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The Editor

CEAA Cheerleading Camp

Mrs. Paul Montgomery

These are the comments heard as the girls piled off a bus on Monday afternoon after riding all night:

"O-o-o-h, my legs are stiff, and I'm sleepy. I wish I could just stretch out for a little while!" But no, the line is forming to pay the bill, then someone starts a cheer on the other side of the room. Our school is just as good, and a cheer of retaliation begins. Then another, and another. As we all are seated, the room gets quiet for prayer.

The next few moments are so full of introductions, scheduling, what to do, where to go, that the realization finally comes, "I am in Florida, discovering what a week of Cheerleading Camp will be. I do hope they give us time to breathe."

The public schools of our country, and the national organizations who run cheerleading camps, have heretofore been the only standard our Christian schools could use for cheerleading. The girls would try something, their sponsor would say "yes" or "no". Then, games would "happen" to be Christian school games.

Why did God establish Christian schools? Of course, the Christian school is for training Christian young people to be leaders, to search for His will, and to win those around them to Christ. Then, why would God not want His cheerleaders to be the best; to present a testimony for their school, to dress as God would want His "princesses" to dress; and to learn that they



are servants ready to serve the Lord, their school, and their peers.

To be alone with these girls for a week is a rare privilege and great responsibility. First of all, they must perfect their body movements to be coordinated, which takes hours of practice and hard work. They must learn to make up cheers that would be pleasing to Him; then put them into a pep rally program to teach the cheers and build enthusiasm among the student body. They must learn how to conduct themselves during a game or at school; for wearing that uniform carries with it great responsibilities of character and leadership.

But, even far deeper is their responsibility to God Himself, and the realization that God's Word daily can really make their life with Christ a truly exciting venture — as a cheerleader. Learning to memorize Scripture and meditate upon it all day;

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"For This Cause"

John 12:27

DR. GERALD JOHNSON



Shortly before His death the Lord Jesus said, "But for this cause came I unto this hour." Christ referred to the hour of His crucifixion to the cross. "For this CAUSE." The cause of Christ is everything. Nothing in all the universe can compare with the value and importance of the cause of Jesus Christ. "For this cause the Lord Jesus left heaven's noonday to come to earth's midnight. "For this cause" the Lord of Glory suffered Himself to be mocked, humiliated and rejected of men.

The cause of Jesus Christ is the honor, glory, and blessedness of the triune God. Our personal interests are nothing in comparison to God's infinite glory and blessedness. Everyone who names the name of Christ ought to have but one purpose in life and that to glorify the God who was willing to give His Son to die on the cross for our sins.

Many years ago as a young missionary I was deeply impressed by an illustration told by an elderly missionary statesman. He spoke of a soldier in Napoleon's army who fell wounded on the battlefield. A medic bent over the fallen man and with no anesthetic began to cut into the soldier's wounded chest with a knife. He said, "Soldier, there's a piece of metal lodged in your chest. I must cut it out." He then began to cut the flesh. "Soldier, does it hurt?" he asked. There was no reply. Again the medic proceeded to cut, and after a short time asked the same question. Again there was no reply. When the medic cut deeper into the flesh and asked the same question the third time, the soldier spoke softly between gritted teeth, "Dig a little deeper, and you will find the heart of Napoleon."

Jesus Christ is our Commander-in-Chief. We must be 100 per cent loyal to His cause. Paul said, "The love of Christ constraineth me." He meant that Christ's infinite love literally controlled his entire being. The cause of Christ is everything. We must regard our own interests as nothing.

PURPOSE

The most important thing in all human life is cause or purpose. Our Creator

made each one of us for a definite purpose. We are not in this world by accident. The human body is a wonderful machine. It is far more complex and wonderful than any computer devised by man. But even computers are made with a definite purpose in mind. You feed electronic computers certain information, and they will give the answers you seek. Likewise, God, our Creator, made our bodies and minds with a definite purpose. The purpose God had in mind in creating us was that we might honor and magnify His Holy Name in loving obedience to His will and law.

