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What our READERS SAY

Unfinished Revolution

"Thank you for the December PLAIN TRUTH. The article and pictures from Doctor Hoeh put me back to 1943 when we, in the Second World War, left Russia. It hasn't changed very much since then, according to the pictures. I was born and lived (or existed) there up to the age of 35. But I never looked back to "Egypt." I am just thankful to be able to take my children with me. Well, that's behind us, now we are looking forward." Mrs. Anna F.,

Winnipeg, Manitoba

Christmas

"I am reading the December issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. The article about Christmas was very interesting. I had never really given any thought about it being according to scripture or not until I heard one of your programs about Christmas. Since then I have been surprised to learn what you said was true ... The WORLD TOMORROW program has been very encouraging. We check the things we have been taught more closely and are shocked to find that so much that we have learned is not the way the Bible teaches." Garland C.,

Springfield, Oregon

New Reader's Comment

"I read all of a friend's magazine, the December issue, and it certainly is remarkable. What an excellent insight into the goals of communism, the space race, and Britain's economic problem! What a remarkable answer to those believing in both God and evolution. What an inspiring article on success! That magazine is the best I've ever read. And I am just amazed and would be very pleased to have your magazine in my home."

David J.,

Minneapolis, Minnesota

• Many of our readers seem satisfied to look over someone else's shoulder ---but if you want your own free, prepaid subscription - just ask!

"I am an Italian girl of twenty-two, who in her journey back from London to Rome, has had the chance of finding a copy of your magazine on the train. I have been in London studying for only seven months, and as you can see my English is not perfect. But I am lucky enough to understand this language very easily. So I started reading your magazine. I enjoyed it all during the journey! It was a lot of time that I had not found a publication full of such interesting things. I am sure that your magazine though giving me the opportunity of improving my English, it would help me to find a truth I have been looking so long and I am still looking for."

Marina B., Roma, Italy

Evolution

"I must confess that I did believe almost wholeheartedly in the evolutionary ideas drilled into me in school. It now seems almost ridiculous that I once accepted it without question. Thanks to your wonderful articles, I see how unscientific and atheistic the theory of evolution really is. Your last two articles especially, have been absolutely nothing less than brilliant."

E. H.,

Cornell University, Ithaca, New York

Science Teacher Speaks

"I am a junior high science teacher and am very interested in your magazine called The PLAIN TRUTH. If it is possible, I wish you could put me on your mailing list. I found out about your magazine through my students using your articles for their current events each week."

> Jerry J., Houston, Texas

Autobiography

"Please send me your free Volume I of the Autobiography of Herbert W. (Continued on page 11)



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JUST WHAT IS BACK OF The PLAIN TRUTH, The WORLD TOMORROW broadcast, and Ambassador College with its three campuses in California, Texas, and England?

WHY do we have colleges? WHY do we broadcast (and now also The WORLD TOMORROW on TELEVISION)? WHY publish a magazine of more than a million copies circulation? WHY worldwide?

Just WHAT are our objectives, our goals, our purposes? As one sensational newspaper, attempting to discredit and smear, asked, "Just what are they up to?"

Those of us close to, or directly connected with this fast-expanding worldwide publishing, broadcasting, educational activity, customarily designate the multi-phased operation by the term "the Work."

Just WHAT, then, IS "the Work," and WHY?

I feel sure that many of our readers do not fully understand. Many, especially among our comparatively small but growing family of Co-Workers who voluntarily have desired to have a part in the support of the Work, themselves speak of the activity by that term, yet do not fully grasp just what is "the Work." One, not quite comprehending, wrote asking, "WHY do you operate colleges? WHY do you need new college buildings? Why don't you sell those college properties and put the money in the Work? Why not sell that experimental farm in Texas, and put the money in the Work?"

I think our readers should know just what IS "the Work," its PURPOSE, what is back of it, how it operates, how it is financed — just why we do things the way we do.

I shall try to make the answer PLAIN.

When we speak of "the Work" we mean GOD's Work. Very often we use the entire term, "God's Work," or, "the Work of God." But more often we speak of it, simply, as "the Work."

So let me make it plain. There is a difference between man's work, and God's. God marked out, and gave us, six days of every week for our own work. He said: "Six days shalt thou labor, and do all *thy* work" (Ex. 20:9). We understand well enough what we mean by "our work," or "man's work." We mean his labor, job, business, profession, occupation, enterprise. GoD's Work, then, is God's activity, enterprise or mission.

But we do NOT mean, as we use the term, God's great supernatural CREATIVE activity which He, alone, does by His own limitless creative power. We mean that activity or Great Commission which God purposes to accomplish in the world, by and through human instruments whom He calls and uses.

So *what*, then, *IS* that Work, and WHY? What's its PURPOSE? How did it start, and *HOW* does GOD carry it on through human instruments today?

Jesus came for the purpose of *starting* God's Work in the world.

To understand fully, we need to review, in brief, the FACTS of prehistory *that explain* the whole condition of the world today — its civilization, its governments, its problems. Actually, there is no such thing as "prehistory" so far as recordings of historians are concerned. Yet Biblical passages *reveal* occurrences prior to any recorded from human observation.

There is not space here for details. This surprising, eye-opening factual truth is made plain in the free article "Did God Create a DEVIL?" which you may have on request.

But in briefest summary, the Bible reveals the presence of the devil, named Satan, and of his origin as the former super archangel Lucifer, a topmost cherub, perfect as God created him. He

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OUR COVER

The ANDROMEDA NEBULA was first photographed by famed astronomer Edwin Hubble in 1924. Andromeda is a separate galaxy approximating the size of our own — the Milky Way galaxy. Our cover, taken with the 48-inch

Our cover, taken with the 48-inch Schmidt telescope, shows Andromeda's tilted position (in relation to earth) with its two satellite eliptical galaxies appearing as bright spots above and below center of central hub.

As viewed from telescopes on earth, Andromeda appears as a flat circular plate tilted on its axis some 15°. We view it nearly *edge on*.



Awesome

UNIVERSE!

Where did the matter of the universe come from? Did it appear in some mysterious way? Has the universe always existed? Is the universe infinite? Do astronomers know the basic answers of WHY this universe is — WHERE the laws governing it came from?

by Garner Ted Armstrong and Paul W. Kroll

HEN you look up into the starry heavens on a clear night you can see about 6,000 to 7,000 stars with the naked eye.

Where did those stars come from?

WHY are they in existence? WHO or WHAT regulates those stars — and the entire universe?

The universe is an AWESOME entity.

Most astronomers accept what is thought to be a proven observation — that the universe is expanding. When one realizes the distances astronomers tell us of, it's frankly bewildering. The human mind must struggle to grasp its size.

Spanning Cosmic Distances

Have you ever wondered just how large are even SHORT distances in the universe? Or how large the earth is *in comparison* to other astral bodies? How large, for example, is the earth in comparison to the SUN — which itself is just a second-rate star? Let an astronomer explain:

"Suppose we make a scale model where the distance of the earth to the sun, ninety-three million miles, is just under one-quarter of an inch.

"Now take a DIME [or a sixpence] out of your purse.

"On the scale of our model the orbits of the four inner planets Mercury, Venus, Earth, and Mars fit comfortably on this coin with the orbit of Mars represented by the circumference.

"The orbit of Neptune, the outermost large planet, will be *fourteen inches* across.

"And on the scale of our model where will the nearest

California Institute of Technology, Carnegie Institute of Washington Photos Extreme left, Veil Nebula in Cygnus, a gigantic globe of gas. Left, blazing magnificence of the Great Nebula in Orion comes alive through 200-inch telescope. This nebula is also a vast cloud of glowing gas. star be? Exactly ONE MILE AWAY from the dime. This is the closest star. The center of our star system or galaxy, would be over SIX THOUSAND MILES [or the air distance from Los Angeles, California to London, England] from the dime, and the millions of other galaxies very much further away." (This Universe of Space, Peter Millman, pages 15, 16. All emphases ours throughout article.)

Journey to the Planets

When we travel to work or to shop, we usually judge distance in terms of HOW LONG it takes us to get to a certain place.

Let's plan out a few journeys. We'll make a cosmic trip to the sun — and beyond!

We climb into a jet plane. Soon we're winging along at the *speed of sound* — 750 miles per hour. How long would it take for us to reach the sun?

FOURTEEN YEARS!

We *increase* the speed to THREE TIMES that of sound — or 2250 miles per hour. Our destination is Saturn or Neptune: But we'd better forget about going. We'll NEVER make it — because it would take us over a HUNDRED YEARS to get there.

We try a new means of travel.

According to scientific experimentation, light travels approximately 186,000 miles per *second* in our solar system. To find out the distance light travels in one year, we multiply:

186,000 x 60 seconds x 60 minutes x 24 hours x 365 days.

That means light — at least in our solar system — travels 5,865,696,000-000 miles per year — approximately SIX TRILLION!

Astronomers, of course, must assume that the laws of physics, as observed in our solar system, hold true for all parts of the universe. They must assume that the speed of light is constant across space and time, and that no unobserved physical phenomena ever enter the picture.

But are astronomers measuring these immense distances *correctly?* Or are *factors* involved which they don't understand?

Will astronomers once again need to seriously revise cosmic distances as they did in 1952 — a revision which one author labeled about as serious to astronomy as the STOCK MARKET CRASH was to the world economy in 1929!

Now, we're ready for a new kind of ride — a space ship that roars through space at the *speed of light*. (Of course, it's totally imaginary!)

"Instead of fourteen years, it would take us only *eight minutes* to reach the sun.

"In a half hour we would arrive at Jupiter, in one hour at Saturn, and at the end of five hours we would pass the outermost planet, Pluto" (*Design of the Universe*, Fritz Kahn, page 132). Still a long time — at that speed!

On to the Stars

But the sun and the planets are our virtual "neighbors." In cosmic terms, the distance to the sun and planets are merely INCHES and less.

Our solar system, for example, is merely one tiny part of the Milky Way galaxy. The sun, astronomers claim, is around 30,000 light years from the CENTER of the Milky Way — if your mind can conceive of such immense distances.

Our sun is but a dwarf star among a spiral of 100,000,000,000 other stars of varying size — all in our galaxy. This Milky Way galaxy — 100,000 light years in diameter and 20,000 light years thick at the center — is only one of BILLIONS in the universe.

But let's continue our 186,000 milesper-second journey through space. We want to travel far beyond the planets to some of the "nearer" stars.

"We settle down, unpack our books, open our typewriter and begin a report on the solar system. We have dinner, we play cards, we grow tired at our usual bedtime and go to sleep.

"The next morning we look out the window again. Alpha Centauri is not a bit brighter...we begin to worry. 'How long will it take us to reach Alpha Centauri?' 'Four and a half years' is the reply.

"Four and a half years — travelling at a speed of 186,000 miles per second — will bring us only to the NEAREST star! 'And when do we get to Sirius, the brightest of our neighbors?' 'Eight and a half years from now.' 'And Alderbaran? 'Fifty-five years.' "We cannot believe our ears. Fiftyfive years!

"No hope of arriving there and coming back to tell about it.

"But Rigel is much brighter and seems to be closer. So we question him about Rigel. The man with the timetable in his hand answers us sternly: 'Rigel? You won't get there. WE will get there in FIVE HUNDRED AND FORTY THREE YEARS:'... and still we would not have left the *immediate neighborhood* of our own village" (Design of the Universe, Fritz Kahn, page 132, 133).

There are, declare astronomers, *millions* of stars, separated by many light years, in OUR own galaxy alone. And our galaxy is only one among an estimated TEN BILLION! Each galaxy is itself thought to be separated by a million light years.

As one author stated, an ant determined to crawl across the United States has *more chance* of accomplishing its task than man has to even BEGIN to cross the universe!

It's no wonder Job cried out, speaking of God, "Who alone spreadeth out the heavens...who makes Arcturus, Orion and Pleiades" (Job 9:4-9).

At the Outer Limits

Astronomers have been shocked to realize that man is approaching the outer limits of his ability to measure the universe.

"Out there" is a vast region to which man cannot penetrate.

One author put it aptly, when he admitted:

"Our knowledge is confined not only in space but also in time. Techniques of radio astronomy are developing and they will soon reach out to this BOUNDARY WALL, but without hope of going beyond it." (The Limits of Science, Pierre Rousseau, page 176, 177.)

But what remains on the "other side"?

Astronomy remains silent.

"We have reached the unknown, our terminus," he continues. "We sought the end of the universe and IT HAS NONE. Our most powerful techniques leave us face to face with the unexplored void...we do not know what

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Dorothy — Ambassador College

Jews at Wailing Wall after occupation of the Old City during Six-Day War.

BIG world events are moving ahead fast — not in Vietnam, but in Palestine! A mysterious pattern of little-understood events, now emerging, is destined to SHAKE THIS EARTH in your lifetime!

by Roderick C. Meredith

many just concluded a twelve-day visit to the state of Israel. His visit caused very little stir and few people realized the prophetic meaning of his mission.

Germany Gets Friendly

Dr. Erhard came to pave the way for closer ties between the land Hitler once ruled and the people his regime tried to blot from the face of the earth. In more ways than one, his visit was most significant.

To understand the ultimate meaning of his visit, we must know what is going on in Israel today. We must know what their problems are — and how this relationship with a former enemy can appear to be a basic answer to their hope of survival.

Israel's Back to the Wall

Less than six montos ago, every man, woman and child in Israel had been threatened with death — with annihilation! Nasser, the sick man of Egypt, in cooperation with the Soviet advisers and with the bristling might of Soviet arms, proclaimed hysterically that he would drive all of the Israelis into the sea. Later, Arabs were instructed to kill all Jews, wherever they were found, by any means possible, BUT KILL JEWS.

To the Israelis, this was nothing new. Many of them are the survivors of

F^{LUSHED} with their overwhelming victory in last summer's Six-Day War, the Jews of the state of Israel brim with confidence.

They have what the Yiddish word "chutzpah" describes — impudence, audacity, elan.

But they are still surrounded by Arab nations outnumbering them many times over. And the Soviets have replenished the military hardware the Arabs lost in the recent war.

What next?

What lies ahead for the tiny state of Israel? How is it absolutely certain to affect your life?

Ex-Chancellor Ludwig Erhard of Ger-

The PLAIN TRUTH

Their historic Six-Day War was a desperate fight for survival. The outcome demonstrated master planning and flawless execution of instructions to the finest degree. Victory seemed nothing short of a miracle.

For Israel it was a matter of victory or death, and, somehow, they emerged unbelievably victorious.

But now that the Soviets are rearming her enemies and world public opinion is trying to force her to give up the buffer territory she acquired, Israel again feels that her back is to the wall. She needs help in *many ways*.

The present needs of Israel are best shown by Prime Minister Levi Eshkol as he expressed them in an address to the United Jewish Appeal at a dinner on October 26, 1967. He listed three things that were vitally important to Israel.

First: The security problem. Mr. Eshkol stated that he was not sure that the war was only behind Israel, and not also *ahead of it*. Even if no major war comes, there have been about one hundred border incidents since June, some causing loss of life. This places a heavy defense burden upon Israel. She needs both financial help and the ability to buy military equipment to guarantee her survival.

Second: Mr. Eshkol spoke of Israel's economic future. He stated that even before the war it was clear that in order to cure Israel's economic ills and solve the unemployment problem it was necessary to raise production, employment and investment in Israel's industry. He emphasized that Israel cannot carry the load alone. They need not only foreign investments and loans, but skilled specialists who would help them solve the problems of production and marketing abroad.

Third: The Israeli Prime Minister spoke of the need for more immigrants from the Free World to help insure the development of the Jewish state. It appeared that this is possibly the most urgent need of the Israelis at this time. For the Arab population *even within Israel* is growing much faster than the Jewish population. If they gain all their objectives but fall behind the Arabs within their own borders in population growth, they will *still have lost control* of their nation!

Prime Minister Eshkol spoke of one "key" which he felt would unlock for the nation the things they need and must have to survive. That key is *education*.

Israel — World Education Center?

The fast-moving Israelis have bold and imaginative plans in the field of education. Their educational system must, hopefully, accomplish several important things for the nation. It must train technicians who will allow Israel's industry to compete successfully for the World Market. Their educational level must be so high and outstanding that it will attract students from many parts of the world to receive *the ultimate in the world's education*.

Also, the Israelis hope, through education, to blend the various cultural and linguistic groups together in their nation through higher education.

Germany Offers to Help

In view of these facts, it is clear that nothing can endear the German people to the state of Israel more than the benevolent gesture made by Germany through an organization called, "The German Friends of the Hebrew University." This organization recently donated to the people of Israel the Martin Buber Center to become a part of the Mount Scopus campus of the Hebrew University. This center will be a three-story building which will house the facilities for the preparatory course for university studies and the university's adult education center.

This may seem like a minor contribution, but politically it carries a powerful impact. Mount Scopus holds a special place in the hearts of many Jews. Recovering this campus after the June War ranked second in importance only to having the Western Wall back in Jewish hands. From Mount Scopus is, perhaps, the most beautiful view around Jerusalem — a cinematic perspective to the East across the Judean Desert, to the Dead Sea and to the hills of Moab beyond.

The recent dedication of the Martin Buber Center was a special event attended by a number of dignitaries which included Dr. Rolf Pauls, the German Ambassador to Israel; Mr. Nathan Goldman, the Director of the World Zionists Federation; Mr. Teddy Kollek, the Mayor of Jerusalem; Mr. Eliahu Elath, the President of the Hebrew University and Mr. Walter Hesselbach who is the Chairman of the German Friends of the Hebrew University.

President Elath expressed the hope that someday this Mount Scopus will be the center of the world's education as Athens was in times past! He hopes it will be *to this place* that the scholars of the world will come to perfect their education.

Dr. Erhard Times His Arrival

Although he arrived just after the dedication ceremonies in order to avoid any student reactions, it is significant that Dr. Erhard—former German Chancellor — chose this time to begin his high-level visit to Israel.

Dr. Erhard came to Israel as a welcomed guest. He is said to have told Prime Minister Eshkol of Israel that when he succeeded cutting through the red tape to full diplomatic recognition of Israel by his government it was as though "a stone had dropped from his heart."

Prime Minister Eshkol emphasized that no one should underestimate the effect on public opinion in Israel as the result of the clear stands taken by Germany regarding Israel's security needs during the Six-Day War and since. And on several occasions, Dr. Erhard told groups to whom he talked that he would do everything in his power to help Israel become affiliated with the Common Market. He stated his support of Israel's bid for close ties with the Common Market and said that Europe was Israel's natural area of trade. He said it was inconceivable that the Common Market should have close connections with former colonies in Africa but not with Israel.

This visit, then, is undoubtedly an important stepping-stone toward a close

ERHARD IN JERUSALEM

Ludwig Erhard, during Jerusalem visit to strengthen ties between West Germany and Israel. *R. C. Dick — Ambassador College*



McNair — Ambassador College n Mount Moriah — anciently the approvi-

The Moslem Dome of the Rock on Mount Moriah — anciently the approximate site of Solomon's Temple.

relationship Germany will soon have with Israel! Once Germany has invested money in Israel, sent in technicians, made public "penance" for past mistakes against the Jews — then it will only be a matter of course until the Germans move full force into the Middle East as they have always wanted to do!

Here's Where YOU Come In!

But what does all of this have to do with *your life* — *your future?* Just this.

A full one third of your Bible is prophecy. It is nearly always the *least* studied and the *least* understood portion of the Bible — even for professing Christians. Yet prophecy has *come alive!* Believe it or not, there has *never been a time* in earth's history when prophecy was being fulfilled more rapidly than during this latter half of the "Soaring Sixties"!

The apostle Peter warned: "We have also a more SURE word of prophecy; whereunto you do well that

you take heed..." (II Peter 1:19). Yes, Peter warned that we had better TAKE HEED to the absolutely certain fulfillment of prophecy given us in the Word of God!

Your Bible says, in effect: "Watch Jerusalem! Watch Israel!"

Bible prophecies indicate that not only a great educational center may be established there but that a *religious center* and a *Temple* will be built there within the very next few years!

