# Morning Glory

"The Coming of the Lord Draweth Nigh" — James 5:8

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# **Light And Salvation**

he danger of misunderstanding God is never so great as it is when He sends His light to us.

We all know that light expels darkness. When darkness has disappeared we see that which was hidden before. As light increases we see more and more. If we happen to come to a strange place just as day is dawning we can see houses, furniture, and such larger objects. When full light appears we can see that which is much smaller. But when full sunlight streams into the room we can see still more; we can see the millions of tiny particles that float about in the shaft of sunlight. Light has put darkness to flight, and we can see even the tiniest objects that under darkness were invisible to us.

When the light of God shines into our soul something similar happens; we see just how we are, and that is not a pleasant experience for any human being.

You who are as yet not a Christian, pay attention to this: When you see that you are lost, earthbound, sinful and unconverted; when you realize that you are drawn toward the bottomless pit; when you have to admit to yourself that you are on the road to eternal perdition – then the light has begun to shine into your soul.

Do you know that?

I didn't know it. I thought that it was Satan who was drawing me away from God and into the darkness on the brink of eternal death. I thought God had deserted me; I did not realize that he had never been closer to me than just then.

This has also been the experience of many others.

When you have a fairly good opinion of yourself; when you see the sins of others and not your own; when

your conscience is at ease in godless company, not accusing you of sin; when no cry for help rises from your bosom - then you are in darkness.

Young man and young lady whom I meet through these words: When tears fall silently upon your pillow at night; when you cannot sleep for remorse over the sins you have committed; when you long for a better life and purer joys – then the Lord is your light.

Take this truth with you into life; then you will meet the Savior in the most unexpected places. The light of life will then draw you to Him, and Satan will not deceive you by changing light into darkness.

God is light for His people in a special way. In the first place He sends the light into the secret chambers of the heart. There we see what no one else can see; we look into the abyss of folly and sin. God seems to say to us: "This you ought not have done. You should not have punished your child in that way. It was not the Spirit of God that directed your hand and your tongue. The thoughts you now harbor are not of God; if you follow them you will be sorry. What you said about your neighbor you ought not to have said. You have been worldly and spiritually dull; you do not mind the things of God as you used to do."

You see all this – yes, you see much more than words can express. You peer into the farthest recesses of your thought life, and discover that you secretly love sin; you see an ocean of wickedness, weakness, and spiritual poverty.

Then the Lord is your light.

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Some Christians have progressed so far in sanctification that they notice the very dust of sin that settles upon their lives. The Christian who has learned to "dust" his life with the grace of God has found the secret of holy living.

When the Lord lets His light shine upon us there are two paths open to us. The one leads downward into a powerless and fruitless life; it ends in death. The other leads upward into a more perfect piety and peace of heart. All Christians are found on one or the other of these paths.

I shall call the first one the alibi path. Those who walk upon it reason something like this: Who is perfect in the world? Are we not all sinners? Do we not all need grace? Paul, one of the best Christians that has ever lived, complained of a thorn in the flesh and an angel of Satan that struck him; can we then hope to be better? Do we not all have faults and weaknesses? I have mine, and another has his. For that matter it is not all my fault either; if others were in my shoes they would have fared no better. If I have faults, so have others.

These are songs that are sung along the alibi path. They are the gospel songs of Satan. These people use grace as a license to sin rather than to heal the wound caused by sin.

All of us are tempted on this point. If we cannot manage to resist sin, we permit ourselves to sink into a weak and withering inactivity. We suffer from spiritual paralysis. We have light, but not salvation; the reason is that we are constantly seeking alibis for our folly.

This is not God's way; it is a trickery of Satan.

The other way is the truth-ac-

knowledgement path.

On this path are the Christians who from the heart acknowledge sin, folly, and evil deeds. Without trying to hide their guilt, they admit that they are (lost) sinners. Such a Christian reasons thus: It is I who has failed in Christian living. My words and deeds are evil. Lord, it is I who lacks control over my words and thoughts and indomitable temper. It is I who has neglected my Bible and prayer chamber. It is I who fails as a Christian in my own home. My gloomy, narrow, bitter disposition is stronger in me than the spirit of Christ. It is all my fault.

### This is the truth-acknowledgement path

Into such a soul the Holy Spirit places an earnest desire for help. For such people it is unspeakably good to get off into a corner all by themselves to admit everything to God. And He who gives grace to the humble is not slow to wipe away the tear and lift the burden from the heart.

Here sin is not excused, but admitted and placed before the mercy seat; the balm of grace is placed upon the aching heart. Here light and salvation blend together into one glorious truth in an honest Christian life. The Father of light invites such souls into the salvation in Christ.

"All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh unto me I will in no wise cast out."

"Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

"The Lord is my light and salvation."

"He shall be like a tree planted by rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither."

### Blessed is the Christian who walks on this path

The Lord is a light for our feet and a lamp for our path.

The future frequently looks dark for a Christian, but he who is upright will have success. The Lord has been a light for us so that we still are on His paths. Without God's light even the Christians would be in darkness.

Never mind that He has not promised to light your path for many miles at once. Let it suffice that we have enough for the next step.

When life's last evening descends upon us and we become frightened in the valley of shadows, He will keep His promise to all the faithful: "It shall come to pass that at evening time there shall be light."

Christian friends! Even we look forward to death with fearful forebodings. But let us take comfort from the assurance that when the Lord summons us He will also send us light; then we can go through the valley of shadows with courage and joy. In the light of God's countenance from the other side we shall see our true fatherland.

This God promised to His own.

At that time we shall all meet before God's face in the land where the light never goes out. All who meet Christ in the light of grace shall on that great day sparkle in His glory-light. Then it shall no longer be light and salvation, but light and life.

Who is sufficient to speak of this? Words are too weak to express such glory, and our thoughts fall short. But we will cling to the promise which God has given us; we will rejoice in the hope of that great day when our eyes fro the first time shall see the land where light and life blend without a trace of shadow.

You who did not accept God's offer of salvation: You too shall step into God's light on that great day; in that light your whole life shall be unrolled as a scroll. Then you shall see what you are and what you might have been. In that light you shall also have to depart from God.

The light shall then become a consuming fire. This is hell. This is to be lost.

Friend! Pause. Consider. Be converted. There is still time for that.

Taken from the book "Spirit and Power" by Ludvig Hope

Editor's Note: "But the path of the just is like the shining sun, That shines ever brighter unto the perfect day." Proverbs 4:18.

