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"LIFT UP YOUR EYES, AND LOOK ON THE FIELDS; FOR THEY ARE WHITE ALREADY TO HARVEST." — JOHN 4:35

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"For What Is a Man Profited . . . ?"

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"Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works." Matt. 16: 24-27.

Good morning friends, I hope you are enjoying the blessings of the Lord wherever you are. Did you know that very few men in this world are happy, except those who have lost all things for Christ's sake? The life which has had the most smitings and victories, that has carried a man up and on with persistent courage, with dominating faith, and with contentment, and that has developed in him strenuous, pure, right manhood, is the life that every man ought to covet and seek. If God sends any other things take them; but above all things take this. Do not gain the whole world and lose your own soul. Oh, yes, I know there are names that now fill the air, names that resound like the stroke of a drum, and many folks are watching and studying them; but when the end comes, and the account of their life is taken, what with their ambition, what with their fame, what with their wealth, their whole experience will declare that they never had great happiness in life.

While on the other hand, from many a poor cottage, from many jails and dungeons will come those who have suffered

all for the sake of the gospel and for Christ down through the ages. There will be singing and rejoicing in that last great day. When the question is asked, "What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?" then the answer will be, "These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb." Rev. 7:14-15.

These are they who, with much suffering, have been lifted out of their inferior condition to a superior one. They are God's elect. They are crowned kings and priests over sin right here in this world. But when Christ shall come, and all things shall be made clear in the last great day, may it be that you and I shall not be altogether void of an experience in this direction. May that which is highest, and purest, and noblest, and best in us, be in clear exhibition, that we may come instantly into the presence of Jesus, that we may be able at once to speak the language of the blessed, and that then we may go forth crowned, with everlasting joy upon our heads.

Some people have an idea that in becoming a Christian you have to forego a great many things. In a sense that is true, but in giving up the vile and base things, it serves to increase your happiness. That one who is crucified with Christ, gives up the lower for the sake of developing the higher. Self-denial is choosing. It is choosing a better thing instead of a poorer one. The principle of self-denial consists simply in so much of suffering as is necessary to put under an inferior tendency, or action or deportment of life, in order to give power, beauty and joy to the inner, or spiritual man. If you are so situated that you run after the things which are virtuous and noble without any self-denial, thank God and keep running.

Remember, too, that you have an influence on others. When you throw a stone into the water on the edge of the ocean, you may see that the circles are going out, but you cannot see how far they are going. They run beyond your sight. So is our influence of either good or bad. When Christ is developed in us, and when every year we can bear witness that more and more fruitful are the branches of divine love in our soul, there is reason to rejoice and thank God for the progress made in Him.

Those temptations which cause the shallow, unstable man to fall only strengthen the faith and perfect the character of the true child of God. Let us not forget that salvation begins in the heart. From there it is lived out first, in the home. If your profession is not good at home, I would think it isn't worth much in public. You may attend meetings, sing songs, and join in prayer; you may give money to the poor, and send missionaries and Bibles to the heathen; you may join societies of many descriptions for the doing of good deeds;



"Christianity Begins in the Home."

you may get up fairs and picnics, and devote your time and means to what seems a good cause, but if those loved ones at home cannot testify for you, then something is wrong.

If home is not a better and a happier place for our living in it, if there is not an influence going out from us, day by day, silently drawing those about us in the right direction, then it is time for us to stop where we are, and begin to make an examination.

Christianity means Christ-likeness. Is that ours? Are we possessed of that? Are we patient, kind, long suffering, forbearing, seeking with all our hearts to do good, forsaking all evil? Kind words spoken in the morning often lighten the cares of the day and makes the household and other affairs move along more smoothly. Kind words

spoken at night are a blessing, for it may be that before the dawn some loved one may finish his or her space of life, and it will be too late to ask forgiveness. Kind words encourage the downcast, cheer the sorrowing, and very likely awaken the erring to earnest resolves to do better, with strength to keep them. They are balm to the soul, and oil up the entire machinery of life and keep it in good running order. That is kind words I am speaking about.

It is by being thoroughly filled with the fullness of God and letting the blessing run over, that we have a powerful influence upon others. Show me a man that is thoroughly just, and I will show you a man that never need take any pains to make it appear that he is just. Show me a man that is thoroughly loving, and I will show you one that will never need to say to himself, "How shall I seem to be loving?"

And now this poem:

"The Things Which Are Behind"

Leave behind earth's empty pleasure,
Fleeting hope and changeful love;
Leave its soon-corroding treasure;
There are better things above.

Leave, oh, leave thy fond aspirings;
Bid thy restless heart be still;
Cease, oh, cease thy vain desirings;
Only seek thy Father's will.

Leave behind thy faithless sorrow
And thine every anxious care;
He who only knows the morrow
Can for thee its burden bear.

Leave behind the doubting spirit
And thy crushing load of sin;
By thy mighty Savior's merit,
Life eternal thou shalt win.

Leave the darkness gathering o'er thee,
Leave the shadow-land behind;
Realms of glory lie before thee;
Enter in, and welcome find.