The recent Israeli victory gave them complete control of the city of Jerusalem — *including the original site of Solomon's Temple*. The stage is now set for the construction of the "Temple" prophesied in II Thessalonians 2:4 and Revelation 11:1-2.

Last summer, a mystifying news dispatch reported that Israel had already ordered a great number of pre-cut stones for the Temple from the fine limestone quarries near Bedford, Indiana. Many religious groups rushed to investigate this — and the report seems to have been a hoax. However, a number of important Israelis have privately mentioned the obvious desire of all religious Jews to build a Temple on the original site in Jerusalem. Considerable money has already been collected for this purpose. In investigating the probable hoax of the order for Indiana limestone, one minor Jewish official commented offhandedly, in effect, "You don't think we'd go clear to Indiana for limestone for a Temple in Israel when our Jerusalem stone is the best in the world, do you?"

Is this prophesied Temple already under preparation, secretly, in Israel? Is it being kept quiet because of the continuing press of world opinion to "internationalize" the city of Jerusalem and the fact that such a Temple would indicate that the Jews never plan to give up complete control of the city? Time will tell.

1 ime will tell.

But your Bible DOES SAY that a Temple will be built in Jerusalem before the end of this age. And that time is *soon*.

German-dominated European Empire to TAKE OVER in Middle East

Notice the amazing prophecy of Daniel 11:40-45. This describes the "king of the north"— prophetically identified as the super dictator over a coming United Europe — swooping into the Middle East! He will "enter" into the "glorious land"— not necessarily conquering it — because the Jews may *already be cooperating* with this power as a result of events described earlier in this article! But he shall "enter" Israel, and shall obviously *conquer* Egypt, as verse 42 states: "The land of Egypt shall not escape."

This coming Hitler-like dictator probably a German — will make Jerusalem his headquarters! (Verse 45.)

Coming with him from Europe will be a great religious leader, "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the TEMPLE of God, showing himself that he is God" (II Thessalonians 2:4). Although we do not set exact dates,

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WHY SO MANY SAY: "I Don't Understand the Bible!"

Can the Bible REALLY be understood? Is it RELEVANT in the Space Age? This article reveals the answers. It shows how scores of thousands are finding they CAN UNDERSTAND the Bible!

R^{ECENTLY}, very elementary Bible tests were given to hundreds of U. S. college students and church laymen. The results were staggering!

They revealed the fact that most people who profess to regard the Bible as "the Word of God" simply do not READ IT!

What a paradox. The Bible is still the world's all-time best seller. It has been translated into more than 1,200 different languages. Yet the Bible has been called the "Book that nobody knows."

There is a reason.

Mere "Status Symbol"

Dr. Arthur P. Whitney, Acting Secretary for National Distribution of the American Bible Society, explains it: Most people purchase Bibles merely to have "status symbols" in their homes. He is convinced that nearly all Americans are "Biblical illiterates"!

But why?

One explanation for widespread Biblical illiteracy is that a large segment of people have turned away from the Bible because they don't understand it — even when they do try to read it!

To the average reader in this modern, pulsating 20th Century Space Age, the Bible has a remote and "antiquarian" flavor. He is more than likely left with the impression the Bible is an ancient, musty book that has absolutely no relevance to his life here and now!

This is proved by a survey made a few years ago by the Canadian Council of Churches. The survey asked 6,500 ministers to name the chief reason for failure to read the Bible.

by Richard H. Sedliacik

Almost 30% thought non-readers consider the Bible irrelevant; 26% thought that the people could not understand it; 24% felt people find the Bible uninteresting.

Paradoxically, this Biblical ignorance is considered "respectable" today. "It is one of the curious phenomena of modern times," reports J. B. Phillips in *The Young Church in Action*, page ix, "that it is considered perfectly respectable to be *ABYSMALLY IGNORANT* of the Christian Faith. Men and women who would be deeply ashamed of having their ignorance exposed in matters of poetry, music, or painting, for example, are not in the least perturbed to be found ignorant of the New Testament." [Emphasis ours.]

The Bible has become little more than an obsolete "sacred book" to which most of its devotees pay lipservice, but which they practically *never read*, STUDY, or UNDERSTAND!

How Theologians View the Bible

The true reasons for such widespread Biblical ignorance and lack of understanding ought to *astound* you!

You would expect atheists and agnostics to *deny* the divine origin of the Bible. But today leading ministers and theologians are FOREMOST among the CRITICS of the Bible.

One minister of a very large church denomination said recently: "No mainstream Christian Church accepts the Bible as the literal interpretation of the word of God. Some of it is folklore, some legend, some tribal history."

How does he know? Answer: He doesn't! He has accepted as true the

theories and hypotheses taught in the graduate schools of theology.

Now listen to these words of a wellknown Protestant minister: "We know now that every idea in the Bible started from primitive and child-like origin ..." and that it is an "impossible attempt to harmonize the Bible with itself, to make it speak with unanimous voice, to resolve its conflicts and contradictions...."

This man was looked up to as a *minister of God.* Yet he attempted to discredit the very Book he was supposed to uphold and teach. What a **PARADOX!** Branding the Bible as the *vain efforts of* MEN, he called it a book of fables and myths, instead of the INSPIRED TRUTH OF GOD ALMIGHTY!

In the introduction to a well-known modern translation of the Bible, the author summarizes his ideas in the claim that many books of the Bible are "notes by disciples, worked up into literary papers which have been repeatedly edited, sometimes by pious collectors."

This very learned scholar thought that the earlier portions of the Bible stem from "the natural desire to gather up the primitive traditions of the people." He took for granted, without proof, the false assumption that God had nothing to do with its inspiration!

Another theologian summed up the modern trend: "We must take the Bible seriously, *but not literally*"!

With statements such as these ringing in their ears, is there any wonder why hundreds of ministers publicly confess — and thousands privately admit — that they themselves can't understand or believe in the Bible?

Statements such as these by wellknown ministers, theologians and Bible scholars are responsible for discouraging the average person from trying to understand, or even *read* the Bible!

Confusion Begins with the Pulpit

A minister of one of the respected large church denomination told his congregation one Sunday that the Genesis account of creation "should not be taken literally."

After the service about 200 parishioners gathered in a basement hall to talk with the minister about his sermon. One of them commented:

"'I don't know what to read and what not to read in the Bible. I'm confused. I DON'T KNOW what to believe and what not to believe [emphasis ours]. What part of the book is true and what part is just a story? If one Bible story is a fairy tale, what about the next story?'" (Milwaukee Journal, Alicia Armstrong.)

Little wonder the average man-onthe-street is soured AGAINST the Bible!

What else would you expect the average person to believe about the Bible when men, looked up to as biblical "specialists," declare it to be a PIOUS FRAUD?

The trouble with most people is that they take for GRANTED what other people say about the Bible!

Most people — including Church laymen and the clergy — have not taken the time to really *look into the Bible and PROVE* IT FOR THEMSELVES! And so they continue to *carelessly assume* the Bible teaches hundreds of conflicting ideas — that it is irrational and irrelevant in our scientific age that the Bible is responsible for the hundreds of *differing* sects and denominations we find in the world today! They have never proved what they have come to believe.

What IS the Bible?

There is a statement in the Bible which says: "ALL SCRIPTURE is given by *inspiration of God...*" (II Tim. 3:16).

The Bible is GOD'S REVELATION to man of basic knowledge — laws and

principles which man is *unable* to discover for himself — knowledge which is otherwise utterly inaccessible to the mind of man!

For example: God did not directly reveal the law of gravity in the Bible. He equipped man with the powers and abilities to discover gravity for himself.

But man has never been able to discover *what* he is, and why he was put here on earth — whether there is a real purpose for human life, or *what* that purpose is. Man has not been able to *discover* the true way to peace, to happiness, to abundant well-being and real success! Schools and colleges do teach students how to earn a living but they fail to teach them *how to live*!

The Bible reveals all this — and *more* !

Nowhere but in the BIBLE can one find this basic necessary knowledge! God inspired the Bible to be the very BASIS of all true education.

The Bible, then, is the FOUNDATION OF *ALL* KNOWLEDGE — and the *true approach* to the acquisition of all discoverable knowledge. No one can be properly EDUCATED except by and through it!

People could understand the Bible — if they were really willing.

The Bible is plain and simple — it means exactly what it says! If we take it as it is, without trying to interpret its meaning, it does make sense!

You Can Understand It!

There is a method available today which is helping scores of thousands to really understand the Bible. That method is made plain in the unique and absolutely FREE Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course!

This Bible course is REALLY DIF-FERENT. It is a regular, monthly course in the personal study of the Bible. It is not a study of men's ideas *about* the Bible, but a study of the BIBLE ITSELF! The Bible is the *only textbook*!

The Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course is created to guide you through a systematic study of *your own Bible*. It is designed to show the real meaning behind today's world chaos, and of God's purpose for human life.

This exciting Course has opened the

Bible to the understanding of tens of thousands because it is an "in depth" study of God's Word. It shows, in detail, the keys to understanding Bible prophecy — making the Bible meaningful today!

The most vital, most important questions of your life are thoroughly gone into in these monthly lessons. And you are directed to the clear, plain, simple answers *in your Bible!*

What Our Students Say

Today over 80,000 active students from around the world receive and study the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course in their own homes. They are people from *all walks* of life — factory workers, housewives, college students, lawyers, doctors, farmers — even ministers of religion.

Here are a few excerpts from thousands of letters our students have written in. See how these people are actually UNDERSTANDING the Bible for the first time, and finding that it is relevant to their own lives here and now!

If you have wondered how others have gained an understanding of the Bible through the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course, here's your answer. Listen to what this student discovered:

I have been so well-pleased with the Ambassador College Bible Course, I must let it be known. It was far beyond my imagination that such a Bible course existed at all. In fact, before I started studying this Course by mail I was under the impression that no one could learn the Bible by mail. I was wrong: I really am well-pleased with the knowledge I've gained from the study of this most wonderful college Bible course.

R. C. T., Belva, West Virginia

The one most important fact students have found is that the Bible *does* interpret itself. These two letters explain it:

What amazes me is that you ask the questions and tell us which scriptures to read and then the Bible itself explains it. I've heard you say many times on your radio broadcasts, "Let the Bible interpret itself." It really can and does, if people would only give it a chance. Thank you so much for letting me be a part of this wonderful Course.

Mrs. P. L., Youngstown, Ohio

I just completed the first lesson of the Bible Correspondence Course. There aren't enough words to express my gratitude. I think the only word

that can describe my feeling is relief! At last a source with which to really study the Bible and learn from the Bible, instead of just taking someone else's interpretation. All my life I've heard people say: "The Bible can be interpreted many ways." I can't say that I believed or disbelieved that statement. I just didn't think about it. To me it was just an impressive book that everyone seemed to have. Now that I have respect for the Bible and am reading it, I feel that no interpre-tation is needed. It is plainly written. I am really looking forward to my next lesson.

W. G., Cincinnati, Ohio

From Around the World

From England comes this enthusiastic letter:

I have just received Lesson 1 of the Bible Correspondence Course. I am de-lighted, overwhelmed! This is the most interesting and enlightening course of study I have ever undertaken. I can hardly wait for Lesson 2; and if Lesson 1 is any indication of what is to come, then please know that I will be corresponding for a long time to come. (If indeed we have a long time.)

J. W. S., London, England

A woman in France writes:

I used to think reading the Old Testament was laborious and uninteresting but thanks to your Bible Correspondence Course, it has become fascinating and clear.

From Saint Avertin, France

The Bible at last makes sense to this student in Australia:

I did not always agree with you, but as I delve deeper into the Word of God it all makes good sense, and we can prove it all in God's Word. I have just received Lesson 34. This one thing is sure, I'll never give up my Corre-spondence Course — it is terrific, and makes the study of God's Word a delight.

Housewife in Whyalla, South Australia

Two Canadians wrote the following letters:

Before hearing The WORLD TO-MORROW broadcast I had many unanswered questions that were so big that a psychiatrist was unwilling to an-swer them for \$20.00 a visit. The only answer I received from him was that I should take a trip to Europe, go huntshould take a trip to Europe, go hunt-ing, roam the countryside to get close to nature, take up sail boating, get married, etc. This didn't answer any one of my questions. Through *The* WORLD TOMORROW broadcasts and the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course I have received direct and workable answers to all my direct and workable answers to all my questions. I am now learning the real purpose in life and receiving blessings beyond my wildest dreams. Student, Vancouver, B. C., Canada

I thought the old lessons were superb in giving out meat, showing how Almighty God controls and guides

and foretold of these treacherous days, and of prophecy yet future of both bad and good. I've only had Lessons 32 and 33 in the new [illustrated] edition where you supplemented the lessons with up-to-date news, commentaries, letters of fellow students and pictures in regard to the gist of the lesson. I think the lessons are just great, a kind of double punch where the pictures, news and additional commentary help to impress more vividly what the lesson is teaching, or a two-in-one lesson. I was satisfied with the first, but am even more pleased with the improvement and thankful to be able to study such intensive, yet simple explanations of the scriptures as you convey in the lessons.

Student, Saskatchewan, Canada

For those who may not have known, the Ambassador Bible Correspondence Course is now fully illustrated! The Course originally consisted of eightpage lessons with no illustrations at all. But now we have expanded each lesson to a full 16-pages, including photographs, charts, maps, editorials and a "What Our Students Say" column similar to the reader's column in The PLAIN TRUTH magazine. At present the Course comprises 49 - the 50th is going to press - exciting lessons, jam-packed with vital knowledge you need to know. And more are on the way!

Learning the Hard Way

Returning to the United States again, let's notice what a few former students of the Ambassador Bible Correspondence Course ADMITTED after cancelling their enrollments because they thought they just didn't have time enough to devote to the most important study of their lives:

A few months ago I made a crazy, foolish, and grave mistake. That was informing you to cancel my Bible Correspondence Course. Now I'm begging you to let me have it back. I feel like I have something missing, and I know what it is. So please send me my next lesson so I can continue. Man, Carencro, Louisiana

I am requesting that you start send-I am requesting mat you start send-ing me the Correspondence Course again. I had gotten away from read-ing, studying and praying, and now I'm at my "wits end." I didn't realize until now just how much peace of mind can be obtained from knowing Cod's truth and striving to be obtained God's truth and striving to be obedient. I'm so thankful that God is a forgiving and loving Father. K. L. B., Bossier City, Louisiana

Requests granted! We're happy to reenroll anyone who has learned his or her lesson! - and would like to receive the Course again.

How You Can Enroll

Remember, there is absolutely no charge for this unique Bible Study Course! It is offered free of tuitioncost - and the only textbook you must have is your own Bible!

Right now while you're thinking about it, write us and request Lesson One. There will be no obligation on your part, except that you should study your Bible every day with the help of these Bible lessons.

Mail your request to: Correspon-DENCE COURSE, in care of our offices closest to you. You will find the addresses on the inside front cover of The PLAIN TRUTH. We'll rush the first fascinating lesson of this absolutely free Course to you at once.

Do it right now - before you forget!



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Armstrong. I have never read such an interesting autobiography. It seems as though we've known you all our lives. It is so well written...."

> Mr. & Mrs. F. L. S., Cambridge, Ohio

Radio Amman, Jordan

"Your radio program at 8:00 p.m. from Amman, Jordan, is very interesting and I listen to you every day with few exceptions. Also, I mention your program to others, but many times I receive a doubting look as if I'm 'nuts' or something. Nonetheless, I shall continue listening and mentioning it to others. When I listen to your statistics on the population explosion I should feel ashamed of myself, but I was very happy with my five little ones. I feel that God has something figured out for us as you have many times hinted. Please continue your program as I find it very stimulating."

> Mrs. Hashim D., Amman, Jordan

• The Jordanian Government has opened time to The WORLD TOMOR-ROW, on its Government-owned facilities in Amman.

THE BIBLE ANSWERS

Short Zuestions

FROM OUR READERS

HERE are the *Bible* answers to questions which can be answered briefly in a short space. *Send in your questions*. While we cannot promise that all questions will find space for answer in this department, we shall try to answer all that are vital and in the general interest of our readers.

"What makes Ouija boards work? Is it all right to own one?"

T. J., Lynn, Arkansas

Ouija boards are becoming quite popular as games for family entertainment nowadays. You find them for sale in drugstores, department stores and variety stores. To help answer your question, we quote from a letter we received here at the Headquarters of God's Work:

The woman author of the letter writes, "Someone gave my daughter's child a Ouija board. To them it was just a game. One day while [I was] at my daughter's she picked up the board and we began to ask it things and we were having a lot of fun. So she asked, 'Is my husband going to give me a new car this New Year?' Answer: 'No.' We laughed about it a lot and asked the same question over and over with the same negative answer. Finally she laughed and said, 'Do you hate me?'

"Answer: 'Yes.'

"Question: 'What's your name?'

"Answer: 'Death.' At this we were flabbergasted so I began asking questions.

"Question: 'Where do you get your power?'

"Answer: 'Satan.'

"Question: 'How far does your power go?'

"Answer: 'To the Blood of the Lamb.'"

This woman continues to relate her

experience: "At that I quit. Later a girl was at the house. She was (the daughter of a minister of a particular church) but a very worldly one. She wanted to try the board.

"Question: 'Who are you?'

"Answer: 'I am your Lord and Master. You invited my presence. I will be your death... Believe in me. Do not fear my power. Now it is yours.' The needle raced across the board so fast for this young lady it took two of us to keep the letters down and separate the letters to form words.

"Question: 'How do you manifest your power?'

"Answer: 'I am providing sonnets of truth from my source.... Believe in me.... You will know all....'

"Question: 'How did I invite you?'

"Answer: 'An open mind is my habitation. Do not fear me. I am the only answer. In your weakened spirit you are already mine.'

"At this the girl threw the board across the room and left the house without saying another word. My daughter picked up the Ouija board and broke it up and threw it in the garbage."

Others who have used these Ouija boards have had similar experiences when they asked spiritual questions. This same woman relates that a neighbor had a Ouija board and asked, "Are you a devil?" It replied, "Yes, I am a very powerful and sure devil." Examples like these prove beyond doubt that there is *supernatural influence* behind these boards. They are definitely NOT just "children's toys"!

What does the living, true GOD say about seeking information from Ouija boards? Notice your Bible answer:

"When they tell you to consult mediums and ghosts that cheep and gibber in low murmurs, ask them if a nation should not rather consult its God. Say, 'Why consult the dead on behalf of the living? Consult the Message and the Counsel of God!' " (See Isaiah 8:19, *Moffatt.*) God says DON'T fool around with such so-called "toys." Playing with them is playing around with the wicked spirits which joined Satan in his rebellion against God aeons ago.

God classifies those who play with Ouija boards — or take LSD trips with those who consult mediums, who deal in witchcraft and sorcery, who deal with "familiar spirits." Those who do so are an abomination to the Lord GOD — Lev. 19:26; Deut. 18:9-14.

Don't ever take chances by opening up your mind to the influence of outside "spiritual powers" that want to possess your mind.

HOW YOUR PLAIN TRUTH SUB-SCRIPTION HAS BEEN PAID So many ask: "HOW does it happen that I find my subscription price for The PLAIN TRUTH has already been paid? How can you publish such a high-class magazine without advertising revenue?"

The answer is as simple as it is astonishing! It is a paradox. Christ's Gospel cannot be sold like merchandise. You cannot buy salvation. Yet it does cost money to publish Christ's TRUTH and mail it to all continents on earth. It does have to be paid for! This is Christ's work. We solve this problem Christ's WAY!