An incident in the life of Jonathan Edwards demonstrates a remarkable degree of triumph over the world, the flesh and the Devil when they were strongly united to overthrow that mighty man of God. This scholar and saint, after a pastorate of twenty-three years, was dismissed from his church in Northampton, Massachusetts on account of his uncompromising insistence on righteous living, avoidance of worldly practices and regenerate church membership.

The controversy had raged for some years, but the last eighteen months witnessed a persecution almost beyond description. The climax came in a vote of ouster, two hundred to twenty. But the defeated minister was the real victor. No word of recrimination escaped his lips; no personal rancor or self-pity possessed him. A close witness of the whole affair wrote in his diary that he "never saw in Edwards the slightest trace of anger or grief; he seemed like a man of God whose happiness was beyond the reach of his enemies; by nothing ...were the towns people more infuriated than by their obvious failure to ruffle his serenity."

That is conquest. That is the victory of the cross. "Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 15:57).

—-J.C. Macaulay in *Incomparable Cross* 

### **Editorial**

RES

# JUDGE RIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT

Please read Matthew 7:1-6 & John 7:24

Not many passages are as misquoted as the texts that we have before us! Among the few Bible Verses that the unsaved quote would probably be <u>Matthew 7:1</u>. Or even professing Christians will quote this verse that knowingly or unknowingly are trying to shield some one of whom they think highly.

When a concerned believer (be it a pastor or lay person) denounces sin, gives names, or discusses prominent personalities who promote sin on a national level there will likely be a host of people who will attack saying "Don't you know that the Bible says, "Judge not, that ye be not judged?" They obviously, know Scripture but not it's *meaning*! You may wonder about this when a preacher stands up and uses Scripture to *judge*. You may ask, "Should he do that OR is that LOVE?" BUT *Can a Christian afford not to judge*?

Likely when you grocery shop you don't just any 'fruit' without looking at it and comparing it in your mind as to what to purchase. Nor do you just go the medicine cabinet and blindly grab any item for a headache! Our God says in John 7:24 "Judge righteous judgment." It's a COMMAND! On the one hand we are 'forbidden' to make false judgments. (Or hypocritical judgment).

Being it is so serious, eternity is at stake, your soul, my soul and other souls, maybe we should do as a King was asked in 1 Kings 3:9. "Therefore give to Your servant an understanding (Discerning) heart

To judge Your people, that I may discern between good and evil. For who is able to judge this great people of Yours?" (Also Deut. 1:16-17 & Ezekiel 44:23-24) Discernment and wisdom are closely related. God is the source of true wisdom and Solomon here is open, honest and inadequate. Here Solomon is asking for a heart to hear in order to do.

Discernment is so necessary especially in these days we are living in and Jesus tells us of the necessity of 'discerning between good prophets and false prophets. How fortunate that God gives (gift) every child of His some measure of discernment and some are even given the 'gift' of discernment. But regardless we all NEED TO exercise the discernment that God has given unto us!

"But solid food belongs to those who are of full age,

that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discerned both good and evil." Hebrews 5:14. Did you notice the words use and exercised?

For our benefit the Bible forewarns us that in the end times the deception is extremely subtle. "'For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great sins and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect." Matthew 24:24. The great 'danger' about deception is that it is so deceiving! "But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived".

"But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them," II Timothy 3:13-14. The Lord asks us and will enable us to be faithful and be over comers unto the end. So it is in detecting a counterfeit bill, the real answer is to 'study' the genuine one. (Compare with the WORD, not with one another). You see 'Judgment is already been set by the JUDGE.' Jesus' statement "Stop Judging' is against the kind of hypocritical, judgments/ attitudes that tear others down in order to build oneself up. It is not a blanket statement to overlook wrong/evil behavior of others but a call to be discerning rather than negative. Our attitude & motive

Scripturally as a believer should be like a conscience to the world! "But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one. For who has known the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him? But we have the mind of Christ." 1 Corinthians 2:14-16. (Also Deuteronomy 29:29, Proverbs 3:32).

<u>Let's</u> look closely at Matthew 7:1-6. First of all how are we going to decide what is a 'mote' in our brother's eye? By the plum line which is the WORD OF GOD! The Lord doesn't forbid us to cast the mote out. He rather instructs us to get the 'beam' out of our own eye first. The **warning** is against **hypocrisy**. We actually have a responsibility to help other Christians to have *clear spiritual vision*. But *first* we have to be sure that our eyes aren't log blocked.

In Matthew 7:1 the word "judge" has legal implications; it means a judicial judgment. It refers to condemnation and punishment – the work of a judge who sits on a bench. In spiritual matters, that's the prerogative of Christ at the day of <u>His Judgment</u>. So we have no business meting out spiritual sentences; but we are to be **spiritual fruit inspectors!** This is what the word 'judge' means here.

Let's go back to <u>1 Corinthians 2:15-16</u>, which is not a contradiction. God obviously wants us to make judgments, but He doesn't want us to make faulty judgments. God wants us to obviously make proper 'judgment' and this *ability to discern comes from GOD*. The word here (2:15) is not the same Greek word that is used in Matthew 7:1. The word here means to scrutinize, investigate, determine, interrogate or question. I don't want to support anything that's not scriptural. I don't want to get on anybody's bandwagon if it's going contrary to the Word of God. This 'judgment' comes from TRUTH **which is the Word of God.** Now if we judge spiritual judgments, we are judging according to God's WORD.

1 Corinthians 2:16 says we have the mind of Christ. That is, God's Word reveals to us the mind of Christ; thus I have a basis on which to make a judgment – Scripture. The judgment must not be made by appearances alone – but by the Word of God. When we want to know the *mind of God*, you go to the Bible. Scriptural judgment keeps you from joining the world or the 'religious' world as **compromise ALWAYS leads to confusion.** 

Actually Jesus commands us to 'judge righteous judgments' so we must draw a line between good and evil, separate the two since God does. By applying God's judgment, found in Scripture, to a church work or a specific ministry; we again must rely on God's Word, not what we think. It is not speculation, but according to TRUTH. One put it this way: "You don't judge what you see by what you see; you judge what you see by what God's Word says about what you see."

The Apostle John exercised spiritual judgment on the Isle of Patmos when he wrote (by the Holy Spirit) to those seven churches of Asia. Suppose you were the pastor of one of those churches and you received one of these letters. He is a prisoner exiled on a little island 17 or 18 miles off the coast. Imagine yourself as the pastor at Pergamos, as an example. I am writing you ...

