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

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The Work and Ministry of the Holy Spirit

Sam Morris

There are at least ten separate special blessings that result from the function of the Holy Spirit in relation to His believers.

The Holy Spirit Convicts Us of Sin

“Nevertheless, I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away; for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment.....” John 16:7-8.

The Holy Spirit Regenerates Us

“Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior; That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life” Titus 3:5-7.

The Holy Spirit seals us in Christ

“That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise, which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory” Ephesians 1:12-14.

“And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption” Ephesians 4:30.

The Holy Spirit Dwells in Regenerated and Sealed Believers

“What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? 1 Corinthians 6:19.

“But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his” Romans 8:9.

The Holy Spirit Witnesses to Us That We Are God’s Children

“The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God” Romans 8:16. *“And he that keeps his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us”.* 1 John 3:24. *“Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit”* 1 John 4:13.

The Holy Spirit Helps Us to Pray in the Will of God

“Likewise, the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities; for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.” *“And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he*

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maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God” Romans 8:26-27.

The Holy Spirit Leads Us in Victorious Spiritual Living

“There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the spirit.” Romans 8:1. “This I say, walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.” Galatians 5:16.

The Holy Spirit Illumines Us with Understanding in the Things of Christ

“I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. “Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.” John 16:12-14. “These things have I spoken unto you, being present with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.” John 14:25-26.

The Holy Spirit Comforts Us in Sorrow

“And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth;

whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him, but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." Vss. 16-17.

The Holy Spirit Empowers Us to witness for Jesus

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8.

These ten blessings are all the work of the HOLY SPIRIT.

Sword of the Lord

(Editor: For the benefit of humanity, what "form" did GOD reveal the Holy Spirit by? A DOVE! What are some of the characteristics of a Dove?)

ARE YOU READY?

There was a country preacher who held a tent revival meeting. One night, he decided to gauge the spiritual readiness of his audience. He wanted to see if their faith was genuine. So, he arranged to have a young man with a trumpet on the roof of a nearby building.

During the service he asked his audience, "**How many of you are ready to meet the Lord Jesus in the air if He were to return right now?**" Every hand went up. The preacher asked a second time, "IF the last trumpet were to sound right now, would you be ready to meet the Lord?" This time most hands went up — but not all of them.

The preacher nodded to a man in the back of the tent, who quietly slipped out to signal the man with the trumpet. Moments later the mighty trumpet blasted outside the tent – more than half of the panic-stricken audience members dived under their chairs to hide themselves from the face of JESUS!

From *My Journal* by Michael Youssef

Editor's Note: I was raised on a farm in the Green Bay Packer state; although not close to Green Bay. As a youth I was told the following: When an unusual storm seemed to be coming into our midst; some would get off of the tractor-seat and, likely close to one of the big wheels, kneel down on the dirt and cry-out for God's mercy on them! Do we have that expectancy today, *when seemingly even nature is waiting for His coming?* In the Rapture (taking away His bride) it will be in a '**Twinkling of an Eye**' which is literally a very small part of a second.

I also recall a young Mother would hang-out her laundry, she would check into their living-quarters to see

IF their Infant-children were still in their bed or cradle, or if the 'BRIDE-GROOM' had taken the child HOME to HEAVEN! **ARE YOU READY?**

Marvelous, Wonderful, Grace provided by MY SAVIOR, as the **KING** is coming for Me!

**What a day that shall be, when my JESUS I shall see;
When I look upon HIS Face,
The One who saved me by His GRACE!
What a day that shalt be!**

Fear God

"But I will show you whom you shall fear: Fear Him who after He has killed, has power to cast into hell." (Luke 12:5)

God's Word has a strong, *fear not!* We thank God for that Word. We cannot live without it!

But the Word of God says just as powerfully that we are to fear God! The Bible speaks of this in several places.

Today there is so little fear of God. HE is considered to be *tolerant*. But it is terrible to fall into the hands of the Living God. Because there is so little fear of God, there is little seriousness. This is true of us also who believe in God. We are not particularly careful about the command of God. Our lack of a holy fear of God makes us superficial.

Fear of God would urge "*work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.*" (Philippians 2:12) It would also drive us out into God's Harvest Field. Because we fear God, we seek to win souls for God, says the apostle.

Fear of God does not rob us of the joy in God! The strange thing is that contrary to what we think, it tunes the harps of the joy of salvation to clearer tones.

Taken from *Quiet Moments On the Way Home*,
by H. E. Wisloff

We must never compromise with those who have apostatized from the truth if we are to be worthy sons and daughters of Christian ancestors who sealed their faith with blood.

Billy Sunday

Promises of Love

By Dr. Jeff Fugate

Throughout the WORD OF GOD, we find the principle of loving God and keeping His commandments.

The Gospel of John states: “*If ye love, keep my commandments.*” (John 14:15) It is interesting to note that the way we know we love God is that we keep His commandments.

There is another promise or set of promises that are connected to this truth. There is this: there are special promises for those and to those that love the Lord.

So far, we have learned that if we love God, we will keep His commandments.

“*For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.*” (I John 5:3)

As a teenager I contemplated these passages of Scripture: If you love Him, keep His commandments and His commandments are not grievous.” As I thought of the commandments of the Lord, some of them were not easy for me and I would have put them in the category of “*grievous*,” but I did not enjoy doing them!

Because I did not love All of His Commandments, I was concerned as to whether or not I really loved God. Then, there were two life illustrations that helped me to understand this verse.

I cannot say that I really enjoyed academics in school. I enjoyed school well enough but would do whatever I could to get out of going to some classes. I sometimes would think and hope maybe that English class would just go away!

One year I got behind in my English (ACE PACES). That summer when school was out, I had to spend a great deal of time inside rather than outside where I wanted to be playing and doing the things a young boy wanted to do.

My Dad set me down and talked to me. Here is the

The Bible!

Men (and women) hate the BIBLE because it tells them what they are! It never flatters, never apologies, never praises man

(All humans) for his natural endowments and often derides his wisdom. Even when he has climbed to the topmost bough of the tree of knowledge and there sways in the applause of the multitude, the Old Book seems to look up and say, “THE WISDOM OF MAN IS FOOLISHNESS WITH GOD.”

