

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

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

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### "OVERCOMES THROUGH CHRIST"

Message over Yarmouth Radio Station  
by Miss Thelma Rose

Paul in the first verse of the 12th chapter of Romans says: "I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God which is your reasonable service." Throughout the same chapter he continues to exhort them concerning how to keep in the Christian way. In the last verse he sums it up in this: "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." It is impossible for an individual to overcome evil with good unless he has presented himself a living sacrifice to God, which means that we are wholly yielded to him, our future and ambitions, our will, our abilities, our very all given to the Master. All Christians will realize before they have been following Christ very long that there are evils to overcome, and if we do not overcome them, they will surely overcome us, resulting in our being defeated by the enemy of our souls.

We will mention some of the different forms of evil that we must overcome:

First: TEMPTATION. In this Christ was an overcomer. His encounter with the devil in the wilderness is recorded in Matt. 4. Each suggestion of the enemy was defeated, for Christ met him with the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, saying, "It is written." The enemy always flees in defeat when we meet him with God's Word, which has stood the test of the ages. Heb. 2:18 says: "For in that He Himself hath suffered being tempted, He is able to succour them that are tempted."

Secondly: We must overcome DISCOURAGEMENT. It is the "most used" of all the devil's implements. With it he has wrecked many souls. If we look for things to discourage, we will surely find them, but if we are trusting God we can see things to encourage in the darkest times. God realized Joshua's need of encouragement when he was about to take Moses' place in leading the children of Israel, and three times He exhorted him to be strong and of good courage. Then after hearing from God, Joshua encouraged the people, who in turn encouraged him. One of the greatest needs of Christian people in these days, is to be strong and of good courage, and to encourage one another.

Thirdly: We must overcome MISUNDERSTANDING. Much trouble and many heart aches are caused through misunderstanding. Christ was misunderstood by the majority, and we shall be misunderstood by the world. Peter, in his first epistle, ch. 4:2-4, exhorts the Christian that he should no longer live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God. Speaking of the Gentiles, he continues, "wherein they think it strange that ye run not with them to the same excess of riot, speaking evil of you."

Fourthly: We must overcome the WORLD. In John's gospel 16:33 comforting words of Jesus to his disciples are recorded: "These things have I spoken unto you that ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation but be of good cheer, I have overcome

the world." Then in his first epistle John writes: I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known him that is from the beginning. I have written unto you young men because ye are strong, and the Word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one. Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. Again he declares: "Whosoever is born of God overcometh the world, and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the son of God? Thank God, we can be overcomers through Jesus Christ! Paul exhorts us to OVERCOME EVIL WITH GOOD. This coincides with Christ's teaching and His example. In the book of Revelation it is written concerning the redeemed saints: "And they overcame him (the wicked one) by the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony, and they loved not their lives unto death." The blood of Christ has never lost its power! God has provided a salvation that is perfect in every detail, and cannot be improved upon. Best of all, it is for "whosoever will." The all-sufficient grace of God will enable us to overcome all evil, and be more than conquerors.

### ARE YOU JOINING UP?

Seventy million young Americans and Canadians with no challenge to call them to high service and bring out the best that is in them. Seventeen million five hundred thousand of them never darken the door of Sunday school or sanctuary. What can be done to save our young? I am still praying for a second "Peter the Hermit" to call Christian youth to a "Youth's Crusade for Youth." Should he come, and call, WOULD YOU RESPOND?

Age may sympathize, but cannot respond. Middle age will not likely do so. Children cannot qualify. Softies need not apply. The task is one for strong, vigorous, clear-eyed, forward-looking, hopeful youth. Yet even to these we have a word to say—count the cost before you enlist, lest after joining up you find yourself unable to face it, and your subsequent falling out of ranks do harm to the cause in general, your friends in particular, and to those whom we wish to join hand and heart with Jesus and rise to their noblest and their best.

And for what must the Crusader come prepared?

Come prepared to enlist in this war "your soul, your life, your all." Come prepared to give up every sin. Come prepared to give up every entangling and hindering alliance. Come prepared to let Him save you uttermostly from the depths of sin to the heights of divine grace. Come prepared to go clear through to the entire sanctification of your whole nature by the burning baptism with the Holy Ghost. You will need the purity of it to keep good victory yourself, as well as to set the right example for others. You will need the power of it to give you proper influence with God and saving influence with man. Come prepared for this, or do not come at all; you will never make it without this. Are you joining up?  
By Charles V. Fairbairn

### YOUNG PEOPLE AND MODERN DRESS

Cody Rose

We are living in a day when the cry of "popularity" is the cry of young people. What must I do to be popular? We see it in the home, on the street, in the office, and even in the church.

One of the greatest demands of popularity concerns the dress question. The public in general is reaching after the latest fashions of the day. Professed Christian people are being swept along by the throngs of popularity seekers. Young people, you who profess to be following Jesus, where are you?

Ministers everywhere are compromising on the dress question. Many are indifferent about it. Laymen criticize the ministry if very much is said about dress. Thus spirituality is being sacrificed on the altar of modern-day dress. To choose popularity is to choose death to spiritual life. True, if you would be spiritual you will be unnoticed by the world, yes and even rejected. What is that compared to sweet fellowship with Jesus?

God said to Cain, "If thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door." The fact that you are harboring carnality within your heart is the reason you have been defeated on this question. Eradicate the cause. Carnality! and you will be free from the effect.—Good Tidings.

### HOW IS YOUR Y. P. SOCIETY PROGRESSING?

We have had little correspondence from our Societies of late, and wish that we might have some reports from the various groups regarding their spiritual state, plan of meetings, etc. This has been one of the most interesting features of our Y. P. Page in the past, and we cannot afford to lose it. Will every Society leader see that a report of their work is sent in to us? Thanks!

### LAST CALL TO YOUNG PEOPLE OF DISTRICT NO. 3

District Convention to be held at Seal Cove, May 4-7. Special speaker for the rally, Rev. Gordon Symonds, Wood's Harbour, N. S., who is president of our Y. P. Association.

All societies of the district are requested to send delegates and report by letter.

Good messages, special music, election of officers, and other features promise to make this convention one you can't afford to miss.

### A PRAYER FOR DULL DAYS

"Almighty God, from whose hand came the sun with all its splendour, and about whom shine myriad stars, shine in our hearts, and light up our lives, and fill us with the radiance of joy and faith. Teach us to be lamps of Thine in a dark world; and may the flame of righteousness and love burn in us so constantly and so brightly that others may see their way more clearly.

We ask this in the Name of Him who was in truth the Light of the world and a light unto our feet. Amen."

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee.—Isa. 26:3.