I understand that on the Gettysburg battlefield there is a monument erected in honor of a young boy. He was a standard-bearer, the one who carries the regimental flag in battle. In a particular battle, the enemy attacked his regiment, pressed them hard in the battle, and drove them into retreat. The boy who bore the regiment's colors stood his ground and refused to give way. The commanding officer of the recruiting regiment looked back and saw that the standard-bearer stood steadfast. He called, "Son, move on back. Bring the colors to the regiment." But the boy's reply was, "Sir, bring the regiment to the colors!"

Let us each resolve to be the standard-bearer, the one who refuses to compromise. One who loves the **Author** of TRUTH more than friends, relatives and even life itself! God hasn't told 'us' to just obey some of the WORD, those that we like – but ALL of the WORD! If so, likely, we will be called, unloving and divisive. Nevertheless, foreknowing the cost of obedience, God clearly commanded 'us' to make 'righteous spiritual judgments' in all things. By the GRACE of GOD we are making no apologies for the old time Christianity and are seeking to practice the same! "For if the trumpet makes an uncertain sound, who will prepare for battle?" 1 Corinthians 14:8.

### Seeking to "JUDGE RIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT!"

P.S. Please read these verses: Luke 7:43, 12:57, 1 Corinthians 10:15, Isaiah 8:20, Romans 16:17-18, II Corinthians 6:14-17 Ephesians 5:11 & Matthew 18:15.

# DECLINING FAMILY VALUES – LAST STAGES OF A SOCIETY

Zimmerman, Sociologist - 1947

Some thoughts attributed to Zimmerman concerning declining family values:

- 1) Marriage loses its sacredness
- 2) Traditional meaning of marriage ceremony is lost -

enter into contracts

- 3) Feminist movements abound
- 4) Increased public disrespect of parents, parenthood and authority in general
  - 5) Increase in juvenile delinquency and rebellion
- 6) Refusal of traditional marriages to accept family responsibilities
  - 7) Increased desire for and acceptance of adultery
- 8) Increase of and desire for sexual perversion, especially homosexuality

Selected

# Now That's Progress!

Consider the following scenarios and see how far society has come in 50 years.

**Scenario 1** – *Jack goes quail hunting before school, pulls into school parking lot with shotgun in gun rack.* 

**1957:** Vice Principal comes over, looks at Jack's shotgun, goes to his car and gets his shotgun to show Jack.

**2007:** School goes into lock down, FBI called, Jack hauled off to jail and never sees his truck or gun again. Counselors called in for traumatized students and teachers.

**Scenario 2** – Johnny and Mark get into a fistfight after school.

**1957:** Crowd gathers. Mark wins. Johnny and Mark shake hands and end up buddies.

**2007:** Police called, SWAT team arrives, arrests Johnny and Mark. Charge them with assault, both expelled even though Johnny started it.

**Scenario 3** – *Jeffrey won't be still in class, disrupts other students.* 

**1957:** Jeffrey sent to office and given a good paddling by the Principal. Returns to class, sits still and does not disrupt class again.

**2007:** Jeffrey given huge doses of Ritalin. Becomes a zombie. Tested for ADD. School gets extra money from state because Jeffrey has a disability.

**Scenario 4** – Billy breaks a window in his neighbor's car and his Dad gives him a spanking with his belt.

**1957:** Billy is more careful next time, grows up normal, goes to college, and becomes a successful businessman.

**2007:** Billy's dad is arrested for child abuse. Billy removed to foster care and joins a gang. Billy's sister tells the state psychologist that she remembers being abused herself and their dad goes to prison.

**Scenario 5** – Mark gets a headache and takes some aspirin to school.

**1957:** Mark shares aspirin with Principal out on the loading dock.

**2007:** Police called, Mark expelled from school for drug violations. Car searched for drugs and weapons.

**Scenario 6** – Scenario: Pedro fails high school English.

**1957:** Pedro goes to summer school, passes English, goes to college.

**2007:** Pedro's cause is taken up by state. Newspaper articles appear nationally explaining that teaching English as a requirement for graduation is racist. ACLU files class action lawsuit against state school system and Pedro's English teacher. English banned from core curriculum. Pedro given diploma anyway but ends up mowing lawns for a living because he cannot speak English.

**Scenario 7** – *Johnny takes apart leftover firecrackers* from 4th of July, puts them in a model airplane paint bottle, blows up a red ant bed.

1957: Ants die.

**2007:** BATF, Homeland Security, FBI called. Johnny charged with domestic terrorism, FBI investigates parents, siblings removed from home, computers confiscated, Johnny's Dad goes on a terror watch list and is never allowed to fly again.

Scenario 8 – Johnny falls while running during recess and scrapes his knee. He is found crying by his teacher, Mary. Mary hugs him to comfort him.

**1957:** In a short time, Johnny feels better and goes on playing.

**2007:** Mary is accused of being a sexual predator and loses her job. She faces 3 years in State Prison. Johnny undergoes 5 years of therapy. Johnny's parents sue the school for negligence and the teacher for emotional trauma and win both cases.

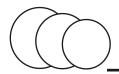
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### A Yielded Life

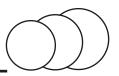
What can a doctor do for a patient as long as the patient refuses his remedy? The patient must place himself absolutely in the hands of the doctor and must be perfectly willing to accept the prescription given him by the doctor. Only then is there any hope of recovery. As long as the patient goes his own way, takes his own medicine and refuses the prescriptions the doctor gives, little can be done for him. He must place himself in the hands of the doctor.

So it is with you and with me. God wants your yielded life, and He will never be satisfied with you until, like a slave – a willing slave – you place yourself entirely at His disposal. Then He can use you for His glory.

Oswald J. Smith



# From Our Fellowship Circle



#### J.B.

Enclosed is a gift to the *Morning Glory* to use whereever needed. I am so glad for brave people like all of you that print a publication that preaches the <u>Truth</u> Biblically, which is so rare in these days.

My Grandparents and their siblings all subscribed to the *Morning Glory* and one of Grandpa's unmarried brothers sent all of his nieces and nephews a subscription and when he died in 1973, my Mother took over. She is now 87 and I have decided that when she goes Home to be with her Savior, I will take over this same ministry, Lord willing.

### A. L. Bismarck, ND

Dear Friends in Christ, I hope you both are in good physical health and financially well with you. I am doing fine health wise and we still don't have a Pastor which doesn't cause the church to grow. So we just pray and hope so something will happen very soon to fill in that vacancy.

I really believe the Lord will come very soon and I keep looking up and by the Grace of God I will keep looking up!