Jarrette Aycock

essence of what he said: “Son, I know you do not like the subject English, but it is important to learn. I love you and I want you to do this for me.” *I thought, I will do it for you, but I don't want to do it for the sake of ENGLISH!*

Editor's Note: Jesus loves Me this I Know, for the BIBLE TELLS ME SO: Agape (unconditional love) – He doesn't love my (sin); but He loves me in spite of my SIN! HE so loves you and me, that even before I was conceived in my Mother's Womb; (Even before I was born) He had a plan and place for you and me; in this our sinful world. “For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor; that you through His poverty might become rich.” “The LORD your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing.”

(II Corinthians 8:9 & Zephaniah 3:17)

Psalm 100

Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands!

Serve the LORD with gladness;

Come before His presence

With singing,

Know that the LORD, He is God;

It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves;

We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,

And into His courts with praise,

Be thankful to Him, and bless

His name,

For the LORD is good;

His mercy is everlasting,

And His truth endures to all

Generations.

Editor's Note: When a person's heart is right with God, there will be 'thanksgiving' every day for God is always good. “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.” (James 1:17) Even when things don't seem right to us, God is still always good! During refining fires or correction, Jesus is permitting these to come our-way *indirectly*, through nail-pierced Hands! We may complain on the inside of what is taking place; but then realize it is for our good. See Romans 8:28-29.

May YOU truly experience a very blessed Thanksgiving Season & on!

Editorial

RES

FOOD/APPETITE

By no means am I going to interfere in regards to your physical appetite this month; especially when it comes to THANKSGIVING DAY, but a good appetite is necessary for good-health; both physically and spiritually! According to God's Word we are to have an appetite for the things of GOD and especially His Word, the BIBLE, and then Christian-fellowship and on! **IF** this ingredient is missing in your diet, you really don't have to read on in this editorial for you are very sick or dead! We are to hunger for God's Word like an Infant at meal-time.

A good share of grocery shoppers don't just grab any item and pay for it, then go home and eat the same without either knowing or preparing the items and seeing that they have a balanced-diet, not just one ingredient! A balanced diet requires checking how much salt/sugar/fat is in this item. Shouldn't this also be true in regards to your spiritual diet and also what is being shared from behind the pulpit, TV, etc? You know a little poison will eventually kill you, the only differ-

ence is how quick the end result will be. Isaiah 56:10-12, 58:1; II Timothy 4:1-5.

Martin Luther said, 'the person that does not fear himself has the greatest reason to fear of all'; because of Jeremiah 17:9-10.

The Medical world may tell us not to eat such and such for your better health and then almost automatically your desire becomes even greater for this item; so we will cheat just a little. This is true for both saved and unsaved people, and isn't that also true when God says No to our desires? That desire becomes even greater, which possibly happened with Eve and Adam when our arch-enemy said that just a 'little immodesty' won't hurt. Don't forget about the example to the brothers & sisters in God's Family. (See I Corinthians 8:9 & 12) You know as a parent or grand-parent, **IF** you don't like something; chances are your off-spring won't like it either! How is your appetite for the things of GOD?

KNOWING GOD

If we search for God as an Object among other objects, we fail to find Him. If we conceive of God as enthroned somewhere in the "blue inane" or beyond the stars, modern astronomy projects Him far beyond the reach of our utmost thought. Human wisdom cannot find Him. He is not the object of thought. Knowledge of God is not intellectual knowledge. We are the objects of His grace. Only as penitent and believing recipients of His saving love can we have an immediate experience of what He is.

"Ye have known God," says Paul in writing to the Galatians. But he adds, "or rather, have come to be known of God." This "or rather" turns us from the abstract cognition of humanism to the "existential knowledge" of the Christian.

We cannot find God by searching for Him with telescopes or microscopes. Nor by rational reflection. True knowledge of Him is His gift to us, appropriated by faith.

The Gospel is not the report that some one has dis-

covered God. It is the good news that God has revealed Himself in Christ to us. The human intellect knows only in part darkly as in a mirror.

Unless we have experimental knowledge of Him as our Saviour, He is only a projection of our own mind, an idol of our own making. But if it is the knowledge of a full surrender to Him and the humble acceptance of His loving kindness in forgiveness and the gift of eternal life, we may look forward in the cherished hope of Christian trust to the day when we shall know even as we have been known.

C.J. Sodergren

The Bible Banner, February 1939

Lutheran Bible Institute, Minneapolis

Believable ...Yet Unbelievable

Vote/Voting

Very Important: Be sure to vote. We have a privilege and responsibility in the U.S.A. a Land of the free!

Likely some you special readers of the Morning Glory, may think one vote doesn't make much difference!

As a youth, I recall my Uncle & Aunt had a farm very close to a small hamlet and the time had come to vote on a county-seat several miles apart from another hamlet. The hamlet close to this farm lost by ONE vote! I'm SURE, you got the point! Don't just vote down a certain political party line; but who is the best candidate in God's eyes. Sometimes we take for *granted*' such opportunities until we lose them!

Editor

Vote on "Transgender" Bill

On Capitol Hill, momentum is growing to pass the "Transgender Bill of Rights" (H. Res. 1209)

This H. Res. 1209 is not about equality — if it were, the bill would not expressly state that no religious exemptions are allowed! This is about crushing religious freedom...

Churches and religious schools must have the right to teach the next generation biblical values. Without this freedom, churches and schools will close or go underground. Communist countries relentlessly target churches to silence them. AND that is exactly what this so-called "Transgender Bill of Rights" does as well.

Imagine your children at church or a Christian school being taught by a male "drag queen" and the church or school (being) powerless to say, "No, this violates our biblical beliefs!"

Seems far-fetched? It is not!

Mat Staves, LIBERTY COUNCIL

All 220 Democrats, 47 House Republicans Voted to Legalize Same-Sex Marriage

Forty-seven House Republicans voted (July 26) in support of a Democrat-backed bill to codify same-sex marriage into federal law.

The bill dubbed the Respect for Marriage Act, passed the House of Representatives 267 to 157. All 220 Democrats voted in favor. Seven Republicans abstained.

The Respect for Marriage Act would formally repeal the 1996 Defense of Marriage Act, which recognized

marriage as "only a legal union between one man and one woman as husband and wife..."

Jared Eckert dailysignal.com

Doctors Group Threatens to Decertify Pro-Life Physicians for Telling Truth About Abortion

Pro-life doctors may sue the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology after it threatened to decertify physicians who provide alleged "misinformation and disinformation" about abortion to patients.