Christ's WAY! Jesus said, "This Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached (and published — Mark 13:10) in all the world for a witness unto all nations" (Mat. 24:14) at this time, just before the end of this age. A PRICE must be paid for the magazine, the broadcast, the Correspondence Course, or other literature. But HOW? Christ forbids us to sell it to those who receive it: "Freely ye have received," said Jesus to His disciples whom He was sending to proclaim His Gospel, "freely GIVE!" "It is more blessed," He said, "to GIVE that' to receive."

cerve." God's WAY is the way of LOVE — and that is the way of giving. God expects every child of His to give free-will offerings and to tithe, as His means of paying the costs of carrying His Gospel to others. We, therefore, simply trust our Lord Jesus Christ to lay it on the minds and hearts of His followers to give generously, thus paying the cost of putting the precious Gospel TRUTH in the hands of others. Yet it must go only to those who themselves wish to receive it. Each must, for himself, *subscribe* — and his subscription has thus already been paid.

Thus the living, dynamic Christ Himself enables us to broadcast, worldwide, without ever asking for contributions over the air: to enroll many thousands in the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course with full tuition cost *already paid* to send your PLAIN TRUTH on an *already paid* basis. God's way is GOOD!

Personal from the Editor

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had been at the very throne of God, Headquarters of the Government of the entire vast universe. He had been trained in administration of GOD's GOV-ERNMENT. Prior to the creation of man, he was placed on a throne in Eden, on this earth, as earth ruler to administer GOD's government over angels which then populated the earth.

It is revealed in Isaiah 14 and Ezekiel 28 that he allowed vanity and greed and jealousy to fill his mind. He deliberately became an aggressor, influencing a third of the angels to follow him in rebellion against God's Government — to ascend, as a warring army, above earth's clouds to attack God on His throne, and to attempt to seize the government of the entire universe.

He desired to *replace* God as supreme Ruler. He was not satisfied to be God's ruling INSTRUMENT. He wanted to be IN PLACE OF God. He was not satisfied to rule *only the earth*. He set out to CAPTURE HEAVEN and occupy it.

Much of the details of this "prebistory" is revealed in various parts of the Bible, both Old and New Testaments. You'll get the intriguing details in the free article, "Did God Create a DEVIL?"

God is SUPREME RULER, *Head of* the Government over the limitless universe. His power is SUPREME. So Lucifer and his angels were cast back down to earth where God had placed them, now disqualified to administer GoD's Government. Yet, until a successor was QUALIFIED and inducted into the office, Lucifer, his name changed to Satan, must remain in office, even though now an ADVERSARY to God's Government.

Thus the proud Lucifer, which name means "Morning Star," or "Bringer of Light," was changed to Satan, which means "adversary" or "rival" or "competitor." The super archangel became the devil. His angels became demons. They had become warped, perverted in their thinking, their reasoning, their knowledge.

They had changed from GOD'S WAY of love, outgoing concern, desire to help, serve, share, to THE WAY of vanity, lust, greed, jealousy, envy, selfcenteredness and hatred. From desire to GIVE, to lust to GET, to TAKE.

As a result of this supreme FALL of Satan and his demons, physical chaos happened to the earth. The word "was" in Genesis 1:2 is elsewhere translated as "became," and has that meaning. The original Hebrew words which Moses wrote, translated "waste and empty," are *tohu* and *bohu*, otherwise translated "chaotic and in confusion." In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. It was PERFECT. The angels shouted for joy (Job 38:1-7). God is not the author of confusion (I Cor. 14:33). But Satan is!

Then in six days God RENEWED the face of the earth (Psalm 104:30), causing the sun and moon to shine through, dividing land and sea, creating the present flora and fauna, and, lastly on the sixth day, creating MAN in the very form and shape of God. Not with mere animal brain and instinct, but with MIND and potential spiritual CHARACTER like GOD.

He created man of MATTER, with the *potential* of being begotten, and then BORN of SPIRIT composition, immortal, into the very family and Kingdom of GOD!

But now, UNDERSTAND THIS! You never heard this before!

God deliberately put within mortal material MAN the very spiritual character of Satan, as man's NATURE — *human nature*. That nature is merely an invisible PULL toward self-centeredness, vanity, lust, greed, jealously, envy, hatred, rivalry — desire to GET rather than GIVE. It is the nature of HOSTILITY against AUTHORITY! God also put another PULL in man's human nature — inordinate desire of the FLESH — unrighteous desires of the five senses.

Angels were created with MIND power, with perfect KNOWLEDGE, and with free moral agency — right of free choice. But there was no PULL toward evil, such as exists in human nature. No evil nature to resist and fight, such as man finds within himself. Angels are individually created beings of great knowledge, created holy and righteous, and with no PULL to sway them in the wrong direction. They KNOW the CAUSES of desired results, and the causes of evil results. If they, like Satan and the demons, CHOOSE the evil way, there are NO extenuating circumstances there is NO justification — there is NO rectification of the evil RESULT they deliberately and without excuse choose to inflict on themselves.

With MAN it is different. Man was created IN THE IMAGE OF GOD, with the potential of being begotten and BORN of God as God's own CHILD, then having God's own DIVINE NATURE (II Peter 1:4), elevated to the GOD plane high above angels.

But GOD is responsible for the fact man has to resist HUMAN NATURE, and, being responsible, GOD has provided rectification for rebellious, sinning MAN. By giving His own Son, Jesus Christ, to pay the penalty of man's transgressions of GOD'S GOVERNMENT — (the penalty is DEATH) — in man's stead, God makes reconciliation available to all humans; and freely offers, then, HIS GIFT of eternal life.

Understand two things about human nature. The psychologists are utterly ignorant and without understanding in postulating that human nature is essentially GOOD! (1) Human nature DE-SIRES to BE good — but (2) it desires more to DO evil. Human nature resents being told it has done wrong denies it — justifies it. Or blames the wrong on another!

It is in human nature for the human MIND to have an attitude of hostility to GOD'S GOVERNMENT. Even as Satan deliberately and without excuse chose rebellion to the Government of God, so man starts out with a natural attitude of hostility to God's Laws and to God's AUTHORITY over his life.

Man desires the GOOD *RESULT* of obedience to God's Laws. But he naturally tries to obtain that result while *breaking* God's Laws in a natural spirit of rebellion against divine rule — or ANY RULE — over his life.

It is NATURAL for man to SIN - and

sin is defined (I John 3:4) as transgression of God's Law. God GOVERNS by His Law. Does that mean that man HAS TO SIN? That no man could prevent sinning? NOT AT ALL! Jesus Christ was born as a human, of a human mother - tempted in all points as we are, which means subjected to the pulls of human nature - YET WITHOUT SIN! Yet no other man ever did live without sin. It is NATURAL to sin - natural if we follow the inclinations and impulses and desires of human nature, to go THE WAY OF Satan, not THE WAY OF God. And ALL have sinned (Rom. 3:23).

So back, now, to the creation of man.

Adam was created with human nature. God created all things BY Jesus Christ (Eph. 3:9; John 1:1-3; Col. 1:16). It was the One of the God Family who later became Jesus of Nazareth in human flesh, who was ADAM'S MAKER.

He completed the creation of the man and woman just before sunset on the sixth day of that week, for God counts the ending of a day at sunset.

Here, then, were an adult man and an adult woman, with the *pull* of human nature, and with human MINDS, as yet unfilled with knowledge. But their minds were capable of *receiving* knowledge, reasoning, choosing, and acting according to *will*.

At sunset that 6th day of the week, God ended HIS WORK which He had made (Gen. 2:1) but He did not end creating. He now created His Sabbath day BY REST. And on this first Sabbath day, God, in the Person of the WORD who later became Jesus, INSTRUCTED THE MAN AND WOMAN in GOD'S WAYS — in GOD'S GOVERNMENT — in the CAUSES of desired blessings and abundant well-being, as well as the CAUSES of curses, evils, pain and suffering, unhappiness, and DEATH.

But as soon as God's Sabbath was ended, and the Eternal One had finished instructing the man and woman in RIGHT WAYS, along came Satan, on the first day of the next week — the day the world today calls Sunday, and began instructing, first the woman, in SATAN'S RELIGION — saying that man is an IMMORTAL soul, and that God's LAW — GOD'S GOVERNMENT — is WRONG — unfair — contrary to man's good — a yoke of bondage. He taught our first parents to reach out and TAKE — not to give, share, help, serve.

So, the woman reached out to TAKE. She rejected REVELATION. She performed the very first "scientific" experiment. Rejecting God's revealed knowledge, she used reason. She reasoned the forbidden tree was GOOD for food (Gen. 3:6). God had said it was BAD poison - would result in DEATH (Gen. 2:17). Ever since, humanity has desired as the choicest of food delicacies that which God reveals is NOT good for food (Leviticus 11). It appealed to her vanity --- "desired to make her WISE" — appealed to illegal desire of the sense of sight - "pleasant to the eyes" - what did she do? She experimented, to see the result for herself. SHE REACHED OUT AND TOOK that forbidden fruit. (God says nothing of its being an apple.)

Adam was NOT deceived, yet he allowed his wife to lead him, and he, too, obeyed Satan, DISOBEYED God.

Therefore Adam DISQUALIFIED HIM-SELF to succeed Satan as Administrator of GoD's GOVERNMENT over the earth.

Ever since, mankind has followed the deceptions of Satan and of human nature. Only two are mentioned as following God's ways before Noah — Abel and Enoch. Noah *alone* was obedient to God after some 1,900 years.

Next recorded as being righteous was Abraham. God chose Abraham's descendants, 430 years later, for GoD's service. He made them HIS NATION, set up HIS GOVERNMENT over them, under Moses. But they were actuated by human nature. They rebelled. They demanded HUMAN government, with a human king like other God-rejecting nations (I Sam. 8:4-7), when GOD had been their King.

Then, finally, God sent His own begotten Son, JESUS the Christ. And men rejected Him and crucified Him. Jesus came to START *God's WORK* through humans, in this world.

But before beginning that Mission, Jesus had to be subjected to the test, to *prove* that He would QUALIFY to ADMINISTER THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD

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over all nations of the earth, and thus REPLACE SATAN as *earth's Ruler*.

As God had allowed Satan to test Adam, He now allowed him to test Jesus, after Jesus had fasted 40 days and nights. Under the most extreme conditions of temptation, Jesus resisted Satan, resisted the EXTREME PULLS of hunger and human nature, quoted and obeyed Scripture, obeyed THE GOVERN-MENT OF GOD.

He proved in this most titanic struggle ever staged between two Personages, that He was LOYAL and FAITH-FUL to GOD'S GOVERNMENT, and that NOTHING could move Him to defy or disobey it.

Jesus *qualified* to become KING over GOD'S Government, administering God's Government over all nations, IN ONE SUPER WORLD GOVERNMENT. But Jesus was not, then, inducted into office.

First, God had a WORK to be done in the world, to *PREPARE* for world rule by GOD'S GOVERNMENT.

Jesus had qualified. He was now ready to *begin* His own *Personal* phase of THAT WORK.

Just what DID Jesus then do? HOW did He, in Person as a human, start that Work? What is the PURPOSE of that Work? WHY was it necessary? How did God carry it on through human instruments, after Christ's ascension to heaven? Are the many CHURCH denominations and organizations doing it? Is it *really* directed and motivated by GOD?

Now you have the background, without which neither TODAY'S WORLD CON-DITIONS, nor God's WORK could be understood. Space does not permit the astonishing answer in this number. I shall continue it next issue. The PLAIN TRUTH



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- WISN Milwaukee, Wis. 1130 kc., 9 a.m. Sun. KSTP — Minneapolis-St. Paul — 1500
- kc., 8 a.m. Sun., 5 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KXEL Waterloo 1540 kc., 8 p.m. Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KXEN St. Louis 1010 kc., 10:30 a.m. & 4 p.m. Sun., 7:15 a.m. & 12 noon Mon.-Sat.

South

- KRLD Dallas 1080 kc., 8:10 p.m. daily.
- WFAA Dallas 820 kc., 10:45 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KTRH - Houston - 740 kc., 7:30 p.m.
- Sun.-Fri.
- WOAI San Antonio, Tex. 1200 kc.,
- 10:15 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KWKH Shreveport 1130 kc., 94.5 FM, 10:30 a.m. & 9:30 p.m. Sun., 1 p.m. & 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 11:30 a.m. & 11:30 p.m. Sat.
- WNOE New Orleans 1060 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
- KAAY Little Rock 1090 kc., 9:30 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Sun., 5:15 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WGUN Atlanta 1010 kc., 4 p.m. Sun., 11 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WAPI Birmingham 1070 kc., 10 a.m. Sun. WMOO — Mobile — 1550 kc., 10:30
- a.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WINQ Tampa 1010 kc., 12 noon Mon.-Fri., 12:10 p.m. Sat., Sun. KRMG – Tulsa – 740 kc., 10 a.m. Sun.
- XEG 1050 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily. (CST)
- *Asterisk indicates new station or time change.

- **Mountain States**
- KOA-Denver-850 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
- KSWS Roswell, N. Mex. 1020 kc., 6:30 a.m. daily.
- XELO 800 kc., 8 p.m. daily. (MST)

West Coast

- KIRO Seattle 710 kc., 10:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 5:30 a.m. Tues.-Sat.
- KRAK Sacramento 1140 kc., 9 p.m. daily.
- XERB Lower Calif. 1090 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

LEADING LOCAL-AREA STATIONS East

- WBMD Baltimore 750 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
- *WPEN Philadelphia 950 kc., 7 a.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WPIT Pittsburgh 730 kc., 101.5 FM, 11 a.m. Sun., 12 noon Mon.-Fri., 1:30 p.m. Sat.
- WMCK Pittsburgh 1360 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
- WHP Harrisburg, Pa. 580 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.
- WJAC Johnstown, Pa. 850 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.
- *WSAN Allentown, Pa. 1470 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WSCR - Scranton, Pa. -- 1320 kc.,
- 12:30 p.m., 7 p.m. daily. WBRE Wilkes-Barre, Pa. 1340 kc., 98.5 FM, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 11:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 1 p.m. Sat.
- WCHS Charleston, W. Va. 580 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.
- *WCIR Beckley, W. Va. 1060 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 5 p.m. Sat. *WTVR — Richmond, Va. — 1380 kc.,
- 7 p.m. daily. WCYB Bristol, Va. 690 kc., 12:30
- p.m. daily. LOS Asheville, N. C. 1380 kc.,
- WLOS -99.9 FM, 12:30 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WPAQ Mount Airy, N. C. 740 kc.,
- 9:30 a.m. Sun., 1:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat. WFNC Fayetteville, N. C. 940 C. - 940
- WIAC Taylucvine, N. C. 940
 kc., 98.1 FM, 1 p.m. daily.
 WAAT Trenton, N. J. 1300 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun, 12 noon Mon.-Sat.
- WEVD New York 1330 kc., 97.9
 - FM, 10 p.m. daily.
- *WVOX New Rochelle, N. Y.-1460 kc., 93.5 FM, 8 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WGLI Babylon, L. I. 1290 kc., 7 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. WBNX New York 1380 kc., 9:15
- a.m. Sun. (in Spanish). WWOL-Buffalo, N. Y.-1120 kc.,
- 10 a.m. Sun., 4 p.m. Sat. WHLD Niagara Falls, N. Y. 1270
- kc., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri. WWNH Rochester, N. H. 930 kc.,
- 9:05 a.m. Sun., 7:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WDEV Waterbury, Vt. 550 kc., 8 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WPOR Portland, Me. 1490 kc., 9 a.m. Sun. WCOU — Lewiston, Me. — 1240 kc.,
- 9:30 p.m. Sun.

- WRYT-Boston-950 kc., 12 noon Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WBET Brockton, Mass. 1460 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.
- WMAS Springfield, Mass. 1450 kc., 94.7 FM, 8:30 p.m. Sun.
- *WACE Chicopee, Mass. 730 kc., 12:30 p.m. Sun., 7:15 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WEIM Fitchburg, Mass. 1280 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.
- WHMP Northampton, Mass. 1400
- kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun. WARE Ware, Mass. 1250 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.
- WJAR Providence, R. I. 920 kc., 6:30 p.m. Sat. & Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.
- WNLC-New London, Conn. 1510 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.

Central

- WSPD Toledo, Ohio 1370 kc., 9 p.m. Sun., 9:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WSLR Akron, Ohio 1350 kc., 7
- p.m. daily.
- WFMJ Youngstown, Ohio 1390 kc., 10:30 p.m. Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-
- Fri., 7:05 p.m. Sat. WBNS Columbus, Ohio 1460 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.
- WBRJ Marietta, Ohio 910 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily. WJBK — Detroit — 1500 kc., 5:30 a.m.
- Mon.-Sat. WBCK Battle Creek, Mich. 930
- kc., 12:30 p.m. Sat., Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Fri.
- WKMF Flint, Mich. 1470 kc., 6 p.m. daily. WIDG—St. Ignace, Mich.—940 kc.,
- 12:10 p.m. daily.
- WJPD Ishpeming, Mich. 1240 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily. KWKY – Des Moines, Iowa – 1150

noon Sun., 6:10 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

KRVN — Lexington, Nebr. — 1010 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 3 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KMMJ — Grand Island, Nebr. — 750

kc., 4 p.m. daily. WNAX—Yankton, S. Dak. — 570 kc.,

7:30 p.m. daily. KFGO — Fargo, N. Dak. — 790 kc.,

7:05 p.m. daily. *WEAW — Chicago — 1330 kc., 9:30

FM, 8 p.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.). WJOL – Joliet, Ill. – 1340 kc., 9:30

p.m. daily. WITY — Danville, Ill. — 980 kc., 7

WWCA - Gary, Ind. - 1270 kc., 4

WJOB-Hammond, Ind. - 1230 kc.,

8 p.m. Sun., 9 p.m. Mon.-Sat. WXCL – Peoria – 1350 kc., 6:30 p.m.

WIBC - Indianapolis - 1070 kc., 10:30

p.m. Sun. *KBHS — Hot Springs, Ark. — 590 kc.,

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Jefferson City, Mo. - 950

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*KFVS - Cape Girardeau, Mo. - 960 kc., 9:15 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

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- KWTO Springfield, Mo. 560 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- KFEQ-St. Joseph, Mo.-680 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
- *KUDL Kansas City, Mo.-1380 kc., 9 a.m. & 11 p.m. Sun., 5:50 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- *KFSB Joplin, Mo. 1310 kc., 12:30
- p.m. daily. WIBW Topeka, Kans. 580 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- *KFDI Wichita, Kans. 1070 kc., 12:30 p.m. Sun., 10 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KFH-Wichita, Kans.-1330 kc., 100.3 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KBEA Mission, Kans. 1480 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
- KGGF Coffeyville, Kans. 690 kc., 6 p.m. daily.
- *KUPK Garden City, Kans. 1050 kc., 97.3 FM, 12:15 p.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KXXX Colby, Kans. 790 kc., 11:30 a.m. Sun., 8:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WMT Cedar Rapids 600 kc., 11:30 a.m. Sun.
- KMA-Shenandoah, Ia.-960 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.
- WOC Davenport, Ia. 1420 kc., 9 p.m. Sun., 10 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KGLO Mason City, Ia. 1300 kc., 7:30 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KQRS Minneapolis 1440 kc., 92.5 FM, 10 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- *KRSI Minneapolis 950 kc., 7 p.m. daily. WEBC-Duluth, Minn.-560 kc., 6:30
- p.m. daily. WMIL Milwaukee, Wis. 1290 kc., 8 a.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.Sat. WNFL Green Bay 1440 kc., 5
- p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. WSAU Wausau, Wis. 550 kc., 7
- p.m. Sun., 7:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat. WCOW Sparta, Wis. 1290 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KFYR Bismarck, N. Dak. 550 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

South

- KCTA Corpus Christi, Tex. 1030 kc, 2 p.m. Sun, 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 4:30 p.m. Sat. KEES — Gladewater, Tex. — 1430 kc.,
- 12 noon daily.
- KTBB Tyler, Tex. 600 kc., 12 noon daily.
- KMAC San Antonio 630 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 7:15 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KTBC Austin 590 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- XEWG El Paso 1240 kc., 9 a.m. Sun. (in Spanish).
- KTLU Rusk, Tex. 1580 kc., 1 p.m. Sun.
- KGNC-Amarillo-710 kc., 9 p.m. daily. *KCTX - Childress, Tex. - 1500 kc.,
- 2 p.m. Sun., 11:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat. KWFT - Wichita Falls - 620 kc., 4:30
- p.m. Sun., 8:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KFMJ Tulsa 1050 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.