The secret of success is finding out God's will for our lives and then doing it. Since God created us for a purpose, it is possible for everyone of us to succeed. But what is the will of God? It is not something mysterious, complex, or hard to understand. God's will, or His moral requirement for every one of us is explained by Christ in Matthew 22:37-39. "Thou shalt love the Lord, thy God, with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." In a word, our fundamental moral obligation is to love God supremely. If to the best of our knowledge we put God first in our lives and it is our aim to serve the Lord the best we can with the strength He has given us, we are doing the will of God. God's will is that we sincerely purpose in our hearts to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ.

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OPPOSITION

All the great men of the Bible purposed to serve God in

their hearts. Invariably it meant opposition and persecution. You cannot serve God without opposition. The cause of Christ and the cause of this world is not the same. They are diametrically opposed to each other. The cause of Christ is truth, the cause of this world is falsehood. The cause of Christ is righteousness; the cause of this world is selfishness. The cause of Christ is love; the cause of this world is hatred. The cause of Christ is self denial; but the cause of this world is lust and covetousness.

Abel purposed to serve God, and he offered a sacrifice pleasing unto God. In doing so he was murdered. Noah purposed to serve God in his wicked generation, and God spared Noah and his family from the wrath of the flood. Abraham purposed to serve the Lord, and he left his idolatrous kinsfolk because he believed in the one true God. Moses purposed to serve God, "choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season, Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he had respect unto the recompense of the reward."

The Old Testament prophets were men of purpose. They lived for the cause of Christ. Elijah lived in the days of wicked King Ahab and Queen Jezebel. In that age of apostasy in which King Ahab and Queen Jezebel set up the false gods of Baal and idols throughout the land of Israel, Elijah stood true to the Lord and refused to compromise in the face of great opposition. The cause of Christ was everything to Elijah.

Daniel, the prophet, fulfilled God's will, because he purposed in his heart that he would serve God even if it meant death. The cause of Christ was everything. "Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat." (Daniel 1:8).

Do you have this same strong purpose to serve God? Is the cause of Christ everything to you? One of the great curses of our modern generation is aimlessness.

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EDITOR'S DESK

This year's Summer Institute at Santa Rosa Christian School promises to be one of the best yet. Dr. and Mrs. Edward Panosian from Bob Jones University and Dr. and Mrs. Myron Cedarholm of Maranatha Baptist Bible College will be the guest workshop leaders. Dr. Panosian's area is History, and in this Bi-centennial year, this should prove very helpful to teachers of every level. Mrs. Panosian will do workshops in the area of storytelling, speech problems, and related areas. Dr. Cedarholm will hold workshops in the area of Christian School Administration as well as bring inspirational challenges to the whole group. Mrs. Cedarholm will hold workshops in the area of English and Music. In addition, the faculty and staff of Santa Rosa Christian School will provide helpful and practical "how to" workshops in a number of areas. "Aunt Carolyn's" "Teaching the Bible" is always a highlight of the Institute. There will be something for everyone. Administrators and teachers, both new and experienced, will not be disappointed. Get your reservation in NOW.

Letter To Editor

Dear Dr. Hobbs:

In an article which appeared in your Projector of July 1975, written by Dr. Stuart Crane, you printed that I was a Mason and therefore, according to him, was promulgating the religion of anti-Christ. My dear Brother, on May 20, 1975, I wrote Dr. Stuart Crane a letter, a copy of which is enclosed, in which I told him I am not a Mason. . .

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"For This Cause"

There are literally thousands of people living here in our country who have absolutely no aim or purpose in life. They seem to be drifting along life's sea without any rudder or steering mechanism to turn to the right or to the left. Therefore when the storms of life arise they are not able to meet these crises, and they fail. In order to amount to something for God we must set a definite goal. The man who aims at nothing generally hits nothing.

You must have a burning purpose to serve the Lord. If you move God out of the universe what is left? Nothing! If you rule God out of your individual life what do you have left? Nothing! The great missionary doctor, Grenfell of Labrador, often spoke of the night he was saved. He said, "I was converted from a life of drifting to a life of direction. I found my compass the night I trusted Christ!" Have you found the compass for your life? You cannot have any real aim or purpose of life until you know Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior and live for Him.

