



"The beloved of the Lord shall dwell in safety by him: and the Lord shall cover him all the day long, and he shall dwell between his shoulders." Deut. 33:12.

"As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you." Isa. 66:13.

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## REMEMBER

"Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them."

Most of us have not yet experienced the days and years where we can say "I have no pleasure in them," but I believe some of our elders have gone through such days in their declining years. A young person is so busy with school, work, play, and friends that sometimes he almost forgets to remember his Creator.

Just how can we remember our Creator? Going to church and Sunday School is certainly one way of doing it, but that is only one day out of the week. How about the other six? Do we remember Him those days too? Jesus said that a person who wants to follow Him must "take up his cross DAILY, and follow." Following Him is not a duty for one day a week, but for seven.

In our trip across the ocean we had to be careful to keep everything dark at night, or else a submarine might find our boat and sink us. We were told to keep everything blacked out. This was not for just one night, but for every night of the voyage. We had to remember it, for our lives may have depended upon it.

Here in England we are told to keep things "blacked out." We don't do it one night a week but every night, because forgetting it once might mean

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## Faith: The Precious Virtue

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FAITH is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Without faith it is impossible to please God. We must believe that God is, and is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him. We must also

### TREASURED VERSES

#### PRAYER FOR FREEDOM

O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! . . . for thou shalt judge the people righteously, . . . and proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof:

Remember them that are in bonds, . . . and them which suffer adversity, . . . And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

. . . let us also walk in the Spirit . . . in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free, . . . For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen.

believe what is written in the Holy Bible, and consider the same as the truth. The Word of God can then be a guide unto our feet and a light upon our path.

We find even from the beginning of time and all through the ages that the Holy Patriarchs, who lived before

Christ came into this world, received through faith, testimony of God and experienced His helping hand. Although they had to depart this life, not having received the promises, but having seen them in faith afar off, embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth, declaring that they were desiring and seeking a country, that is, an heavenly.

But in due time God fulfilled His precious promise. He sent His only Son, Jesus Christ into this world. Christ was willing, out of divine love, to give His life and blood on the cross, as the ransom price for the sins of all mankind. So now, all that will have faith in the atoning blood of Christ can find forgiveness of their sins and reconciliation with God.

Through faith in the resurrection of Christ we are justified, and have access to the throne of Grace; and can rejoice in the hope of the glory of God and of everlasting life.

What a great privilege is ours to live in this time of Grace!

Let us all look to Jesus who is the author and finisher of our Faith. If we follow Him He will at last bring us from Faith unto seeing the glory of God.

Time is so short, and so many hearts are burdened and troubled. Be diligent, then, in being a means of blessing as the Lord gives you opportunity!

**REMEMBER**

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that men would be killed by the enemy if they could see to bomb us.

And so we must remember and follow Jesus; not only one day a week, or even two or three, but every day, because forgetting Him one day might let the enemy of our souls catch us and harm us.

There are lots of ways of following Jesus and remembering Him every day. The best and most direct way to remember Him, of course, is by talking to Him through prayer. Telling Him our troubles, our sorrows, and asking for His help and leadership, and thanking Him for all of His blessings to us. But there are other ways of remembering Him, too. By obeying His commandments, by honoring our fathers and mothers and obeying them, by spreading love and cheerfulness through our actions, and being an example to our friends . . . all of these are ways of remembering our Creator. If we keep our speech and actions clean when we are among our friends, they will see that we are remembering our Creator and they, too, will remember Him. Never be ashamed of Jesus or of following Him.

A lot of us in the past have been so busy with the joys and pleasures of life that we almost forgot our Creator. At least we didn't remember Him every day like we should. But the war is bringing Him closer to us and making us realize that days of sorrow and evil do come, and we feel more of the burdens of life and less of its pleasures. God may have allowed the war to come upon us just for that reason. We may have drifted a little too far away from Him, and He had to take away some of the pleasures and replace them with burdens to bring us back to Him and make us appreciate more what He has done for us and what He has given us. We believe that He will again bring peace to us and change our sorrows into joy. We hope that that day isn't too far off.

But we must be ready for peace. The news of the end of war will give us a good opportunity to remember

our Creator. We certainly must not forget Him when victory comes. The news of victory of the last war was met by celebration, loudness, and even drunkenness. Many people utterly forgot God. Let us remember God when it comes this time. Let us in quietness and humbleness remember our Creator and thank Him for His love and mindfulness of us.

Let us remember Him now, so that when we are old we can joy life in His service. Men have tried all ways of

**Hymn for the Month:****GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU**

Be not dismayed whate'er betide  
God will take care of you;  
Beneath His wings of love abide,  
God will take care of you.

