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New Life

MRS. E. A. GREEVER

Lord, when waking this May morning your
presence is so near

In the stillness of the night you are whispering, "Peace Be Still,"

Very soon the darkness will give way to
the break of day,

And I know you will guide my steps
throughout the entire day.

I'll behold wondrous beauty at the rising
of the Sun

For there seems to be new life, "Spring-
time has come",

The early flowers are blooming, green
leaves on shrub and tree,

And my heart is filled with singing, for
your love for me.

Your majesty and greatness, Lord, is found
wherever we may be,

I hear your voice when birds sing, they are
praising Thee.

And when clouds form with blackness cover-
ing the blue.

I know there is none other has such power
as you.

When in the mountains your voice I hear
in the whisper of the pines,

Seeing the waters fall from rugged cliffs,
I know you are divine.

You made the world and all therein, won-
ders, O, so rare,

When passing through the valley you are
the Lily blooming there.

When winds with power sweep across the
vast North Texas plains,

I remember in your holy word you say,
you ride upon their wings.

You have traced the mighty rivers that
wind their way to sea,

And praise your name our sins are buried
in the depths you say.

So another season is here, It is Springtime
I do declare.

There seems to be joy and gladness, new
life everywhere.

So may I with life given through Christ
many years ago,

Give out the greatest message to be found
in earth below.

My friend hear the good news, Christ died
and rose again,

And because he lives you can also live and
some day reign with Him.

Your life can be filled with singing,
"Springtime" in your soul,

And as you trod the earthy sod have
heaven as your goal.

Listen! and I'm sure you will hear his voice
so gently call

For it can be heard o'er all the world, it
goes out to all.

Wherever you may chance to be on moun-
tain, hill, or plain,

Quickly leave the path of sin, Can't you
hear the sweet refrain?

Jesus says I'm the door into the fold, the
way, the truth, the life,

Just follow me and your life will be free
from sin and strife.

In this world with its tribulation my pres-
ence will be near.

And the path you tread be cheerful, your
frail life I'll steer.

So weary, wayworn traveler, make haste
and hear the story

Of God's dear Son who came to earth
leaving his Father's glory.

To lift us from our fallen state, giving light
and life

Dispelling all sins darkness, "Be born again,
receive new life."

FAMILY ALTAR

by Edwin Modrick

Many of the critical problems of our day have their roots in the homes where there is little time for God and spiritual nature. Many church problems are really home problems inasmuch as the vitality of the church is directly related to the spiritual strength of the home.

I wonder, if before we can have a good old fashioned revival in the church, maybe we need a good revival in the home. Let us give consideration to the altar in the family home. If you do have a family altar perhaps it needs some repair. The phrase "The family that prays together, stays together", is written with the family altar as its backbone.

Our nation as a whole has become accustomed to divorce, broken homes, orphaned children, lax church attendance, no concern of the Lord's day and many other evils. With this in mind we should awaken to the fact of the tremendous possibilities of the observation of the family altar.

The Old Testament gives us an excellent background for family worship. The word of Joshua in 24:15 are significant . . . "as for me and my house we will serve the Lord". We can notice the deep meaning of the family ties in stories such as Noah, Abraham, Isreal itself, and others.

A New Testament example involves the jailer who upon his conversion also led his family along with him. Who then can doubt God's design for family worship? This practice not only has examples throughout the Bible, but all history is full of references to this type of family existence. It isn't the problem of our failure to believe this, but to put it to use.

Statistics are unavailable perhaps, but most pastors will admit that there are many homes that are void of this practice. There may be many reasons for this decline, even though we have been advised of the merits of family worship for many, many years. Some have found it impractical or inconvenient

so . . . they have given up this wonderful habit. Many homes only speak of the early morning rush to school etc. and perhaps several in the family are departing at different times. Many times the head of the household leaves the house before any one else. What kind of an example is this? Night shifts and working mothers have greatly complicated the problem. In general we may assume that the decline of family altar has accompanied the modern frenzy to keep up, to balance the budget, and have a little more of what our neighbors are enjoying. The more we emphasize our family prosperity, the more we find the family altar and the very important things vanishing.

Most people have a hobby or past-time and generally the entire family can participate. We are greatly satisfied with our regular church attendance, and perhaps our financial endeavor, but what about the family altar? We spend about fifty times more hours at home or elsewhere than in church. Are we to only remember God on Sunday? Are we only to be proud because we managed to find a few minutes for church last week. What about all of the unguided hours outside of the church?

A real home is not evaluated by the brick on the exterior, or the cost of building materials, or the landscaping of the property, but only where true love exists. Even if the busy life and toil have gotten hold of many families, are we to eliminate the family altar?

Regardless of the fast pace of this life, let us try to reestablish the family altar. The parents can not expect the children to worship God at home unless they themselves set the genuine example. Each home must face the problem. Whether it is to improve on their family altar, repair it, or completely rebuild it, NOW is the time . . .

The following steps may be noticed:

1. The place of the Bible in family worship.
2. Introducing the Bible to children.
3. Connecting the Bible with personal experiences.
4. Make the Bible and Prayer

a part of our every day lives.