- KOME Tulsa 1300 kc., 12:30 p.m., 10 p.m. daily.
- KBYE Oklahoma City 890 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KXLR — Little Rock — 1150 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
- KWAM Memphis 990 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 11 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WMQM Memphis 1480 kc., 1 p.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WHBQ Memphis 560 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.
- *WFWL Camden, Tenn. 1220 kc., 2 p.m. Sun.
- WSHO-New Orleans-800 kc., 12 noon Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WDEF Chattanooga 1370 kc., 92.3 FM, 7:30 p.m. daily.
- WBRC Birmingham 960 kc., 106.9 FM, 6:30 p.m. daily.
- WAAX Gadsden, Ala. 570 kc., 12 noon Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WCOV-Montgomery-1170 kc., 6:30
- p.m. daily. WMEN Tallahassee 1330 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 8:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WFLA Tampa 970 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.
- WINZ Miami 940 kc., 9:30 p.m. daily.
- WGBS Miami 710 kc., 9 a.m. Sun. WFAB Miami 990 kc., 9 a.m. Sun. (in Spanish).
- WFIV Kissimmee, Fla. 1080 kc., 12:30 p.m. Sun., 7:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- WZOK Jacksonville, Fla. 1320 kc., 12:30 & 11:30 p.m. daily.
- WEAS Savannah, Ga. 900 kc., 12 noon daily.
- *WKYX Paducah, Ky. 570 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.

Mountain States

- KPHO Phoenix 910 kc., 6:35 p.m. daily.
- KOY Phoenix 550 kc., 7:30 p.m. Sun., 8 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KCUB Tucson 1290 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m. Sat.
- KTUC Tucson 1400 kc., 8 p.m. daily.
- KYUM Yuma, Ariz. 560 kc., 2 p.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat. CLS — Flagstaff, Ariz. — 600 kc.,
- *KCLS 12:30 p.m. daily.
- KGGM Albuquerque 610 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- KLZ Denver 560 kc., 106.7 FM, 7:30 p.m. daily.
- *KMOR Salt Lake City 1230 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 6:35 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 6:30 a.m. Sat.
- KPTL Carson City 1300 kc., 2 p.m.
- Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KBET Reno 1340 kc., 7 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KIDO Boise, Idaho 630 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.
- KBOI Boise 670 kc., 6:30 p.m.
- daily. KTFI Twin Falls, Idaho 1270 kc.,
- 7:05 p.m. daily. KSEI Pocatello, Idaho 930 kc., 8 p.m. daily.
- KMON-Great Falls, Mont.-560 kc., 8 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

West Coast

- KHQ Spokane 590 kc., 8:05 p.m. daily.
- *KEPR Pasco, Wash. 610 kc., 7
- p.m. daily.
- KVI Seattle 570 kc., 8 a.m. Sun. KBLE—Seattle 1050 kc., 12 noon daily.
- KMO-Tacoma, Wash.-1360 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.
- KARI Bellingham 550 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- KWJJ -- Portland -- 1080 kc., 10 p.m. Sun., 9 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KLIQ — Portland — 1290 kc., 92.3
- FM, 12 noon Sun., 7:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KEX-Portland-1190 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.
- KGAY-Salem-1430 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat. KUGN-Eugene-590 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
- KUMA Pendleton, Ore. 1290 kc.,
- 6:30 p.m. daily. - Medford, Ore. - 1230 kc., KYJC -
- 6:30 p.m. daily. - Ashland, Ore. - 580 kc., 9 KWIN -
- p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KAGO - Klamath Falls, Ore. - 1150
- kc., 6:30 p.m. daily. *KSAY—San Francisco—1010 kc., 8:35
- a.m. Sun., 6:35 a.m. Mon.-Sat. KFRC - San Francisco - 610 kc., 106.1

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- FM, 7 a.m. Sun. KFAX San Francisco 1100 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 10:30 p.m. Sun.-Fri., 4:15 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- *KFIV Modesto 1360 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KSBW Salinas 1380 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
- *KMAK Fresno 1340 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 5:45 a.m., 11:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KNGS — Hanford, Calif. — 620 kc., 10
- a.m. Sun., 6 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KGEE Bakersfield 1230 kc., 5 p.m. daily. KDB - Santa Barbara - 1490 kc., 93.7

KRKD - Los Angeles - 1150 kc., 96.3

KTYM — Inglewood — 1460 kc., 12

KFOX - Long Beach - 1280 kc.,

KBIG - Los Angeles - 740 kc., 11:30

KACE — San Bernardino-Riverside — 1570 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 7:05 a.m.

KCKC - San Bernardino - 1350 kc.,

9 p.m. daily. *KMEN — San Bernardino — 1290 kc.,

KCHV -- Palm Springs -- 970 kc., 5 p.m. Sun., 7:05 a.m. Mon.-Sat. KOGO — San Diego — 600 kc., 8:30

XEMO - Tijuana - 860 kc., 6 p.m.

daily. KALI – Los Angeles – 1430 kc., 4:45

Alaska & Hawall

KFQD - Anchorage, Alaska - 750 kc.,

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p.m. Sun. (in Spanish).

7:30 p.m. daily.

100.3 FM, 9:30 p.m. Sun., 9 p.m.

FM 9:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Sun., 7 p.m.

RADIO LOG

"The WORLD TOMORROW"

- KNDI Honolulu, Hawaii 1270 kc., 6 a.m., 6 p.m. daily.
- KTRG Honolulu, Hawaii 990 kc., 12 noon Sun., 5:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- KPOI Honolulu, Hawaii 1380 kc., 5:30 a.m. Sun.

CANADA

- VOCM St. John's, Nfld. 590 kc., 6:30 p.m. Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Sat. CJCH – Halifax, N. S. – 920 kc., 10
- p.m. Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. CFBC-St. John, N.B. - 930 kc., 7
- p.m. daily.
- CKCW Moncton, N. B. 1220 kc., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- CFMB Montreal, Que. 1410 kc., 1:30 p.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat. CKOY Ottawa, Ont. 1310 kc., 5:30
- a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- CJET Smiths Falls, Ont. 630 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. CKFH — Toronto, Ont. — 1430 kc., 10
- a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- CHIN Toronto, Ont. 1540 ko noon Sun., 4:15 p.m. Mon.-Sat. -1540 kc., 12
- CKLB-Oshawa, Ont.-1350 kc., 10:30 p.m. Sun., 9:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat. CHLO — St. Thomas, Ont. — 680 kc.,
- 2:30 p.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- *CHYR Learnington, Ont.-5:30 a.m. daily at 730 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily at 710 kc.
- CKSO Sudbury, Ont. 790 kc., 5:30 p.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- CKCY Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. 920 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- CJNR Elliott Lake, Ont. 730 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- CJNR Blind River, Ont. 730 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- CJLX Fort William, Ont. -- 800 kc., 6:25 p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- CKY Winnipeg, Man. 580 kc., 7 a.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- CKDM Dauphin, Man. 730 kc.,
- 6:30 p.m. daily. CKRM - Regina, Sask. - 980 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.
- *CJGX-Yorkton, Sask.-940 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- *CFQC Saskatoon, Sask. 600 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.
- *CJNB -– North Battleford, Sask. – 1050 kc., 2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. daily.
- CKBI-Prince Albert, Sask. 900 kc., 2 p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 8 p.m. Sat.
- CKSA Lloydminster, Sask.-Alta. -1080 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
- CHED Edmonton, Alta. 630 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- CFCW Camrose, Alta. 790 kc., 2:30 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- CJDV Drumheller, Alta. 910 kc.,
- 10:30 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat. CKYL - Peace River, Alta. - 610 kc.,
- 5 p.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat. *CJVI - Victoria, B. C. - 900 kc.,
- 10:30 p.m. Sun.-Fri. CKLG Vancouver, B. C. 730 kc., 99.3 FM, 7:30 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat. AM, 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri. FM.

- In French -
- CFMB-Montreal-1410 kc., 5 p.m. Sat., Sun.
- CKJL St. Jerome, Que. 900 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun.
- CKBL Matane, Que. 1250 kc., 10:45 a.m. Sat., Sun.

EUROPE

In English -

- MANX RADIO 188 m. (1594 kc.) medium wave, 2:45, 7:45 p.m. Sun., 10:30 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.; 89 mc. VHF 7:45 p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- In French -
- RADIO LUXEMBOURG 1293 m., 5:30 a.m. Mon., 5:15 a.m. Tues., Fri., 5:10 a.m. Thurs.
- EUROPE No. ONE—Felsberg en Sarre, Germany 182 kc. (1647 m.), 1 a.m., 6 a.m. Sun., 5:45 a.m. Wed., Sat.
- In German-
- RADIO LUXEMBOURG-49 m. (6090 kc.) shortwave, 208 m. (1439 kc.) medium wave, 6:05 a.m. Sun., 5:00 am. Mon., Tues., Fri.

MIDDLE EAST

In English -

HASHEMITE Broadcasting Service, Amman, Jordan - 42 m. (7160 kc.) shortwave, 2 p.m., 31.48 m. (9530 kc.), 351 m. (855 kc.) medium wave, 8 p.m. daily.

ASIA

Formosa

RADIO TAIWAN "The 3rd Network, B.C.C." —

BED23 Taichung	1380 kc.;
BED55 Taipei	960 kc.;
BED78 Tainan City	1540 kc.;
BED79 Kaohsiung	1220 kc.;
BED82 Chiavi	1460 kc.;
- 18:00 T.S.T. Wed.,	Fri.

Guam

RADIO GUAM - KUAM - 610 kc., 6 p.m. Sun.

Okinawa

RADIO OKINAWA - KSBK - 880 kc., 12:06 p.m. Sun.

Banakok

HSAAA - Bangkok, Thailand - 600 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 10:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

India and Ceylon

MALDIVE ISLANDS-90 m. (3329 kc.), also 61 m. band. 10 p.m. Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

Philippine Islands

- DZAQ Manila 620 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.
- DZAL -– Legaspi City – 1230 kc., 8 p.m. daily.
- DZGH Sorsogon 1480 kc., 8 p.m. daily.
- DZWJ-Lucena City-1170 kc., 12 noon Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
- DZRB-Naga City-750 kc., 9 p.m. Sun.
- DZRI Dagupan City 1040 kc., 9 p.m. Sun.

DZYA - Angeles City - 1400 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.

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- DZYB Baguio City 670 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily
- DYBC Cebu City 660 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.
- DYCB Cebu City 570 kc., 9:30 p.m. Fri.
- DYHF-Iloilo City-910 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.
- DYKR Kalibo 1480 kc., 8 p.m. daily except Tues. 7 p.m.
- DXAW Davao City 640 kc., 9 p.m. Sun.
- DXMB Malaybalay 610 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

LATIN AMERICA

In English -

- ZBM 1 Hamilton, Bermuda 1235 kc., 8 p.m. Sun. ZBM 2 — Hamilton, Bermuda — 1340
- kc., 2:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- ZFB 1 RADIO BERMUDA 950
- kc., 1:30 p.m. daily. RADIO ANTILLES Montserrat, W. I. — 930 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily. RADIO BARBADOS — Pine Hill,
- Barbados 780 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun.,
- *9:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 11 a.m. Sat. RADIO SURINAM Paramaribo Paramaribo 620 kc., Between 7 and 8:30 p.m.
- or Noon and 1:00 p.m. daily. RADIO REDIFFUSION Bridgetown,
- Barbados 9:30 a.m. Sat. & Sun., 10:20 a.m. Mon.-Fri.
- RADIO GUARDIAN, Trinidad 6:15 p.m. Sun., 10 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
- HOC21 Panama City 1115 kc.; HP5A Panama City 1170 kc.;
- HOK Colon, Panama 640 kc.; HP5K Colon, Panama 6005 kc. —
- p.m. Sun.
- RADIO BELIZE (British Honduras) - 834 kc., 3:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

In French -

In Spanish -

Wed.

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Our Awesome UNIVERSE!

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lies beyond the frontier of the perceptible universe" (page 180).

Yes, man's mind is limited!

He is reaching the barrier of his observable universe.

The Basic Questions

How does this universe — as infinite as it appears to be — operate on mysteriously lawful principles?

WHERE did the matter in this "infinite" universe come from? WHO or WHAT was responsible for bringing this universe into existence? Or was it "always" here? WHERE is the universe headed?

These are the *basic questions*. Yet, science has NO ANSWER!

You've just read a few facts concerning the size of the universe. It's staggering, awesome — even what *little* we can grasp of its size. But size is just one factor.

Rotations of astral bodies and their interrelationships can be MATHEMATI-CALLY predicted. There are LAWS that guide and direct the functioning of this universe.

Could this all have *evolved?* Did it always exist? Did matter mysteriously come out of "nothing"?

These are basic questions you NEED to know the answers to. And believe it or not — you CAN FIND the answers.

We humans are normally inquisitive. The whole impetus of scientific research — especially in the fields of geology, astronomy, biology and many, many of their more special studies — is that of a thirst for KNOWLEDGE.

Basically, it is a desire to understand the ORIGIN of things.

We want to know WHY, from our earliest moments. We want to know HOW a certain household machine works. We want to know WHO MADE certain things. Little children begin asking WHERE THEY CAME FROM, much to the flustered embarrassment of many youthful parents.

Perhaps answering these more simple questions is not so difficult.

And yet — even *that* childish wonderment — taken back to the earliest beginnings of the human race, deals with the origin of mankind.

But here we find a great paradox!

Man, in all his sciences, must finally admit he DOES NOT KNOW, by himself, where all this vast universe, with the solar system and life on this earth, came from.

So he invents lame excuses.

Why? Because he is driven by a MOTIVE.

What MOTIVATES Man's "Knowledge"

He doesn't even RECOGNIZE what these motives *are*.

But let's hear from a famous evolutionist. Here is a shocking admission about motives. About REASONS for denial of supernatural origins. Reasons for rejecting a SPECIAL CREATION of everything, and for seeking to explain creation WITHOUT a Divine Creator!

"I have motives for not wanting the world to have a meaning; consequently assumed that it had none and was able without any difficulty to find satisfying reasons for this assumption . . .

"For myself as, no doubt, for most of my contemporaries, the philosophy of meaninglessness was essentially an instrument of liberation from . . . a certain system of morality. We objected to the morality because it interfered with our sexual freedom; we objected to the political and economic system because it was unjust . . .

"There was one admirably simple method of confuting these people [supporters of the world political, economic and religious systems] and at the same time *justifying ourselves in our political and erotic revolt:* we could deny that the world had any meaning whatsoever.

"Similar tactics had been adopted during the eighteenth century and for the same reasons.... The chief reason for being 'philosophical' was that one might be free from prejudices — above all prejudices of a sexual nature." [Emphasis ours.] (Aldous Huxley, Ends and Means, 1937, pp. 312, 315, 316.)

There you have it!

That is a remarkable fulfillment of BIBLE PROPHECY.

The Bible plainly states WHY atheistic thinkers wish to keep consciousness of God *out* of their minds! There is an underlying MOTIVE the Bible reveals.

Listen. "And even as they did not LIKE to retain God IN THEIR KNOWL-EDGE [that is, in their science, in their *education*], God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents..." (Rom. 1:28-30).

What a blistering indictment!

God says it is obvious He exists by looking at HIS HANDIWORK.

He said, "... that which may be known of God is manifest [EVIDENT] to them; for God hath SHOWN it unto them. For the invisible things of Him FROM THE CREATION OF THE WORLD are clearly seen [by looking at the CREATION, the material UNIVERSE; the marvelous, interdependent life forms on this earth!], being understood by the things which are MADE..." (Rom. 1:19-20).

But the human, carnal mind does not LIKE to acknowledge God. Why? Because man, in his huge VANITY, will not recognize any supreme AUTHORITY over his life!

He RESENTS God as His RULER! He doesn't want any God telling him what to do—how to live—laying down codes of conduct, and enforcing penalties for broken laws!

The true MOTIVES in atheism, and a *desire* to be "willingly ignorant" (II Pet. 3:5) are the motives of intellectual vanity and human LUST!

Too many people have a totally false concept about evolutionists!

Many seem to assume these men to be completely OBJECTIVE in their approach. It's assumed evolutionists FIRST TRIED THE BIBLE; that they studied it, pondered it, read it, wondered about it sincerely LOOKED INTO it — and then found it LACKING!

Not so!

They REJECT it without allowing

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their minds to wonder whether it could be so.

And the same holds true for the ancient pagan philosophers who helped perpetuate the lie of "no God." The only difference is *their* motives were clear to all!

All By Chance?

Notice what Plato asserts:

"They [the philosopher-educators of the ancient world] say that fire and water, and earth and air, all exist by nature and CHANCE... and that as to the bodies which come next in order — earth, the sun, and moon, and stars — they have been created by means of these absolutely INANIMATE existences ... after this fashion and in this manner the *whole heaven has been created* ... not by the action of mind, as they say, or OF ANY GOD, or from art, but as I was saying, by nature AND CHANCE ONLY" (Plato, Dialogues, Laws X, section 889).

Is this any different from the ideas today? Absolutely not! — except for modern, scientific garb.

Today, most scientists REFUSE to accept the possibility that there is a Creator God — even though they *admit* they cannot explain the origin of matter or the existence of laws.

Notice what one scientist dogmatizes:

"It is the business of science to offer rational explanations for all the events in the real world, and any scientist who calls on God to explain something is *falling down* on his job.

"This is the ONE PIECE OF DOG-MATISM that a scientist can allow himself" (The Mystery of the Expanding Universe, William Bonnor, page 119).

Did you catch that?

Scientists dogmatically assume that the existence of the universe has a rational — and that means a PHYSICAL — explanation.

But can the existence of the universe be PHYSICALLY explained? Is it possible to account for the universe's *beginning* on the basis of laws now in existence?

Remember, most scientists ASSUME that the universe has always been as it now is — guided by the same laws (where did *they* come from?) as it is today.

Scientists Admit Ignorance

But do astronomers offer any *real* answer for the ORIGIN of the universe? After all, it DOES exist! And we want to know why.

If it is superstitious to accept the *existence of a God* for the creation of the universe, then we need *another* reasonable and thoroughly provable explanation of the ORIGIN of the universe. But here science remains silent!

True, it vociferously rejects the idea of a Creator God. But in the same breath it admits, "We have no idea of How the universe originated."

Let's examine a few ideas of the scientists themselves, as they admit, *en masse*, "We just don't know."

ROBERT JASTROW, director, Goddard Institute For Space Studies, admits:

"Science offers NO SATISFACTORY ANSWER to one of the most profound questions to occupy the mind of man — the question of beginning and end" (*Red Giants and White Dwarfs*, page 53).

GEORGE GAYLORD SIMPSON, eminent paleontologist, states very frankly:

"The theory just outlined [evolution] obviously does not yet answer all questions or plumb all mysteries ... IT CASTS NO LIGHT on the *ultimate mystery* — the origin of the universe and the source of the LAWS or physical properties of matter, energy, space, and time.

"Nevertheless, once these properties are given ..." (*This View of Life*, page 21).

"Properties?" What properties? How can serious-minded scientists casually wave aside the WHOLE QUESTION of the origin of the universe by calling the VASTNESS of it all, the MYRIAD laws, the INTRICATE design, the BREATHTAKING powers and forces working within it all, "properties"?

But they try.

Then, having waved aside the WHOLE QUESTION THEY'RE TRYING TO ANSWER, they go on to explain, how "once these properties are given" they can use various guesses as to the origins of the *solar* system, the earth, and ultimate life upon it.

But we have proved in past articles

— and will in future — that even once these properties ARE given, evolution has as much, if not *much more* of a problem, explaining the creation.

But, then, WHERE did matter, energy, laws — the universe — come from? Science says it doesn't know. But it allows itself to *dogmatize* that it couldn't be created.