The medical board, which certifies obstetricians and gynecologists, claims abortions are an "essential" part of "reproductive health"! Doctors who disagree could be punished.

In a statement July 7, the board threatened to revoke the certifications of OB-GYN's who provide "misinformation and disinformation about COVID-19, reproductive health care, abortion and other OBGYN practices that harm the patients we serve or public health," the *Washington Times* reports.

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Vice President Compares Supreme Court Ruling Overturning Roe to Slavery

Kamala Harris claimed that banning the killing of unborn babies in abortions is similar to slavery in a speech (July 25) to the NAACP...

Harris ...compared the U.S. Supreme Court decision overturning Roe vs. Wade to slavery...

Responding afterwards, U.S. Representative Lauren Boebert, a pro-life Republican from Colorado, slammed Harris for describing aborting unborn babies as a "right."

"Kamala just compared not being able to murder your unborn child to slavery. Psychotic," Boebert wrote on Twitter.

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EDITOR'S COMMENTS: *Such a warped sense of values! Sixty-three million unborn babies who were denied the right to be born and have the privilege of life would disagree with the vice president. Just as there is no legitimate rationale to justify slavery, there can be no legitimate rationale to justify butchering babies.*

Sword of the Lord.

Elizabeth Warren Claims Pro-life Pregnancy Centers “Torture” Women

(Senator) Elizabeth Warren issued a radical call (July 26) to “shut down” pregnancy resource centers that help millions of pregnant and parenting mothers and babies in need.

The Massachusetts Democrat insisted that the pro-life organizations be closed, claiming they “torture” and “fool” pregnant women according to Fox News...

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Biden Threatens Pro-Life Pharmacists Who Refuse to Sell Dangerous Abortion Drug

The Biden administration threatened to block Medicaid funds to pharmacies that refuse to stock abortion drugs or sell contraception that may cause abortions in a new guidance from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The HHS Office for Civil Rights sent the warning to approximately 60,000 pharmacies across the U.S., according to a department press release.

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Forgotten God

“More than half a century ago, while I was still a child, I recall hearing a number of older people offer the following explanation for the great disasters that had befallen Russia: ‘Men have forgotten God; that’s why all this has happened.’

“Since then I have spent well-nigh fifty years working on the history of our Revolution; in the process I have read hundreds of books, collected hundreds of personal testimonies, and have already contributed eight volumes of my own toward the effort of clearing away the rubble left by that upheaval. But if I were asked today to formulate as concisely as possible the main cause of the ruinous Revolution that swallowed up some sixty million of our people, I could not put it more accurately than to repeat: “Men have forgotten God; that’s why all this has happened.””

Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, *Templeton Lecture*, May 10, 1983, *The Solzhenitsyn Reader*, p. 577 .

Selected

THANK YOU!

(From the newest Hauge Lutheran Innermission Federation Board Member Ron Nelson of Flaxton, ND)

Thank you very much for the very nice welcome to the Hauge Lutheran Innermission Federation.

I am enclosing a devotional that I wrote for our local Burke County paper years ago and I am also including a poem of Clara Olson Loset given to Pastor R. Norheim some time ago! He published in the *Lamplighter*.

At a later date I will send you some names of people around here, in our county, that seem to be interested since I told them about the *Morning Glory!* Some of them in their childhood remember their parents getting the *Morning Glory*.

Looking forward to the Hauge Bible Conference at Liberty Lutheran Brethren Church in Fargo, ND.

HEAVENLY SUNSHINE

Submitted by Ron Nelson, Flaxton, ND

A little Black boy was sitting on the Southeast side of a house one raw cold spring day, but it didn’t bother him because the sun was shining brightly on him! An elderly Grandpa walked by and asked him, “Well my boy, what are you doing?” “Oh, I am just sitting here in the “Son” letting Jesus love Me.” Wouldn’t it be great if grown-ups could be a little more like children in all simplicity seeking places where God’s Love could shine down upon us?

Mount Calvary is such a place! Here the mercy of God is extended to all who come; “Near the Cross a Trembling Soul” to find forgiveness, a new nature and “sonship”. Here sin is sin and Grace is Grace ...your sin and God’s Grace!

Alone with God in the prayer-closet is also a good place to be. Actually, you won’t be kept in His Word (the Bible) unless you are also kept in prayer! The two are inter-related and cannot be separated! “*If any man* (person) *...let him ask.*” Normal growth proceeds from this combination. God wants to see us grown; “bearing much fruit.”

By Grace HE has provided for normal steady growth; but it will cost us the time it takes to read His Word and pray. Beholding *Him* our faith grows, and we live by faith in our Loving Lord and **Savior**.

“**Looking unto JESUS the Author and Perfector of our faith.**” (Hebrews 12:12)

The Enemies of God!

By Bill Brinkworth

“But he answered and said unto them, Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition? Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophecy of you, saying, ‘This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.’” (Matthew 15:3, 7-9)

In Matthew 15, we see one of the many accounts of Jesus battling people that gave Him the most trouble while He walked this earth. It was not the crowd of sacrifice-offering pagans or a force of Ashtoreth-bowing Canaanites or sun-worshipping Bel-worshippers. This enemy was the one that ultimately took part in His death. This dangerous force was the “worshippers” of God!

Immediately, one is aghast. How could a group of “God-fearing” people become God’s Son’s worst enemy?

They continually questioned, doubted and criticized Jesus because they were not of God! They read their Torah (*the first five books of the BIBLE*), followed many Jewish Laws and often attended Temple worship.

However, they worshiped God as a “HABIT” and a tradition only (Matthew 15:3). Their hearts were not committed to living for and serving God! Their hearts were hard and dead to the real worship of God. They were worshippers of God in name only! Many times, JESUS rebuked these false worshippers, calling them hypocrites and venomous “vipers.”

Today, the enemies of God are not different than they were then. There are still many manmade, unbiblical religions operating under the guise of “*Christian*.” These modern institutions are also “*teaching for doctrines the commandments of men*.” Some of the false doctrines and practices include:

Altered “bibles” to reinforce godless doctrines. The new, modern-version “bibles” are prone to change doctrines either to fit the religion that uses the perversion or to remove teaching that the rewriters do not believe.

“Religious” laws that supersede what God’s Word teaches. These include the Koran, Book of Mormon and Jehovah’s Witnesses Watchtower literature.

Traditions that people follow “religiously” without question. As in Jesus’ day, false religion is just around the nearest corner! They may have the label “church” on their building sign and even have a “*Bible*” that is preached from.

