with grade cards those that do participate. She must learn by study, by observation, by trial and error, what methods are most effective for her age group. She then employs those methods, singly, in combination and with adaptations to meet the situation. Only when the pupils interest is engaged to the point that he willingly participates because he wants to, is the learning proceeds most effective.

The careful teacher also will con-

sider obstacles which interfere with pupil interest. Every teacher has had the experience of getting the lesson off to a good start ONLY to have the learning situation marred by some avoidable influence. Here are some often encountered.

1. Disturbing noises are all too common in the Sunday school. Not all noise can be eliminated but maybe some of them will if discussed at the Sunday-school teachers' and officers' meetings, by using signs and announcements, by a proper example set by the teachers, installation of carpets, soundproof ceiling and wall boards also help.

2. Interruptions by secretaries, treasurers, superintendents or others are unforgiveable except in case of fire or other dire emergency.

3. Self-consciousness on the part of the pupil must be taken into consideration. Seating the pupils about a table, in a circle or half circle, or otherwise adjusting the class arrangement in a way that avoids stiff formality may be of help.

4. Physical discomfort interferes with interest. Overcrowding, poor classroom arrangement, inadequate light, bad ventilation or a classroom that is merely unattractive will make class interest difficult. Too hot, too cold, bare floors, bare walls, dingy curtains, broken chairs or other furniture . . . these indicative of neglect, are too often found in the Sunday School.

Here are some methods to enlist pupil participation with an explanation of each and suggestion for using it.

The Assignment:

The assignment method consists of the teacher asking a pupil to prepare in advance for participation in the lesson. This is best for teen-agers and older pupils, but can be used in a class of Juniors.

Plan the assignments well in advance. Make certain the pupil's effort will contribute to the achievement of the lesson aim. Arouse interest before the assignment is made. To help the pupils, you can write the question on a piece of paper, listing Scripture verses for the pupil to read in order to find the answer.

Keep the assignments within the field of the pupil's previous knowledge. Pupils given the questions on steward-

ship, for example, ought to know how to read, how to find passages in the Bible, and that giving is expected of the Christian.

Define carefully just what is to be done, making certain the pupil knows what is expected of him. Avoid embarrassing a pupil by insisting that he accept an assignment. Do NOT make the assignment either too difficult or too simple.

See that the pupil accepting the assignment goes through with it. Telephone to ask how he is progressing; or stop by to see him with a suggestion or two.

Many types of assignments are possible: definition of words of Scriptural terms; finding an answer to a question; bringing objects or pictures or other information; doing something such as making a call, writing a letter, interviewing someone, gathering data, making a poll, or conducting an experiment.

Show sincere appreciation for achievement.

Buzz or Chatter Session:

With this the class is divided into groups which "buzz or chatter" for a brief time and arrive at a group conclusion which is then presented to the whole class.

Usually the group discusses some aspect of a general subject. Each group takes one aspect of the general subject. The groups should be limited to not more than seven persons but no less than three. A time limit of not more than ten minutes is set, and strictly adhered to. Be sure to allow time for each group's report to be considered carefully. Let each group select its own reporter, who relates the summary of the group's conclusions.

(Continued Next Month)

Patrick Henry, that great statesman of Virginia, was a well-to-do man, and before his death left a will in which he bequeathed his material wealth to his children and relatives, and then closed the document with these words: "There is one more thing I wish I could leave you all . . . the salvation of Jesus Christ. With this, though you had nothing else, you could be happy; without this, though you had all things else, you could NEVER be happy."

Items of Interest



Dear Brother and Sister Whiteley,

Greetings in the Precious Name of Jesus. Once again we are glad to report victory in the name of Jesus. He is blessing us and helping us in the work here. He is enabling us to reach new places and souls with the Gospel.

We have started a new work in a small town about 18 miles from here. We held some special meetings there during the last week of April and the Lord saved some souls. Because the Full Gospel was preached there we had to face the opposition of the nominal christians. Some of those nominal christians wanted even to beat the members of the Gospel party but the Lord delivered us from their hands.

Since few souls are saved in that place we plan to construct a church there. I am glad to say that while I was in the states last year the friends of the Perryton Church gave me financial help to construct a church in one of the needy places here and so we are using that amount for this place. Praise the Lord.

Along with the church we also plan to start a small school for the poor children of that area. God is also enabling us to help each month several boys and girls (mostly children of our evangelists and Gospel workers) to pay their school fees and meet some of their other expenses.

The next term of our Bible School commences on the 1st of July. So far the Lord has been good to us and we know that He will be the same to us in the days to come also.

We are thankful to all the friends of the Movement who are helping us to carry on the work here. We do pray that the Lord may richly bless and reward you all for every help we receive from you dear ones.

You may be surprised to note that schools for our children started today after the summer vacation, when you have just started your summer vacation. Our children send their love to all the children of the Movement. Please continue to pray for us and for the work here.

With Christian love and regards.

Yours in His Service,
Brother and Sister T. S.
Abraham

Dear Bro. Whiteley,

Just a few short lines to say "hello" and to send this offering. It was given by the boys and girls during VBS this year at Enid, Okla. May God bless you in your efforts for the Report.

In Christian love,
Dorothy Kinser

Spiritual Christians "glory in tribulation," rather than GRUMBLE.

Golden Anniversary Celebration

Florence Mary Redlege and Loyd Alfred Schrimpf were married in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma on July 31, 1920. They were called into and dedicated in November, 1928.

Bro. and Sis. Schrimpf have made Pampa, Texas their home since November, 1960. Their two daughters are hosting their 50th Wedding Anniversary Reception which will be held July 25, 1970, at the Pioneer Gas Company Guest Room, 220 N. Ballard in Pampa, Texas from two to four o'clock. They request the honor of your presence.

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If you think it is hard to sit through a sermon, try preaching through one.

If you think the pew is too hot, try the pulpit.

If you think the singing is poor, try directing it yourself.

If you think the teaching is not plain enough, try explaining the lesson yourself.

YOU WILL BE AMAZED AT WHAT YOU DISCOVER. —Selected

CORRECTION NOTICE

We would like to make a note of correction from the last issue. In the Church report from Center Point, Texas. The article should have read that the pastor received 100 per cent vote of confidence.

—Editors

ON THIS DAY . . .

- Mend a quarrel,
- Search out a forgotten friend,
- Dismiss a suspicion and replace it with trust,
- Write a letter to someone who misses you.
- Encourage a youth who has lost faith,
- Keep a promise,
- Forget an old grudge,
- Examine your demands on others and vow to reduce them,
- Fight for a principle,
- Express your gratitude,
- Overcome an old fear,
- Take two minutes to appreciate the beauty of nature,
- Tell someone you love him.
- Tell him again,
- And again,
- And again.

—Oregon Friend

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