Jesus said, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal; For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." The main difficulty with most Americans is that they are desperately trying to lay up for themselves treasures on earth. Are you laying up for yourself treasures in heaven by doing the will of God for your life? Or, are you laying up for yourselves treasures here on earth that sooner or later shall pass away, and when you enter eternity you will have nothing in your hands?

The Lord Jesus said, "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me and to finish His work." The cause of the Lord Jesus Christ was to do the will of His Father. This ought to be the cause of every born again Christian. Without any reservation we ought to consecrate ourselves to Christ's cause. The question we should ask the Lord is the question the Apostle Paul asked, "Lord, what will thou have me to do?"

The Lord Jesus has given us the answer. "As my Father hath sent me even SO SEND I YOU." As God the Father sent His Son into this world to bring redemption to the human race, so the Lord Jesus sends us out into this world to testify of the Gospel of Salvation. This is the meat that the Lord requires us to accomplish and the will of God for our lives.

MATERIALISM

The cause is everything, and there must be nothing to hinder us in carrying out the plan of God for our life. Today one of the greatest hindrances and stumblingblocks in our country in carrying out the will of God for our lives is MATERIALISM. How easy it is to become bound by the

good things of life and allow them to lull us to sleep. Materialism tends to make us selfish, greedy, and covetous. It is the spirit of laying up for ourselves treasures here on earth which shall soon be gone.

A few years ago a certain American freighter was bound for Africa. The steward on the freighter was the entire crew.

One of the men on the crew was a Chinese cook. He had an old worn-out mattress on his bed. The steward thought he would do the cook a favor and while he was in the galley

preparing the food, the steward ordered that the old worn-out mattress be replaced and the Chinese cook be given a new mattress. The old mattress was thrown overboard into the sea. When the cook returned to his cabin he was shocked to find his old mattress was gone and a new mattress in its place.

He became greatly excited and asked where his old mattress was. One of the crew members said, "We threw it overboard." The Chinese cook screamed, "Oh no! my life savings of 10,000 dollars was

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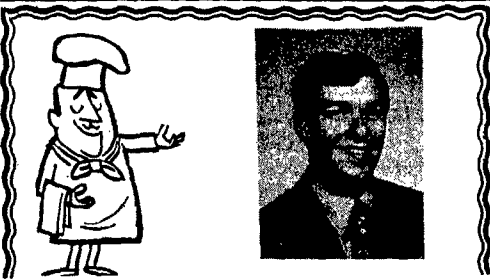
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Educational Potluck

Christian Education's Declaration Of Independence

One can hardly think about the Bi-Centennial without reflecting on our country's Declaration of Independence. Though that document which proclaimed our freedom, asserted our autonomy, and pronounced our liberty certainly deserves our reflection, Christians need to consider an even more pressing issue — Christian Education's Declaration of Independence.

Christians readily admit that they ought to be totally dependent on God and independent of all else; we cannot serve two masters. To rest on any foundation other than the Lord or to trust in any strength beyond His is to forsake God. Independent Christian Schools, however, surely recognize this — or do they? Unfortunately, strong yet subtle forces seek to enslave in practice some Christian schools; enslaving forces such as custom, expediency, and institutionalitis.

Custom, or tradition, can be rightful director or a ruthless dictator. Whereas tradition provides valuable continuity, it nonetheless attempts to trap the unwary into accepting a dangerous premise: **WHAT WAS IS RIGHT.** Tradition seeks to raise time to a place of power and judgment. That such a move is unscriptural is clearly stated by Christ: "Why do ye transgress the commandments of God by your tradition?" (Matthew 15:3). Christ specified that time alone cannot declare worth or be a standard for judgment. Tradition becomes sedition when it usurps the principles of the Word. In our schools, therefore, it is not sufficient to resurrect what was without first validating it with what ought to be. Although tradition can act as an illegitimate judge, it nevertheless can be a wise instructor. By helping to elevate the nature of an idea apart from its time context, tradition can present educational principles to be validated by God's principles. In summary, then, time cannot legitimize a practice — only God's principles can act as judge.