IF their hearts are not converted, their real purpose

is not to teach all that the **BIBLE** has to say, but to teach what they think is the right way to “worship” God. They can be the enemies of God!

Today, much damage is done to Christianity by liberal worshippers of a different “god” than is described and commanded to be worshipped in the Bible. In many cases, these false “churches” have only a form of godliness without any power from God!

“Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof; from such turn away.”
(II Timothy 3:5)

THE PASTOR’S JEALOUSY

1. A watchful jealousy. He will have to give account of the souls entrusted to his care, so dares not be careless. He loves his flock, and therefore watches over it. He watches for the approach of peril, if peradventure he may avert it. He jealously scrutinizes all influences affecting his charge. His Master is the shepherd; he is the watch-dog.

2. A warning jealousy. His keen feelings lead to solemn admonitions when needed. He barks, and, when occasion arises, even bites; faithful are the wounds of such a friend. A short shrift is the desert of a pastor who is but a dumb dog. Pity it is if our feelings are so fine that we cannot rebuke men to save them from perdition. Silver bells are all very well for seasons of festivity, but when the fire blazes forth we must swing lustily the rough alarm-bell in the turret. He is a poor surgeon who is too tender-hearted to use the knife. If we love people very much we shall be willing to hurt them that we may heal them. An un-warning jealousy is not worth a farthing a bushel. It is a poor sham.

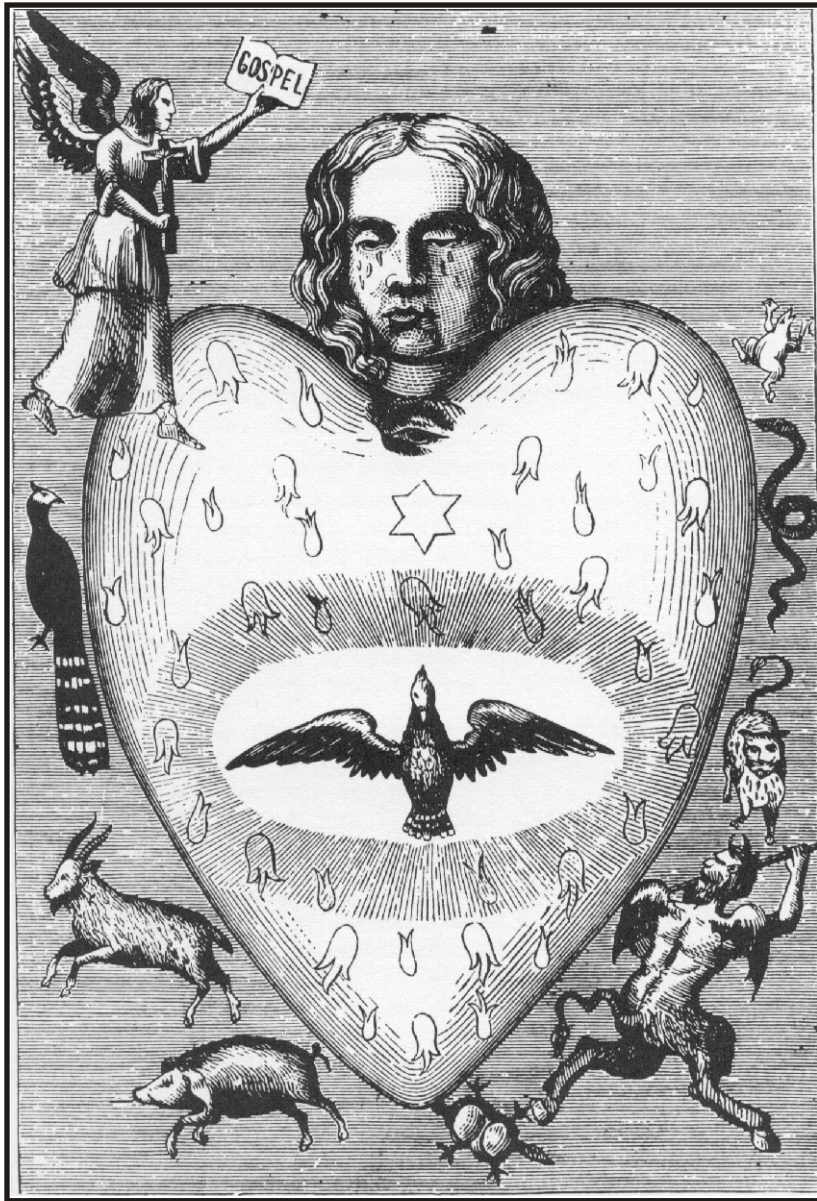
Taken from *The Pulpit Commentary of Second Corinthians, 11:2*, Hendrickson Publishers

“The things that will destroy America are prosperity at any price, peace at any price, safety first instead of duty first, the love of soft living and the get-rich quick theory of life.”

Theodore Roosevelt

Mirror of the Heart

Third Picture



THE HEART CONDITION OF A SINNER WHO BELIEVES IN CHRIST AND HIS GOSPEL, AND IS FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

The sinner, who has become aware of his misery and has been led by the goodness and patience of God to repentance, has become humble in heart. He is deeply disturbed and broken and sheds bitter tears over his condition. It pains him in the innermost of his soul that he so often and so shamefully has offended, forsaken, and despised God's great love and patience and served the devil so long.

When the sinner is now prepared for the offered mercy, then is fulfilled the Scripture which says: "*The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart and saveth such as are of a contrite spirit*" (Psalm 34:18). "*God healeth the broken hearted*" (Psalm 47:3). The angel in the picture, representing God's grace, now steps forward and holds up before him Jesus Christ, the Crucified. The saving Gospel is declared to him—that Jesus Christ came into the world to save just such helpless sinners, that He died for all sinners and purchased for them forgiveness of sins and eternal life. God, through Christ, offers to the broken and contrite heart grace, forgiveness, eternal life, and salvation.

If the sinner now accepts this offer in true faith and sincere confidence, lays hold of Jesus Christ and His merits, and in a living faith believes that all this is bestowed upon him purely out of mercy and grace, then he receives the witness of the Holy Spirit that all his sins are forgiven and that he is a true child of God (Rom. 8:16). The Holy Spirit enlightens the heart with righteousness, peace, and joy. Then verily the kingdom of God has come.