More Admissions

But let's continue with some further admissions:

LINCOLN BARNETT, writer of science books for the layman, tells us:

"Cosmologists [those who try to answer why the universe is as it is and where it came from] for the most part MAINTAIN SILENCE on the question of ultimate origins, leaving that issue to the philosophers and theology" (*The Universe and Dr. Einstein*, page 108).

But cosmologists and astronomers tell us that it is *superstitious* to accept a Creator God. Yet, they maintain silence. Why?

Because they don't know. And what they know points to the irrevocable truth — as some privately admit — that there HAD to be a Creator God, having supreme mind, that brought the universe into existence.

JAMES A. COLEMAN, professor of science and popular science writer startles us with these words:

"Modern cosmology and cosmogony, like other branches of science, are concerned with investigating the laws of the universe. They DO NOT AT-TEMPT TO ANSWER questions relating to an Original Cause — that is, WHERE the laws of the universe came from or how they came into being" (Modern Theories of The Universe, page 197).

As a teacher, Dr. Coleman must face students, who ask, "WHERE did matter come from?" After all, it's a logical question.

Dr. Coleman admits, "When giving a lecture on the ORIGIN of the universe, a scientist usually finds it difficult to handle questioners who *persistently demand* to know WHERE the material originally came from which now makes up the universe" (Modern Theories of the Universe, page 198).

Yes, scientists probably find it difficult





to "handle" questioners who would be so persistent! But you can believe many of them are "handled." Many a college student, asking embarrassing and persistent questions of biologists, paleontologists, astronomers, ecologists and the like, are quite handily handled.

Subjected to ridicule, referred to the "Scopes' trial," or simply told to shut up about it, these eager questioners soon learn how to avoid the bad grades and embarrassing classroom scenes. They're "handled" all right — as shocking as it may sound to the uninitiated.

By the thousands, young collegians are told to *forget* all belief in God; to CAST ASIDE all traditional values and "absolutes." They are subjected to a great deal of intellectual pressure to simply BE QUIET about religion and God in scientific classrooms.

Asking "Why" is Meaningless?

FRED HOYLE, famed astronomer, says that even asking such questions as: "Where did matter come from?" is meaningless.

"There is an impulse to ask WHERE originated material comes from. But such a question is entirely meaningless within the terms of reference of science.

"Why is there gravitation? Why do electric fields exist? WHY IS THE UNI-VERSE?

"These queries are on a par with asking where newly originated matter comes from, and they are just as *meaningless and unprofitable*."

But, why? Is it really logical to reject an answer when no other is forth-coming?

He continues:

"If we ask why the laws of physics, ... we enter into the *territory of metaphysics* — the scientist at all events will not attempt an answer... WE MUST NOT GO ON TO ASK WHY." (Frontiers of Astronomy, page 342.)

But is it really meaningless to ask

California Institute of Technology and Carnegie Institute of Washington Photo Horsehead Nebula in Orion taken with 48-inch Schmidt telescope. Name of Nebula is due to interstellar gas which blocks view of starry heavens beyond — creating a black "hole" that appears in shape of horse's head. why? Or does the author want you to *think* it is, so you won't?

Science Cannot Answer "Why?"

Scientists don't know why there are laws, why there is matter, why there is a universe, why there is life. And they admit it!

SIR BERNARD LOVELL, famed astronomer and Director of the Nuffield Radio Astronomy Laboratories, Jodrell Bank, reviews the problem of the *origin* of the universe.

"Any answer lies OUTSIDE the scope of scientific observation and theory and ... the answer to the cosmological problem may well contain OTHER FACTORS than observational astronomy and theoretical cosmology" (Our Present Knowledge of the Universe, page 73).

What are the "other factors?" None other than the Creator God!

HARLOW SHAPLEY, one of America's foremost astronomers, made an amazing admission. Although science knows something about wHAT the Universe is composed of, and a certain amount about HOW it works, Shapley confessed, "But when it comes to 'why' we're stuck. All we can say is 'God only knows.' And the information is classified.

"Science has found the basic hydrogen atom, but who made the hydrogen atom? Science comes up against some things which are *unanswerable* as yet."

When There Is No Proof — ASSUME!

What do scientists do when they cannot prove a theory?

The very first thing to do, seemingly, is ASSUME!

A college textbook on geology declares, without the slightest hint of blushing, "Since the problem of the ultimate origin of the universe may be beyond the reach of human science, it is better for us to commence our discussion with the ASSUMPTION that certain arrangements of matter and space are ALREADY in existence" (Stokes, Essentials of Earth History, p. 127).

Notice!

Where do scientists BEGIN? Where

do they *start?* With ASSUMPTIONS! With matter *already* in existence.

Since accounting for the origin of the universe is too painful a scientific headache for most astronomers, they conveniently start with just a smattering of theory about the ORIGIN of matter, and then proceed to an already full-blown, fantastic universe complete with stars, planets, galaxies, and everything else!

Outside Science?

Evolution colors all scientific thinking, including the realm of astronomy. But it has NOT led to any satisfying answers!

Scientists themselves admit, when pressed, "We are today *under the spell* of the evolutionary thinking begun 150 years ago by Kant and Laplace in astronomy, by Thomas Vuckle and Herder in history, by Buffon, Lamarck and Darwin in biology." They confess, "We the children of these generations *automatically* think in terms of evolution, *assume* that everything had a beginning, and that this beginning was 'chaos.'"

And then, striking at the root of the problem, they are beginning to wonder, "The question now arises as to whether astronomical problems *can be solved* by evolutionary trains of thought" (Kahn, *Design of the Universe*, p. 202).

Dr. Jesse L. Greenstein, astrophysicist at the California Institute of Technology, said in regard to the origin of the universe, "It is a terrible MYSTERY how matter comes out of nothing." He asked, "Could it have been something outside science?" Dr. Greenstein confessed, "We try to stay out of philosophy and theology, but sometimes we are forced to think in bigger terms, to go back to something outside science." (Los Angeles Times, July 30, 1961.)

You have now read with your own eyes — the problems astronomers face. God is rejected as Creator.

But cosmologists have *no substitute* for Him.

They admit that the origin of the universe *cannot be explained*.

Origin of Universe a Mystery

Science has no answer for the origin of our universe.

Yet, much of science dogmatically INSISTS on rejecting the *only possible* answer — that of special creation by the great Architect of all that exists!

God has not left science without a witness!

Scientists SHOULD be the *most* awestruck of ALL MEN about God! Scientists, with their various apparatuses for observation, measurement, and experimentation — SHOULD be men of DEEP SPIRITUAL CONVICTION, absolutely *thunderstruck* by the magnificence of the things they study!

Some are. By no means is *all* science completely atheistic. *Many* leading scientists have come to see the hand of a Divine Creator in our material creation — but they are vastly outnumbered by those who deny that powerful hand.

So — admitting they have NO ANswer — they fall back on an ancient superstition.

And superstition it is.

Strange as it may seem, atheistic science stands guilty of the very thing for which it accuses "Creationists." It stands guilty of incredible DOGMATISM — repeated insistence on doctrines NOT PROVED — NOT TESTED — NOT OB-SERVED; and it stands guilty of clinging to some of-the *most ancient* superstitions ever to be hatched in the demented minds of savages of dim ages past — that this material creation "evolved" by accident, and that man came from animals!

This orderly universe operates on LAWS. It is UPHELD by *laws*. It exists for a great PURPOSE — a purpose so far beyond the wildest imaginings of most professing Christians it would take their breath!

The very One who DID all the creating came to this earth with a message *about* that great PURPOSE. But men rejected His message — while professing to accept His *person*.

But *this* Work of God ACCEPTS the whole message of Christ! We do NOT deny the accurate, measured, carefully PROVED scientific data of this modern age — we welcome it enthusiastically! But we DO most seriously reject MYTH, and SUPERSTITION.

And evolution is precisely that.

JAPAN'S FEET OF CLAY

The industrial supergiant of Asia is swamped with national problems. The price of success has been costly. Read, in this second eyewitness account, the skyrocketing internal troubles afflicting the Japanese people.

by Richard F. Plache

THERE'S an ancient Oriental proverb which says: "Every idol has feet of clay."

Its subtle meaning is that all idolaters will ultimately become disillusioned with their "god."

This is true of the New Japan!

The Japanese people have worked hard and sacrificed to rebuild their national prestige and economic potential. In less than one generation, Japan has erected an *industrial colossus* which now demands the respect and admiration of the world.

The Japanese people are *proud* of what they have created. But this pride

has become a form of national *idolatry*. They are, like modern-day Israel (Isaiah 2:8), worshipping the work of their own hands.

Tragically, this great *industrial idol* has feet of clay. Japan's rising sun is clouded with troubles. Serious internal problems spell impending national catastrophe. The glowing statistics of economic growth don't begin to present the *total* picture of Japan. A very *costly price* has been paid for phenomenal economic rebirth.

Smog Capital of the World

Tokyo is the world's largest city. In the narrow, cramped strip of land forming the western border of Tokyo Bay, nearly twenty million people are crammed. Eleven million of these live in Tokyo itself, giving it the dubious distinction of being the world's most populous city.

Every day, millions of chimneys, auto tail pipes and hibachi pots — a combination stove-heater used in most Japanese homes — spew forth their enormous daily quota of atmospheric garbage.

All this combines to produce what may well be the *world's worst smog* problem!

During our four-day visit to Tokyo

Tokyo's specially trained riot police prepare to stop rampaging zengakuren students' attempt to sabotage Premier Eisaku Sato's Asian tour. Violent student demonstrations are one of Japan's many and growing social problems.



Pollution and Population Problem

last October, we were not subjected to the normally heavy smog which usually hangs like a pall over the city. Shortly after we arrived, refreshing rain flushed out the sewer in the sky, and we were able to enjoy a few relatively clear days. However, the day before we left, we had a sweeping panoramic view of the city from the top of the Tokyo Tower, the tallest iron structure in the world, reaching skyward, 1,092 feet. The smog had already begun to creep back in. For this reason, Tokyo is the hardest city in the world in which to get sharp, clear pictures. Ideal photographic conditions are few and far between.

Tokyo smog is responsible for producing a unique disease — Yokohama Asthma. A recent survey found that five percent of American soldiers stationed in the area had the disease. However, when they were transferred out of the area, this asthmatic condition quickly left.

Osaka, Nagoya, and Kyoto — all bustling metropolises of over two million population — also share the same curse of asthmatic attacks, burning throats and eyes, and wheezing lungs as a daily way of life.

It's a common sight in Tokyo to see tired shoppers flock to an enterprising department store or coffee shop to purchase two minutes of pure oxygen (cost — about 28 cents) before braving the smog soup again. Nearly everyone has a favorite source of oxygen. Housewives drop in at their local chemists for a free lungful after visiting the city center.

Traffic policemen are required to have an "oxygen treatment" after each two hours of being immersed in the noxious fumes of the congested Tokyo traffic. School children in certain areas are *required* to wear surgical masks much of the day.

Gardeners at Hirohito's palace bathe each of the 2,300 trees once a month to remove the accumulated smog. Despite this, twenty to thirty of the trees die each year from smog poisoning.

Astronomers at Mitaka Observatory were forced to move out into the country, because the smog blanket had obliterated most of the stars from view







and made effective observation impossible.

Not Enough Room

Japan's biggest internal problem is lack of space. The entire land mass of Japan's four main islands and three thousand smaller islands is less than the state of California. But the real problem lies in the fact that eighty-four percent of this land area is mountainous and therefore not arable.

Most of Japan's one hundred and one million population is jammed into a mere sixteen percent of the entire land area. This means that each square mile of arable land must hold four thousand people! This is the largest population density of any major nation.

With such a critical shortage of arable land, the Japanese have been forced to press into use every available bit of land. Any visitor to Japan is immediately impressed by the genius of the Japanese people to utilize seemingly every square foot of available ground space. Small gardens are seen everywhere. Vacant lots are nonexistent.

Strangled Cities

With the shortage of land, Japanese farmers have been forced to sell out and flock to the cities at record-breaking rates. Farms have lost fully one third of their population since 1947. In twenty short years, the rural population has dropped from forty-one percent to twenty-seven percent. This has only served to intensify the urban problems.

The average Tokyoite occupies a scant seventy-one square feet of living space. This would be the size of a room seven feet by ten feet. In the less fortunate slum areas, it is not uncommon for three or four children to be crowded into a three-tatami mat area or fifty-three square feet. In this unbelievably crowded condition, children have even *suffocated to death in their sleep*!

NISHIMURA Photo, Hill — Ambassador College Top photo shows Kawasake, in center of Tokyo-Yokohama industrial area, during smog alert. Bottom — Crowded conditions in modern, industrial Hiroshima. Not an inch is wasted. The demand for housing in Tokyo is so overwhelming that an advertisement in *Mainichi*, Tokyo daily newspaper, may bring a thousand applications. Last year, the new public housing project consisting of fifty-four two-room dwellings was advertised and brought a deluge of *four hundred thousand applications*!

Land prices are astronomical. An acre on the Ginza — Tokyo's main downtown street — now runs about eighteen million dollars or about three thousand dollars for one square yard. A medium-class residential acre would sell for about thirty-eight thousand dollars — at least *five times* the equivalent sale price in the United States.

The Advent of Skyscrapers

Tokyo has finally begun to develop an impressive skyline. Up until recent years, a safety law prohibited buildings from being any higher than one hundred and two feet, due to a continual earthquake threat. The Japanese have had every right to be justifiably cautious in this respect because of their history of killer quakes. In 1703, the third-deadliest earthquake in all recorded history demolished Tokyo and killed an estimated two hundred thousand people! In 1828 and again in 1896, killer guakes ravished the main island of Honshu, killing thirty thousand on each occasion. Once again in 1923, Tokyo was shaken by an earthquake of unparalleled destructive impact. All of Yokohama was destroyed and more than half of Tokyo. One hundred forty-three thousand lives were lost, making this the most deadly quake in the world during the last forty-five years!

Following closely on the heels of the war damage, another quake struck Japan in 1946, wrecking sixty thousand square miles. The toll of lives was one thousand, but it would have been infinitely greater if the quake had not been centered in the relatively unpopulated southern islands. Two years later, a similar quake killed three thousand two hundred.

Geologists record an average of twenty tremors per day in Japan, and they predict that another big one is "way overdue." All this makes Japan



possibly the most precarious spot on earth for killer quakes.

With the development of supposedly new "earthquake-proof" building techniques, the law restricting the height of buildings was abrogated in 1963. It is possible that Tokyo may be the *first* place where these "earthquake-proof" buildings receive their first *down-toearth test*.

The Underworld

The other approach in solving Tokyo's critical lack of space is the downward approach. Tokyo now has the most fantastic network of underground shopping and business centers of any city on earth. Presently, six percent of Tokyo's 784 square miles forty-seven square miles — is undergirded with restaurants, department stores, night clubs, and even a subterranean hotel!

Each of Tokyo's five railway subcenters has a sprawling, underground shopping center. These shopping centers are a sprawling maze of corridors and lobbies where literally hundreds of shops and other business establishments are located. They are three and four stories in depth below the ground!

One evening we drove out to inspect one of these subterranean shopping centers. The first thing that caught our eye was the huge, conical ventilation flue. Giant fans keep the air in these subterranean caverns fresh and smogfree. We drove down the wide, sweeping ramp to the most gigantic underground parking lot I have ever seen. As we walked through the maze of corridors, it was obvious that these shopping centers had tremendous advantages. No smog! No traffic! No climatic problems such as rain or oppressive heat! The only problem with them is that unless you are careful, in less than five minutes you will be hopelessly lost. Believe me, this is the voice of experience speaking. Though we soon became lost, we thoroughly enjoyed every moment of our misguided wanderings. Finally, our efforts paid off, and we found the car. Our trip to the world's biggest "bargain basement" was unforgettable.

Tangled Traffic

Japan's road systems are sorely inadequate for the mounting pressure of traffic. Exorbitant land prices have made it difficult for the government to acquire road lands. Planning officials point out that Japan has only three square meters of road per capita in the cities as compared with twenty to thirty square meters for the European countries. The problem is already critical with the present pressure of ten million cars, busses and trucks in Japan today. However, the automobile manufacturers proudly point out that in ten year's time this number will *triple*!

Tokyo's new parkways have eased traffic a bit in the city, but one has only to travel out from the core to meet an endless glut of cars inching their way into the suburbs on two-lane roads. More than one *million* cars commute in and out of central Tokyo *each day...* at an overall "freeway" average of *twelve* miles per hour. Commuting has become so prohibitive that housing authorities are sometimes hard-pressed to find *any* applicants for their *suburban* projects. Low income families prefer the crowded city tenements to the crowded "expressways."

Tokyo's traffic scene leaves much to be desired. The basic system with the central wing road and radials flying off in most directions has been in operation since the end of September, 1967. The complete system for Tokyo will cover the whole capital region and tie in with the expressways now under construction in and between all the industrial areas of Japan. But it is still *many years away*.

By U. S. standards the expressways are narrow, twisting and very slow. In order to save billions of dollars, the Expressway Corporation has followed the policy of fitting the expressway system to the city and all the built-up areas rather than drawing a straight line between two points and driving a highway through. This has saved the cost of buying property from the owners above the normal market price. It has produced, however, an expressway system with many "wide-angle" curves and a very slow highway speed. For example, one four-mile stretch, which cost thirty-one million dollars, has a traveling time of twelve minutes. This is an average of only twenty miles per hour!

Already, certain sections of the system are subjected to traffic beyond the loads designed for them. Each day, one hundred and fifteen thousand cars pass the hectic Iwaitabashi intersection. Traffic experts consider thirty-five thousand cars as the maximum safe daily load.

Every year the problem increases. The number of cars in Tokyo reached two and one half million last year --up by twenty percent, but the amount of road space in the city center did not change. There is no space in Tokyo for the vast, fine clover-leaf functions so common in the United States. The automobile load is so heavy that the government has been forced to forbid any new ownership of automobiles unless it can be proved that the new owner has off-street parking space. Despite this fact, each month ten thousand cars are bought and used in Tokyo, intensifying the most tangled traffic mess in the world!

Tragic Slaughter on the Roads

One result of the road congestion is a rising number of traffic accidents. Statistics show that Japan has one of the highest traffic accident rates in the world. In spite of headline-making typhoons, mine disasters and floods, the major cause of accidental death in Japan is the automobile! The fatality total hit fifteen thousand last year!

Pedestrians wage a continual battle for survival, while school children wear regulation yellow hats, coats, and umbrellas for protection. Despite all this, Tokyo traffic is responsible for three deaths, and two hundred injuries *every day* — most of them pedestrians.

In order to avoid the risk of gambling with their lives in a highway version of "Russian roulette," many commuters have resorted to Tokyo's Rapid Transit System of busses and trains. However, these facilities are being overtaxed at up to three times their capacity in some cases. Every working day, three million Tokyoites are subjected to this rapid transit

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nightmare. Subway trains employ professional "pushers," whose job it is to stuff passengers like sardines into Tokyo's railroad and subway cars. Often, this is at the expense of bruised and battered limbs, ripped jacket sleeves, and shattered windows.

Community Projects Neglected

Japan has built its industrial and economic power by woefully neglecting its social needs. Tokyo is only thirty percent sewerized. Garbage accumulates in the cities, untended by disposal trucks. With few exceptions, waterways are becoming increasingly polluted.

Public parks and playgrounds are at a premium. Urban park space is reckoned to be about three square meters per capita in Japan as against twelve to fifteen square meters for the European countries.

This does not seem, however, to bother the Japanese people. It is not in their tradition to press for such conveniences.

One planning official stated that he thought the biggest obstacle to more earnest tackling of Japan's myriad social problems is public indifference. A questionnaire sent out to one million persons last year asking what they wanted the government to do for them produced these replies: the majority, twenty-seven percent, answered "Stop price rises." Another twelve percent wanted a reduction of taxes, and ten percent, lower land prices. Only nine percent wanted more roads and better transportation; seven percent, elimination of air pollution; four percent, a better educational system; and four percent, more parks and cultural amenities.

