

"Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth."
—ECCLES. 12:1

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

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AN IMPORTANT QUESTION

"I really enjoyed the Y. P. service tonight John. Your message was so inspiring and the singing of those grand old Gospel hymns was a blessing to my soul. It was just what I needed as the devil has been hounding me lately and telling me there wasn't any use—just a half dozen young people in the Society anyway—why not get out and enjoy life like other young people."

"I'm glad it was a help to you Fred."

"I'll see you later John, I must be going now."

"Oh! tell me Fred, are you going to the denominational Y. P. rally at Moncton over the holiday week-end in May?"

"No, I guess not. It's quite a distance to go and it would be rather expensive, so I'll just spend the time fishing out at the lake."

"You know the old saying Fred, 'A chain is only as strong as its weakest link.' How far will our work as a Holiness Young Peoples' Group expand if you and perhaps dozens of others take the same indifferent attitude?"

"But it would cost quite a bit."

"I realize that, but I have seen us go a good many miles a good many times to see a hockey final or a basketball play-off when we were running with the world and serving the devil. Those trips not only cost us our fare but a good deal besides. Here we are now serving a God of love and we can't take the time or the money to go and support the cause even though they give us free entertainment in fine Christian homes after we get there."

"But how could I be a help to the meeting? I have no special talent."

"What would happen if you looked upon each of the regular services like that? You wouldn't be here much, would you? You know yourself that our very presence is a help to a meeting and people looking on are made to stop and think that it must be worth while if so many attend. There are more young people watching this rally than you think. It must be the biggest and best yet to prove a blessing to the cause of God. If the attendance at this rally grows smaller than in previous years it wouldn't make much impression on those who are watching. The unsaved ones here in our own local Society won't think there is much to this salvation if it doesn't give us a zeal and desire to attend a rally—why rallies are something extra special."

"Yes, I suppose I should go even though it is quite a ways."

"Certainly you should. It isn't only that it

is more or less your duty to be on hand to help boost the work but it would be a blessing to your own soul. There will be people there from every society, if they don't all take your attitude, and you would enjoy their fellowship. You say you enjoyed the singing tonight, think of the times of blessing when that crowd gets singing—why it will be a corner of Beulah! Then think of the special singing! DeVerne Mullen, the baritone soloist of Saint John, will be there; the Quartette from the Holiness Bible Institute at Woodstock. Why, it's hard to say how many other special singers."

"Who is to be the speaker?"

"I thought you had heard. It's to be Rev. H. E. Enty of Houghton, N. Y. He's on the faculty of the Holiness Bible Institute this year you know. They say he's a good speaker and I hear he's quite a singer too. I don't know how you could miss it Fred."

"Say! You have me all enthused about going now. I'll be there for the first service Friday night and I'm going to try and stay right through to the Christian Witness Broadcast, Monday night. You're right John, we should put everything we can into the work of God after all He's done for us. I'm going to begin making my plans tonight. Perhaps I can persuade Harry to go with me. Thanks for the talk John and for showing me my duty and opportunity, I appreciate it. Good night now."

"Glad you reconsidered Fred, we'll feel more like taking hold of the work here when we get back too. Good-night."

Reader, are you going to the rally? It is an important question because if you answer in the affirmative your soul will be blessed and you'll be helping to tear down the strong holds of the enemy. **You better plan to attend.**

THE FATE OF THE TREES

By Marvin Bauer

The prayer of faith is always answered but not always just as we expect. May I illustrate this with a story?

Three large trees stood in a dense forest. One day they prayed and each asked that when he was felled he might be converted into a special use.

The first prayed he might be in a beautiful place where kings and queens dwelt and visitors would come and gaze with awe.

The second desired to be a large ship to sail the seven seas and encircle the globe.

The third wanted to stay in the forest and to grow into the tallest tree there thus pointing a higher finger to God.

One day the woodsmen came and chopped down the first tree and instead of a palace, it was made into a common stable but a virgin and her husband found shelter there and that night there was born the fairest babe in all creation and ever since men and angels have been singing "Glory to God in the Highest."

Thirty years passed, the second tree was felled and made into a small ship, launched on the sea of Galilee; a tall young man stood on the deck of that ship and with a heart-warming smile told the multitude "I came that you might have life and enjoy it more abundantly."

Soon the third tree was chopped down, the limbs were made into a cross and beastly men goaded on by devilish spirits, pinned His shoulders down and nailed that young man to the cross—the loveliest personality that ever walked the earth. Ever since, that cross has been pointing the road to Paradise, the road which is open to all and the final station on which and where God is and where He has "prepared a place" for them that love Him. Have you seen Him in the manger? Have you heard Him through His Word spoken by the shore? Have you seen Him die there on the Cross for you as an individual? Have you seen Him rise Victor over the grave and ascend to be with His Father? Have you heard Him say: "If I go I will come again that where I am ye may be also?" The heart that has once met Jesus will be filled with eternal love.

THE TONGUE

You have a little prisoner,
He's nimble, sharp and clever,
He's sure to get away from you
Unless you watch him ever.
And when he once gets out, he makes
More trouble in an hour
Than you can stop in many a day
Working with all your power.
He gets your playmates by the ears,
He says what isn't so,
And uses many ugly words
Not good for you to know.
Quick fasten tight the ivory gates
And chain him while he's young!
For this most dangerous prisoner
Is just—your little tongue.

—Now.

"If you want the Lord to hear you say, 'Our Father!' on your knees, live 'Our Father,' on your feet."—Sel.

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