Tears may still fall, but now it will be only tears of gratitude, affection, and joy, because he has been cleansed from sin and filled with the Spirit. In body and soul he now rejoices in the living God. The star will beam in his heart because of a living faith.

The enemies of his soul, the horrid animals, Satan and his hoard, have disappeared from the heart. Now it re-echoes in his mind: "*And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of God*" (I Cor. 6:11).

Oh how happy, how blessed, how joyful such a pardoned heart. He feels like singing one song of praise after the other. He cannot rejoice enough in his Saviour and His grace, admire His mercy and grace, and thank Him enough.

Though filled with this joy, he must continue in watchfulness and fear and never grow weary. The horrid animals, the defiling sins, are now outside of the heart. Satan has lost his power over him, but he is not far away. He seeks night and day to return. The greater his loss, the greater his bitterness. Therefore, watch and pray.

PRAYER

Divine Saviour! I cannot rejoice enough over Thy grace and love! I cannot thank Thee enough for Thy glorious saving Gospel! Thou hast given me redemption through Thy blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of Thy grace. Thou hast sealed me with that “*Holy Spirit of promise,*” and given me “*the earnest of our inheritance.*” Oh, quicken my faith more and more, and enlighten my soul so that I may better know Thy gifts, all the heavenly blessings which Thou hast bought for me by Thy suffering and death, which Thou art now offering me through the Gospel.

How Thou hast wonderfully pardoned, enriched, and blessed me! I, who formerly was an abode for Satan, am now a temple of the Holy Spirit. I, who formerly was a slave of sin, am now a free child of God. I, who formerly was a gathering place for the unclean spirits, am now the joy of the angels. I, in whom sin raged and Satan ruled, am now filled with joy, righteousness, and peace in the Holy Spirit which God has given me. The enemies of my soul have been routed. The shackles which held me bound in sin and the devil’s slavery have been broken, and I am free. Mercy has been shown me; I have obtained grace.

How can I thank Thee enough! Thy praise shall always be upon my lips. Only one thing do I beg of Thee, dear Saviour: do not withdraw Thy sustaining hand from me, and blot me not out from Thy presence. Thou art the rock of my salvation. Preserve my heart that I may fear Thy name. Let me never feel secure, but always be on the watch that I may not be enslaved by the enemy and deceived by sin. May Thy grace fortify my heart so that I will always hate sin and flee from every temptation as from hell itself. Thou hast set me free; do not ever let me become a slave again. Thou hast sanctified my inner life; do not let it become desecrated. May my heart always be a temple of the Holy Spirit, a home for peace, joy, and righteousness in the Holy Spirit. AMEN.

I Could Not Do Without Thee

I could not do without Thee
O Saviour of the lost,
Whose wondrous love redeemed me,
At such tremendous cost;
Thy righteousness, Thy pardon,
Thy precious blood must be
My only hope and comfort,
My glory and my plea.
I could not do without Thee,
I cannot stand alone,
I have no strength or goodness,

No wisdom of my own;
But Thou, beloved Saviour,
Art all in all to me;
And weakness will be power
If leaning hard on Thee.

I could not do without Thee,
For O the way is long,
And I am often weary,
And sigh replaces song:
How could I do without Thee?
I do not know the way;
Thou knowest, and Thou leadest,
And wilt not let me stray.

I could not do without Thee,
O Jesus, Saviour dear;
E’en when my eyes are holden,
I know that Thou art near.
How dreary and how lonely
This changeful life would be,
Without the sweet communion,
The secret rest with Thee!

I could not do without Thee,
For years are fleeting fast,
And soon in solemn loneliness
The river must be passed;
But Thou wilt never leave me,
And though the waves roll high,
I know Thou wilt be near me,
And whisper, “It is I.” —

Francis R. Havergal

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We must feel toward our people as a father toward his children; yea, the most tender love of a mother must not surpass ours. We must even travail in birth, till Christ be formed in them. They should see that we care for no outward thing, neither liberty, nor honor, nor life, in comparison to their salvation... When the people see that you truly love them, they will hear anything from you... Oh therefore, see that you feel a tender love for your people in your hearts, and let them perceive it in your speech and conduct. Let them see that you spend and are spent for their sakes. — Richard Baxter

Gender Madness

“And God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. And God blessed them; and God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.’” (Genesis 1:27-28)

Society today is absolutely beset with the notion that a person’s gender is whatever they want or perceive it to be. The whole concept that a man could become a woman, or a woman become a man was absolutely preposterous not that long ago. The rise and acceptance of homosexuality has led to all manner of sexual deviation because once you take down God’s standard of one man and one woman being the only two components suitable for marriage and sexual function, then the door is thrown open for anything and everything to now be present as an alternative. But where do you draw the line and say this is wrong?

Not only do people want to identify as a different gender, they can now identify as no gender (called non-binary). They say that they don’t identify as either one. When someone wants to change their gender, they can go in and have a surgery done to replace their reproductive organs revamped using other parts of their bodies. If doctors refuse to perform these procedures, they will find themselves out of a job because one reason that medical facilities are ready to do this is because of the money that it generates. The cost of gender reconstruction and the follow up afterwards can generate \$40,000 to even \$100,000. What isn’t seen in the public eye is the infection that is prevalent and the hormone blocking drugs that take their toll on a person. I have never seen any statistics on how many people die from this procedure, or how many end up permanently disabled. Also, the psychological impact upon a person is not stated either. What will happen to a young person who decides to change their gender and down the road wake up to the fact that they have permanently changed their bodies and there is no way to reverse it and make it like it was before? I haven’t seen any on the depression and suicide rates of people who do this.

Today, the education system is pushing this agenda to reach kids at the lowest levels, including kindergarten and first grade. They are introduced from the earliest that a family is whatever you want it to be, with two mommies or two daddies. By throwing the whole spectrum of “anything goes,” the school pushes people to “find out” what you are by exploring alternatives so that you can

make sure you find what you are. Not only do young people learn to identify as a gay or lesbian, they can also identify as whatever they want, including an animal. They are referred to as “Furries” where someone identifies as a cat or a dog or a goat or whatever they want. In some schools, they have put litter boxes in the restrooms for these furries to use. If a teacher refuses to go along with such madness, they can be terminated based on discrimination. Teachers must go through equity training to be able to know how to respond to these situations. Your personal convictions in these matters is put away or you suffer the consequences.