--Sel.

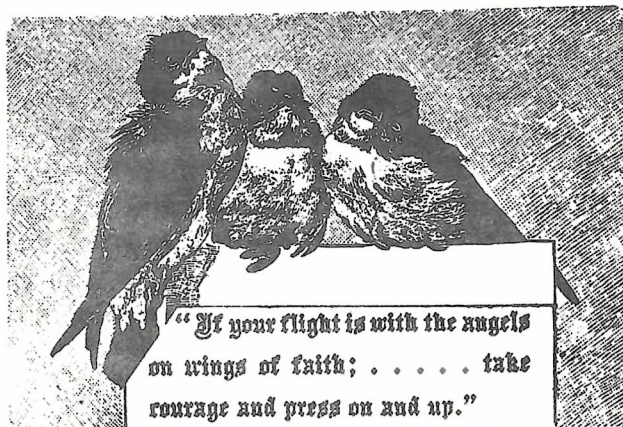
Let us pray.

Our father, bless the message as it goes out over the airwaves. We don't know all of those who may be listening, but thou are acquainted with them and all of their ways, whether they be good or bad. Convict the sinner of his way, and may he find deliverance through Christ. Bless also the sick and the suffering. So many need a healing touch. Give them the desires of their hearts for we ask it in Jesus name. Amen.

Thank you, friends, for allowing me to come into your home or automobile for a few minutes. If we may be a help to you in some spiritual way be sure to let us know. You may get in contact with us by writing: The Mission Trail, Guthrie, Okla.

Here is a song: "Savior Lead Me". It is a special dual recording with Lynn Carver and Arnett Carver singing all four parts.

Until we meet again this is Willie Murphey saying may God bless you richly and a very cheerful goodbye.



Testimonies

From Okla.: "I love Jesus my Savior. He is so good to me. Was in the Dover campmeeting the 2 Sundays. It was good. Enjoy to meditate on the truths of God, as it is preached by Holy Ghost ministers. 'Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth.' St. John 16:13. I thank God for the prayers of the people of God. 'And he spake unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint.' St. John 18:1.

--Sister Eva Penner

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From Mo.: "Trust this finds you all well and much encouraged in the Lord. We are well and happy in the Lord. He daily loadeth us with his benefits, praise the Lord. He is ever caring for his own. His eyes are over the righteous and his ears are open unto our prayers. How wonderful it is to have such a loving friend. We so much enjoy the Mission Trail and the broadcast. . . . we are praying you all can continue to keep it on the air."

--Sis. Elizabeth Glass

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From S. Car.: "This finds me still pressing on to make heaven. I see the time is running out so by the help of the Lord I want to be ready to meet Him when He returns back for the ones that are born into this one family of God. So I thank God today finds me in this family. I just got my little Mission Trail paper. So I see you had a good lesson there for everybody. And it was about "Lift up Mine Eyes unto the Hills." . . . And then I noticed the good testimonies from the saints. It sure does my heart so good each week to hear from you and all of the saints through the little Mission paper. I am sending you a little offering to help in the Lord's work." --Eddie Driggers

From Calif.: "I just feel impressed to write a few lines to you this morning . . . God has been so precious to us all to keep you both well so you could keep on with your work and be a blessing to so many . . . Oh, there are so many that are hungry for the love of God to be made manifested in the lives of professed Christians. Our lights must be shining with the glory of the Lord, letting people know that the fullness of the Lord lives within our hearts. Oh, I am so thankful I have the peace and love and joy in my heart, that nothing can destroy as long as I keep God first in my life and do his sweet will. Well, I am enjoying good health and my eyesight is so much better. I still do a lot of sewing, keeping busy with others. I have seen many good things happen to the ones I talk to. When I go visit them we both get a blessing. I have calls most every week to pray for some one. God has answered and blessed so many. To him be all the glory. Well, I could write a book, then hardly begin to tell all things God has done for me. But I will say for his glory only that he healed me of a bad case of arthritis. For 3 months I could not walk alone. I suffered awful pains. My daughter took me to doctor, had X-rays made. He said there was nothing he could do . . . but he said I would have to live with it the rest of my life. But, I knew Jesus had a purpose in all of this and he was with me so I went back home happy and satisfied and had more confidence and believed God and was fully trusting in his word and in about 3 weeks time I was completely well, no sign of arthritis. . . so that has been 3 years ago and I am still well, no pain, sleep well at night, eat most anything I want to eat. I will be 89 years old if I live until next May 11, 1972 . . ."

--Rebecca Robertson

From Ga.: "Greetings to everyone on this fine morning. I am fully saved in the Lord Jesus from the lusts and the pleasures of this world. This world is in an awful condition. This world has nothing to offer me in the way of its sins and pleasures, praise the Lord. I am in the world but I am not of the world. I am so very glad I am getting the Mission Trail paper. . . It's wonderful to know that our Lord has some true believing children."