There has been a gradual shift in the government's approach to public spending. The share of the gross national product for the public sector has increased from six percent in 1951 to about ten percent today. This is, however, little more than half the percen-

NIHON HASSHOUU Photo, Plache — Ambassador College Top photo — The 36-tiered Mitsui Kasumigaseki Building. Below — Multi-level, lower-class residences, shared by many families.



tage spent by the United States government to improve public facilities.

The average family income in Japan is only \$187 per month with the per capita annual income standing at a mere \$800. Despite this low income, most people are forced to pay astronomical rent in order to live in the city. Yet, at the same time, ninety-two percent own television sets, seventytwo percent own washing machines, sixty-one percent own refrigerators, and fifty percent own electric stoves. They also manage to save an average of eight percent of their income per family. This is nothing short of incredible. The answer lies in their willingness to sacrifice for what they want, and to do without what, to them, is not essential. For example, very few own their own bathtubs, and ninetyfour percent of all Japanese sleep on the floor.

The Japanese people are also willing to *sacrifice* themselves for their national IDOL of industrial power. They are a diligent and dedicated people. It is not uncommon to see Japanese construction crews working at night. The Japanese people are energetic. They run, not walk, on the job. The national average for sleep is about six hours a night. They live to work — there is less than one percent unemployment in the nation. The Japanese don't mind doing without community conveniences to fulfill a national goal.

Dissolution of the Home

The traditional Japanese home has been marked by its strength, solidarity, and respect of the children for their parents. The last decade, however, has seen a nearly total abandonment of the traditional Japanese family system. More and more Japanese children do not respect or obey their parents. The adult Japanese are now referring to this time as the "age of defiance." The leadership of the father as the head of the family has greatly deteriorated. And the mother is often away from the home working in order to earn extra yen for a new television, washing machine or stereo.

There are nineteen million working women in Japan. This represents more than *half* of the women over eighteen!

Japanese women do not like to quit their jobs when their children begin to come along. The reason is that Japanese employers are very reluctant to hire older women, or mothers who want to return to their old jobs after having their babies. They prefer young high school graduates. Therefore, it is common for mothers to go to work and leave their children alone or take them to an overcrowded and understaffed nursery.

Insoluble Problems

The New Japan is suffering under an increasing load of gigantic problems — air pollution, overpopulation, carnage on the highways, and the dissolution of the family.

Despite the creative genius, boundless energy, dedication and determination of the Japanese people, these staggering problems are beyond their power

Nikon camera shop *underneath* one of Tokyo's overhead railway lines. Japanese use many square miles *three* times — overhead, street level, underground.

THAT MILLION CARDING CAMERA

to solve. Japan's problems are INSOLU-BLE. But these problems are not unique to Japan. They are the same problems which are plaguing every modern in-

The ultimate solution to Japan's problems — and the entire world's problems — is *beyond* the ability of man to solve for himself. Any truly informed, rational person is *forced* to this inevitable conclusion.

dustrial nation.

Everything that Japan has worked and sacrificed to build — everything that mankind as a whole has created in this breathtaking century of modern technology and industry — stands in jeopardy of being swept away and destroyed in the all-consuming vortex of man's own self-created problems.

Within our modern society are the seeds for its own destruction. Man has indeed created a kind of awesome Frankenstein monster destined to ultimately destroy its creator.

Man's Greatest Need

One news analyst wisely observed that man's only hope is "a strong hand from *somewhere*." But from where? This man admitted *he* didn't know.

There is a source that reveals from where this strong hand will come and whose hand it is. That source is your Bible! Notice the startling answer: "And I saw *heaven* opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war... And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should *smite the nations:* and he shall *rule* them with a rod of iron" (Rev. 19:11, 15).

Also notice: "And the seventh angel sounded and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our *Lord*, and of his *Christ*; and he shall reign forever and ever" (Rev. 11:15).

There is hope! God isn't going to let man destroy himself. He is going to send His Son, the living Jesus Christ, back to this earth as King of kings and Lord of lords to save man from himself and to set up a Kingdom which shall never be destroyed.

This will be GOOD NEWS for Japan — and for all mankind.

(To be continued)

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YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN...

DO YOU KNOW how to cope with this unordered and unasked-for expanse of time called adolescence and teen-age? Do you know how to fill these years with unbelievable happiness and joy? How to saturate them with rich, full, abundant living? Do you know how to lay a solid foundation for a successful, rewarding, fabulous future? There is a way. And it's as sure as tomorrow's rising sun!

Y^{OUNG} men and women, what are your hopes, your dreams?

What do you want out of today? out of tomorrow? next week and next year? Anything?

Sure you do!

You want what everyone else wants: money, fun, a car, maybe a job — all this adds up in your mind to one thing — HAPPINESS!

You want life and you want it now! You want to live, love, play and most of all "belong." You want action, challenge and success!

That Pot of Gold at the End of the Rainbow

Some few of you may already have specific goals in mind, but you don't know how to get there. For most, the goal is not really clear. But it's there nevertheless — the "in crowd," being accepted by other youths, a career, life, fun, action, love, romance and a good secure future.

You want to really live! And you want to live with a happy, tranquil mind.

So do I!

And I did so when I was sixteen. Am I now "over the hill" so to speak? Am I out of touch with life at sixteen, eighteen, or twenty-one?

No! I'm still young — I remember and I understand what it's like to be young. I hoped and dreamed, laughed and cried my way through those years just as you are doing today. Did I observe these years from the sidelines an untouchable, biased, opinionated,

This straight-from-the-shoulder article was written in response to a forum held on the Ambassador College campus in Big Sandy, Texas. Students were challenged in the forum to face up to the realization that they had a message for teen-agers. But — what were they doing with that message? Where was their interest in the happiness of others?

Here is their response to that challenge, written in the first person singular, by two of our students, Rod Beemer and Richard Gipe, and based on their individual experiences.

nicey-nice, holier-than-thou spectator?

I partook freely and deeply — I lived every moment of those years — whether to my hurt or help is another matter but I lived! I've been there, I know the problem and I know the answer!

In an age when no one really knows, where there are no absolutes and all is relative — do I dare know? Do I dare have the answer?

I do, and I can prove it!

Wait!

Before you decide I'm a real square, or offbeat, read on.

Becoming a Teen-ager

I remember reaching that magical age of 13 — teen-ager at last. From then on it was inevitable that I would live as the average adolescent and the typical teen-ager. Was my life average? I think so. Was it filled with the hopes and dreams, problems and disappointments, the heights of ecstasy and the depths of despair that all young people experience? Yes.

You see, I have run the route you are running. I have torn down and put back together cars and cycles. How many of you fellows know what an M.G. TD is?

Those of you in Britain should. The TD is a model of Britain's M.G. sports car. Some say it's the classic of the sport car field. I haven't forgotten how much fun it was to rebuild one from bumper to bumper, to completely rebuild the engine, rechrome the chrome, give it new suspension, a new top, and reupholster the

interior and rework the body. I haven't forgotten how its candy-apple-red finish dazzled in the street lights. I will always recall how it attracted most men — and women. My buddies used to call it the "woman wagon."

I'm familiar with the exciting feeling of slipping into a bucket seat, snapping the safety belt, flipping the key to a hopped-up V-8, slamming a 4-speed in low and dumping the clutch.

I know how it feels to hear a cycle engine explode into life. And to jet along at breathtaking speeds with the throaty rumble of a cycle between my legs. I remember very well what it's like to scrabble 4200 miles on the back of a Harley CH — man, that's really living, that's exciting, challenging.

To have that wind blasting you in the face, sucking tears out of the corner of your eyes.

What am I — some kind of a greasy, black-jacketed, leather-booted, longhaired hood? No, just an average farm fellow that enjoys motors and machinery.

Speaking of the farm — is a golden Palomino really at the end of every rainbow? Some think so. I'll never forget the excitement of saddling a spirited pie-eyed, snorting, pawing "pony" — as we called them. I used to literally tremble with anticipation of testing my riding skill against a thousand pounds of brute strength. After the bone-rattling, head-snapping few minutes it took to "top out" my pony, I could savor the early morning crispness and beauty as I checked a herd of fat, sleek Angus. Did this seem like living when I was 17, 18, and 19? You bet. That was part of my dream.

I understand dreams - those that come true and those that don't!

Life in youth can, and should, be full, exciting, thrilling, moving, challenging and rewarding - some of my memories are.

But I can remember the bitter parts of my life as well as the sweet. Why? Because there is more of it to remember.

Life Can Be Pretty Nasty

It seemed that disappointment, doubt and disillusionment were always just around the corner. Trouble, trials and torment seemed to dog every step. Headaches, heartbreak, and hangovers always overshadowed those "good times" I had.

It's rather common to young people, isn't it? Again I say I know, I understand. And I also know the answer, the way to avoid or correct that familiar mountain of frustration.

Would you like to know the answer? You can, and it won't cost you a single thing!

Do you remember how disappointments and disillusionments began to steal the show at an early age? I too have learned there is no Santa Claus. And rabbits don't really lay eggs, do they?

I wanted happiness, prosperity, security and also a great, huge, gigantic "blast" at age "teen-ager."

To my mind, money was a big part of the answer. Money talks. I liked money. Money was security. Money was an education. Money was fun. Money was a car, girl, boat and drink. As the saying goes, "no mon, no fun." I remember making, investing and losing a cool 10 grand all in one year and all before I was old enough to vote. That was no fun! I remember I was somewhat disillusioned not to mention disappointed. I was left with absolutely "zero." Complete failure is no fun.

I don't find it hard at all to remember

what it's like to wake up in a strange apartment among strange people with a not-so-strange hangover. Ever try the proverbial seven-day drunk?

Don't. You're right - same old hangover, same old kickback.

Do psychedelic joints turn you on? They're another huge disappointment.

Do I remember what it's like to get a "Dear John" letter?

Yes! One more piece of security jerked out from under foot. Again and again and again and again . . .

Life can be pretty nasty. It seems to have a way of handing young people the short end of the stick every time.

I remember asking myself, Why? I asked myself if life was really as bad as it seemed. Surely things would start going my way "tomorrow."

They didn't.

I considered my personal life, the lives of those I mentioned above, and then took a look at the world situation. I took several days and contemplated the world and what it had to offer me. At this juncture in life my favorite saying became, "This life's just no stinking good."

Similar to your philosophy?

What's the answer? I asked myself that - just as you have.

I decided to find the answer or die. That's right - unless I could find an explanation for life - I'd had it.

Finding the Answer - or Else!

I began to take notes on my thoughts. I'd study them and re-study them. I checked the cause and effect of all that my mind could entertain - I had to know what was wrong or, what was right with life.

I still have those notes on file. I look over them from time to time now that I know why I'm alive. I think I'll copy down a few that reflect the thoughts that were going through my mind at that time. They are taken at random from different pages so they might be disconnected, but here they are!

"I'm getting to the place where I'm literally physically exhausted and physically sick from going over the entire situation."

"I honestly believe I'm going crazy. I have no peace of mind, I have no desire to live. If this is the best life has

to offer I don't see any reason to pursue it further."

"If I don't find that answer soon I'm afraid I'll lose my mind - and I fully believe that. One can only take so much pressure before you crack."

"I don't really know how to evaluate my feelings tonight - I'm physically exhausted, mentally frustrated and spiritually enervated. Words don't really express how I feel. I imagine if I went to a psychiatrist for treatment they'd call me nuts - I wonder if that's not true."

"I know there is no future for me like this but what should I do - I don't know the answer. I'm too much of a coward to take my life and too much of a coward to live it like this. There is only one way that offers relief somehow I must die."

Well, I didn't die and I did find THE ANSWER! Maybe I should say it was



pointed out to me. Either way I Do have the answer to life. I know why I'm alive. I know how to have a happy, abundant, robust, full, exciting life — with no headaches, heartaches or hangovers. No more disappointment, doubt and disillusionment. Oh yes, there will be some problems along the way, but they all have a solution. Young people can be as happy as any people alive. You can have purpose in life, you can have fun in life, you can really live — right now.

And I say that on the authority of God Almighty.

Yes, that's right. I said "God Almighty." There is a God that made you and me AND YOU CAN PROVE IT! He's the Designer, Creator and Sustainer of every life form that we see today. He's responsible for plants, animals and mankind. And He has a fantastic purpose for every human

Students enjoy canoeing on Lake Loma on Ambassador College campus, Big Sandy, Texas.

that walks this earth — man, woman, or child; young, old, or teen-age. Hold it!

You're probably thinking you've been tricked! You probably think I meant this to be a sweet, emotional testimonial and the next thing I'll do is ask you to "give your heart to the Lord."

Afraid not!

I said at the beginning I liked to live. I still do! And I am living. More fully, more abundantly and more happily than ever before.

Do I still like cars? You bet. Do I still drive cars? I logged over 15,000 miles of travel last year from Texas to Canada and from Florida to Oregon. Going to quit? No sir!

Do I still get a kick out of horses? Sometimes in more than one way! Last summer I rode every week and would now if I had the time.

Sports? I play basketball about twice a week and just last night sat in on a real thriller — 125-112.

Have I hung up my guns? No — I took advantage of dove season and deer season this past fall.

And Dating, Too!

Last summer I talked to a girl I once greatly admired. She was the high school heartthrob. She is a natural platinum blond, really beautiful. In high school I stood in awe of her, one of those lookbut-don't-touch deals. When I went back home last summer, this girl looked me up. I agreed to see her.

While I was with her, she let her hair down, so to speak. I asked her some rather pointed questions. Like:

The PLAIN TRUTH



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How much longer do you suppose this old world is going to last? Her answer was already formed on her lips — "Not very much longer." She said, "I know we've had it, it's only a matter of time."

What did she have to look forward to in life? What great aspirations? What great achievements? All she looked for, all she wanted was happiness, but she found very little of that. She had ridden around in hot cars, she owned a Camaro, '67. She had been drunk, she had smoked. She had had sex to the full. Now there was nothing left for her. She had found out that these were only temporary pleasures, only temporary thrills.

Hangovers are no fun. Lung cancer and hacking, nagging coughs are no fun. No, illegitimate babies are no fun. But, what does drinking have to do with hangovers? What does smoking have to do with lung cancer? What does sex have to do with illegitimacy? Ask the statistics! They can tell you all the painful, heart-wrenching stories you could want to hear. Stories that will make you sick, stories that will bring a queezy, uneasy feeling to your stomach.

The Answers

Well, what is fun? What is happiness? Genuine FUN is something that has no kickbacks, no aftereffects. Genuine fun is good for you *now* and it doesn't hurt tomorrow. It is edifying and it is upbuilding.

This is a lesson I had to learn the hard way.

When you want fun, ask yourself, "How am I going to feel about this tomorrow?" Because unlike that girl I was talking to, you can have a tomorrow to look forward to. You can *prove* that, if you really want to, if you will really try.

About now, you are deciding to quit reading this article — that is — if you have gotten this far. You are wondering, "Who is this guy, a long-haired hippie? A deviate? A wise guy?"

To all these questions, my answer is "Yes." I am not long-haired, but I am "hip" to what is going on in this world. I have deviated from the norm of the establishment. And I am "wise" to the facts, the things, that, when the chips are down, really count!

Not that it has anything to do with you, but there is a book which has a particular quote that applies to us. It says, "There is a way that seems right to a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." Now, if the shoe fits, wear it. That book is the Bible, that quote is from Proverbs 16:25; also 14:12. And it applies to you!

All the things which you think will lead you to happiness, will not. All the things you think will be fun, joyful, exciting, will not. That's a fact. The girl above found that out.

Surely I can't really like women now, can I?

Yes, I can. I've learned how — I've found the way to live. I have plans for marriage with the absolute guarantee that it won't end in divorce. There is a God in heaven who will show you how your marriage can endure — you can be assured your wife or husband will be a kind, considerate loving mate for the rest of your life.

I didn't come up with this way of life, it's not mine. It's God's. He's the Author and the One who stands behind every promise of a happy, abundant life — a life with a purpose.

What am I? I thought you'd ask.

I'm a college student. What kind of a student and what kind of college?

An average student in a student body full of young people who are happy and joyous. Students who know why they're alive and where they are going. A college where students are saturated with rich, full, and abundant living. Where the students are taught how to lay a sure foundation, and how to have rewarding futures.

Does this sound too fantastic to be true?

You don't have to be here to be happy. This way of life will work for you regardless of your geographical location. Write in for a free article on "Education at Ambassador College" and the booklet *Why Were You Born?* Find out about this way of life.

Why did I write all this? Why do I keep saying I have the answer — that life, after all, is really worth living, that there really is a reason for your existence?

Will writing this change my life? No! But it can change yours if you have the courage to seek the answers, find out why God created you, and get in step with His way of life.

The Bible Story

by Basil Wolverton

CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN

A KINGDOM DIVIDED

R_{EHOBOAM}, Solomon's son, had come before a public gathering to be proclaimed king officially (I Kings 12:1; II Chronicles 10:1), although he had actually been Israel's new ruler from the time of his father's death. (I Kings 11:43.)

Rehoboam's attitude was that of a young man accustomed to what great wealth could provide. He had little interest in the welfare of his people.

Jeroboam's Sedition

Conflict with his subjects started on his inauguration day. Jeroboam, to whom God had promised rulership of ten tribes of Israel, led a crowd of men from all parts of the nation up to the platform where the new king stood. (I Kings 12:2-3.)

"If you will permit me, sir, I have something to say to you on behalf of the people," Jeroboam addressed Rehoboam.

The king stared impassively at Jeroboam. He resented what he considered an intrusion at a ceremony in which he was the star. He wanted to refuse Jeroboam, but he knew that the crowd would be angry if he didn't agree to listen. Finally he nodded curtly to Jeroboam.

"For years your father has troubled us with heavy taxes," Jeroboam spoke out. "Lately he has forced many men of Israel into heavy labor on various projects. We can't continue under these conditions much longer. Now we're respectfully asking you to help us by lowering our taxes and stopping the draft of men into forced labor."

Rehoboam felt like asking Jeroboam and the others to go mind their own busi-

ness. Instead, he managed to appear friendly and quite thoughtful, as though the suggestion deserved his royal consideration.

"What you have brought up is something I have thought about," he said. "I want to help my people. Come back here in three days. Meanwhile, I'll confer with my advisors. There will be a decision made by the time we get together again." (I Kings 12:4-5; II Chronicles 10:2-5.)

"Thank you," Jeroboam said, bowing. "If you will help us, we shall serve you well for as long as you are king."

As he promised, Rehoboam went to men who could advise him. First he asked the opinions of older men who had been consultants to Solomon. They told him that he would be wise to consider doing what the people asked, and that he would be looked up to as a good and fair ruler if he would help them out of their trouble. Later, Rehoboam conferred with younger men who were more inclined to his way of thinking.

"Why worry about what the people want?" they asked the king. "Taxes and forced labor aren't hurting them too much. If you decrease what your subjects should give, your income will decrease. Why let the people talk you into something you'll regret? Be stern with them. Show them who's running this nation!" (Kings 12:6-11; II Chronicles 10:6-11.)

When Jeroboam returned with others to confer with the king, he wasn't too surprised at what happened. The new ruler strode regally out before the crowd and peered at the expectant faces. He was smiling, but his smile was more arrogant than friendly.

Rehoboam's Foolish Decision

"Three days ago you asked me to lower your taxes and demand less labor for projects in Israel," Rehoboam commenced. "I told you I would consult my advisors about these matters, and I did. Now you'll get my answer."

The king gazed about with a growing smile before he continued. Obviously he was savoring those moments while his audience hung on every word he uttered.

"You think my father taxed you too heavily and worked some of you too hard? Then you should appreciate how easy he was on you. I am young and have more competent men working with me and more projects in mind. Therefore I have more power than did my father, and so I am going to require more labor and heavier taxes. Some of you complained because my father's labor gang foremen struck you with ordinary leather whips when you became lazy. You didn't realize how well off
you were then. From now on my foremen will beat you lazy ones with whips that have metal tips!" (Kings 12:12-15; II Chronicles 10:12-15.)