In society today, you are to address people with their preferred pronoun that they identify with. If a man now identifies as a woman, you are to refer to them as “her” or “she.” If someone identifies as neither male nor female, do we then identify them as “it” or “thing?” Any manner of deviation is now accepted as a person’s personal preference. There is no right or wrong that oversees what people do today. What happens today when someone decides to marry a dog?

How do we know that all of this is wrong? Because of God’s Word! In the Scripture at the top of the page, God says that He created male and female people. They did not come into the world by chance. God did not make a mistake in His creation of the genders of people, and so people are not free to change that at will. To do so would be to say that God was wrong in His creation of them.

God states what His only way of reproduction was for one man and one woman to unite together in holy matrimony and come together as complementary genders in the sexual union and through this bring offspring into the world. You can tell what is right and what is perversion because this is the only model that will produce children. God said to Adam and Eve, *“Be fruitful and multiply.”* (Gen. 1:28) All of these other approaches to sexuality can’t produce any offspring and are a perversion of God’s design. All people in the LGBTQ must either adopt children or through one way or another, have the seed of a regular man impregnate a regular woman. Biology, governed by God, won’t allow any other means. The animal world doesn’t have a problem figuring this out because it is built in as instinct. Are people today on a lower understanding than even the brute beasts? You decide.

This movement will destroy society, just as it did in Genesis 19 in the days of Lot. Love, marriage, family and home are the stability blocks that God designed from the very beginning of mankind’s creation to hold society together. When this is broken, then society will fall apart.

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The Old Paths

“Thus says the LORD: “Stand in the ways and see, And ask for the old paths, where the good way is, and walk in it; Then you will find rest for your souls.”

(Jer 6:16, NKJV)

Years ago we had many organizations, the Hauge Lutheran Innermission, the Lutheran Evangelistic Movement, and the Lutheran Bible Institute Movement, Lutheran Youth Alive and many other Lutheran para-church organizations that ministered to the churches and walked amongst the churches much like Christ walked amongst the churches in Revelation, exhorting us to repent; and to strengthen what remains; and to return to our first love. There were giants in the land in those days, Giants like Maynard Force, Dr Samuel Miller, A.W. Knock, Evold Conrad, Peder Fostervold, and even the pastor of my youth, Elmer Anhalt who week after week exhorted us to a personal faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

But today these organizations have either disappeared, have lost their focus, or are just a shadow of what they used to be and are in danger of dying. We need to take to heart Christ’s words to the Churches. We need to *“Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works.”* (Rev 2:5).

There was a time that I was ready to give up on the Lutheran Church. I thought it was past saving. Yes if you searched real hard you could find a couple “living” congregations, but the pressure for them to conform was great. So the chance of them surviving another generation seemed slim. But since then God has shown me that there still is life in the Lutheran Church. There still is a remnant who has not bowed the knee to Baal. We need to, *“Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die.”* (Rev 3:2) There are some things that remain, some good things, but if we aren’t vigilant they will die and Christ will remove our lampstand. Let’s purpose in our hearts to not let that happen. Let’s pray the Lord of the harvest, that once again the harvest might be made ready, and that laborers will also be prepared to go to the fields.

Cleanse Me was a hymn written by the late revival historian J. Edwin Orr, I especially like the last verse. May this be our prayer.

**O Holy Ghost, revival comes from Thee;
Send a revival start the work in me.
Thy Word declares thou wilt supply our need;
For blessings now, O Lord, I humbly plead.**

Doubting Thomas?

Read John 20:24-28

I wonder where Thomas was the first time Jesus appeared to the disciples? You know it’s a dangerous thing to miss a meeting of believers. You never know what might happen, what blessing you might miss out on, or what special visitation of the Spirit you might miss. If you miss a Sunday morning worship service or prayer meeting, you miss out on a word, or experience God meant for you.

In any event, when Thomas finally did join them, the other disciples began to tell him about how they had experienced the living Lord. Thomas would not simply take their word for it, he wanted to experience the Lord for himself, and there is nothing wrong with that. I think Thomas has gotten a bad rap for this episode. We call him “doubting” Thomas. I think that’s unfair. If someone hasn’t experienced Jesus for themselves it’s quite natural for them to doubt. Thomas couldn’t live off their experience; he had to experience Christ on his own.

Friends you can’t live off my experience with Jesus, you need to meet Christ on your own, and you need to fall at His feet like Thomas did and say, “my Lord and my God”. Young people, you can’t live off the experience your parents or your grandparents had, you need to have your own encounter, face to face with Jesus and see the scars in his hands, feet and side, the signs of His suffering, that He bore for your sins, and you must fall at His feet as Thomas did and say “My Lord and my God.”

I have met the Lord, I have touched Him, He has healed me, and my sins have been forgiven. The disciple’s testimony was, “We have seen the Lord.” Have you experienced the touch of the master? If you have, tell someone. If you have, tell everyone. If you have nothing to tell, maybe you need to ask God, “Why?” Maybe you’ve been trying to live off of someone else’s experience. That won’t do, you need to follow Thomas’ example, come to Jesus, see and touch the “body broken for you”, and cry out, “My Lord and my God.”

Both articles from Wayne Almlie
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Shall I give you yet another reason why you should pray? I have preached my very heart out. I could not say any more than I have said. Will not your prayers accomplish that which my preaching fails to do? Is it not likely that the Church has been putting forth its preaching hand but not its praying hand? Oh dear friends! Let us agonize in prayer.
C. H. Spurgeon

Walking With God

“And Enoch lived sixty-five years, and became the father of Methuselah. Then Enoch walked with God three hundred years after he became the father of Methuselah, and he had other sons and daughters. So all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five years. And Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for God took him.” (Gen 5:21-24)

Enoch is one of those curious characters in the Bible. We're not told much about him. Moses introduces him, and kind of just leaves us dangling wishing he had said more. The Holy Spirit led the writer of the book of Hebrews to write a little more, and finally just a little snippet from Jude. What do we know about Enoch? From Luke we find him in the messianic line going back to Adam. In Genesis we're told that he lived for 65 years and then he walked with God 300 years.

That's an interesting distinction to make, The distinction between just living and walking with God. There are so many people that are just living. They are just existing; they have no purpose in life outside of themselves. Oh they might have a purpose of getting the best job they can and making lots of money so they can retire early. They might have a purpose of being the best provider for their family that they can be. Sadly for most, their purpose is to simply gratify their desires and appetites in as many ways as possible and as often as possible.