Many other things may be written or said on this subject, but the fact remains that the fault is in our own hands. Let us give family worship a place in our homes and in our hearts for the remainder of the year. Nothing matters as much as our relationship to God. May we join together in realizing a true appreciation of God and his word both in the church and the home.

Report—: From Evangelists

The Lord has been very good to us the past few months, and we have enjoyed many good services and blessings which time would not permit us to tell.

We enjoyed a good visit to Bayard, Nebraska, and while there we had a week-end of services. The Lord blessed in these services, and souls were strengthened by the Lord. Bro. and Sis. Rene Heil assisted in these services. Each night Bro. Heil was in charge of the youth services which were a blessing to the youth.

This past week we closed a revival with the good people at Pampa, Texas. The Lord met with us each night and the people showed good interest. Some personal victories were gained.

At present we are directing the V. B. S. here at Hardesty.

We have enjoyed the past few months of revivals and the different churches we have been privileged to visit. May God bless each one who has been so kind to us.

The 13th of June will be our first Sunday as pastors at the Follett Chapel, Follett, Texas. We ask for your prayers that God will bless our ministry and our lives to those people.

Rev. and Mrs. Jack Cornell
and Family

There is nothing so detrimental to true Christian character and a growth in grace as the constant entertaining of evil thoughts!!

God sometimes puts us in the dark to prove to us that He alone is the light!!

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FROM THE

Associate Editor

Bro. Gail Schultz

I picked up one of the old Bibles of general use many years ago. I had marked this verse, to no doubt use as a text. Mark 12:24. "And Jesus answering said unto them, Do Ye not therefore err, because ye know not the scriptures, neither the power of God?"

What a shame, a predicament and a loss to that generation when Jesus was here in person on this earth. However, we sometimes forget that our boasted much, enlightened age of today, faces the same situation. Many do not read the Bible, much less study it, and the understanding is either vague or nil. In order to cover up this loss, wrong interpretations are placed upon the Word, which often make traps and snares. Let us pray for understanding.

As to the power of God, that is a mystery to everybody, save to those to whom His spirit has made

We are living so near to the return of the Lord back to earth again! I have wondered many times what would be our reactions if these natural eyes could be opened and we could see just how close our Lord's return actually is.

When we think of the great time cycle, it should thrill us. There is a 2,000 year period from the formation of man to the flood, 2,000 years from the flood to the birth of Christ, and now we are closing another 2,000 year period.

What kind of people should we be at the return of our Lord? Do our daily lives measure up to the standards which God gave us in His Holy Word for each Christian—not just the minister or gospel worker . . . but each one. Does our talk "betray us" as a Christian or someone of the world?

We find a great truth in II Kings 2: 9,10. Elijah ask Elisha what he desired. In verse 9 Elisha said, "Let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me". This was a hard request but Elijah told him if he saw him when he was taken away, it would come to pass. I believe Elisha walked step by step with Elijah.

revelation. I Cor. 1: 20-24 and I Cor. 2: 13-16. All a person can ask is for the presence of God and His power will follow. All we are is found in Him.

Keep busy for the Lord, who ever you are—wherever you are. This is a busy season, the general church must not be neglected. Then we have as extra work the D.V.B. Schools, the Youth camps, and the camp meetings. Pray for all of these, and attend as the Lord makes it possible. Pray too for the Apostolic Faith Report. It is a vital

Pens of the Editors



Not one time did Elisha sit down. Not one time did he say it is not worth it. He had a goal in mind; he was looking and expecting something.

We find in II Thess. 2:3 that the day of the Lord "shall not come, except there come a falling away first." Do we have a goal in mind? Are we hungry for the blessings of the Lord, or have we lost the vision of His coming? Many of us have lost the vision of a Lost world, of what the Lord has in store for us by way of His blessings. May the Lord wake us up to the times we are facing.

We do say a great big "Thank You" for all that are behind us in the publishing of the Report. May the Lord bless you and repay you richly with His blessings. Do remember our youth camps and the coming camp meetings. Plan to take part of your vacation and receive God's blessings in one of the camps. If you can go God will reward you above anything you could expect if you Wait on Him in Prayer and study of His Word with God's people.

Howard Whiteley

link in our general communication system. The printed page often has a great message and often is long lived.

Gail W. Schultz

GEM OF TRUTH

"Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us".

Romans 9:37

NEWS from the CHURCHES

FOLLETT, TEXAS—

Services have been consistently good at the Follett Chapel. A gracious Sunrise Service was enjoyed at Easter-time. Easter Sunday night, the Follett Chapel joined with the Methodist, Baptist, and Congregational churches to present an Easter Cantata in the Follett High School Auditorium. This was a most impressive and spiritual service. Some 600 in attendance. It was so well accepted and enjoyed that our neighboring town to the East, Shattuck, Okla., asked that it be presented the following Sunday night in the Shattuck High School Auditorium. Again a very gracious service was enjoyed with near 500 in attendance. Many hearts were reached with the Message of a living Saviour that do not attend church regularly.

We were happy to have Rev. and Mrs. Roland Haney and family visit with us May 9th. Bro. Haney brought a very good message Sunday night. They returned the following day to their pastorate in Cave Springs, Arkansas.