Thro' days of toil when heart doth fail,  
God will take care of you;  
When dangers fierce your path assail,  
God will take care of you.

All you may need He will provide,  
God will take care of you;  
Nothing you ask will be denied,  
God will take care of you.

No matter what may be the test,  
God will take care of you;  
Lean, weary one, upon His breast,  
God will take care of you.

Chorus—  
God will take care of you,  
Thro' every day,  
O'er all the way;  
He will take care of you,  
God will take care of you.

being happy and the only successful one so far has been in the service of God. A life of service should be started when we are young. We are not asked to give up our youth, but only in the days of our youth to **REMEMBER HIM.**

**Prayer**

Oh, Lord, help us to remember Thee in our youth. Take our hearts, our souls, and our minds, while they are free from worldly care and before they have been warped by the evils of life, and make them Thine. Grant that under Thy love and wise direction our

lives might be brought to Thee and given to Thy service. Let us not remember Thee in time of trouble only, but also in time of rejoicing and when others have forgotten Thee. Bring us at last into Thy fold and to the feet of Jesus who died that we might live. Amen.

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**WHERE TO LOOK**

If you are facing a crisis, read the 46th Psalm.

When you are discouraged, think over Psalms 23 and 24.

When you are lonely or fearful, read over Psalm 27.

To live successfully with your fellow men, follow Romans, chapter 12.

If you are sick or in pain, read Psalm 91.

When you are very weary, seek St. Matthews 11:28-30, Romans 8:31-39.

When everything seems to be going from bad to worse, try II Timothy 3.

The best investment is described in St. Matthew's Gospel, chapter 6.

When your friends seem to go back on you, hold fast to I Corinthians 13.

For an inward peace, consider the 14th chapter of St. John's Gospel.

The care of the body—I Corinthians 6:9-20.

How to avoid misfortune—St. Matthew 7:24-27.

If you have been bereaved, there is a message for you in I Corinthians 15, and Revelation 21.

For a stirring record of what trust in God can do, turn to the eleventh chapter of Hebrews.

If you are having to put up a stiff fight, there is fine equipment listed at the end of Ephesians.

When you have sinned, read I John 1, St. John 3:1-21 and make Psalm 51 your prayer.

**The Bible.** "Furthermore, it refers to the air as having weight, (Job 28:24, 25) and to the earth as a circle. (Isa. 40:22) Sir John Herschel stated, 'All human discoveries seem to be made for one purpose of confirming more and more the truths contained in the Sacred Scriptures.'"

# N E W S

Cpl. Henry Kipfer is on his way to one of the battle areas. We wish him a safe journey and God's protection. Mrs. Henry Kipfer is working for a local insurance company in Fort Wayne.

S 2/c Wayne Lantz was home for an eight-day furlough at the termination of his boot training course. Wayne says they surely keep one busy.

Harry R. Schwartz has been commissioned 2nd Lt. in the Field Artillery. He spent his furlough here with his parents.

Dora and Elva Aeschliman, Sylvia Reinhard, Dorothy Feichter, Irene and Esther Kipfer from Bluffton spent Sunday at Leo Church. They were entertained at Ulrich Kipfer's for supper and the evening.

Wesley Norr, son of Herman and Helen Norr, had an appendicitis operation July the 19th and has recovered wonderfully.

Cpl. John J. Bollier just arrived home for several days' stay. We wish him a pleasant vacation.

Cpl. Norman Stoller, who is stationed at St. Joseph, Missouri, attended the funeral last Thursday, July 26, of his grandmother, Mrs. George Sinn. The funeral was held at Latty, Ohio, and was conducted by Rev. Sam Aeschliman. It was largely attended.

On Sunday, July 16, at Morton, Ill., occurred the marriage of Miss Mary Stieglitz to Mr. Wm. Roecker, both of Morton. The Misses Lenora and Imogene Stieglitz of Harlan, nieces of the bride, attended the wedding.

Victor Beer of Milford left for induction center at Indianapolis, Ind. His parents visited him at Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Frautschi spent a very pleasant evening with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beer on July 20th.

Morris, Eleanor, and Lavada Stieglitz visited relatives and friends at Gridley, Ill., July 23rd.

The sewing circle met at the home of Leah Conrad, Tuesday evening, August 1.

Mrs. David Levy underwent an operation July 27, at the Bluffton

Clinic. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Mildred Schlatter, her daughter, Ethelyn, and son, V. K., spent a week with her parents at Mansfield, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stavenik of Mansfield have a baby girl, Hope, born July 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Schladenhaufen of New Haven spent several days at Elgin, Ill.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Elizabeth Stoller at the Latty, Ohio, church July 25.