There would seem to be a turning point in Enoch's life when he was 65. It doesn't tell us what it was, but it may have involved a son. Children will often times do that. We see it many times. A young person active in church, goes to college, and stops going to church. They graduate from college, get married, start a family and because they want the child to have the same upbringing as they had they start going to Church. And for many this may become their true conversion experience. Before they were just riding their parent's coat tails.

Now we don't know if this was Enoch's experience, we just know something happened.

We know from Hebrews that Enoch was a man of faith, and from Jude we learn that Enoch was a Prophet, and he prophesied the coming judgment of the flood. His son appears to be part of his prophecy. He named his son METHUSELAH, which means “he dies and it is sent”. I believe Methuselah was a sign and a warning to the people. Enoch would walk around the countryside and the people would ask him what his son's name was and he would reply, “When he dies it will come”, Methuselah. They ask what comes? and Enoch has an open door to

witness about God's judgment.

When you work out the chronology, Methuselah died the year of the flood. Jewish tradition is that he died 7 days before the flood and this was Noah's sign to make final preparations. Methuselah was the man who lived the longest-969 years. Isn't that just like our God, to have the person who's death was to be the sign of the greatest catastrophe the world has ever seen, would also be the man who lived the longest. This is a picture of the grace of God, his patience and longsuffering.

“This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.” (I Tim 2:3-4)

“Say to them, ‘As I live!’ declares the Lord God, ‘I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that the wicked turn from his way and live. Turn back; turn back from your evil ways! Why then will you die?’” (Ezek 33:11-12)

“The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.” (2 Peter 3:9)

This is God's attitude, That was God's attitude back in Enoch's day, it is His attitude today. He's the patient father waiting at the door, hoping and praying that his prodigal son will come home.

Here in Enoch's son we have the longsuffering heart of God displayed. Methuselah could have died at 69 and God could have wiped out the world 900 years earlier. But God gave 969 years of warning.

About Enoch it says: *“Enoch walked with God; and he was not; for God took him.” (Genesis 5:24)*

What does it mean to “Walk with God?”

A little girl gave an exquisite explanation of walking with God. She got home from Sunday school, and her mother asked her what she had learned. She said they had learned about Enoch. So her mother said: “Tell me about Enoch.” The girl said: “Don't you know mother, one day they went for an extra long walk, and they walked on and on, until God said to Enoch, You are a long way from home; you had better just come with Me, and he did.”

To walk with God means to live one's life in the consciousness of God's presence and in continuous communion with Him. It is to have the thought constantly before us, “God is beside me,” and to regularly speak to Him and, still more, to listen for Him to speak to us through His word. To walk with God is to live in the real, conscious companionship of God. Enoch didn't just have a few mountain top experiences where he felt close to God. But it says that he walked with God continually for 300 consecutive years after the birth of Methuselah.

It is possible for us to be conscious of the nearness of

God in our daily life, to talk with Him as we talk to an earthly friend, and to have Him talk to us through the Word and through His Spirit. To have His Spirit bear witness to our spirit that we are children of God, To have His spirit pray for us, and through us, with groanings too deep for words.

We all have a choice to make in life. We can just live life for the world and for ourselves, or we can walk with God, we can be like Enoch.

Be like Enoch!

Selected

Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth

“Only let your conduct be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of your affairs, that you stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel.” (Phil 1:27)

About 20 years ago a Christian Group Burlap to Cashmere had a song out, “Basic Instructions before leaving Earth.” If you take the first letter of each word in the title, what does that spell? Basic instructions before leaving earth, you get B.I.B.L.E. I like that. That’s what the Bible is, it’s our instruction book, the Bible tells us that one day we will all leave the earth. “It is appointed unto man once to die.” An astronaut trains intensely for years for the hope of a journey that will take him a few thousand miles, we have a journey guaranteed that will take us into eternity. What are we doing to prepare?

Paul in this verse has some basic instructions for the Philippian church, and for us. And he says it doesn’t matter if he comes to them or not he will hear about them. He will get their report card, and when he gets that he has certain expectations on what he will hear.

Paul starts out this section with the word “only”. Now that is a word of exclusivity, it is a word of single mindedness. Back in 1955 the Platters had a hit song, “Only You”. “Only you can make this world seem right, Only you can make the darkness bright.” Only, it narrows the field. Only you, the song says. There comes a time in our lives when we narrow the field and stand before God, friends and family, look into the eyes of someone we’ve fallen in love with and say, “Only You”. Some of the older more traditional wedding vows put it this way: “Will you love her, comfort her, honor and keep her, in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all others, be faithful to her as long as you both shall live?” Only you, forsaking all others.

That’s what Paul is talking about here, “Forsaking all

others let your conduct,” the Greek word here for “conduct” is the word we get the English word politics from. It’s a civics word, it’s a government word. So we could read it, “Only let your politics be worthy of the Gospel of Jesus Christ”. That’s a handful right there, isn’t it? I wonder how many politicians out there, of either party could say that their politics are worthy of the Gospel of Jesus Christ? That’s a good question for us as well.

Now I’m going to leave that right there because I think Paul’s emphasis goes far beyond simple politics. This was a word the people were familiar with. Philippi was a military town and as the military personnel left the service they were encouraged to stay at Philippi. Many in the military were not Roman born, but they served in the Roman Army because it would improve their chances of being offered citizenship. And with so many foreigners, they were admonished to “Live as citizens of Rome”. So when Paul uses the word here, he’s telling them to “Live as citizens of heaven”. We are to frame our lives by the Gospel. The gospel should affect our conduct, our conversation, our business transactions, our clothing, our entertainments, our style of living, nothing we do or say is exempt.

He throws another interesting word in there, and that’s the word translated worthy. It means “weighing as much as.” It’s a word from the market place. With an old balance scale, if you wanted five pounds of apples, you would take a five pound weight and put on one side of the scale and fill the bucket up until the arm was balanced, then you knew you had five pounds of apples. You filled the bucket up until the apples weighed as much as the weight you used to balance it. With singleness of heart let your manor of life weigh as much as the Gospel you profess to believe in. If God put your life on the balance, if you were weighed in the balance, If the Gospel was on one side, and the way you lived as a citizen of heaven was on the other side, would you be found wanting?