#### M. M. West Union, IA

I am sending \$ ...for your great reading material. I pray that you will be able to continue with the *Morning Glory*. Please pray for me as we need to pray for one another.

Thank you and may God bless you.

### G. & S. N. Seattle, WA

We so appreciate your ministry. Your publication continues to speak God's Truth, and that in and of itself is unique in the days and times we are in. We read that you are in need of funds and have enclosed some funds as well, and are praying that God will raise up other faithful givers to support a ministry that is so needed. Keep up the fight and may God richly provide for all your needs.

### D. L. Story City, IA

Thank you for your presence and the Good news!

#### N. H. Nevada, IA

Here's a donation to help with the sending out of the *Morning Glory*. May God bless you in your ministry.

### N. B. Fergus Falls, MN

Enclosed is a check for the support of your work. May God bless you and help us to be faithful.

### D. H. Moorhead, MN

I have been reading your *Morning Glory* and I am delighted to be able to read the same.

I would be so blest if I could hear the following Bible Verses expounded upon from the Pulpit, as they are so important along with all of the Scriptures. <u>II Thessalonians</u> 1:7-9 & II Thessalonians 2:1-12.

It sure is a challenge and I don't know what church would have the courage and conviction to do the same! It also would be great to be able to read about the same in the *Morning Glory*. I definitely believe it would be very beneficial for our time and day also, as this is important. If someone would have a sermon in written form on these texts, that would be great. I believe we are in days of apostasy and maybe this is the reason it is not being preached (expounded upon).

I am sending a donation to you for the whole year.

### J. N.

If I had only one Christian periodical coming to my home, it would be the *Morning Glory!* It is so refreshing to read the various articles, all giving God the glory that HE is so deserving of.

#### D. & N. F. Rudd, IA

Enclosed is a check to help you continue your good work of spreading the Gospel of Jesus.

### The Testimony of Ignatius

An early Christian named **Ignatius** (116), who was personally tutored by the Apostle John, was on trial before the emperor Trajan. Ignatius spoke of having Christ in his heart.

The angry emperor ordered Ignatius be chained and taken to a Roman stadium, and fed to wild beasts as entertainment for the crowd.

When Ignatius heard this, he cried out with joy, 'Thank you, Lord, that you have decided to honor me.'

He was attacked and devoured by wild animals.

# **Carl Olof Rosenius**

Carl Olof Roenius occupies a place in the history of Sweden similar to that occupied by John Wesley in England, John Knox in Scotland, Christian Sciver in Germany, and Hans Nielsen Hauge in Norway. In the day of these holy men of God, rationalism, externalism and worldiness threatened the life of the Church, even as they do this day. As orthodoxy sank into orthodoxism; as the Spirit was quenched by the letter; as the spiritual life of the Church was being choked by forms and ordinances, God raised up living witnesses to translate profession into practice, to call men to repentance, to faith in the atoning blood of the Son of God and to a new walk of life after the Spirit.

Like the prophets of old, they demanded truth in the inward parts. They fearlessly denounced the sins of their day and generation. Their testimony has come down through later generations and, <u>please God</u>, it shall ring in the ears of men to the end of time. Their sermons and other writings have been a leaven which today is as effective for the conversion and spiritual stabilization of men as ever it was in the day of their authors' earthly pilgrimage. "The words that I speak unto you," says Christ, "they are spirit, and they are life" (John 6:63). Men die and pass away, but the words of Christ live and shall never pass away.

Carl Olof Rosenius was born in the year 1816 in Nysatra (New Chalet), Province of Norrland, Sweden, where his father was a pastor in the Lutheran State Church. Spiritually, the days were dark and the night of inky blackness. Nearly all the pastors were simon-pure rationalists, discoursing from their pulpits on the value of honesty, thrift, and other virtues, giving detailed information on the correct feeding of cattle, and the proper treatment of the soil. If a layman essayed to preach the living Word of God to his fellows, he was accused by the clergy, arrested and jailed under the provisions on the law against conventicles. The first half of the last century was characterized by shameless persecutions of all who dared to confess Christ.

One of the few pastors who proved themselves to be shepherds indeed, was Rosenius' father. He was a veritable John the Baptist, a voice crying in the wilderness, *Repent ye, the axe is laid to the root of the trees.*" People began to read their Bibles, and all who persisted in the practice were nick-named "readers." The rationalist clergy disapproved and complained of the strange pastor to the authorities. He was removed willy-nilly to another parish, where the same experience befell the intrepid wit-

ness for Christ. From parish to parish he was shunted, but the movement he had started would not drown. The more vigorously the learned and the mighty labored to put out the fire, the more the sparks scattered. Soon all of Western Bothnia was aflame with the revival.

A home of such vital Christianity was a blessing to the thoughtful lad Carl Olof. Early in life he understood that the Spirit of God was at work in his heart. When his brothers and sisters and other playmates were engaged in their games and sports, he would frequently separate himself from the merry company, steal off into the woods or the fields and there quietly meditate upon the mysteries of God, of himself and the universe. He yearned to come into closer communion with God, but God was so great and seemed so far away.

At times the lad's faith was sifted by the devil, who has no more mercy on the young than he has upon the old. He was tempted to doubt the existence of God. One day the little fellow decided to find out for sure if there is a God. Back of the barn was a yard. Blindfolded he determined to walk across the barnyard diagonally toward the corner of a granary. If he hit the corner, he would conclude that God had led his steps. He tied a kerchief about his eyes and started out upon his experiment. He had walked a while when suddenly he was halted by a paralyzing fear. An invisible power seemed to hold him back. He dared not take another step forward. He tore the kerchief from his eyes and saw to his horror that he stood on the very edge of a deep well. Another step and he would have been hurled into eternity. He instantly realized that the hand of God had held him back and saved his life. From that moment his doubts as to the existence of God vanished and never came to trouble him again.

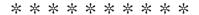
When the father was removed to the village of Saefwar, Carl Olof and his brother Anton were sent to school in Umea. Carol Olof was a quiet, thoughtful boy, with a profound veneration for the Word of God. His desire was to become a minister, and when he read about the martyrs of the faith, he would be as one of them. At the age of fifteen years he came to a conscious, living faith in Christ. He rejoiced in God his Savior. Besides reading the Bible assiduously, he studied carefully the writings of Luther.

When Rosenius at the age of sixteen left the school at Umea, he conducted his first Bible meeting. At a service which he led some time later, there were not more than seven or eight persons present, but outside of the meeting-house a crowd of schoolmates had assembled. With

cat-calls and the throwing of rubbish through the open windows into the little audience they attempted to break up the meeting of the "readers." But the young evangelist was undaunted and continued the service to its close...