June 6, 1965 was the closing service for the Dibbins as pastor of the Follett Chapel. Rev. and Mrs. Jack Cornell are the new pastors.

Bro. and Sis. Donald D. Dibbins moved to Vanderpool, Texas, where they will make their home and be open for calls as Evangelists or fill-in preaching. Their permanent address is: Rev. and Mrs. Donald D. Dibbins, Vanderpool, Texas. 78885.

MIDWAY CHURCH, LOGAN, OKLAHOMA—

We are glad to report God is still blessing in our services. Some of our young people attended and enjoyed the Youth Retreat at Laverne Camp ground on May 7 and 8.

Our Daily Vacation Bible School will begin May 31st and continue

through June 4 with the program June 4th, under the direction of Mrs. Doyle Wiles. The theme is "Discovering With Christ." We are praying the Lord will give us a good Bible School.

Rev. Jack Barker preached for us on Sunday morning, May 16, due to the absence of our pastor, Bro. Wiles, who preached the Baccalaureate at Laverne. Bro. Barker brought a wonderful message on stewardship.

Mrs. Deryl Lamunyon, reporter
Doyle Wiles, pastor

GALENA, KANSAS—

"Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled." We are glad to see a moving toward God among our people and God is blessing those that are seeking Him. A very busy season of the year is upon us with Vacation Bible School and Youth Camp time here but it is a time that God has given us to "win" the youth of our land to Him and we must make the most of this time. We were thankful for another one of our teen-agers that gave her life to the Lord at our last Youth Rally in Baxter and we're also glad to see our Christian young people begin to deepen their lives spiritually as well as some of our adults. There is still so much to be done for God that we should all work NOW for the night is coming when no man can work.

Howard Whiteley, pastor

JOPLIN, MISSOURI—

Praise the Lord for His goodness to us, in the form of good services and real blessings. We have about 70 to 80 in Sunday School attendance, and seldom does anybody leave before the 11 o'clock morning worship hour, in fact some times others come in. The Ladies conducted their last mid-week day prayer and Bible study class due

to the many duties for the summer months. Come by and worship with us, lay member or minister, sinner or Christian, our doors are open to the hungry honest hearts. Mr. and Mrs. Gail Schultz, pastors

PINE HILL, ALABAMA—

God continues to bless in our services here and our crowds are increasing according to His will. We have been giving doctrinal Bible lessons on Wednesday nights which have been well attended. The people are hungry to know God's Word, and we desire that we might be used of God to teach His Word to these people. In the near future a baptismal service is being planned for those desiring to follow the Lord in Baptism.

Jim Arnall, pastor.

DID

YOU

FORGET

?

BIG SPRING, TEXAS—

Recently we have been encouraged by the ministry of Bro. Ken Priest, who was with us for a week of services that started the 25th of April and continued through May 2nd. God blessed in many ways. One young woman was saved and others drawn closer to the Lord. We appreciate Bro. Ken and his ministry.

At the present we are in services with Bro. Jr. Echols that started May 9th. and will go as long as the Lord leads. The Lord is dealing especially with Christians to rise up and fight the battle that is before them. Gideon, one time blew the trumpet of battle and thousands came to fight the battle. Perhaps we need to hear that same trumpet to-day to awaken Christians out of their sleep. We need to put on the **whole** armor of God in order to be prepared to fight this battle. Christian people are so busy today with the cares of life, that they don't have time for God and His services. May God help us and make us so hungry for His blessings and prayer and study of His Word that the other things of our daily life will be less important to us. He has blessed my own life in many ways I never thought possible and this is only the beginning.

We enjoyed the Youth Rally at Snyder, May 7th. Bro. Rene Heil brought the message, which we enjoyed, because of the encouragement to go on for the Lord. Big Spring won the banner. Election of officers was conducted. Danny Robinson was re-elected president, Jack Hopson as vice-president and Pat Robinson as sec-reporter. The next rally will be in Big Spring, June 4th.

A last minute letter from Bro. and Sis. Robinson asks that we give notice that they are resigning as the Big Spring pastors at camp meeting time, and they are open for calls. Contact them at 1307 Goliad St. for further information or services that you may wish.

Danny Robinson, pastor

It is not necessary to blow out your neighbor's light, in order to let your own shine!!

C. O. Bards To Be Honored

Mr. and Mrs. Claude O. Bard, 23rd and Kensor Rd., Joplin, Missouri, will entertain with open house from 3 to 5 o'clock, Sunday afternoon, June 20, in their home in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

The former Millie Pansy Hayes and Claude Bard were united in marriage, June 19, 1915, in Webb City, Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. Bard have four sons: Eugene Clay, Tipton Ford, Missouri, James Franklin, Jack Edsel, and Max Lee all of Joplin; one daughter, Mrs. Paul A. Clanton of Roswell, New Mexico.

They have nineteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Bard was converted to the Apostolic Faith some 29 years ago and has pastored several area churches besides conducting revivals throughout the churches in our movement. Mrs. Bard has been a faithful and active member in the Apostolic Faith Church of Joplin for many years and has assisted her husband in his work for the Lord.