Expediency is the second force from which Christian schools must declare their independence. How easy it is to let circumstances dictate decisions, to let the end justify the means, to yield to that which is convenient rather than to that which is principled. The cult of efficiency and success has its nose in the tents of many Christian schools — and it is slowly but surely going to take over if it is not checked quickly. God's men throughout history have been called to do the inexpedient, the inconvenient;

they have had to stand by God's principles regardless of the circumstances. To look more at situations than Scripture is to imply that circumstances are the judges of actions. Again, situations can only be instructors — never judges. Decisions must be principled, not necessarily expedient.

And finally, institutionalitis is a plague rapidly infecting many Christian schools. The vaccination which will free schools from this disease is the realization that the only purpose of the school is to serve — to serve not itself, but to serve God through serving students. The symptoms of institutionalitis include: rules that are for the school's benefit rather than the student's, educational practices dictated by teachers' desires rather than pupils' learning, and simply any change in God's hierarchy of God, students, and lastly school. Somehow in our thinking, the school has come to occupy an existence independent of its students; hence, the "school" becomes self-perpetuating, self-enhancing, and self-glorifying. When this happens, form is elevated above substance and existence replaces essence. Without students to serve, what is a school? Without serving God through its students, what kind of school exists? One may have an efficient system without having an effective school. When students are either overlooked or looked down upon, form has replaced substance. Indeed, the essence and substance of a school is its servanthood. Institutionalitis is complete when students are made to serve the "school."

The degree of dependency on any of these three humanistic forces determines the extent of a school's independence from God. Christian schools must reaffirm their dependency upon God by issuing their Declaration of Independence from all other forces.

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The Other Side

with Dave Johnson

Social Scientists

In our modern state - educational systems, a student is looked upon as a marvelous little computer which needs to be programmed by the social scientists so that the world will be free from anti - social thoughts. Several years ago, a new name "change agents" was given to teachers. It is the job of the teachers in government - educational institutions to change students, or cause the student to unlearn his old values which he has learned during the first five years of his life. I might point out here that thanks to television, few children enter kindergarten today with any old values.

The brain is looked upon as a computer; however, a computer with the capabilities of the human brain, would give man quite a problem if he were to construct one. Consider these facts: The human brain contains from 6 to 10 billion memory cells; each cell has over 250 thousand connections to each other cell. This means that the amount of wiring required for these connections would be 250,000 squared times 6-10 billion. Each one of these brain cells has over 600,000 enzymes. Each cell is its own battery and generates its own electrical current. A computer, such as the human brain, would take more electricity than the Hoover Dam to operate it; more water than Niagara Falls to cool it; and more than the entire surface of the earth to house it; even with our most miniature circuitry. The government's educational systems have usurped the responsibility of programming the human brain. A computer which is not fed the proper information will not serve the government. If a computer does not know what to do with the information in its memory banks, it is not programmed properly. If the government can control the information which is fed into a computer, the computer will serve the government.

Why do students all across our country have the same basic beliefs about such things as war, peace, love, racism, discrimination, Nixon, Russia, etc. etc.? We can take every computer in the world, feed it the same information and programming, and the answers from those computers will be identical.

Computers are very fast and very accurate; however, a computer cannot think and make judgments on the information which it is given. The social planners, who would treat us as computers in need of programming, have the additional task of teaching us not to think. This is why the average person goes through life reading the pre - digested

news in our papers and viewing the pre - digested news on TV. Thinking is not easy and if someone else will do it for us, we need not be bothered with such a difficult task.

The computer programmers have been at work for many years. In 1901, Frederick T. Gates, chairman of the General Education Board, outlined the goals of this Rockefeller - financed program of Dewey's progressive philosophy.

"In our dream we have limitless resources, and the people yield themselves with perfect docility to our molding hand.

The present educational conventions fade from our minds, and unhampered by tradition, we work our own good will upon a grateful and responsible rural folk. We shall not try to make these people or any of their children into philosophers or men of learning or of science.

We are not to raise up from among them authors, orators, poets, or men of letters. We shall not search for the embryo of great artists, painters or musicians.