Except (Preface) taken from "A Faithful Guide to Peace with God" by C. O. Rosenius

Editor's Note: Please pray that the same 'Spirit' and 'Courage/Conviction' will continue to prevail in and through the Hauge Lutheran Innermission Federation/Morning Glory. Please also pray that God will raise up more supporters BOTH Spiritually in prayer and also financially (which also is 'spiritual' as folk obey God, out of love, by faith); according to HIS will - to HIS Honor and Glory in these latter days!



# Blessed Is The Nation ...whose God Is The Lord

God isn't welcome in our public institutions these days – not until our next crisis. Trouble does that to people. When security or health is threatened, we turn to God for help. When good times return, we ignore God.

The Bible says this pattern has been in place ever since people lived. We avoid God until we are in trouble. The Bible has a word for that. It's called sin.

We ignore God and His commandments at our peril. Most of the nation's problems are rooted in our choice to ignore God and His desires for how we should live.

The Bible says that God is going to have the last word on our nation. He will destroy us if we continue in our sin. The Bible clearly shows that He had done it to many other nations throughout history.

God longs for us to repent, to turn from our selfishness and to follow Him in obedience. This is the path to blessing.

When we seek Him in good times *and* bad, He never turns away. In His mercy, He has provided a solution to our personal and national sin. He sent His only Son Jesus to take the judgment for our sin upon Himself, so that everyone who repents and trusts in him has his sins washed clean.

When we put our trust in God, we learn how to govern ourselves, our families and our nation. We learn what it is to be blessed. The Bible says: *Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD*. (Psalm 33:12)

If you are ready to submit to God's desires for you and your family, use this prayer to tell Him:

Dear God: Forgive me and forgive our nation for try-

ing to live without You. I accept and believe that your son, Jesus Christ, paid the penalty for all my sins. I repent of my sins and ask that you will help me to follow your desires for personal, family and national life. Amen

If you want to learn more about God's desires for you, read the Gospel of John, talk to a Christian, and visit a Bible teaching church. You will be warmly welcomed.

The Tract League, Grand Rapids, MI, submitted



### Satisfaction

"More to be desired are they [God's Judgments] than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb."

Psalm 19:10

God's Word provides genuine satisfaction (v.10). As we think upon the wonderful qualities and truths considered previously, we must agree that the Bible is of infinite value. But while we may assert that it is of tremendous worth, we need to evaluate whether or not we truly are feasting on its sweetness and utilizing its riches. Is the Bible a storehouse of gold that is sitting neglected on our shelf? If this is the case, then its wealth is of no profit to us. Just as we daily need to ingest food in order to meet our body's nutritional requirements, so also we must continually go to the heavenly storehouse of the Scriptures to gain spiritual sustenance and satisfaction. The child of God who makes the Word his daily "meat and drink" will say with the psalmists, "How sweet are Thy words unto my taste! Yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!" (119:103). Nothing else will meet our needs and satisfy the longings of our soul: "My soul melteth ... Strengthen thou me according unto Thy Word" (119:28).

All that the Lord intends for us is found in His Word, but these things will not become our delight until we search them out, understand their application to our lives and walk by faith in the light thus revealed. The Holy Spirit unlocks the storehouse of scriptural truth. He makes the things of God a reality to us. As we rightly divide the Word of Truth, "comparing spiritual things with spiritual" (1 Cor. 2:13), the Spirit opens our eyes. "Now we have received ... The Spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God" (1 Cor. 2:12-13) - God wants us to discover these things and realize the satisfaction that comes only from him. DWC

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### FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS

By Dr. Jeff Amsbaugh

### No Camping With Harold Camping! Camping's Heresies Confuse and Distort the Truth

Harold Camping was born in Colorado in 1921, but he moved to California at an early age. He earned a B.S. degree in civil engineering from the University of California, Berkeley in 1942. He and his family were members of the Christian Reformed Church until 1988. During this time, he served as an elder and Sunday school teacher at the Alameda Bible Fellowship. Camping earned his living from his own construction company.

In 1958, together with two others, Camping formed the non-profit ministry of Family Stations, Inc. Camping eventually sold his business and became a full-time volunteer executive of Family Radio, serving without pay as president and general manager. Camping now controls 150 radio outlets in the United States, as well as a web site. Family Radio has affiliate stations in New York City, Philadelphia, Baltimore/Washington, Chicago and Los Angeles.

In 1961, Family Radio began the *Open Forum* program, a live week-night call-in program, that Mr. Camping hosts. Listeners call in primarily with questions about certain passages of the Bible. The *Open Forum* is broadcast worldwide via shortwave station WYFR, a network of AM and FM stations and the Internet.

Camping insists that the Bible is the Word of God but equally insists that this does not mean each sentence in the Bible is to be understood literally. Each verse, according to Mr. Camping, is to be understood in its "spiritual meaning." This allegorizing of Scripture gives him great latitude to make the Bible say what he wants it to say, without any regard for the historical, grammatical, literal meaning of the words. The results are some very wild interpretations held by virtually no one else.

For example, Proverbs 21:9 states, "It is better to dwell in a corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman in a wide house." The interpretation appears to be pretty easy to ascertain, but Camping explains the verse this way: The woman is a picture of the church, the bride of Christ. Since the institutional church is not all that it should be, therefore, there is a need for true believers to exit the institutional church and engage in individual Bible study by listening to Family Radio.

Camping argues in his publication *The End of the Church Age:* ... and after that modern-day churches have become apostate and Christians should leave them. He teaches that the church age has ended and Christians are no longer to assemble "so much the more" as we see the day of Christ's return approaching (Hebrews 10:25).

Camping has also departed from the doctrine of eternal,

conscious punishment. He rather teaches annihilation, the idea that existence will cease for the unsaved soul. Once again, the Bible vehemently disagrees. Revelation 14:11, for example, uses the strongest Greek terms available to insist that conscious torment will be perpetual for the lost.

Now Harold Camping is predicting that the Lord will return on May 21, 2011, and the end of the world will follow on October 21, 2011. And the gullible are buying it.

This is shocking when one considers that on September 6, 1994, dozens of Camping's followers gathered inside Alameda Veterans' Memorial Building to await the return of Christ, an event Camping had promised for two years. Followers dressed their children in their Sunday best and held Bibles open-faced toward Heaven. But the word did not end. Camping allowed that he may have made a mathematical error.