All friends and relatives are invited to attend this happy occasion which the Bard's daughter and daughter-in-laws will serve as hostesses.



Crusaders for Christ

12 Inch Answers

QUESTION: Is there a difference between big and little sins?

ANSWER: Is there a difference between big and little sins? In other words is God more lenient with one than the other?

To begin with there is a difference of interpretation as to what is big or little sins. I am going to refer to a few that might generally be called little and certainly so in comparison to the terrible crime wave that is sweeping our nation. Where life and limb are concerned, sin may be classified, however, in regard to eternal life, let us consider the Word.

Sin is wilful breaking of the divine law. Before referring to any specific sin, I would like to say that the attitude has as much bearing as the act itself in determining sin.

Are Rebellion and stubbornness little sins? I. Sam. 15:23. God likened rebellion to the sin of witch craft . . . which was punishable by death. Ex. 22:18. Stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. The worship of idols certainly was forbidden.

Lying . . . surely a little white(?) lie isn't so bad, or what about social lies? Rev. 21:8. ALL LIARS shall have their part in the lake of fire, along with the abominable, murderers, whoremongers, sorcerers, and idolators.

Is covetousness considered a little

sin? Col. 3:5. It is grouped with fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence and is proclaimed idolatry.

I John 3:15. To hate is to murder.

Then there is the sin of worldly, or sinful pleasure. I Tim. 5:6. "She that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth." The dead cannot inherit. The friends of this world is enmity with God. James 4:4.

These are sins of commission, but there is a sin of omission also. James 4:17. Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin. I Sam. 15:22. "Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams." To fail to do the right

thing is just as disobedient as to do the wrong thing.

Are there sins smaller than these?

According to the scriptures, just what is the difference between big and little sins? Hath not God included them all under sin?

1. John 3: 20-22. "For if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask we receive of him, because we keep His commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.

Whatever may be your idea as to the classification of sin, be sure to keep your heart free from condemnation. Rom. 14:22. "Happy is he that condemneth not himself in that thing which he alloweth."

Youth Rally

MID-WEST RALLY

May 3rd the Mid-West Youth Rally met at the Woodward Church with 64 in attendance. The Lord blessed with songs from Arnett, and Midway. Other towns attending were Follett, Shattuck, Laverne, and Woodward. Woodward lost the banner to Laverne.

Rev. M. D. Methvin from Laverne brought a wonderful message about Teenagers.

Because of too many summer activities there will be no youth rally until September.

Darlene Branson, reporter

Do you have a problem or a question which you would like to have answered? Then send it in to our panel and your answer will appear on this page in a future issue. All names will be kept confidential so that you will feel free to ask any question that is troubling you. This "question and answer" column belongs to you young people and it will be for your benefit. We feel we have selected a panel that will give your questions much thought and prayer. Let us hear from you soon.

The Children's Hour . . .

By ALBERDINE WILHITE

Wisdom means to be wise
 Don't crawl out on a limb.
 Wisemen still follow Jesus
 So let's all trust in Him.

We want to remember that it is easy to get involved with Satan. He can get us to do a lot of things for him without trying very hard. If we aren't careful the devil can get us "out on a limb" so to speak. There was a little girl named Faye. She had so much vim, vigor, and vitality that she was busy doing something all the time. She wanted so much and she managed to get what she wanted most of the time.

One day Faye was standing in her back yard looking up in the apple tree that grew there. A pretty bird had flown to the top branches.

As Faye looked she saw a pretty red apple out on the end of a branch and it bobbed from the top most part of the tree. She wanted the apple very badly. She had been cautioned to never climb high. She could eat only apples she could reach easily. But she saw the pretty apple! How she wanted it! She just had to have it!

Finally she ventured up into the tree and climbed out toward the pretty apple on the end of the branch. Just as she reached out for the apple, the limb gave a sharp Crack! The limb, the apple, and Faye went to the ground!!

Fortunately, Faye was not seriously injured . . . no broken bones but she was hurt painfully with scratches and bruises. Faye didn't get to eat the beautiful apple either.

You see, Faye was not wise. She did not mind her elders. They had cautioned her about climbing high up into the tree. If she had been "wise", she would have realized that the small limb would not hold her weight.

So, it pays boys and girls, (and grown-ups too) to think things over before we act. We need to remem-

ber that some of the things we want are not good for us. If we are wise, we will think before we do, see, hear, go, and say. My daddy once told me that it is better to remain silent and be thought foolish than to speak and remove all doubt.

Children sing a little song, "be careful little eyes what you see . . . for the Father up above is looking down in love, so be careful little eyes what you see." Each verse takes in another part of our being our mouth, our ears, our hands, and our feet. Yes, we need to be wise

How do we get all this wisdom This control over eyes, ears, mouth, hands, and feet?

Do you know? Not from Mom and Dad . . . though their advice is always good . . . not from brothers nor sisters, nor our grandparents. We get it from the dear Lord Jesus.