Nor will we cherish even humbler ambitions to raise up from among them lawyers, doctors, preachers, politicians, statesmen, of whom we now have an ample supply.

The task we set for ourselves is a very simple as well as a very beautiful one - to train these people as we find them in a perfectly ideal life just where they are.

So we will organize our children and teach them to do in a perfect way the things which their fathers and mothers are doing in an imperfect way in the homes, in the shops, and on the farms."

Has this program materialized? Is this the Brave New World of Huxley? Is the blind force of the people being economized, managed, and regulated by intellect as Albert Pike proclaimed?

Examine the above quote carefully and you will discover that the social scientists have been very successful at training people to dispense with thinking so that they can be programmed to do as the planners of the system dictate.

What is the task of Christian Schools? First, we must teach students to think. Secondly, we must give them information which may be contrary to the will of socialist government so that proper judgments can be made.

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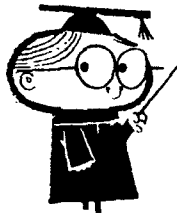
A movement which is easily discernable in the realm of evangelical thought is having far-reaching effects in Christian circles. It is a movement away from preaching on the great acts of transactions of God in behalf of man, such as the incarnation, cross, resurrection, justification and regeneration, to a new emphasis upon relationships between man and man, involving family, church, community and work. It is a movement which is away from the primary vertical aspects of the Christian faith to the horizontal dimensions, with primary concerns for the understanding of themselves as persons in community with others. It is a shift away from doctrine. It can easily lead into sensitivity sessions and harmful group therapy. It is heavy on psychology and weak on Scripture. It is strongly influenced by liberals since this same emphasis is seen in Norman Vincent Peale, Harry Emerson Fosdick and Leslie Weatherhead. It is being made popular through the writing of Bruce Larson, Keith Miller, Eugenia Price, Paul Tournier, Rosalind Rinker and others of this type. It is seen surfacing in the immensely successful program of Bill Gothard's seminars in Basic Youth Conflicts. It finds expression in the ministry of the Narramore School of Psychology and in the Fuller Seminary School of Psychology. No Bible conference of the Neo-Evangelical type seems to be complete without a psychologist on the program. The old-fashioned preaching of the great themes of the Word of God does not seem relevant. This thing is dangerous, for it can obscure the Christian Gospel completely from those who are lost. Many a minister has degenerated into

a psychological counselor instead of the thundering preacher of the great truths of the person and work of Christ as set forth in a divinely inspired revelation in the Holy Scriptures. A return to old-fashioned systematic Biblical theology is the only answer to this religious nonsense which is absorbing the interests of that superficial crowd of new evangelicals who are willing to pay the price of the products of Word, Creation House, Tyndale and other new-evangelical publishing concerns.
—Baptist Bugle (Waseca)

SENSITIVITY TRAINING

Sensitivity Training takes new strides to reach into the American home. Now there is a game called "The Ungame," which is pure sensitivity training. "The trappings mask a series of exercises designed to improve 'interpersonal communication' and to develop one's awareness of others as well as himself," is the way it is advertised. It is recommended for school, the home, in fact, wherever groups meet together! It will make you more communicative(?). It reminds me of the story of the three liberal clergymen who met for coffee every Monday morning. They decided they should try Sensitivity Training, and the first thing they should do would be to confess something personal to the group. The first clergyman confessed that he often dipped into the offering money when he had a chance. The second man said his besetting sin was to take a "nip" of the communion wine. The third began to laugh, and he said his besetting sin he was going to confess was that he was a great gossip, and he added, "I can hardly wait to get out on the street so I can tell the latest gossip I've just heard."

Arthur W. Allen, D.D.
The North Star Baptist
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Teaching Tips

BY ALICE ANN SMITH

Fractions

This is an idea that can be used to reinforce understanding the value of fractions. The students will get practice in adding, subtracting and finding equal fractions. To prepare for the game, make a set of 3 x 5 index cards with a simple fraction on each card ($\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{3}{8}$, $\frac{7}{8}$, etc.)

Give a card to each child in the group and issue these challenges.