Our Sunday School average for June was 67.33, a drop of 8.42 from May. On the 4th, we had 62; the 11th—68; and the 18th—72. No Sunday School was held on the 25th because of memorial services for Eugene Bahr. The average for July was 68.80, a rise of 1.47 from June. On July 2d we had 64; July 9th—66; July 16th—69; July 23rd—72; and on July 30th—73.

Miss Laura Fern Conrad visited relatives and friends in Toledo, Ohio, from July 13th to July 21st.

Dwight Souder submitted to a tonsil operation at the Lutheran Hospital on July 21st and is getting along nicely.

Dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Klopfenstein on July 29th were Miss Mae Schrock from Congerville, Ill., Miss Laura Gerber, Miss Martha Mosier, Mrs. Edith Liebrez, Mrs. Bertha Keller all from Fort Wayne, Ind., Mrs. Jack Gerber from Bluffton, and Henry Schwartz and family of Grabill, Ind.

Cookies were packed for our boys in service by the Good Cheer Group on July 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Klopfenstein and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schwartz and Dorothy, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Bertsch and family, Mrs. Joe Conrad and Dorthea, Mrs. Louis Getz and son Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Schlatter and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Martin and sons, Miss Laura Gerber, and Miss Martha Moser all spent a very blessed Sunday at Milford church on July 9th.

## The Lord Is at Hand

The reason why we should let our moderation be known unto all men, according to Paul, is that "the Lord is at hand." This has a twofold meaning. The Lord is nigh unto His own with His Spirit, support, comfort, witness, judgment, internally in heart and conscience. We are never alone, that should spur and prick us on to do good and not to do evil. He is a quick witness against us and an unbribable judge. If we do what is good and right then He gives us the testimony of a good conscience before God. But if we become guilty of something that is not right then He will not spare us. Inwardly He makes everything clear and manifest to us. Before this inner judgment-seat we must give account for everything that happens, so that the evil, impure movement and desire may not be put into action but is at once stifled and destroyed in its beginning.

The evil that has been done cannot be undone, as much as one may rue it; it may perhaps occur under the Law but not under grace. We do not want to sin first, in order to have remorse afterwards and to seek forgiveness; rather we do not want to sin at all and thus keep our conscience clean. For this purpose the Holy Spirit, Christ's substitute, is with us, that He may hold judgment in us and root out all evil with absolute strictness, so that we need not come into the future judgment with the ungodly; and here also the word is in place: "The Lord is at hand."

It is with men as with the earth: the inclination to weeds is in the tilled soil as it is in the believing person, but as one cares for a separated piece of land—garden or farm acre—in order to keep it in condition and in a fruitbearing state, and must always be at work to cleanse the soil that the weeds may not grow, so we must expend effort among the separated people especially that nothing unclean and unreal may grow up that might smother the seed of the Word and overwhelm the soil.

If care is lacking in this inner and outer supervision, then in a few years a garden of God (a spiritual man) can

altogether become corrupt and changed into a desert.

So it was with the finest and the most fruitful of all lands, Canaan, in the 70 years of the Babylonian captivity, and is still so in comparison with its former blessed state. Whoever in his daily life forgets the watchword: "The Lord is at hand," to do the righteousness of God out of pure love in Christ must fear Him as the future judge.

S. H. FROEHLICH.

### WHEN I HAVE TIME

When I have time, so many things  
I'll do  
To make life happier and more fair,  
For those whose lives are crowded  
now with care;  
I'll help to lift them from their low  
despair—  
When I have time.

When I have time the friend I love  
so well  
Shall know no more these weary, toil-  
ing days;  
I'll lead her feet in pleasant paths al-  
ways  
And cheer her heart with words of  
sweetest praise;  
When I have time.

When you have time! The friend you  
hold so dear  
May be beyond the reach of all your  
sweet intent;  
May never know that you so kindly  
meant  
To fill her life with sweet content,  
When you had time.

Now is the time! Ah, friend, no longer  
wait  
To scatter loving smiles and words of  
cheer  
To those around whose lives are now  
so drear;  
They may not need you in the coming  
year—  
Now is the time.

—AUTHOR UNKNOWN.

Those who bring sunshine into the  
lives of others cannot keep it from  
themselves.

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### THOUGHT GEMS

It is the choice of each individual  
either to accept or reject God.

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To ease another's heartache, is to  
forget one's own.

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There are seasons when to be still  
demands immensely higher strength  
than to act.

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