One of the wisest things we can do is accept the Lord Jesus as our personal Saviour and be saved. For what good would it do if we owned the whole world but were barred from heaven? Jesus through love for us, died and gave His blood for the remission of our sins. He was sent by His father and who-so-ever believeth on Him should not perish but have everlasting life. God didn't send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him (Jesus) might be saved. That means You . . . and me too! We will be saved if we are wise enough to take God at His Word, to trust in His Son, Jesus and allow His Holy Spirit to guide us.

Let us not be wise in our own conceit but ask for wisdom from the Father.

Now for our Bible Quiz. "W" is the key letter.

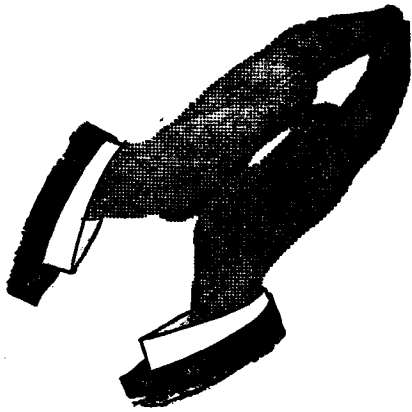
1. Name 3 Bible animals
 Lev. 11:29
 Ps. 80:13
 Jer. 5:6.
2. A grain seed?
 Gen. 30:14
3. A tree? Psa. 137:2
4. A type of wood? Jer. 9:15.
5. John 2:1-11 tells of a miracle in which Jesus turned into
6. Matt. 8:23-27 says that even the and the obey Him.
7. Mark 3:1-5 tells of Jesus healing a man with a hand.
8. Matt. 14:28-31 states that Jesus upon the sea.
9. Jesus restores life to a son of a in Luke 7:11-16
10. King Saul once sought council from a woman as the of Endor. I. Sam. 28:7.

BECAUSE YOU PRAYED

Because you prayed
 God touched our weary bodies with His power,
 And gave us strength for many a trying hour,
 In which we might have faltered,
 Had not you,
 Our intercessors, faithful been and true.

Because you prayed
 The dwellers in the dark have found the Light,
 The glad good news has banished heathen night;
 The message of the cross so long delayed
 Has brought them life at last, because you prayed.

—Selected



Teacher's Notebook

What Is Preparation

Preparation means shopping, gathering materials, cleaning the room, visiting in the homes, attending church services and Sunday School workers' meetings, learning the songs, preparing room decorations mending and cleaning toys (for the nursery class,) and a dozen other activities in addition to telling the Bible story. Preparation means **Ready in advance**; it means doing the following each week:

1. Checking and rechecking the lesson aim.
2. Prayerfully reading Scriptures; studying lesson.
3. Working between Sundays to prepare: (1) room decorations, (2) play time (for the nursery class teachers), (3) books and pictures for the book table, (4) items to post on bulletin board, (5) items which will be used in the worship time (includes supplies for story and object lessons, etc.), (6) handwork (this is generally found in the smaller age classes.)
4. Following up absentees and newcomers by home call, telephone call, and mail. (These home contacts are listed in order of importance!)
5. Have a time of prayer before Sunday School to ask God's help during the class time and to quiet your mind before meeting your students.
6. Being early in Sunday School. "A superintendent is late unless he or she is half an hour early. A teacher is late unless she is fifteen minutes early".

In each lesson there are Scripture references and devotional thoughts to aid your preparation. Read the Bible passage no matter how many times you have read them before. **Pray** that the Holy Spirit will reveal the Scripture to you so you may make it meaningful to each child. Teach your lesson to imaginary children as you go about your tasks through the week until telling it is natural and easy for you. Also do this with any visuals you will use so that using them is easy and natural and not a hinderance to you in presenting the lesson.

Keep and make your room attractive and inviting . . . don't let it become cluttered as this bothers many children and all of this is included in the child's impression of God. Do not overload your room with items on the walls, etc. as it confuses the student and as a result none of it becomes meaningful to him.

Teachers are always looking for helps and better methods. This is to be your special part of our paper. Send in any ideas which you feel would help someone else and we will be glad to pass it along. We trust this will prove a blessing to each teacher or helper.

Christ As A Guide

Did you ever think of the New Testament as a guide on how to teach? Jesus was a great teacher and if you study His methods in the lessons He taught you will find the following characteristics:

1. Jesus taught by word and deed, by illustration, story and question method. His lessons had preparation, presentation, and conclusion.
2. Jesus used effective illustrations, accompanying the statement of a general principle with a concrete example. His figures of speech made the truth plain even to the unlearned.
3. He was a wonderful story

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HOW OTHERS DO IT

Object lesson on "Taste and see".
Materials needed: a candy bar or wrapped candy piece.

Scripture: Psa. 34:8a. "O taste and see that the Lord is good". Plus others you will find to carry out the point that you wish to make.

Aim: to show that no one knows how good it (salvation) is until after they partake.

FLASH CARD METHOD

For a variety in your flash card methods, try using a large loose-leaf scrap book, draw in simple backgrounds and then paste the figures in place. This could also be used for true-to-life stories that illustrate the truth to children. Also this is a wonderful thing to use in entertaining the children that come to visit and play with your children on a rainy day.

YOUTH CAMP NEWS

TRI-STATE YOUTH CAMP

Work is progressing satisfactorily for the 1965 Tri-State Youth Camp at Baxter Springs, Kansas.