Errors will continue to exist when one uses the allegorical method of interpretation, for several reasons. First, when he uses the allegorical method, he does not really interpret the words of Scripture.

Second, the basic authority in interpretation ceases to be the words of Scripture and becomes the mind of the interpreter.

Third, there is no objective means by which to test the conclusions of the interpreter.

And finally, if used consistently, the method would destroy all systematic understanding of Bible doctrine.

A final major heresy in Camping's doctrine is his insistence on hyper-Calvinism. Several years ago, I heard Camping say that he had never received Christ as his Saviour. There was no need to receive Christ, since he had been elected before the foundation of the world. In his words, he has been saved since eternity past. Therefore, there was no need for him to receive Christ, because he has always been saved.

The Bible teaches that all men are born lost and in need of Christ (Rom. 3:10,23, etc.). If Camping has never recognized his sinful condition and prayed for salvation, then by his own testimony, he is lost himself. And perhaps this is the crux of the issue. Camping is unable to understand the Bible, because he does not have the Author of it living inside of him. The truths of the Bible are "spiritually discerned" (1 Cor. 2:14). It is tough to have spiritual discernment when one is devoid of the Spirit. In short, Camping is just another in a long list of false prophets (Matt. 7:15; 24:11, 24; 11 Pet. 2:1).

Taken from "Sword of the Lord"

Editor's Note: The worst thing about deception is that it is so deceiving! "But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived." II Timothy 3:13.

### Believable ... Yet Unbelievable

# Census Bureau Tells Same-Sex Couples to Check "Married"

The U.S. Census Bureau has produced a controversial video telling same-sex couples they can be counted as "married" even without a marriage license.

An announcer says "same-sex couples who are married – or who consider themselves to be spouses – can identify one person as a husband or wife. Other same-sex couples may instead use the term 'unmarried'."

Citizenslink.com

# The Rutherford Institute Reports Public School Hostility to Christians

With every passing day, it becomes increasingly clear that we live in a country that no longer respects the rights of Christians. This in-equality is most evident in the public schools where young Christians, some as young as five and six years old, are finding themselves subjected to censorship, discrimination and persecution.

For Example:

A preschool teacher was told that she could not mention Jesus or God to her students, play any music referencing Jesus or God, or display anything relating to them on her bulletin boards;

A first grader in New York was informed by school officials that it was inappropriate for him to speak about his faith at school, even during recess.

The parent of a third grader in Illinois was prevented from reading the Christmas story from his daughter's children's Bible and instructed to select a secular Christmas story instead;

A fifth grader from Missouri was told he couldn't have a Bible at school;

While a high school senior in Ohio actually had his Bible confiscated by school officials.

Sadly, these are not isolated incidents ...Indeed, the public schools have become veritable war zones, a microcosm of the many battles taking place in communities large and small all across the country over the rights of Christians freely to exercise their religious beliefs. Selected

# The USA is 13 plus Trillion Dollars in DEBT

Because the USA is over thirteen trillion dollars in

'debt', that means every person in the USA including 'infants' owes \$40,000 each! We 'owe' Japan and China alone more than 1.7 trillion dollars! A person can then 'guess' how much Japan and China own of the 'controlling' part of 'businesses' in Grand USA.

### Canada Parliament Defeats Bill to Legalize Euthanasia, Assisted Suicide

The Canadian parliament on (April 21) defeated a bill that would have legalized assisted suicide and euthanasia. MPs from all parties voted against the measure, bill C-384, the private members' bill sponsored by Francine Lalonde that was opposed by pro-life and disability-rights organizations.

Alex Schadenberg of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, one of the prominent organizations fighting the bill, told LifeNews.com he was elated by the vote ...

While assisted suicide organizations regroup for another bill, Schadenberg said opponents of euthanasia must work to help the disabled, terminally ill and elderly and provide better resources than suicide.

LifeNews.com

# **Extreme Homosexual Activist Appointed Without Senate Approval**

Over the weekend (of March 28), President Obama bypassed the Senate confirmation process to appoint radical homosexual activist Chai Feldblum to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) while the Senate was out for the Easter recess.

Feldblum is the primary author of the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, which forces employers to hire homosexuals and other sexually confused individuals despite their moral or religious objections.

"In this position, Feldblum would not be impartial in her decision making process. From her own account, Feldblum would have a difficult time ever deciding that religious liberties should trump homosexual rights," said Shari Rendall, Director of Legislation and Public Policy (for Concerned Women for America).

"She is way beyond what most Americans would consider mainstream. Feldblum not only asserts that 'gay sex is morally good,' she also believes in polygamous relationships."

Christian Newswire

# Islamic Extremists in Somalia Kill Church Leader, Torch Home

Islamic militants in Somalia tracked down an underground church leader who had previously escaped a kidnapping attempt and killed him .... Christian sources said.

Islamic extremist *Shabaab* rebels shot Madobe Abdi to death on March 15 at 9:30 a.m. in Mahaday village, 50 kilometers (31 miles) north of Johwar. He had escaped an *al Shabaab* attempt to kidnap him on March 2

Abdi's death adds to a growing number of Christians murdered by Islamic militants, but his was distinctive in that he was not a convert from Islam.

Institute on Religion and Public Policy

### Mosque Planned Near World Trade Center Site

A proposal to build a mosque (just) steps from Ground Zero received the support of a downtown committee despite (the fact that) some loved ones of 9-11 victims (find) it offensive.

The 13-story mosque and Islamic cultural center was unanimously endorsed by the 12-member Community Board's financial district committee.

The \$100-million project, called the Cordoba House, is proposed for the old Burlington Coat Factory building at Park Place and Broadway, just two blocks from the World Trade Center site.

Institute on Religion and Public Policy

### **Prosperity Versus Contentment**

"But godliness with contentment is great gain."
1 Timothy 6:6

In this day of Madison Avenue sales pressures and an ever-increasing array of technological gadgets and creature comforts, the Christian virtue of contentment is a rare commodity. There is even a widespread error among born-again Christians that material prosperity is a token of spirituality and divine approval on an affluent lifestyle.

Instead of a blessing, however, such affluence (if it comes) should be regarded as a testing, for Jesus said: "unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required" (Luke 12:48).

Paul was perhaps the most faithful and fruitful Christian who ever lived, yet he died penniless in a Roman dungeon. His own testimony concerning material possessions and standards of living was this: "I have learned, in what-

soever state I am, therewith to be content. I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need" (Philippians 4:11-12).