What is the Gospel of Jesus Christ worth? It is worth more than the total wealth of the whole Earth, all the precious metals, all the gems, all the oil will hardly scratch the surface of the value of the gospel. Jesus said, “*For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?*” Jesus said your soul is worth more than all the wealth of the whole world. If in order to gain the whole world, you sold your soul for the fortune of Bill Gates times 1000, you got cheated. Your soul is so much more valuable than that. And the Gospel is worth so much more than that.

It’s easy to tell what kind of value people put on the gospel. If they only show up at church around the major holidays, you know they don’t put much value in the

Gospel. If they seldom if ever read their Bible or Pray, you know they don't put much value on the gospel. I believe it is safe to say the way we live our lives is directly proportional to the value we place on the Gospel. With singleness of heart let your manor of life weigh as much as the Gospel you profess to believe in. That is the challenge that Paul is putting forth to the Philippian Church, and to us.

Dear friends in Christ, there are perilous times ahead for the church. We need revival, we need revival in the Lutheran Church. When I read about the history of the Hauge Innermission, the Lutheran Evangelistic Movement, the Lutheran Bible School movement, and read about hundreds of people showing up for a week of evangelistic services or a week of Bible teaching, there is no comparison today the very few meetings held with little interest. The Lutheran Evangelistic Movement would have a week of meetings at Medicine Lake MN and 700 people would show up to get fed the word of life. I know, because my Mother at 17 went to one of those meeting and she got the group photo, I counted the people in the photo, just shy of 700.

Dear Christian, Dear Lutheran, Examine yourself, and listen to what Paul says. "With singleness of heart let your manor of life weigh as much as the Gospel you profess to believe in." That is a good challenge for all of us.

Also pray for revival, for I fear there may be dark days ahead for not only our nation but for the world.

Selected

"We are come to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel."

(Hebrews 12:24)

READER, have you come to the "blood" of sprinkling? The question is not whether you have come to a knowledge of doctrine, or an observance of ceremonies, or to a certain form of experience, but **have you come to the blood of JESUS?** The 'blood' of Jesus is the life of all vital godliness! IF you have truly come to Jesus, we know how you came — The Holy Spirit sweetly brought you there. You came to the blood of sprinkling with NO merits of your own! Guilty, lost, and helpless, you came to take that blood alone, as your everlasting hope. You came to the Cross of Christ, with a trembling and an aching heart; and oh! what a precious sound it was to you to hear the voice of the blood of JESUS! The dropping of His blood is as the music of heaven to the penitent sons of earth. WE are full of sin, but the Savior bids us lift our eyes to HIM, and as we gaze upon HIS streaming wounds, each drop of blood, as it falls, cries, "**It is finished; I have made an end of sin; I have brought in everlasting righteous-**

ness." OH! sweet language of the precious blood of JESUS! If you have come to that blood once, you will come to it constantly! Your life will be "Looking unto Jesus." Your whole conduct will be epitomized in this — "To whom coming! Not to whom I have come, but to whom I am always coming. If thou hast ever come to the blood sprinkling, thou wilt feel thy need of coming to it every day. He who does not desire to wash in it **every day**, has never washed in it at all. The believer ever feels it to be his joy and privilege that there is still a fountain opened. Past experiences are *doubtful* food for Christians; a present coming to CHRIST alone can give us joy and comfort. This morning let us sprinkle our door-post fresh with blood, and then feast upon the LAMB, assured that the destroying angel must pass us by.

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"He endured as seeing Him who is invisible."

(Hebrews 11:27)

This is written about Moses, the man of God. He endured! He had made his choice and he remained true to the GOD he had chosen to serve. He had forever refused the right to the treasures of Egypt and to walk the way of suffering with the people of God. ("*choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin*" Hebrews 11:25).

The pathway had not been easy! From first to last it had been a walk of faith. But he endured as seeing the Invisible!

He had received a call — a task. To begin with, he had been unwilling. The tasks seemed to be too big for him. But he perceived that the will of God was in a call, and he accepted.

Perhaps no one has ever had such hindrances to overcome as Moses. Pharaoh with his whole cabinet opposed him. When Pharaoh was conquered, new hindrances arose. The sea barred the way, hunger and thirst plagued them, and enemies with their hosts threatened them. And not the least were the trials that arose among his own people — an unbelieving and rebellious throng.

But he endured. He knew GOD would not forsake him.

Be faithful! Be true to Him who called. HE IS FAITHFUL! He who endures shall one day see the **INVISIBLE ONE!**

What a promise!

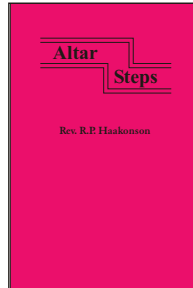
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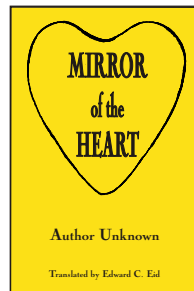
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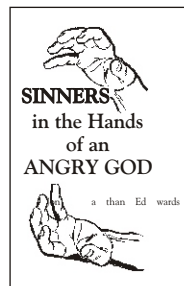
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This book was published in 1900 by an unknown author. It contains some very earnest meditations and fervent prayers. It also contains ten very graphic pictures of the human heart. Inside the heart, the devil is visualized and also seven animals representing some of the most prevalent sins found in the heart of the impenitent sinner. These pictures show how these animals as sins are driven out of the heart when the sinner is converted to God, but how they can re-enter the heart if a person falls away from grace. One picture visualizes the fearful death of the ungodly, and another shows the blessed death of the righteous. Suggested Offering: \$3.00.



Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God

Jonathan Edwards preached this remarkable sermon at Enfield, Conn. on July 8, 1741. It was at night while he was reading it to a large congregation, that the lights became dim and he read with difficulty, and the influence was so great on the congregation that strong men and women cried and screamed for mercy and even grabbed their seats for fear they would slide into hell that very moment. Suggested Offering: \$1.00.



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Bible Conference Videos

On October, 21-23, the Hauge Innermission held a Bible Conference at Liberty Lutheran Brethren Church in Fargo, ND. There was a wonderful time of fellowship around the preaching of the Word of God and the fellowship of the saints. Truly God was present to bless His Word and His people.

If you were not able to make it, video recordings of the sessions are available online for your benefit. Simply go to YouTube and type in Hauge Innermission in the search space at the top of the screen. You will be able to see and hear the speakers just as they were at the Conference. If you do not have Internet access, you can go to the Library and ask the librarian to help you get set up to do this. Our special thanks to Wayne Almlie for his hard work and dedication to record and download these sermons.