Three girl's dorms have been enclosed and partitioned to make 6 apartments, each having its own outside entrance.

Concrete floors have been laid in the boy's dorms and it is hoped that at least one will be enclosed by Youth Camp.

Enrollment will be Sunday afternoon, June 13, beginning around 2 p. m. with the camp closing at noon, Saturday, June 19.

Committees for this year's camps are Directors, Howard Whiteley, Onel Nunn; teachers, Sis Edna Schultz, Sis Lula Parham; Counselors, Sis Marvell Carman, C. O. Bard; Recreation, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Haney; Grounds, Earl Morgan; Pulpit, Gail Schultz, Bob Cooper; Morning and Evening Rallies, Bill Patterson, Jr.; Noon Rally, Yvonna Whiteley; Secretary, Fran Waterbury.

Schedule of classes is as follows: Rallies, Doctrinal Bible Study (lessons prepared by Rev. M. D. Methvin assisted by Mrs. Goldie Myers and Mrs. Glenn Smith), Handicraft for the junior age, "Teen Problems" Counseling (Girls—Sis. Edna Schultz; Boys—F. E. Waterbury); Recreation, and Worship Hour.

Plan now to attend Camp this year and enjoy God's blessings with us.

LOST PINES YOUTH CAMPS

Monday, June 7, marks the enrollment for this year's camp at Lost Pines, Warda, Texas.

For the first time Lost Pines has a special and separate schedule for 1965 High School Graduates and College Students.

Rev. J. D. Ray will be our Camp Speaker this year for the night services. Our committees are as follows: Winston Barker, chairman; Raymona Kerr and Lenore Peck, Schedule; Mary Jo Elkins, Jr. Lessons and Teachers; Lyn Tucker, Teenage Lessons and Teachers; Harrol Waterbury, 1965 High School

graduates and college students, Lessons and teachers; Edwin and Patsy Waterbury, Counselors; Austin Morgan, Publicity.

Our camp program for this year will be Christian Fellowship, Bible Study, Prayer Units, Personal Counseling, Group Counseling sessions for Highschoolers, Scripture memory Tournament, Christian Films, Amateur Talent hour, Recreation, Variety Time, Junior Choir, and Evening Worship Service.

Come and enjoy God's Blessings with us.

Austin Morgan, Publicity chairman.

YOUTH CAMP

Final plans are being made as registration draws near for the Pine Crest Youth Camp near Quitman, Mississippi, June 27. Camp will end this year on July 2.

Committee men for the camp this year are George Hindergardt, L. J. Ehrlich, Leon Smith, Jim Arnall, Jerome Crowhurst.

Others working in the camp this year will be as follows: Mrs. Earl Malone, pre-camp children; Dennis Huff, junior Boy's teacher; Bill Patterson, afternoon rally; Jimmy Arnall, evening service; Mr. and Mrs. Rene Heil and Earl Malone will also be working in the camp with morning rallies and other duties.

Rallies, morning Bible Doctrinal Study, Handicraft (teachers: Mrs. Bessie Morgan and O. J. Smith), recreation, and evening worship hour will be this year's class schedule.

Make plans now to be in camp with us.

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Baxter Springs, Kansas

Youth Retreat

The Report:

On the evening of May 7, 1965, the Mid-West Camp Ground of the Apostolic Faith Movement was the scene of young people from all over the mid-western part of the country gathering for a wonderful time of spiritual gain and also an excellent time of fellowship one with the other. There was a representation from Oklahoma, Kansas, and Texas. The first carloads arrived about five o'clock that evening and continued to come until after eight that night. At six o'clock the registration of the retreaters started with everyone having his own name tag.

At six thirty the evening meal was served with about everyone's favorite "supper" being served and that was hamburgers and doughnuts and plenty for everybody. After the evening meal, there was a few minutes to get re-acquainted and for visiting. (There was plenty of this carried on through-out the Retreat). At eight o'clock the ole bell rang out that it was time for the evening service which started off with some choruses led by Sis. Mary Wiles, My it sure sounded good to hear the 87 voices of the teen agers singing praises unto the Lord. There were three special songs which preceded some very inspiring talks on certain given subjects by some of our young people. After the sermonettes, Rev. M. D. Methvin brought to the teenagers a wonderful challenge, and there were six of the young people answered the call and met Jesus as their personal Saviour. It was impressing to see 87 young people on their knee crying out to the living God for their needs and the needs of others. Someone brought to my attention that of the 87 registered Retreaters and some 30 guests, there was not left one person but what was on their knees praying and giving reverence to the Almighty. I'm sure this will be one service that shall long be remembered because of the presence of the Lord.

After the altar service, the announcements were made for the

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Youth Retreat—

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remaining part of the Retreat. Liberty was given to the Young People with the exception of leaving the grounds, and everyone seemed to enjoy this time of fellowship very much.