1. Find a partner whose fraction card equals your own (a child with $\frac{1}{2}$ might team up with one holding a two eighth card.)
2. Find a partner whose fraction card when added to yours equals one.
3. Find a partner whose fraction card plus yours equals less than one.
4. Find a partner whose fraction card plus your own equals more than one.
5. Find a partner whose fraction card does not equal yours.
6. Form triplets where the sum of two fractions equals



the third fraction.

7. Form quartets where the sum of two fractions equals the sum of two other fractions.

8. Form triplets where the difference between two fractions equals a third fraction.

This could be played with one child manipulating the "fraction children" to meet the challenges. You and your students will be able to think of many variations of the game. From Early Years, February 1974.

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The case involves 15 parents in Greenville, a small town 40 miles northwest of Dayton. The parents are what are known, religiously, as fundamentalists. Several are members of the Old German Baptist Brethren, the Dunkards. They have now been indicted, brought to trial, found guilty, fined and put under injunction for this criminal offense: They have sent their children to the Tabernacle Christian School, which does not conform to the Minimum Standards for Ohio Elementary Schools.

It is incredible that any such criminal case would have been prosecuted in a nation that guarantees to every person the free exercise of religion. Yet the convictions of these parents are now on record. If they lose their appeal, they lose their school. The State of Ohio, in its wisdom, will have squashed their religious liberty as coldly, and as indifferently, as a bartender swats a fly on his counter.

What goes on here? The parents in this case are unconventional people. They do not conform. Says the Rev. Levi W. Whisner, principal of the school and pastor of the Tabernacle Christian Church: "We live lives of separation from the world. We don't engage in drinking or card-playing. We enforce standards of modesty, sobriety, humility, prayerfulness and separation from the world."

The small congregation established its school to promote these religious convictions. Its goal is to be "born again" Christians. Its teaching is geared closely to the Bible. Pupils also are instructed in English, spelling, arithmetic, science, social studies, art, music, physical education, reading, American history, and Ohio history. It stands uncontradicted that the pupils excelled on standard national tests.

The evidence indicated that the school meets other reasonable standards. It has a six-hour school day, and a 180-day term. It reports daily attendance to the Greenville school superintendent. It has not offended against requirements as to sanitation, fire hazards, and safety.

What, then, is the problem? The state, in its majesty, asserts that the Tabernacle Christian School has not conformed to all of the minimum standards of the Ohio regulations. There are roughly 600 such standards. They range from the trivial — drinking fountains must have a "slanted stream" — to the costly: A school must maintain a "remedial reading laboratory appropriately equipped." It must retain the services "of a certified person responsible for a multi-media program."

Of greater concern to these God-fearing parents, the Ohio standards, on their face, appear to require a school "philosophy" acceptable to state authorities. The minimum standards require that "all activities shall conform to policies adopted by the board of education." Another minimum standard says that each elementary school must participate in "school-community" activities.

Some of the standards doubtless make sense. As applied to a small, religiously oriented school, most of them are nonsense. Worse than nonsense. The case of these 15 parents provides dismaying evidence of how far we have retreated in the past 200 years from the principles and convictions that gave our country birth.

The State of Ohio's only valid, defensible interests in these children are (1) that they be sufficiently educated so that they will be no burden upon society, and (2) that they are protected from serious hazards to their safety.

Beyond these points, the state has no interest. It has only an obligation — to protect the right of a free people to live freely, damaging no one, exercising their religion as they choose, rearing their children according to their own godly precepts.

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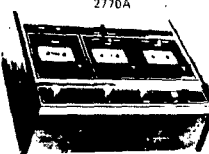


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Jesus said, "Say not ye there are yet four months and then cometh harvest? Behold, I say unto you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields for they are white already unto harvest." Whether it be a foreign country or right here at home, this whole world is a great mission field. Jesus has given us the command to preach the Gospel to every creature.

The early Moravian missionaries had a noble emblem to depict their services for Christ. The emblem showed an ox standing between a plow and an altar. Underneath the emblem were the words **READY FOR EITHER**. The ox represented the servant of Christ, the plow represented service, and the altar represented sacrifice, even death for Christ. **THE CAUSE IS EVERYTHING**. A true Christian should be ready to live and serve and die for Christ. We are called to be His witnesses.