In the context of our key verse above, the apostle Paul has actually been warning young pastor Timothy against the influence of those who suppose, among others things, "that gain is godliness," and who think that their material prosperity is proof of their spiritual prosperity. "From such," says Paul, "withdraw thyself" (1 Timothy 6:5). Material gain in no way either produces or denotes godliness; rather, godliness itself is the gain, if accompanied by contentment in Christ (otherwise, of course, it is not true godliness)! Even the most impoverished believer can acquire riches in heaven, where it *really* counts. In the meantime: "Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee" (Hebrews 13:5).

Henry M. Morris, Ph.D. Days of Praise, 4/7/2010; Institute for Creation Research.

# No Revival without Preachers Who Disturb The Peace

By Vance Havner

John the Baptist, like Elijah, was a troubler of Israel and a disturber of the peace. We need a healthy upheaval in our churches. When a highway is put through town, some residents have to move, some are irritated, and some complain. The same thing happens in revival, but you cannot put a highway for God through a community without a commotion.

I have heard many discourses on "Ye Are the Salt of the Earth." Most of them have three points: salt purifies, salt seasons, and salt preserves. But salt also irritates!

If we expect to meet the demonstration of the powers of darkness with a demonstration of divine power, we must expect disturbance.

The highway department does not hesitate to disturb the neighborhood. Any preacher who calls on a church to tear down the high places and build up the low places and straighten out the crooked places will be resented by all resters "at ease in Zion" (Amos 6:1) - yet that was the message of John the Baptist.

Selected

### **FLESH THEREIN**

Toby Knutson Fargo, ND

Precious Jesus, Thou yielded up the ghost on the rugged old tree,

The weil was rent from top on down, Oh! Jesus, even for me.

Your battered body, taken down and wrapped in linen so white,

Your enemies rejoiced at your death, thinking an end to their fight.

Chorus: Thy glorious victory, an empty tomb, we all rejoice over sin forgiven, with unclouded eyes we see Thy grave, O Lord, to cast our flesh therein.

The new, rock-hewn tomb would receive You into its dark space,

A stone-blocked entrance, a victory pending for the human race.

Day and night, day and night, day and night, a total sum of three,

Your blood was shed, sin's penalty paid, Oh! Jesus even for me.

Chorus:

You alone defeated my enemies, Satan, sin and the grave, all three,

The tomb could not hold You, the great stone was rolled free.

The tomb, not opened for Your escape, but that I might see in

And receive Your gracious gift, die, and cast my law-ward flesh therein.

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### **STEWARDSHIP**

Theo Knutson

Should I thank my God for His gifts to me, Then turn about and splurge and spree? Gifts from our Maker can become the deadly wings, Of the proverbial ant in his flying flings. A steward I am, O God, grant me grace, That ne'er from the needy I e're hide my face.

Psalm 41:1

It is good to give, it gives great joy:
But merchants are out in crafty employ.
A steward of gifts must care where they go.
Gifts can do harm how ere they may glow.
Why give a dollar, to shut the door?
In a week or two they'll be back for more.
II Peter 2:1-3

Yes, a good steward is as good stewards go; He will query as he straws: Just how do I sow? For talents entrusted to a traveler here, Are required with interest, when the King shall appear. An account shall be made of each dollar and dime. The poor will remain till the end of time.

Matthew 26:11

O, on that day we shall hear from Thee: While sick or in prison, ye visited Me. When I was hungry ye gave Me meat. I was sheltered from cold, and shielded from heat. Strange words are these by the King from above: For we've been lost in a labor of love.

Matthew 25:37-40

### **Daniel Webster**

Our government has been tried in peace, and it has been tried in war, and it has proved itself fit for both. It has been assailed from without, and it has successfully resisted the shock; it has been disturbed within, and it has effectually quieted the disturbance. It can stand trail; it can stand assail; it can stand adversity; it can stand everything but the marring of its own beauty and weakening of its own strength. It can stand everything but the effects of our own rashness and our own folly.

Editor's Note: As long as it does not <u>forget and forsake GOD</u> as GOD is our *real refuge!* Psalm 46:1

### **Peace With God**

Perhaps in your heart you have longed for peace with God and from your heart cried out, "Oh, that I had peace with God!" An accusing conscience caused the memory of past sins to trouble you. You lost hours of sleep mourning over past failures and shortcomings.

Are you sure that it was peace with God you wanted or were you merely desirous of becoming free from a troubled conscience? Was there a longing to get rid of your sins or were you more concerned about the consequences of your sins? Have you honestly confessed your sins to God? Have you asked Him to make you hate them? Too often we are more concerned about our feelings within than we are about our personal relation to God. Because we have sinned against a holy God we need forgiveness and cleansing so that we might be at peace with Him. It is the Holy Spirit's work to convict us of sin and because of this feeling of accusation within we are moved to "get right with God."

"Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ" (Romans 5:1).

#### IT IS THROUGH JESUS CHRIST

You may be very familiar with this phrase and yet to you it may have no real meaning. What of your many sins, how shall they be atoned for? God cannot look upon your sins and excuse them. His holy wrath ever rests upon sin and therefore also upon the sinner who harbors sin within. God's curse rests upon all sin and upon all unrepentant sinners. No one can redeem himself nor his fellow man. For all have sinned.

Hence Jesus came, one with God, yet also man, and took our sin upon Himself. He bore our sin in His own body on the tree. He absorbed into His own self the curse of God over sin and sinners and this redeemed us from the curse (Gal. 3:13). This He could do because He was sinless, because He was God. That was why He who knew no sin was made to be sin (not only a sinner), and on the cross was separated from God, tasting in our place eternal death. For that reason, when on the cross, He was forsaken of God. He suffered as the accursed one. He died that He might bring us back to God (1 Pet. 3:18).

There we see Christ as our substitute. The one who takes our place. What does it mean to be justified? Just-as-if-I-had not-sinned. That is the way God looks at us in Christ. An old lady was asked if she knew what justified means. "Yes," she said, "it means that Christ stood in my shoes and now I stand in His." That is, He atoned for the sins we have committed. The guilt of all the evil desires of our hearts He has borne in our stead. Our inherent

lack of love to God, the aversion of our heart to Him, our divided heart and will—He has made atonement for it all. He died for sin itself and for the depravity of this heart of ours which loves sin and not God. And in return, all that which He is He gives to the believer: His holiness, His righteousness, His joy and His peace. That now becomes the believer's position in Christ.