About eleven thirty the ole bell signaled it was time to head for the dorms. As one of the directors, it didn't seem that the kids liked to hear the **bed bell** near as well as they did the **dinner bell**, but they were very good to co-operate. From what I could hear and observe, it didn't seem that everyone dropped right off to sleep, but I guess everyone got enough sleep as they were all up at seven o'clock ready for another day. At seven forty-five breakfast was served. After breakfast some of the boys worked up a little baseball game and really seemed to enjoy some recreation.

Nine o'clock was the time set aside for "Funspiration" which included several skits from several churches and it proved to be real fun. There were several rounds of laughs for everyone. Again we had a few minutes of leisure time spent in different ways. At eleven o'clock was the morning rally conducted by Bro. and Sis Earl Malone. And it proved to be of real benefit to everyone.

One more time the ole bell rang out dinner time and everyone seemed to be ready. Steaks were served to everyone and they were delicious. Probably one reason they were so good was because they were prepared by a real fine "chef" and his helpers, Bro. and Sis Jake Regier. Our deepest thanks to these fine cooks for three fine meals. I might add, the younger generation was exceptionally good to help with the dishes. (Pardon me, but I kinda wished some of us older generation could have taken a lesson from these kids along this dish-washing line for the next camp-meetings.) The young people were asked to clean their dorms and then the time for parting and going our separate ways came far too soon. It was hard to say "So-Long" to our friends but we all left the grounds with the anticipation of the forth-

coming Youth Camp and another Youth Retreat.

Our many thanks to everyone who made our Retreat a positive success.

Yours in the Master's Service,
Rev. and Mrs. Jack Cornell
Rev. and Mrs. Ted Barker
Directors

Christ As A Guide—

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teller. His stories were simple, full of action, and had a point.

4. He asked good questions, making His listeners think until the truth was found.

5. Jesus' teaching was on the level of His hearer's own experience.

6. He taught essentials. He grasped the great principle in every issue and made it clear.

7. Jesus always brought His lessons to a definite conclusion.

8. Jesus taught by what He did as well as by what He said.

9. Jesus was the embodied of all He taught, the example of a perfect life.

LITTLE MESSENGERS

by Lenora McLaughlin Link

A mocking bird sits in a tree
And sings to me, and sings to me,
"This is God's lovely tree!"

"Cheer up. Cheer up!" he seems
to say,

"This is God's day, His bright new
day.

"Be glad! Be glad all day!"

I watch him as he's singing there.
It's like a prayer, a song of prayer
That God is everywhere.

There's love in every note he sings,
"For little things, for little things"
God's love for little things.

The little birds up in the tree
Sing for themselves and sing for me.
"Gods love for you, for me!"

I am a messenger of the Lord
To read His word, to tell His word,
To live His Holy Word.

"When God is going to do something wonderful, He begins with a difficulty; and when it is going to be very wonderful, He begins with an impossibility."

Youth Rallies

TRI-STATE RALLY

God's presence was felt throughout the entire service as the Tri-State Youth Rally met at Baxter Springs, Kansas, May 17. Rev. F. E. Waterbury led the choir service with Linda Williams at the piano and Fran Waterbury at the organ. Special songs were sung by the youth of the area.

Rev. Onel Nunn delivered a wonderful message to the youth challenging them to become Real leaders for God in their time. A teenage girl from Galena gave her life to the Lord at the close of the service.

Galena captured the banner with 22 present. Our next rally scheduled for Galena will be June 14, at the Youth Camp which will be in session then.

Linda Bard, reporter

YOUTH RALLY

Hinton, Alabama was host for our May Youth Rally with a very good attendance. God blessed in the singing of praises to Him along with the sermonettes. Special songs were given from the churches in our area.

The Lord blessed in the giving forth of His Word in sermonettes by Jim Arnall, George Hindergardt, and Leon Smith. The service was closed with a good season of prayer.

Jerome Crowhurst, president

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Symbols In The Book Of Revelation

By ROBERT GIROUARD

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In Rev. 11:3, 4, we are told that God's two witnesses shall prophesy for a period of a thousand two hundred and threescore days. This corresponds with the periods of forty two months that the Gentiles will tread the holy city under foot. Rev. 11:2. It can be established by the Bible that in scriptural reckoning of time a month consists of thirty days. The length of time that the two witnesses shall prophesy also corresponds with the length of the reign of the beast emperor or Anti-Christ after he breaks his covenant with the Jewish nation. Dan. 9:27; Rev. 13:5; Dan. 7:25.

These two witnesses are called the two olive trees and the two candlesticks which stand before the God of earth. Here symbols are introduced. Let us bear in mind that **THE BIBLE INTERPRETS ITS OWN SYMBOLS.** Read all of Zechariah Chapter, four. There the two olive trees represented Jehovah's two anointed ones for that day. They were Joshua the high priest, Zechariah, chapter three and Zerubbabel the governor. Zechariah 4:3, 11-14. Likewise, the two witnesses of Revelation chapter eleven will be two men who will prophesy in Jerusalem during the reign of the Anti-Christ.

These two witnesses shall have miracle working power to protect them from the power of the Anti-Christ and of his associates during the days of their testimony. "Fire proceedeth out of their mouth." Rev. 11:5; II Kings 1:10-12.

