

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

"Let no man despise thy youth"—1 Timothy 4:12

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## LET US HEED THIS CALL!

On another page of the Highway you will find a stirring article entitled, "Tell All America to Go to Its Knees!" It is a cause of great rejoicing that not a few of the men in the Armed Forces appreciate the value of prayer. While there are many who are worldly and indifferent to spiritual things, there are others who know the Lord, are seeking to witness for Him, and are looking to Him for victory and true peace.

Your Y. P. Editor is privileged to receive many letters from service men in various parts of this continent and overseas. The Christian fortitude indicated by many is an inspiration. Here is an excerpt from a letter recently received from overseas: "I am alone here, as far as Christian fellowship is concerned. And yet I can't say alone, because Christ is living in my heart. Though separated from other Christians, I find God's grace is sufficient. When we make our requests and needs known to Him, He comes back with the reply, as He did to Paul, 'My grace is sufficient for thee.' And true enough, it is, for I have proved Him o'er and o'er."

I am in need of your careful thought when you pray. Let us continue to bear each other to God and His Throne of Grace."

Most every letter received contains this appeal, "Pray for us." There is no complaint, no evidence of undue self-pity, just a simple request that we speak to our Father and Lord in their behalf and ask Him to keep them in His care.

Surely this is a call to which we should respond eagerly.

One of our churches has adopted the following plan: The names of men and women in the Services, for whom friends and loved ones request special prayer, are given to the pastor. On Friday night of each week there is a special time of prayer for those whose names are handed in. They are distributed among those present so that each one is prayed for personally. Furthermore, the name or names received by each individual represents a special subject of prayer for the following week. The names are exchanged or redistributed the next Friday, and thus the cycle of prayer continues incessantly.

Whatever plan is adopted, special prayer petitions should be offered by every church and every Christian in response to this appeal. Let us answer this call to prayer!

For those we love, dear Lord, we ask  
That Thou will help them in their task;  
'Tis Thine to save alive or kill,  
Bring them safe home, if such Thy will;  
And may they trust, amid the strife,  
In Christ, Who gives eternal life!

## THE TWILIGHT DOOR

By Judson A. Sanders

An Angel sang at twilight,  
A carol sweet and long.  
We could not see its harp of gold,  
We could not hear its song.

A door swung in the twilight—  
Swung silently and wide.  
Your last farewell was uttered,  
Our tears we could not hide.

You crossed the shadow threshold,  
And left the form of clay.

We laid it 'neath the sod, until  
The Resurrection Day.

You crossed the shadow threshold,  
The door of space and time—  
Born swift by Angel pinions,  
To realms of bliss sublime.

The twilight brings to us the dark;  
The tide flows on and on—  
The hour of dusk to you is but  
The twilight of the dawn.

To you a gleam, a pearly gate,  
And then the streets of gold:  
The glory of the throne of God,  
And joys no tongue hath told.

Strange joy upholds us in our loss,  
And dries our tears away;  
Oh, blessed hope to know you dwell  
In Heaven's endless day!

In Memory of Mildred M. Fawcett

Yarmouth Hospital,  
Yarmouth, N. S.

Dear Young People:

Greetings to you all.

It is encouraging to think of you each one daily living for Christ. Often we think we are alone, but when we realize that there are many of us, each in our own sphere of activity, we realize that there is strength in unity. We are a band of soldiers of the Cross.

Paul, in writing to Timothy, charged him to "fight the good fight of faith." This life of faith is the true Christian life and is a warfare or fight. In order to live such a life we must have such a vision of Christ that nothing shall ever turn us aside. Paul had such a vision, that it changed his whole life and made him the mighty man of God that he was. He could say with the hymn-poet.

"I have seen the face of Jesus, tell me naught  
of earth beside,  
I have heard the voice of Jesus and my soul  
is satisfied.  
For He shed His blood on Calvary and He  
saves me by His grace,  
And I find my all in Jesus, my eternal resting  
place."

The great Apostle could come to the end of life with this triumphant testimony: "I have fought the good fight." One writer has said, "This passage (II. Tim. 4:6-8) regarding Paul's finished course and coming reward is more than an outbreak of personal joy: Behind it is his strong desire to encourage Timothy to fight his own fight and run his own race."

Today, young people, the challenge is to us to fight the good fight of faith by giving our best to our God, and carrying out His commands.

"I'll be a soldier for Jesus, no matter what  
others may do,  
I've in His army enlisted and sworn Him alle-  
giance true,  
Here by His grace let me battle until the vic-  
tory I see,  
I'll be a soldier for Jesus, He can depend upon  
me."

In Christian love,

MYRA CROWELL

To be ignorant of one's ignorance is the malady  
of ignorance.—A. B. Alcott.

## THE TOP SIX

Assembled in Chicago were the 750 boys and girls for the Congress of the 4-H Club. One function of the gathering was the selection of the six healthiest. The winners, three boys and three girls, were from fifteen to eighteen years of age, coming from Minnesota (2), Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Alabama.

The reporters wanted these prize-takers to tell how they "got that way." The replies emphasized hard work, open air, and plenty to eat. Then the report said, "None of them smoked, and all of them swore by their favorite beverage, milk." The "rummies" and cigarette advertisers slipped a little here. Their representatives should have been on hand to pay \$500 each to these youngsters for saying that they are so because they have taken certain brands of alcohol and nicotine. But seriously, (would you say accidental?) that all the winners were abstainers from alcohol and cigarettes (that is the implication here)? It is the "Postum" people who say, "There's a reason."—The Free Methodist.

## GOD ANSWERS PRAYER

This is the testimony of George Muller, the founder of the five great orphanages erected at Bristol, England:

"Our universal remedy for all our difficulties is prayer, faith and patience. The beginning of anxiety is the end of faith, and the beginning of true faith is the end of anxiety."

"Faith is developed—or increased—by clinging to the Word of God, looking for its fulfillment in the time of need, expecting the answer to prayers, and to do this in spite of all contrary appearances. As I began 65 years and eight months since, so I continue, and am not in the least tired of this life of entire dependence upon God; nay, the very reverse. It is a delightful task to me, to roll all my burdens upon God, and to speak to Him about everything, as anyone would open his heart to his bosom friend."

"I wish to direct the Church of God at large to the fact that God is what He was in the days of the prophets and apostles, ever willing and able to answer the prayers of His children, when they ask for things according to His mind (1 John 5:14); if they ask on the ground of the merits and worthiness of the Lord Jesus; viz., in His name (John 14:14): if they believe that God is able and willing to answer their prayer (Mark 11:24): if they do not live in sin (Psa. 66:18), and if they go on in believing prayer, till the answer is given; for God has not a fixed time when our prayer shall be answered."—Selected.

## THE PULPIT MUST NOT BE—

a dispenser of hate, a propaganda agency, a recruiting desk for any political party, a bomb-proof shelter, a refuge from reality, an opportunity for one man to air his private opinions, a sounding-board for any economic group, a defender of special privilege or a spokesman for the malcontents, an expression of pious opinion for personal profit, a fountain of soft soap, an echo of the latest sport page, a purveyor of gossip or slander, or a vehicle for the gratification of vanity.—Christain Advocate.