#### JUSTIFIED AS SINNERS

Christ did not do this for you because He thought you deserved it or were good enough. Too many hesitate to accept it because they are so bad. "While we were yet helpless ...Christ died for the ungodly" (Rom. 5:6). Are you "helpless," with no strength or goodness of your own? Are you willing to let Christ do it all? Or do you want to help along a bit? Are you "ungodly," not at all good? Then you are fit to be saved. Not because you are good enough to be accepted but because Christ is. And God is willing to accept you in Christ. Will you yield yourself to Him and pray, "Lord, save me"?

### JUSTIFIED BY FAITH

At once you will be likely to say, "I have such a weak faith." But we are not to have faith in our faith, but faith in Jesus. Do you see the lack of all goodness in your self-life? Do you long for what only He can give? Then the Holy Spirit is working faith in your heart now. He is causing you to see your need of Christ so that you will receive Him.

It is not enough to know that Jesus is your peace, that He stood in your place. You will need to make His atoning work your own. And that you do by faith, by claiming all that He has accomplished as being done just for you. You claim Him by faith when you invite Him to live in your heart. To receive is to believe (John 1:12).

Let us look again at the illustration in the preceding chapter. If you owed a large sum of money to a certain firm and a friend paid the bill for you, he would then be making peace between you and the firm. Your part would be to accept the receipt, to claim for your own good that which your friend had done for you. But unless you took the receipt all his work would avail you nothing. What Christ has done for you must be claimed in the same way. On His side it is a finished work. Your part is to believe that it was done for you, and thus receive it, and then thank Him for it. It is for you to confess your sin, believe He forgives you for His own sake, and thank Him. It is when you accept Him as your Savior, believe that He comes in, and then thank Him, that He now dwells within. The results of this will be:

### PEACE WITH GOD

God can now look upon you with loving favor. He is satisfied with His Son. And He accepts you in Christ. That which stood between you and God—your sin—has now been removed. God is no longer a God of wrath. In Christ He is now to you a Father. A relation of peace between you and God has been restored. The Son accomplished it. The blessing is yours.

#### A RECKONED RIGHTEOUSNESS

It is not a righteousness which you have in yourself by "being good" or by "trying to do good." It is a righteousness outside of yourself-it is Christ's righteousness. He that "trusts him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is reckoned for righteousness" (Rom. 4:5). When you accept Christ as your Savior and put your trust in His atoning death, you are therewith given the right to claim all Christ's righteousness as your own.

As you look in your own heart you still see that your sinful self is there, the evil nature in which is no good thing. But as you look into the Word you see that, inasmuch as you invited Christ in, He now dwells in your heart, "the hope of glory" (Col. 1:27). He is your righteousness. In Him you are faultless.

### NO CONDEMNATION

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus" (Rom. 8:1). No condemnation for you—no, not as long as you remain a child of God. No matter how your conscience and Satan may accuse you, "God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything" (1 John 3:20). He knows you are but a sinner, not putting any trust in what you are in yourself, but only what you are in Christ. And so you can rest your weary heart on His promise that for you in Christ there is "no condemnation."

Taken from The Way of Life by A.W. Knock

Dear reader, do you have Peace with God?

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### Thank the Veteran

It is the **VETERAN**,

not the preacher, who has given us freedom of religion.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the reporter,

who has given us freedom of the press.

## It is the **VETERAN**,

not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech.

### It is the **VETERAN**,

not the campus organizer, who has given us freedom to assemble.

It is the **VETERAN**,

not the lawyer, who has given us the right to a fair trial.

It is the **VETERAN**,

not the politician, Who has given us the right to vote.

It is the **VETERAN** who salutes the Flag,

# God Bless them all!!!

### Faraday's Occupation in Heaven

When Faraday, the great scientist, was dying, someone asked him what he thought would be his occupation in Heaven. He replied, "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." (1 Cor. 2:9). But I will see Jesus and be with Him; that will be enough."

A. C. Dixon

### Warning!

The most terrible warning to impenitent men in all the world is the death of Christ. For if God spared not His own Son on whom was only laid imputed sin, will He spare sinners whose sins are their own?

Charles Spurgeon

### **UpDate**

What Can OR Should I Say?

You have already read "What Can OR Should I Say?", which is just bearing my heart with you! What we are seeking in and through the Hauge Lutheran Innermission Federation/Morning Glory and I try to leave it in HIS HANDS; because it is HIS Work; but at times it isn't so easy! At times I wonder what the 'future' is in regards to this 'ministry'. Don't misunderstand me; it's not lacking a purpose OR goal; but the finances fluctuate so much. Unless the LORD is permitted to lay the burden, conviction and vision upon your heart and life, my efforts are feeble! YES, Praise God for ALL the Income and as you will notice the month of May's income was GREAT; but unless we have regularity... Thank you who under gird this ministry with PRAYER and finances; may the LORD RICHLY Bless YOU as YOU give unto HIM in obedience to HIS WORD; out of LOVE and Cheerfulness.

Certainly we who of like mind and a kindred spirit: need to work together; by His Grace. Most certainly we do not claim to be by any means perfect or faultless; but by HIS GRACE we want to be used to win souls for His Kingdom as we plant the INCORRUPTIBLE **SEED** and for the nurturing, edifying and strengthening of His Lambs and Sheep. Also seeking to be a 'watchman upon the Wall'!

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THIS MINISTRY WE ARE PRAYING FOR YOU!!

April's Income for *Morning Glory* is \$720.00 May's Income for *Morning Glory* is \$5,052.00 The cost for <u>each</u> issue of the *Morning Glory alone* is approximately - \$2,400.

### Looking Ahead ...

Make plans now to attend the Hauge Bible Conference for this fall, September 24-26 in Fargo, North Dakota at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Pastor Jim Fugleberg is the host pastor. The theme is "Standing on the Promises." More details will follow as plans solidify. Please begin to pray even now.

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### Bible Camps

An evangelistic Lutheran Bible Camp called Faith Youth Camp is to take place on August  $2^{nd} - 6^{th}$  at Northern Pines campground in Park Rapids, MN. This Independent Lutheran Group welcomes  $7^{th} - 12^{th}$  grades. Speakers will be Pastors Don Greven and Reuben Unseth and Mr. Gary Stenberg. For further information contact: Pastor Paul Larson at the church at 218-847-1040 or home 218-375-4331.

The Faith <u>Family</u> Camp (which is an Independent Lutheran Ministry) will be held Labor Day weekend at Northern Pines Campground in Park Rapids, MN. Planned Speakers are: Janos Herkely from Hungary, Pastor Timothy Mundiah from Kenya and Pastor Don Greven from Viroqua, Wis.

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