There was silence among the people as Rehoboam's words sank in. Then an angry, muffled muttering could be heard. It died out as the crowd slowly melted away. Jeroboam wasn't as disappointed as he appeared to be. He knew that the people were on the verge of revolting against the king. It was his opportunity to stir them up further, which he promptly did.

As a result, every tribe of Israel except Judah (and Benjamin, the small tribe whose territory adjoined that of Judah) rebelled against Rehoboam. As representatives of the ten tribes were returning in disappointment to their homes, Rehoboam sent the chief collector of taxes to speak to the representatives of the people.

Hours later an excited servant hurried to Rehoboam, who was still staying at Shechem, convinced that the people would passively submit to any extra burden he put on them.

"Adoram your head tax collector has been stoned to death!" the servant exclaimed. "There are reports that the people are prepared to take the lives of anyone who attempts to collect taxes. There are even rumors that an angry crowd is forming to come here and demand to talk to you!"

The frightened king didn't waste time calling for advisors to advise him to leave. It was entirely his own idea to get to his chariot as soon as possible and head swiftly south on the road to Jerusalem, where he knew he would be safer among the people of his own tribe. (I Kings 12:16-19; II Chronicles 10:16-19.)

While Rehoboam was establishing himself in the royal palace, leaders of the ten rebellious tribes met to form a nation separate from Judah and Benjamin. They started by declaring Jeroboam king. His leadership convinced them that he was best fitted to be over them. That was as God had planned it, so that a large part of Israel would be taken from the rule of Solomon's family. Otherwise Jeroboam wouldn't have been allowed to become a ruler as he wasn't of the royal line. (I Kings 12:20.)

Jeroboam's Idolatry

Reports of what was going on quickly reached Rehoboam. He began to realize that matters were much more serious than he had been given to believe. He gave orders that all the soldiers of Judah and Benjamin should be mustered to overrun the seceding tribes and force them back into allegiance to the government at Jerusalem.

One hundred and eighty thousand troops answered Rehoboam's call. Just when

the king was about to send them into action, a prophet by the name of Shemaiah came to tell him and the people of Judah and Benjamin that God didn't want them to war against the other tribes.

"If you do," Shemaiah warned them, "God will surely bring some kind of sudden and severe punishment on you."

Rehoboam was afraid. Even though some of his young friends and advisors considered him cowardly for doing so, he wisely called off the planned attack.



Rehoboam raced off toward Jerusalem as though his life depended on it. And it did.

"I happen to know that if we go to war against our brothers, God won't be with us in battle," he hesitantly explained to his astonished officers. "Dismiss the troops and send them back to their homes."

By striking the king with fear, God prevented a civil war He didn't want to take place. (I Kings 12:21-24; II Chronicles 11:1-4.)

One of the first things Jeroboam did as king was to rebuild and fortify the mountain town of Shechem, which he occupied with a small army after Rehoboam had fled. Shechem had been mostly in ruins since it had been ravaged by Abimelech nearly two hundred years before. Now Jeroboam planned to make it the seat of government of his kingdom. He also rebuilt and fortified the town of Penuel, located east of the Jordan near the Jabbok River. It was on a route to foreign cities, including Damascus to the northeast. Manned by Jeroboam's soldiers, it was an important outpost for checking on caravan traffic moving to and from Jerusalem. (I Kings 12:25.)

In his efforts to strengthen himself as ruler, Jeroboam felt he had to do some scheming. He reasoned that if very many of his people felt obligated to go to Jerusalem to observe God's Annual Sabbaths and Festivals, they might repent of their rebellion and feel that Jeroboam had led them astray.

"They'll surely do away with me if they begin to think that way," Jeroboam thought. "Something will have to be done to keep them away from Jerusalem."

Instead of showing obedience and asking God for help in his office of king, Jeroboam chose to pursue the opposite direction by deliberately leading the people away from God. He had two images of calves constructed of gold. One was erected in the town of Bethel, only a few miles north of Jerusalem. The other was set up in the town of Dan, on the east side of the Jordan not far southwest of Mt. Hermon. Jeroboam then made a proclamation to all his people.

"From now on it will not be necessary for you to go all the way to Jerusalem to observe those old Mosaic festivals. Why be under the law?" he said, trying to deceive the people. "There is a golden calf at Bethel in the south and another at Dan in the north. They represent the gods which brought your ancestors out of Egypt. Now it will be easier, more convenient and even safer for everyone to confine your religious duties within the borders of your own land. Priests and their assistants at both locations will assist all who need help or instruction in sacrificing or worship."

A Pagan Priesthood

The "priests" referred to weren't of the family of Levi. They were men of low rank who were willing to conduct sacrifices to idols for whatever they were paid.

Surprisingly, many people fell in with the king's suggestion to break God's law. Instead of being faithful to their Creator, they began making sacrifices to the calf images. Within only weeks Jeroboam's kingdom was infested with one of the evils God had especially warned the people about over the centuries. As for the real priests — the Levites — who lived in that part of the land, and the other people in the ten tribes who remained faithful to God, they fled to Judah and Jerusalem. (I Kings 12:26-31; II Chronicles 11:13-17.)

But Jeroboam wasn't satisfied with the change he had made. God's Festival of Tabernacles was soon to be observed. He feared that this happiest time of the year would draw many to Jerusalem, where it had been joyfully kept. In a fanatical attempt to control his subjects in this matter, he denounced God's law. He then announced to the people that there would be no reason for them to go anywhere to observe the start of the Festival on the fifteenth day of the seventh month. He said he had officially changed the date to the fifteenth day of the eighth month the period we now know as Hallowe'en! (I Kings 12:32-33.)

To attempt to alter the Holy Days established by God was rash, irreverent, and sinful. Mad as it was, Jeroboam didn't do any worse than others who — masquerading as God's ministers — have worked to change or do away with God's Sabbaths down through the ages. Today many churches have summer "camp meetings" instead of observing the Festival of Tabernacles in the fall. They keep Easter instead of Pass-

over, Whitsunday instead of Pentecost. They celebrate the beginning of a new year in the winter, whereas God tells us that the new year begins in the spring. Sunday is regarded as a holiday instead of God's weekly Sabbath, and so on. These flagrant deviations will be corrected over the whole world when Christ comes to Earth to rule. (Zechariah 14:16-19.)

To impress those who came to his centers of worship, Jeroboam often assumed the role of high priest. One day when he was burning incense before the calf image at Bethel, a man broke through the audience and strode toward the altar.

God's Warning

"God has sent me from Judah to declare a curse on this altar!" he loudly announced. "A child by the name of Josiah shall be born to the house of David!



At Jeroboam's command, delightful little gold-covered images resembling calves were set up in temples in the cities of Dan and Bethel. The king intended them to be worshipped by his subjects.

He, too, shall burn something on this altar, but it won't be incense. It will be the bones of you lying priests who sacrifice here!" (I Kings 13:1-2.)

These events were fulfilled many years later just as God prophesied. (II Kings 23:15-17.)

The king turned to peer at the stranger. He put down the incense container and placed his hands on his hips.

"So you are a prophet from Judah!" he said in a mocking tone. "Prove it to me and to these people by giving us a sign. If you fail, we'll know that you are a liar and that you deserve to die for reviling this sacred idol and temple!"

The stranger stared at the king, seemingly at a loss for words.

"A sign!" Jeroboam barked impatiently. "Give us a sign right now or admit that you lied when you said God sent you."

"There is your sign!" the prophet blurted out, pointing to the smoking altar. "That altar shall break apart and dump its ashes on the floor!"

"Well?" Jeroboam asked after seconds had dragged by and nothing happened. "Your time is up. Men, seize this wretch!"

The king extended an arm toward the prophet. Attendants grabbed him and started to drag him away, but stopped when they noticed that something was wrong with their leader. His face was suddenly pale, and his expression was one of stark fright. His bare arm, still outstretched, was somehow hideously white and wrinkled and stiff. He was unable to draw it back or drop it to his side!

Doubters Convinced

While startled people stared, a loud cracking sound came from the altar. It fell apart as though it had been sliced by an invisible bolt of lightning, crashing to the floor in a cloud of smoke, sparks and flying ashes. Shrieking and groaning with fear, the crowd quickly scattered. Even some of the attendants fled. Jeroboam was so shaken by this double blow that he staggered back against the wall. (I Kings 13:3-5.)

"Beg your God to make my arm as it was before!" the king wailed. "I spoke hastily. How could I know that you are a true prophet?"

The attendants were relieved to fall back from the man from Judah, who fell to his knees, thanked God aloud for sparing him, and asked that the king be healed. Almost instantly the withered arm took on its normal color and shape. Jeroboam muttered with satisfaction as he pulled his arm back and forth and flexed it up and down. Soon afterward he recovered his composure. His attitude toward the prophet became very friendly, but at the same time he had trouble hiding his concern about what had happened.

"Come to my home with me and have dinner," he said to the prophet as he motioned to attendants to do something about the altar and the spilled ashes. "I want an opportunity to reward you for what you did about my arm. Besides, I



Jeroboam stared in disbelief at his arm and hand. They had suddenly become hideously stiff and distorted!

would like to talk to you about becoming one of my priests. It could be very rewarding for you." (I Kings 13:6-7.)

"I wouldn't go with you if you gave me half of your possessions!" the prophet exclaimed. "God told me not to eat nor drink while in this profane town. I'm not even to return by the way I came, lest evil men wait to harm me."

Jeroboam's eyes narrowed as he watched the prophet stride away. Because the man had spurned him and his offer, he wanted to have him seized and put away. But he feared to have him touched lest God should strike again with some ailment more severe than a useless arm.

Jeroboam would have been pleased if he could have known what would soon happen to the prophet. Two brothers who had witnessed what had taken place at

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the altar hurried home to tell their father, who was also a prophet. The father had failed to leave the country when idol worship started.

"Tell me which way this man went!" the father excitedly asked. (I Kings 13:8-12.)

The trudging prophet from Judah could never have guessed what was about to take place.

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WATCH JERUSALEM!

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every indication from the timetable of prophecy is that this will take place within the next five to seven years or less!

This revival of Germany's dominant interest and influence in the Middle East, the building of a *literal Temple*, the eventual takeover of Israel and Egypt by a revived Roman Empire of European nations culminating in a great religious leader making his Headquarters right in that Temple in Jerusalem — this is a definite "SIGN" to the true believers of God heralding the END of this age!

Perhaps behind the scenes at first, but increasingly, Jerusalem and the Middle East will become the focal point of world events.

Speaking of the time just before Christ's return, your Bible says: "When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the HOLY PLACE, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains" (Matthew 24:15, 16).

Your Bible says: "When you shall see JERUSALEM compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh... for these be the days of vengeance, that ALL things which are written may be fulfilled" (Luke 21:20-22).

Your Bible says: "Watch Jerusalem!"

Jesus said: "WATCH YE *therefore*, and *pray always*, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man" (Luke 21:36). For a more detailed explanation of these vital prophecies, write *immediately* for

our free article, "The Middle East in Prophecy."

Keep "watching" then! Keep *praying* for understanding of the times in which you live and of *God's purpose*! With an open mind, keep *reading* and *study-ing The* PLAIN TRUTH.

For as hundreds of thousands of you already know, we are the *only* source that will make these swift-moving prophetic events PLAIN.



Jerusalem's Damascus Gate — Here the armies of a revived European Holy Roman Empire will suddenly appear and occupy the city in one final desperate attempt at world power.

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ON WHOSE AUTHORITY?

Everything you do is motivated by some "authority." Your beliefs, opinions — deepest convictions, are based on some "authority." Your dress, customs, diet, and personal habits are the result of a certain "authority." Who is your authority?

* LIKE, Man, I'M MY OWN authority," answers the hippie, when asked the question, Who is your authority?

But his answer is not the truth.

He's wearing a uniform.

He is conforming to a nameless, faceless, anonymous "authority" — the "hippie image" on conformity to WHAT OTHER PEOPLE THINK.

The Hippie Is a Slave

The hippie slavishly cringes before the opinions of OTHER people who have "dropped out" from society. He wants their approval and acceptance! His craven desire to *belong*, his desperate search for *identity* with other humans leads him to incredible filth, immorality, long hair, beads, psychedelic clothing, and all the accoutrements and paraphernalia of the "hippie."

So, in his professed NON-conformity, he is actually a classic CONFORMIST. It's only a matter of WHICH GROUP OF PEOPLE comprise HIS AUTHORITY.

A man in the military isn't so dimwitted.

He KNOWS who his "authority" is from the platoon sergeant right on up to his ultimate commander-in-chief, the President of the United States. He knows his dress, haircut, work habits, uniform, and whole BEING must conform to the dictates of that AUTHORITY which governs his life.

But few others, outside the military, know who their authority IS.

Do you?

"That Depends"

Right about here, most people use the familiar ambiguity — "that depends" — "That depends," you might answer, on just what you MEAN by "authority."

"If you mean," you might continue,

by Garner Ted Armstrong

"someone who RULES me — who dictates to me, or tells me what to do with my life, then the answer is NOBODY!"

Nice try. But it's not true.

I used to feel that way, too. Discharged from the Navy after four years' service, including nine months' offshore Korea during the blistering winter of 1951-52, I had decided I would NEVER "take orders" from ANYONE again.

Deluding myself I was the classic independent, I kidded myself I was a "free" soul.

I smoked, of course. But then, I argued with myself, I smoked because I WANTED to, and not because I HAD to. No one was COMMANDING me to light up a cigarette. No one but my own self.

The truth was — I was a whipped SLAVE to the cigarette HABIT. I HAD to smoke — as I finally began to see when I tried to quit. I would *toy* with the idea of quitting — even try to convince my wife a certain brand had virtually NO NICOTINE in it (as per the implied statements on the package), and therefore was conducive to good health.

But finally quitting time came. I knew I HAD to quit ANY habit that was degenerative, destructive to health, and directly condemned in the Bible. But it was tough. I would throw away a pack in disgust, after, of course, having smoked "just that one" to satisfy my craving. Then, the next day — I would try to remember where I threw the pack — and actually drive over to the ditch and *search* for it! Free man?

But smoking is only ONE example.

I wasn't ever going to wait in a line again. Never say "sir" again — never take any orders of any kind.

But that was all a childish pipe dream. And it all went up in smoke.

I finally discovered it's all a question

of WHICH AUTHORITY you decide to be under.

Because we are all under authority.

We don't *recognize* our slavishness. We can't even IDENTIFY our "authority" most of the time — but we're under authority, nevertheless.

So what I *mean* by "authority" is simply *this:*

Your "authority" is that sum total of every *motive* in your life, and the SOURCE of that motive.

What DECIDES whether you wear a mini-skirt, or long hair? What MOTI-VATING FACTOR in your life makes you the "kind" of person you are? What FORMED your habits of diet, physical exercise, dress, entertainment, and relaxation? What specific series of influences shaped your BELIEFS? What about RACE, RELIGION, and POLITICS?

You are the sum total of a series of personality-shaping AUTHORITIES.

To some people, their CHURCH is their ultimate, final, absolute "authority" for DOING or NOT doing some act or another. To other people, it is their family; their traditions; their friends; their club or lodge.

Of course — authorities, like loyalties, change.

The model church-going, civic-minded, pillar of the mid-western community whose authority is the whole complexity of church-oriented, socially accepted customs of his own environment can become, by virtue of a button, badge, or hat, liberally laced with various kinds of booze, a braying, glazed-eyed jackass at a ribald party following a political convention.

"Sophisticated" big-city citizenry recognize these types — have names for them — and smile in knowing tolerance at their business-trip antics.

But even the once-yearly drunk is

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conforming to a *temporary* authority. And it is inevitably OTHER PEOPLE. What are other people DOING? What are they doing NOW? That social urge to be part of a group action has caused many a philosopher to ponder the likeness between humans and sheep.

What DECREES what you believe? Did you HONESTLY (really, now) research all available sources of information for yourself? Have you PROVED the source of each motivating action? Do you know WHY you react the way you do? Do you really KNOW why you "believe" this or that about the members of another race?

Your AUTHORITY for all of this is that collection of *people* who have made you what you are. You will be *shocked* to find out how LITTLE you, yourself, by yourself, have had to do with it.

Beginnings

Science, the backbone of education, can give us no purpose in existing no reason for being.

It can't tell us why we are — what we are — or where we're bound.

But science gets all-fired AUTHORITA-TIVE when it comes to where we CAME FROM.

"In the beginning," goes the modern fable, "was the hydrogen atom." Thus, evolutionary, atheistic, God-denying science preaches its own peculiar dogma, all the while pityingly ignoring those who believe the more accurate version, "In the beginning, GOD created...."

But science is forced to recognize LAW. It searches and explores a LAWful, LAW ABIDING universe. It ponders the marvelous LAWS of the solar system. It investigates the wondrous LAWS of the environment of earth, and all living creatures upon it.

But science stops short of realizing it takes an AUTHORITY to *make* a law. And it takes an AUTHORITY to SUSTAIN and UPHOLD a law. And it takes an AUTHOR-ITY to PUNISH FOR INFRACTIONS OF LAW.

For the professor and his fellow who first shook violently a vial of nitroglycerine, it was instantaneously too late for such profound thoughts.

But in the aftermath of that primitive explosion, it would seem logical the principle should have impressed itself on the survivors. No one goes around trying to argue it's only true, "historically" in chemical labs. They only do that in college textbooks.

You *live* in an AUTHORITY. The whole universe is bound by authority. The solar system, earth, and all life. But the only authority of which you really become *aware* in early life is whatever authority thwarts your desire — restricts your impulses. Usually, you *resent* this.

Unknowingly, you FOLLOW whatever authority comes along with appeals to the pull of your senses. You don't *recognize* it as "authority" because the experience is PLEASANT to you.

But it's about time you understood the true beginnings of man — WHAT we are — WHY human nature is what it is — and WHAT IS YOUR TRUE PURPOSE IN BEING.

So let's investigate, briefly, your own *physical* beginnings.

We're speaking of you as a baby! Not the philosophical and theological question of where all mankind came from — but just where YOU, personally, began.

You were immediately governed by AUTHORITY!

Even your bodily processes could be so construed. Your nervous impulses were all the authority you needed for otherwise unacceptable and disgusting acts — personal enterprises of babies near mindless, thoughtless, but vastly important to us as little, struggling creatures.

Hungry? You cried. Wet? You cried — and it was nobody's fault but your own. "Lonely?" (you didn't really know the meaning of the term) you still cried. Sometimes you cried because you didn't know it, but it was your only form of bodily exercise.

If you were overseen by somewhat "average" parents — they probably let you gradually work out, FOR YOUR OWN SELF, whatever system of authority appealed to you the most!

If they, like millions of Spock-taught parents, abhorred the idea of corporal (ugh!) punishment, you began finding yourself living in a frustrated limbo of NOT KNOWING what your limitations were.

You were utterly without guiding principles.

There was no COUNTERAUTHORITY in your life which would help you realize your emotional frenzies had to be *controlled*.

Maybe this sounds hypothetical. It's not. It's absolutely true in too many thousands of cases.

Your first "authority" SHOULD have been loving, corrective, kind, merciful but FIRM PARENTAL authority! You should have, at the tender age of WEEKS, begun finding out there are LAWS in this environment of yours — LAWS TO BE OBEYED — and AUTHORITIES to punish if those laws are broken!

Let's skip ahead to teen-age.

Your Really "Greatest" Authority

In teen-age — your authorities were most awesome, all-ponderous, demanding and important. You didn't know what these authorities were — didn't even recognize you were *under* them (you fancied yourself "free") but you obeyed. Without a complaint. Usually instantly.

Where did you go? With whom? Why?

In "hanging around" the corner drugstore, malt shop or drive-in, sort of "waiting to see what happens" you were actually cowering in front of a giant dictator — a huge authority in your life that DROVE you to do what you did, dress as you did, cut your hair (or refuse to) as you did, and eat, talk, walk, play sports, date, kiss and even repair cars like you did!