--Bro. Friendly Jones

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From Calif.: "Greeting in the precious name of Jesus, just a few lines to let you know I am still enjoying the Mission Trail. . . It is a wonderful help to me. I do pray God continue bless you in all your undertakings for the benefit of souls. Thanking you for remembering me when you pray. Enclosed find \$5.00 to be used where most needed. Continue to remember me. Thank God I have reached my 85th birthday. Yours for the whole truth."

--Sis. Melissa Greer

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From Ark.: "Greetings of love sent to you again in the precious name of Jesus. Every day I appreciate Him more. Just suppose when He knocked on my heart's door the first time, He would have left but I thank Him for staying on until I said 'yes' to His will, then the sweet peace He has filled my heart with--I can never repay. I feel He has all I need. I must stay true. I need Him so."

--Sis. Lou Bray

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From Okla.: "I'm still saved this evening and much encouraged to go the Bible way. . . The world is in a bad fix and is getting worse. We don't know how he'll say time is out. I just got through teaching my grandchildren

how to live for the Lord. People are dying more than ever before. . . Remember me in prayer. . ."

--Sister Lizzie Jordan

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From Ga.: "I greet you all with much love in the Lord. . . 'Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.' 1 John 4:7-8. . . pray much for me and my loved ones. Help me pray that my loved ones come to the Lord. We have so much to pray for. I am so sorry to see so many souls traveling the broad way. . . We the people of God have no time to lose. We must plumb the line if we get into heaven. . . I am striving to enter in at the strait gate."

--Sister P. R. Bowers

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"The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard. Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun, Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race. His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it; and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof. The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple. The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether." This scripture taken from Psalms 19:1-9

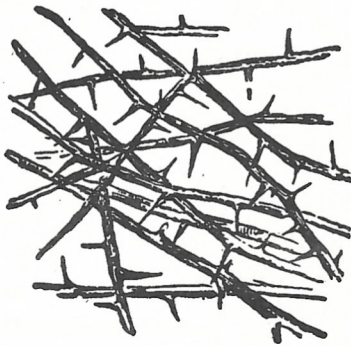
Children's Page

READ THE BIBLE BY SYMBOLS.

where they had not much



and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness
of earth: and some fell among



and the
thorns
sprung



and

choked them.

MATT. xiii, 3, 4, 5, 7.

at press time

we understand:

ALL-DAY MEETING

Don't forget that all-day meeting at Grubbs, Arkansas scheduled for the first Sunday in October. That is October 3rd. All are invited. For more information contact: Randell Bradley, Box 231, Grubbs, Arkansas 72431 Telephone (501) 252-3842.

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"I was reading that J. Edgar Hoover says that all other conditions are secondary in importance to the disastrous decay of religion. This he says, is America's greatest peril."

--Myrtle Baerenwald

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From Okla.: "Dear Bro. Willie, I am so thankful for everything the Lord means to me. Truly His strength and guidance are essential to our lives. I am certainly thankful to be acquainted with the evening light truth. As I see hundreds of young people on campus daily, it makes me shudder to think what my life would be like without a knowledge of this truth and an experience of salvation. I also want to thank the Lord for how he spared my life with almost no injury in my auto accident on July 23, 1971. It is hard to understand why He permitted the accident. but I only hope that I may some day see and understand His purpose. I intended to write many weeks ago but due to my summer job, a correspondence course, and a new semester here at the university, I have not had sufficient time. I enjoy the broadcast and paper so very much. Thank you for your prayers in my behalf. Yours in Him,"--Gary Eck

It was a pleasure to have Bro. & Sis. Frank Dietrich and Gloria from Wisconsin in the prayer meeting in Guthrie Sept. 16. They planned to make several stops on an extended trip before returning to Stanley.

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From Ga.: "I enjoy reading the Mission Trail so much. Please accept these few dollars. Pray that I may reach the top . . ."--Claudia Robinson

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Sister O. K. Myers, who has labored faithfully and given of her means to help promote the gospel is in failing health. Remember her in prayer.



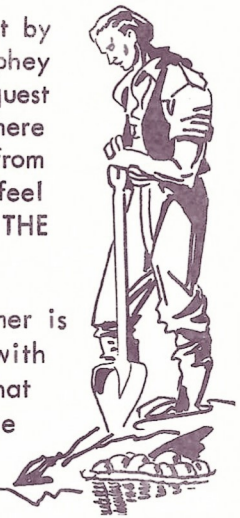
My Bible and I

We've traveled together,
My Bible and I,
Through all kinds of weather,
With smile or with sigh!
In sorrow or sunshine,
In tempest or calm!
Thy friendship unchanging,
My lamp and my psalm.

We've traveled together,
My Bible and I,
When life had grown weary,
And death e'en was nigh!
But all through the darkness
Of mist or of wrong,
I found there a solace,
A prayer, and a song.



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For some it will come true: "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." Jer. 8:20. Let us hasten with the message which Jesus gave: "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls."

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KCKW	Jena, Louisiana	1480 kc.	Sunday, 7:30 a. m.
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