The account of their ministry, death, resurrection and ascension to heaven makes good sense and is to be taken literally. It is a principle of sound Biblical interpretation that **UNLESS DEFINITE STATEMENT IS GIVEN BY THE CONTEXT ITSELF THAT A PASSAGE OF SCRIPTURE IS SYMBOLICAL, IT IS TO BE INTERPRETED LITERALLY.**

An instance where figurative in-

terpretation is strongly implied is in Rev. 8:8, "as it were a great mountain burning with fire." The Amplified New Testament renders this passage as follows: "The second angel blew his trumpet, and something resembling a great mountain, blazing with fire, was hurled into the sea." This will probably be a burning, fiery meteoric mass. In Rev. 8:10, 11, a star or meteor called Wormwood affects the waters of rivers, streams and springs. The Amplified New Testament renders Rev. 8:10 as follows: "The third angel blew his trumpet, and a huge star fell from heaven burning like a torch, and it dropped on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water".

Many Bible interpreters give a figurative interpretation to Revelation chapter sixteen. We believe this is a great mistake. The language descriptive of the vital judgments is plain and literal. There is not the faintest suggestion of figurative or symbolical use. The judgment plagues will be as literal as were the plagues upon Egypt before the children of Israel were delivered from bondage: If God's word does not mean what it says in this chapter, how is one to know what it means? whose fanciful interpretation shall one accept?

In Rev. 4:4-11; 5:8-10 is recorded John's vision of the twenty-four elders and the four beasts. What do they signify?

The scene is in heaven after the close of the church age and we believe before the beginning of the great tribulation. The elders are said to be clothed in white raiment which is said to represent the righteousness of the saints. Rev. 19:7,8. We believe that the number twenty-four is a representative number. The Bible speaks of a high priest, chief priests and priests. The chief priests were twenty-four in number. King David organized the priesthood into twenty-four groups or courses to officiate at the temple services. Each group or course of priests served for two weeks at a time

and then was followed by another group. The head or leader of each group was called a chief priest.

In scriptural symbolism the high priest was an imperfect type of our great high priest, Jesus Christ; the chief priests represented those who will be seniors in rank and dignity among the redeemed, in other words, the twenty-four elders. The priests with no special rank represented the vast number of the redeemed of all ages.

Bible interpreters differ in their ideas as to what the four beasts represent. Rev. 4:6-11. The literal translation of the word beasts is living creatures. In Rev. 5:8-10, according to our King James version of the Bible, these living creatures are represented as singing a song of redemption by the blood. Accordingly they would appear to represent a group of human beings closely associated with the throne of God in governmental activity. Dr. Seiss, Tregelles and some other noted Bible scholars hold to this view. However, the majority of Bible scholars follow what is called the established Greek text of Wescott and Hort. Based upon this text the Amplified New Testament translates Rev. 5:9, 10 as follows: And (now) they sing a new song, saying, you are worthy to take the scroll and to break the seals that are on it, for you were slain (sacrificed) and with your blood you purchased men unto God from every tribe and language and people and nation. And you have made them a kingdom (royal race) and priests to our God, and they shall reign (as kings) over the earth Berkley, Moffat, Goodspeed, Weymouth and some others all translate similarly.

According to these translations the living creatures need not be considered as redeemed human beings but created beings of a high order, a sort of heavenly cherubim. While we have great respect for the learning and authority of Dr. Seiss and Tregelles, we are inclined to accept the latter view expressed in this article.

(To Be Concluded)

**TRI-STATE
YOUTH CAMP**

JUNE 13 - 19

at the Tri-State Camp Grounds 2 miles S.E.
of Baxter Springs, Kansas.

CHAIRMEN: Howard Whiteley, Onel Nunn.

**PINE CREST
YOUTH CAMP**

JUNE 27 - JULY 2

at Pine Crest Youth Camp Grounds located
18 miles east of Quitman, Mississippi, on
number 18 highway and 5 miles south from
Pine Crest sign.

CHAIRMEN: George Hindergardt, L. J. Ehrlich
Jim Arnall, Jerome Crowhurst, Leon Smith

**SOUTH TEXAS
YOUTH CAMP**

Monday, June 7, through Sunday, June 13

Lost Pines Encampment, Warda, Texas
CHAIRMAN: Rev. Winston Barker

**MID-WEST
YOUTH CAMP**

LAVERNE, OKLAHOMA

**Ages 9-12 will attend camp June 27-July 2
Ages 13 up will convene July 4-9**

A special day of services for all the local
churches will be held July 4.

COMMITTEE: Doyle Wiles, Logan, Okla.; Edwin
Modrick, Guymon, Okla., M. D. Methvin, Laverne,
Okla ; Lowell Long, Beaver, Okla.

**MISSISSIPPI - ALABAMA
CAMP MEETING**

JULY 4 - 11

at the Pine Crest Camp Grounds located 18
miles east of Quitman, Mississippi, on number
18 highway and 5 miles south from Pine
Crest sign.

CHAIRMEN: George Hindergardt, L. J. Ehrlich.

**TRI-STATE
CAMP MEETING**

JULY 30 - AUGUST 8

Plan now to attend and receive
God's Blessings.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN: Rev. F. E. Waterbury.
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