

# YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

"Let no man despise thy youth"—I. Timothy 4-12

## THE IDEAL LIFE

By Rev. R. J. Dixon

There are various views respecting what constitutes The Ideal Life. Let us consider a few of these opinions.

First, there are many who apparently believe that economic success assures The Ideal Life. If this class can acquire a substantial bank account, a good home, the best car, and such things, thus securing themselves against bodily discomfort, the Ideal Life will be achieved. It is a laudable thing to work toward economic success, providing strict honesty is adhered to and all selfishness is avoided in the process. Nevertheless, this attitude of mind is largely responsible for the present economic condition of the world, because it is a rare thing to find a man who is satisfied with enough.

There are others who act as if physical development, recreation and pleasure seeking lead to the Ideal Life. There is no question but a proper degree of these things may be commendable if they are used instrumentally for higher achievements.

Again, there is a class who look upon intellectual achievement as the way to the Ideal Life. They desire to be classed as the "Intelligentsia," and they aspire to become members of the super-intellectual aristocracy. Some of these become most unhappy because they discover that the one who has achieved the most intellectually, freely acknowledges that he has only been able to pick up a few pebbles on the shore of universal knowledge.

There is another class who believes that neither the acquisition of material wealth, nor the gratification of physical desires, nor even the highest intellectual attainments can ever supply all the needs of mortal man. This class seems to be in perfect agreement with Augustine when he said, "Thou hast made us for Thyself and we can never rest until we rest in Thee."

The Church of Jesus Christ is an institution which proposes to lead men to the Ideal Life. Many men of unquestioned integrity have declared that they have certainly found the way. Christ himself proclaimed, "I am the way, the truth, and the life." In the beginning of his great sermon He laid down the essentials of the Ideal Life as follows: Blessed are the poor in spirit; Blessed are the mourners; Blessed are the humble; Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness; Blessed are the merciful; Blessed are the pure in heart; Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness. When ever these basic principles are put into practice, they will lead a man through a spiritual regeneration and a cleansing of the heart to the Ideal Life.

## RIVERSIDE CAMP

We are looking forward to some very splendid work among the young people at Riverside Camp Meeting. A committee was appointed at Beulah which immediately went to work. Brother George DeLong was placed in charge of the daily services, with power to call upon any and all whom he may wish, in order to provide speakers, singers and whatever else is needed to make the meetings a success. One entire afternoon of the Camp will

be given over to a big Young People's Convention and Rally. We would like to have representatives from as many societies as possible present, and we send a special invitation to all young people everywhere to come. We promise you a good time, and the best in young people's services.

## READERS ALL!

A drive is being started to get subscriptions for the Highway from among the young people. Our motto is, "Every Society Member a Reader of the King's Highway." The Editor of the Highway, Rev. H. S. Dow, has very graciously offered to give new subscriptions to members of any of our societies for one dollar (\$1.00) per year. This is a very liberal offer, and shows us the interest he takes in our work. Let every society president check up on the number of subscriptions already in his society, and start getting new ones NOW. You will be hearing from the Associate Editors concerning further details, but a check-up will be made at the end of August to see which district has gained the largest number of subscriptions per capita. The result will be published.

Remember that only society members are eligible for this special offer. Send all subscriptions to Rev. H. S. Dow, 237 Weldon St., Moncton, N. B. BEGIN NOW.

H. J. S. B.

## NOTE

A picture was taken at Beulah Camp of all the young people gathered there at the Annual Convention. These are being developed and mounted, size 5 by 7 inches. A large number were sold at Beulah, and others may be had by writing to Miss Gertrude Watson, Aberdeen Street, Fredericton, N. B. The price is fifty cents (50c) per picture, which includes mailing charges. Be sure to send your address along with your name and money.

## A FRIEND

"A friend in need," my neighbor said to me;  
"A friend in need is what I mean to be.  
In time of trouble I will come to you,  
And in the hour of need you'll find me true."  
I thought a bit, then took him by the hand;  
"My friend," I said, "you do not understand  
The inner meaning of that simple rhyme;  
A friend is what the heart needs all the time."  
—Selected

## NO MAN LIVETH TO HIMSELF

Our lives, whether they are good or evil, are having an influence on everyone that we come in contact with. Whether we are conscious of it or not we influence others by our words, by our actions, and even by our looks. We influence them because of what we are. Our Saviour said, "Ye are the light of the world." Stand where you are and "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Who can measure the silent influence of a good life? What a bad influence an evil life has over others! Every life tends to convert or corrupt some other person. We cannot live without exerting an influence. "No man liveth to himself." We are dependent upon each other. So young people who

are trying to live Christian lives, do not be influenced by evil companions to do wrong, but do all you can to lead them to Jesus. There is a sacred obligation upon us to use our lives for the good of others.

R. M. C.

## EDITORIAL

### WISE OR FOOLISH

A few days ago I was hoeing in the garden when the sky darkened and a sprinkling of rain began to fall. Just then I heard a team and looked up to see a farmer driving down across the field with a mowing machine. This is what I said to myself: "That man is either a wise man or an awful fool. He either knows that it isn't going to rain very much, or he doesn't know enough not to mow hay in the rain." As it turned out, he was a good judge of the weather; the few drops of rain soon stopped and the sun reappeared. Although what he was doing looked absurd to me, he knew enough of what the weather was going to be like to go ahead and let results prove his position.

When a young person becomes a Christian, he is looked upon as being either wise or foolish, depending upon who is passing the opinion. The world says he is foolish, but he answers, "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." When he seeks the blessing of a clean heart and professes to be sanctified, he is usually considered to be fanatical or unnecessarily religious by those who do not believe in a second work of grace. But in spite of all such opinion he is always ready to give a reason of the hope that is in him. The experience satisfies him, and final results will convince all the doubters of the wisdom of his choice.

One day the tables will be turned. We who are willing now to become fools for Christ's sake will stand vindicated before all of God's creation—the foolish will become wise and the wise foolish, and we shall be "more than conquerors through him that loved us."

HARVEY J. S. BLANEY,  
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### BRIEFLY ABOUT OUR PAGE

I want to express my appreciation of the confidence of the young people, which was shown by their re-electing me as Editor of their page in the Highway. I feel that this is a very important part of our work, and I covet your most hearty co-operation. The Associate Editors will continue the same as last year: Miss Alice Tedley, District No. 1; Miss Hilda Doyle, District No. 2; Miss Oral Green, District No. 3; and Miss Marguerite Trafton, District No. 4. Will the societies please make the work of these as easy as possible by being prompt whenever called upon. Also, let every society be sure to have a reporter appointed, who will look after all material which should be sent to this page.

A number of our brethren have consented to write for our page, from which you will be hearing in a very short time. Among these are Rev. F. A. Watson, Rev. G. A. Rogers, Rev. S. G. Hilyard and Rev. H. L. Robertson. There will also be material from the leaders of our