COMPROMISE

It is not popular to be a witness for Christ and the truth. Too many professing Christians want only to be positive in order to avoid the offence of the cross. But the cause of Christ not only includes the responsibility of a positive witness to the Gospel message but it also obligates us to defend the faith delivered unto the saints. This is no easy task. It means we must expose the works of darkness which when done faithfully will always result in opposition and persecution.

Is it permissible to publicly mention another person's name and make judgments on his beliefs and actions when the cause of Christ is at stake? Is it our moral obligation to clearly expose men or movements who compromise and disobey the Word of God, or should we remain silent?

Surely this is an important question, and the answer is plain in the Word of God. "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and show my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins." (Isaiah 58:1). The quickest way for compromise to spread and evil to flourish is for good people to be silent. Yet today there are Christian leaders, claiming to be fundamentalist, who say we should not speak against compromisers.

Sunday, July 6, 1975, Rev. Jerry Falwell pastor of the Thomas Road Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Va., stated on T.V., "We are fundamental, but we don't knock anyone or name names. We love everybody. We believe in getting people saved, but not in condemning anybody." Immediately after making this statement, Falwell continued by saying, "There is a fellow in San Francisco who is always knocking everybody. He puts out a paper called 'The Blu - Print' and uses it to condemn everybody. If he spent his time soul winning instead of knocking others, San Francisco would be a better place to live, etc."

Rev. Falwell referred to Dr. G. Archer Weniger. Dr. Weniger "names names" in his paper in order to inform Bible believing Christians concerning the beliefs and actions of modernists and new evangelicals. It seems inconsistent for Falwell to claim he doesn't knock anybody and at the same time knock Dr. Weniger for knocking the apostates and compromisers! It also appears inconsistent for Falwell to claim to be a fundamentalist but not follow the example of the apostles.

Fundamentalists believe the apostles were inspired in their writings. Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit they "named names" and "knocked" those who disobeyed the Scriptures. Paul publicly "knocked" Peter when Peter was guilty of compromise (Gal. 2:11,14). Paul "named names", declaring he delivered Hymenaeus and Alexander over to Satan (I Tim. 1:20). Also, Paul said Alexander the coppersmith did him much harm and the Lord would repay him according to his deeds (II Tim. 4:14). The

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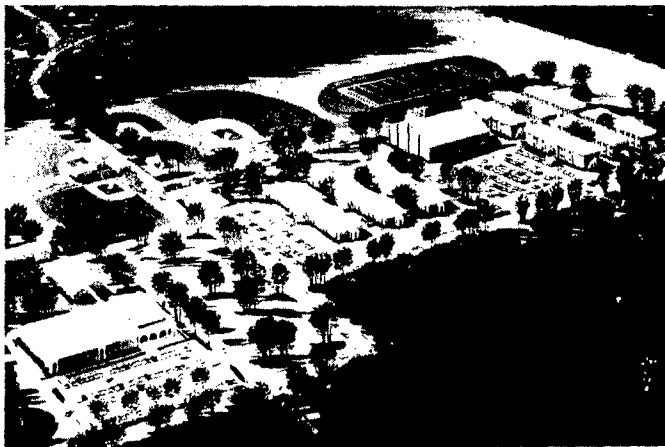
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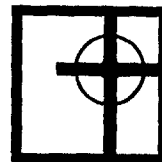
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apostle John "named names" when he declared that Diotrefes loved to have the pre-eminence, and with wicked words Diotrefes unjustly accused John and the other apostles (III John 9,10). In the Old Testament Nehemiah "named names", accusing Sanballat the Horonite and Tobiah the Ammonite of wickedly frustrating the work of God (Nehemiah 6:1-14).

If a preacher is seeking popularity, prestige, and a large following it is easy to see why it would not be wise to "knock anyone" or "name names". On the other hand, if a preacher is seeking to do God's will and fulfill his responsibility in shepherding the church of God which Christ purchased with His own blood, he will warn them of spiritual wolves in sheep's clothing, reveal their identity, and describe their beliefs and actions.