Teens DESPERATELY try to "belong." They must be *just* as "mature," rough, tough and ready — JUST as "in" as all the others. (Who, incidentally, hope to be "in" like the ones who in turn strive to be "in," assuming others are already — if, that is, all this makes any sense).

Were you striving to be dashing, handsome, sports-minded and the life of all parties?

Or did pimples prevent it?

If so — you probably resented the smooth complexions from the other side of the tracks, and found for yourself a set of friends to go with your face. Complete with all habits and modes of dress to match.

Like long hair, cigarettes, autos with

The PLAIN TRUTH

Or like short skirts, ironed hair, blonde dye, canvas sneakers, and a walk that resembled a cross between two different savage rhythms.

Be honest with yourself. Regardless as to the mode of the times — forgetting the era in which you grew up, what *were* the real authorities in your life?

What were YOU like? Not what you THOUGHT you were like or what you *wanted* to be like — but what were YOU like?

You were striving desperately, the chances are, to be just like all the others in your particular circle of friends! So those friends, THEIR modes of dress, THEIR likes and dislikes, THEIR morals and habits — THEY BECAME YOUR AUTHORITY!

You can probably remember MANY occasions when your parents and those friends were in complete opposition one against the other. Which one did you follow? If not *follow*, which one did you want to follow — even though forced to follow the dictates of your parents?

Like *most* young people, you very probably respected the "authority" of oTHER YOUNG PEOPLE your own age, and THEIR customs, far more than the authority of your parents.

So your really GREATEST authority in your life, during those years was VANITY.

Some want to be "rugged," tough, calloused, indifferent — want to "drop out" and become known for their "don't care" attitude. So they adopt that particular pose. They're unhappy. They don't REALLY want to drop out they want to drop IN — IN with a group whose acceptance they covet.

Some want to be popular, the life of the party, active in sports and school activities — and so try to become *that* type of person.

But in every case — VANITY is behind it all.

Human nature - VANITY

You *are* the sum total of all the thoughts, experiences, and occurrences that have made you what you are. Without realizing it — you have been *subject* to certain powerful AUTHORITIES all your life.

I said you *live* in an "authority." That's only another way of saying you live in a LAW ABIDING universe, a LAW-FUL solar system, and an ecology that follows patterns and LAWS.

Man, himself, in all the creation, is lawless.

But, like the physical laws that act upon you, there are certain *spiritual* forces at work as well.

Human nature in you exerts a powerful PULL. Just as the PULL of gravity pulls you DOWN to this physical earth, and other humans *through* the earth think *they* are "rightside up"—so is there a powerful MENTAL and EMO-TIONAL pull inside of you that pulls you in a downward direction, spiritually.

That PULL is a hidden, unseen, spiritual FORCE.

The only source to which you can go to *understand* human nature — to see WHAT it is, and WHY it is that way, is the source of the inspired Word of Almighty God.

In the Bible, and in the Bible ONLY, can you come to understand your own nature!

God REVEALS what your nature really is.

He says: "Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be" (Rom. 8:7).

It just CAN'T be subject — God says. Sometimes, it kids itself it WANTS to be — that it *wants* to obey God, and live according to the laws of God, but it just can't seem to resist an unseen, powerful AUTHORITY that is everywhere present in this world!

Jeremiah was inspired to write: "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?" (Jer. 17:9.)

Yes, — DECEITFUL — above all things. We like to KID ourselves we're FREE. That we are in bondage to NO man (as the Jews said to Christ) when ACTUALLY WE'RE SLAVES.

Slaves to our own NATURES. To the PULL of our flesh, and to a hidden SPIRIT BEING WHO RULES OVER MEN IN THIS PRESENT WORLD!

Human nature is the same KIND of nature as that of Satan, the devil.

His nature is DESCRIBED in the Bible,



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BACK TO THE MIDDLE AGES!

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Hippies, seeking to escape authority, are conforming to a nameless, faceless, anonymous "authority" — the "hippie image."

in Isaiah 14 and Ezekiel 28. He is described as the epitome of VANITY. Vanity consists of JEALOUSY, LUST and GREED. The devil is described as the beginner of all lies (John 8:44), as the Prince of the Power of the Air (Eph. 2:2) and as the very GOD — the LEAD-ING AUTHORITY — of this present world (II Cor. 4:4).

As such, the devil HOLDS SWAY over the minds and hearts of men!

Let's understand this! Human nature might be likened to a powerful NEGA-TIVE CURRENT. The devil is, for the sake of this analogy, a powerful POSI-TIVE current. There is a terrific ATTRAC-TION between the two — for the *flowing* of that powerful current.

It's like a powerful *magnet* — human nature. It PULLS you in the direction of covetousness, lust, jealousy, greed, VANITY.

Your desires to HATE one person, and COVET the affection of another — your DISGUST toward one race and feelings of SUPERIORITY toward another — your physical, sensual PULLS of the flesh all these are the same feelings of the devil. They are the powerful AU-THORITY that wields RULE over you!

Without knowing it — you have allowed your vanity to DRIVE you — to WHIP you into submission, to COERCE you into committing acts, harboring resentments and attitudes, doing things you KNEW WERE WRONG!

Human nature, believe it or not, is VANITY, *jealousy*, *lust* and *greed*!

It is as if the nature of the devil himself had been PUT WITHIN man.

The "FREEDOM" Preachers

But only a RARE one-in-a-million person will ADMIT he has been a slave!

Only a tiny handful have come to the place they have been willing to *see* themselves as in literal BONDAGE to the hidden authority of the devil, to the pull of their own nature, and the authority of THIS WORLD around them!

Millions fancy themselves FREE.

They especially fancy they are *free* from having to OBEY GOD!

They speak of "grace," which means, to them, being in some sort of spiritual CONDITION which releases them from obligation to OBEY GOD'S AUTHORITY!

But grace is NOT a spiritual "condi-

tion" — it is a quality of the nature of God! Grace is merely GOD'S FORGIVE-NESS — His attitude of MERCY and PAR-DON, unearned, undeserved, which He will show toward anyone who REPENTS of sin!

Never make a mistake! You ARE under authority. You always WILL be. The only question is; 'WHOSE?''

You *have* been under the authority of *this world* and its customs, habits, beliefs, fables, false religions, dogmas, prejudices, politics, warped history, and its people. You *have* been — though you didn't realize it, and may deny it still — UNDER the authority and sway of the hidden *god* of this present age, who is Satan the devil.

But the great influence who presently holds sway over mankind likes to *allow* man to believe himself *free*. He even has *ministers* (II Cor. 11:13-15) who preach his special kind of "freedom."

Listen to this! "While they [the false ministers of Satan] promise them [their followers] LIBERTY, they themselves are the *servants of corruption:* for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage" (II Pet. 2:19).

Peter was inspired to write of these teachers, calling them "...beguiling unstable souls . . . cursed children: Which have forsaken the right way and are gone astray... wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved forever" (II Pet. 2:14-17).

They preach FREEDOM — "grace," as they call it.

And, inevitably, that "grace" they preach means their listeners are "free" from ANY OBLIGATION TOWARD GOD'S LAWS. They preach it is perfectly all right to BREAK GOd'S laws, and that such DISOBEDIENCE and lawBREAKING is "liberty."

But, true to the prophecies of Romans 1, and the modern-day admissions of evolutionists, there is always an underlying MOTIVE in such messages.

And what is the motive Peter reveals? "For when they speak great swelling words of VANITY [which *appeals* to vanity!], they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through much wantonness, those that were clean escaped from them who live in error" (II Pet. 2:18).

Lust of the flesh - SEX sins - these

are underlying MOTIVES in many a false doctrine.

The Political Freedom Preachers

And what a striking parallel between the false ministers of Satan; PREACH-ING FREEDOM, all the while slaves to their own lusts, and busily trying to enslave *others;* what a parallel between these and the political preachers of the same doctrines.

Would-be "leaders" in various movements scream about lack of freedom, deprivation of rights, social injustices and the like. They decry the virtual SLAVERY of the peoples they wish to incite.

Yet they, themselves, preach a NEW kind of slavery — that of mindless obedience to the dictates of their own policies. Inciters to chaos and violence loudly deplore violence; whole racial movements begin solely as a power play for personal aggrandizement.

And so the human pendulum swings.

For centuries, humans have kidded themselves they can find true liberty for themselves — in their own governments, social orders, and religions.

They have only succeeded in drifting from one kind of enslavement to another — and have never achieved true freedom.

We're enslaved by our own inventions. Afraid of our own hugeness terrified by the works of our own hands.

Today mankind sees himself facing that ultimate disaster of all — the suicide of the whole human race.

And all because we wanted liberty. Freedom. But we didn't know WHAT it was. And we didn't know WHERE TO LOOK for it.

True FREEDOM

What is real liberty? What is true freedom?

Our child psychologists seem smitten with the notion it is total anarchy; the right to do to whomsoever, at whatever time you choose, whatsoever you please.

In our homes and schools, we have seen the horrible consequences of this utter misconception; in violent youth, juvenile delinquency, growing riots, classroom disturbances, and even mounting homicides between parents and children.

In our societies today, millions of us

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believe freedom is the freedom FROM law, to do whatever we can get away with — whenever the opportunity strikes. We lie, cheat, rob and kill; we gulp pills, swallow hormones, diet and exercise ourselves into a physical limbo; thus breaking every basic law of health; we cheat in school, cheat in business, cheat on our income tax, and drive too fast whenever we can keep a close watch in the rearview mirror — all because we feel "free" to.

Whole segments of our society feel themselves in virtual slavery to their environment; without jobs, education, or the promise of either — or without jobs, education, or the DESIRE for either — increasingly larger percentages of us try to kill and violently plunder other percentages of us. All, of course, under the banner of "rights" and "freedom."

But what is true freedom.

It is freedom of SPEECH, to be sure. It's freedom of ASSEMBLY, too. But it is also freedom from FEAR, and from WANT, and from PAIN and SUFFERING. We seem to avail ourselves much of our freedoms of expression, and especially freedom to DISSENT.

But when will we ever experience freedom of mind and spirit? When freedom from terror, from worry, from unhappiness, from pain and suffering?

When freedom from DEATH?

THIS is the true Freedom God offers. We ought to KNOW by now that our civil liberties and freedoms are GUAR-ANTEED SO LONG AS WE LIVE WITHIN THE LAW.

It's about time we realize LAWS protect, preserve, and GUARANTEE our liberties.

But when we BREAK the law; those liberties can be taken away from us.

It is exactly the same with the laws of God! Live *within* them, and we are TRULY FREE. Freedom never imagined by most of us — the lasting, secure kind that NO human can take away from us.

Listen to the way Paul put it: "Let not sin therefore *reign* [RULE OVER you] in your mortal body, that ye should *obey it* in the lusts thereof" (Rom. 6:12).

Which Authority Will It Be?

It is a CHOICE. A matter of deciding WHO WILL YOUR AUTHORITY BE? Will you continue to be RULED, FORCED, DRIVEN, like a cowering, whimpering, slave by your own *babits* (smoking, cursing, drinking, arguing, fighting, stealing, etc., etc.), and *passions* (lust, covetousness, sex compulsions; even drug usage) — RULED over, by mere human emotion — or will you determine NO SUCH SATANIC AUTHORITY WILL BEAR RULE OVER YOUR LIFE — that you will be FREE?

Paul continued, "Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto SIN [and sin is the breaking of God's ten commandments — I John 3:4]; but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. For sin shall not have dominion over you..." (Romans 6:13-14).

God says of HIS true servants, sin shall NOT drive you, whip you into line, FORCE you to commit acts that bring upon you all sorts of suffering. Your own passions, lusts, vanities and jealousies are NOT to bring you into abject, groveling SLAVERY! Your own prejudices, notions, thoughts, concepts, racial bigotries and religious ideas are NOT TO BE YOUR AUTHORITY!

Paul knew there was a literal BATTLE being waged. It was a battle of two different AUTHORITIES. HE was the prize!

"I find then a LAW, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. For I delight in the law of God after the inward man: but I see another law in my members, WARRING against the law of my mind, and BRINGING ME INTO CAPTIVITY to the LAW OF SIN NOT, AS SOME FALSE PREACHERS MON-STROUSLY PURPORT, THE TEN COM-MANDMENTS OF GOD!] which is IN MY MEMBERS" (Romans 7:21-23). That "law of sin" in his flesh was his HUMAN NATURE, which is SUBJECT to vanity (Rom. 8:20), which is influenced by Satan the devil; by this present world, and by the pulls of the flesh.

But Paul said he had been made FREE from that "captivity" to the law of sin.

He said, "... For the law of the Spirit of LIFE in Christ Jesus hath made me FREE from the law of sin and death"! (Rom. 8:2.)

Now he was deciding, as a FREE

moral agent, just who his authority would be.

He decided it *voluntarily*. No other person, no superhuman being, no influence FORCED him.

And he decided his authority would be God the Father, and Jesus Christ, and the WORD of God. He would no longer mindlessly, blindly cringe before the whims of human nature.

He would NOT be a slave to "what people think," and to the opinions and notions of others, equally enslaved to passion.

He would *not* do obeisance to lust; bow down before vanity; salute vanity; obey the instant impulse of greed. He would *not* drift through life as fair game for the myriads of wRONG authorities all around him.

He would CHOOSE. He would choose HIS OWN AUTHORITY. And he would NOT obey it out of fear!

It was FEAR, fear of other people's opinions; fear of family, friends, associates — fear of all sorts of real and imagined consequences that *made* him part and parcel of his own society.

But he would never be trapped into a FEAR RELIGION again.

Now he would obey because he DE-CIDED to. Because he could plainly see which RESULTS he wanted — what was the BEST WAY TO LIVE.

Never again would he stoop before the Molech of fashion; the Dagon of public opinion; the Ishtar of sex, or the Mars of hatred and war.

No idolatrous power would rule *him* — not HIM — not the apostle Paul. He found TRUE FREEDOM. Because he FREELY *GAVE* Himself to God. He volunteered to SUBMIT to God's authority!

And for that, He'll possess *ultimate* authority, for all eternity! (II Tim. 4:7, 8 with Rev. 20:4.)

God wants to give YOU authority. But HE first expects you to be freed from the slavery of your own lusts and passions, the world and its societies, and from Satan the devil.

You're UNDER AUTHORITY. Right now. You LIVE in an "authority." You ALWAYS WILL be under authority.

Whose?

PROPHECY COMES alive

WORLD NEWS



European Parliament session in Strasbourg, France. Common Market Commission and Secretariat is headquartered in Brussels, Belgium.

PROPHECY is rushing to fulfillment especially in Western Europe! Most Americans have little knowledge of the dramatic developments that have unfolded in Europe in the past month. Many of these events have gone virtually unnoticed. The emphasis in the news media has been upon the grave situation in Asia.

Here, for our readers, is what's happening.

Yugoslavia — EEC Link Soon

A major breakthrough for the European Common Market is about to occur.

Yugoslavia will shortly establish diplomatic relations with the supergovernment of the six-nation trade bloc. Jean Rey, Belgian Executive President of the European Common Market, made the announcement early February. Yugoslavia will therefore become the first East European (communist) nation to recognize diplomatically the existence of the Government of the Common Market.

Belgrade's decision follows on the heels of its recent resumption of diplomatic relations with West Germany, the Common Market's most powerful member. This was announced January 31. (Bonn initiated the move which healed a breach caused ten years ago over Belgrade's recognition of Communist East Germany.)

Unity Forges Ahead — Despite De Gaulle

Few people outside of Europe realize that other nations — 71 to date! — have ambassadors accredited to Common Market headquarters in Brussels, Belgium. The booming EEC is increasingly being treated as a *single supranational entity*.

All of this is occurring despite obstructive tactics by France's President de Gaulle. "People in Europe are well on their way toward calling Europe their Fatherland," one German diplomat declared recently.

Another German, Professor Walter Hallstein, former president of the Common Market Commission, is confident the unity drive will bring success.

Hallstein was removed from his office last July when the executive commissions of the EEC, the Coal & Steel Community and Euratom (each comprising the same six nations) were merged. De Gaulle was opposed to Hallstein receiving increased power and influence. Hallstein's persistent efforts to acquire supranational powers for the



DPA Photo Professor Walter Hallstein, until recently the President of the European Common Market Commission. Called by some the "apostle of European unity," Hallstein is still working hard for his number one cause.

EEC — at the expense of individual national sovereignty — angered the French President.

Now Hallstein is building a firm political base in West Germany. He is expected to run soon for a "safe" seat in the Bundestag. Political observers predict a rapid political ascent for Dr. Hallstein, perhaps to Cabinet rank. Some believe Hallstein has his eyes set on the Chancellorship now held by Kurt Kiesinger.

Hallstein has reason to be confident of his political future. A recent poll among German university students revealed that he outranks the late Konrad Adenauer, Chancellor Kiesinger and other political figures in popularity.

Keep your eye on Dr. Hallstein.

Benelux Plans Tighter Union

On January 24 came another significant announcement. On that date the three Benelux countries — Belgium, Netherlands and Luxembourg—adopted plans for the abolition of their borders with each other and for a full-scale unification of their economies. The decision by the foreign ministers of the three countries followed a move made two weeks previously to concert their foreign policies.

The Benelux union — now virtually a single nation — is a kind of "commonmarket within a Common Market." The three Low Countries have already removed all tariffs for trade among themselves. The latest plan will remove remaining fiscal and administrative barriers, thus making their national borders obsolete.

Once the proposed treaty goes into effect (scheduled to be signed June 6) the three individual nations plan to turn significant economic powers over to the Benelux Secretariat, thus making it a kind of supranational body patterned on the European Community Commission.

Bible prophecy reveals plainly that European unity will come. It will be in the form of a union of "ten kings" (Rev. 17:12) — that is, ten nations or, as we have said for a number of years, groups of nations. The Benelux would be such a group!

Presently there are six nations within the Common Market — or only *four* if Benelux becomes, prophetically, a single entity. This could leave the door open for the absorption of *six* additional countries (or groups of nations — Spain and Portugal for example). That means some must come from Eastern Europe.

European unity, however, will be very short-lived. It will come about say Europeans — only after President de Gaulle leaves the scene. When it comes, this final resurrection of the Roman Empire will be subdued by the conquering Jesus Christ who will return to set up His government on earth (Rev. 17:14).

Our free booklet 1975 in Prophecy explains these soon-coming events in detail.

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President Foresees Racial Trouble

President Johnson, on February 12, made a startling prediction — startling in that it came from the highest political office in the land. In a question-and-answer session at the White House with eleven visiting college students, the President, answering a query dealing with rumored racial disorders said, "I don't think you can avert a bad summer. We'll have a bad summer." Furthermore, said the President, "We'll have several bad summers before . . . the deficiencies of centuries are corrected."

Over the past few months, law enforcement officials throughout the United States have expressed fears over another — and far worse — "long hot summer." Some sociologists and urban specialists are predicting eventual organized insurrections in every big city! The President's frank admission of his own fears was a discomforting revelation to the complacent.

Police Preparing for "Second Civil War"

Police departments across the country are bracing for the worst, fully expecting that the worst will come.

In nearly every major city, the police and National Guard units are planning co-ordinated anti-riot strategy. The purchase of war equipment — such as *armored cars and machine guns* — is becoming standard procedure. Selected police units in many cities are being given specialized training in anti-guerrilla-warfare techniques.

Private citizens in some large cities, too, are arming themselves because of the skyrocketing rise in crime, as well as the fear of summer violence. Police in Detroit and Kansas City areas, for example, have been giving instructions to interested citizens in the use of private firearms.

Rumors of a pyramiding "arms race" among both Whites and Negroes in some cities led one magazine writer recently to declare that a "Second Civil War" is brewing.

Years before racial turmoil first erupted, *The* PLAIN TRUTH warned its readers (see Deut. 28:43) that the blood would run deep in the streets of America's cities. What a tragedy that America as a whole has not listened to God's warnings.

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Everything you do is motivated by some "authority." Your beliefs, opinions - deepest convictions, are based on some "authority." Your dress, customs, diet and personal habits are the result of a certain "authority." Who is your authority? See page 42.

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