There are numerous wolves today roaming unmolested all over our country spreading the tares of unbelief and apostasy. Are we born-again Christians to say nothing? Should we only be positive and win souls? Is it morally wrong to "name names" and "knock" the modernists and new evangelicals? This is what the devil wants us to believe. Satan wants all Christians to be kept in ignorance of his activities. He wants to keep them silent as he goes about destroying the foundations of the faith.

Some preachers consider it more important to win souls than to contend for the faith and obey the Word of God. We are in danger of losing our religious liberties in America, and if we as fundamental Christians don't wake up and start contending for the faith there will be no freedom to win souls. You cannot find any churches or anyone doing soul winning in China or North Korea today. If we don't lift up the voice like a trumpet maybe sooner than we realize we will be like China and North Korea.

Contending for the faith implies "knocking" those who disobey the Scriptures. It implies being specific and naming names. The preacher who declares he doesn't knock anyone or name names is not a real fundamentalist. He is in a neutral corner, refusing to come out and fight the enemy.

Recently I received a letter from a pastor inviting me to speak in his church. His opinion is typical of those who feel we shouldn't "rock the boat" but remain quiet and not speak out against men and organizations who are guilty of compromise. He writes as follows: "I know there have been quite a bit of problems concerning ecumenical evangelism, especially as it relates to evangelist Billy Graham and Mr. William Bright of Campus Crusade. While we take an open stand against all forms of neo-evangelicalism and compromise, I have made it a practice that we do not "name names" from our pulpit. I just wanted to mention this, so that if you can come and minister to our people, that we would appreciate no names being mentioned."

If "naming names" is so controversial, what about the name of Jesus Christ? Does the "no names" rule apply to Jesus Christ also? Is there only something intrinsically sinful in mentioning the names of Billy Graham, Bill Bright, and Campus Crusade? Could the reason for the "no names" rule be that if the names of these men are mentioned together with their compromise that some church members would be offended? In any church where Biblical separation is not taught there will be a strong reaction when the spotlight is focused on compromisers and their names are called out. Therefore the wise method in such a case is not knock anybody, not name names, just be positive, love everybody, and win souls. Success is guaranteed!

SHALLOWNESS

This leads us to an important question. Why are churches filled with so many shallow, carnal Christians who are ignorant of the spiritual issues, who do not fight for the faith, and whose lives do not demonstrate the fruits of the Spirit? The main reason is the low spiritual state of the ministry. Much effort is made to obtain "decisions" but little effort is given to lead Christians into a state of spiritual maturity. As a result there is a great shallowness in Christendom today. This is manifest in the indifference, carelessness, selfishness, and worldly lives of many professing Christians.

They know nothing of being crucified with Christ, communion with God in prayer,

standing against Satan and fighting the enemy, denying worldly lusts, and entire consecration to the cause of Christ. They have no conception what it means to be filled with all the fullness of God. They do not understand the issues of compromise and apostasy.

As a rule Christians are not fed the meat of the Word of God. The height and depth and length and breadth of the love of Christ, His relations to us as our sanctifier are not presented. The necessity of total separation from the world, flesh, and evil — the dangers of compromise with liberalism and new evangelism are not clearly dealt with. Sunday after Sunday all that is heard is legalistic preaching — "do this or do that" — and most of the sermons are exclusively for the unsaved. Spiritually starved Christians are exhorted to work hard and win souls. In a starved, lean state of mind they bustle about and try to witness. The net result is that their converts are just as shallow and lacking in faith and spiritual understanding as they are themselves.

If a preacher preaches almost entirely to the unsaved, neglects to feed the Christians and teach them concerning separation from apostasy and the dangers of compromise what will be the result? The preacher himself will become cold-hearted, dead, legalistic and no longer filled with the love of Christ. The love of Christ demands that we "knock" those who need to be exposed for their compromise and disobedience. Honesty and duty requires that we plainly "name names." Christ died for the church, and the faithful shepherd must warn the sheep of the wolves.

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