

"Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth."

—ECCLES. 12:1

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

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EDITORIAL

Psalm 119:150 "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path."

The psalmist David knew something about the Word of God. Although he had little more than the Jewish law to read and keep, he also had a wonderful insight into the very kernel of God's truth. He saw in the Law of God, the God of the Law. He, through diligent study and much searching discovered sublime thoughts and took great delight in expressing them. His mind ran in heavenly channels so he was able to speak the mind of God. God spoke to him and he spoke to man.

David saw God in everything. Indeed he realized that God was the source and essence of all that existed. God was the cause of nature and the maker of man. To David nothing had shape or form that had not first of all been fashioned by God. He gave honour and glory to Him who rules and governs the universe. Why did David have such a big God? Because he loved the law of God, and meditated upon it. In so doing it became part of him. It was the life blood of his spiritual body, which continually worked its way into his physical being. He practised the presence of God because stirring and surging within him was the life of God. When God is within He must be shown without. David saw to it that God had a chance to exhibit Himself.

God revealed Himself to David through His Word, and in so doing David makes the grand discovery that His Word was a lamp unto his feet. In other words God's Word was the vessel through which light shone. He lived in a dark day and all around him were enemies. They sought to take his life and to bring to nought the work that God had for him to do. His friends proved untrue, and left Him when he needed them most. No wonder that he turned to the Word of God. There he found consolation and peace. The warmth of the Word kept his feet from getting too cold. When a person's feet get cold it affects their whole body. The temperature of our feet will be a safe guide as to the kind of places we find them travelling to so often! If a man has cold feet it is because he remains where it is cold, if a man has warm feet he delights in keeping them cosy. Cold feet is fast becoming the lot of those who sit in the pews of our churches. The burning heat of God's Holy Spirit never reaches their feet and moves them towards God. A number are content to remain in their seats even when they know that they are suffering with chill-blains. The fire of heavenly love is a certain cure for cold feet, and all the other complaints that go with them.

Not only does warmth emanate from a lamp but light issues from it also. Without light the lamp is just an ornament. It is admired during the day, but unseen at night. It may look good, and be fashioned in such a manner that brings the appreciation of all who view it, yet if it shines not in the dark, it is not fulfilling its purpose.

In a world such as this we need to know where we are treading. We need a light for our feet. Our feet need to step into the footprints of those that God has prepared for us. Our pathway through life is studded with divine footprints, "This is the way, walk ye

in it." Our God has gone before and has not left us to wander in the dark, there is a light unto our path. The closer we keep that light to our feet the easier it will be to trace the steps of God.

Our journey through life will take us through much of sorrow or sadness, there will be times when it will be hard to see the marks upon the path, yet holding the lamp of God's Word close to our feet we will discover that the marks are distinguishable even on the darkest night.

Let each one of us revive our Bible reading and assimilate the deep truths of God, then we will be able to say with David, "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

Black's Harbour, N. B.,

September 25, 1949.

Dear Young People,

We feel that a report from our Society would be in order at this time. We as a group of young people are very grateful for all the blessings that God has bestowed upon us.

Since our last report God has given us several young men and women who are proving to be a great blessing in the church and about the community. Our services are held every Friday evening with a good attendance. The Spirit of God is present during the meetings.

Our pastor and his wife, Lic. and Mrs. Fernley, are a help and blessing to us, for which we thank God.

There are other young people for whom we are praying, and are trusting God to use us in bringing them in.

We as Christians need to live close to God so that as others look upon our lives they will see something of the beauty of Jesus. Let us live in the spirit and the atmosphere of the hymn writer who said,

"Bless me Lord and make me a blessing,
I'll gladly Thy message convey,
Use me to help some poor needy soul,
And make me a blessing today."

Yours in His Service,

LOIS HAMILTON, President.

HOW FIVE SOULS DID IT

A business man in Wales spoke to his office boy about his soul, and from that word a work began which won his entire office force to Christ.

A merchant in England determined that not one day would pass without his speaking to someone about Christ; in one year he had led scores to Christ.

An invalid Christian woman in Australia, for thirty years unable to put her foot to the floor, by means of her pen and prayer led forty people to Christ in a single year.

A Christian gentleman spoke to a young boy a few moments on one occasion. That boy became a Christian and later a minister of the Gospel.

A Sunday School teacher took one of her class of boys for a walk on a Sabbath afternoon when the session of school was over. She told him of her concern that he should become a Christian, and had the joy of seeing him yield his life to Christ.

These all "redeemed the time."

—Selected.

DO NOT BE AFRAID

Do not be afraid to accept responsibility. There is always a place, always a welcome, for people who are ready to accept responsibility.

Do not be afraid to stand up for the right, even in the face of a sneer. No man ever yet made his mark who did not have to face ridicule.

Do not be afraid that you will do too much and earn more than your salary. Salaries are not increased to stimulate employees to do better work, but as a recognition that they earn more than they are getting.

Do not be afraid to work for what you want. The younger person who adopts this as his rule of life will go much farther than the one who asks, and lets others do the work.

—Youth's Comrade.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Educate a man without Bible salvation and you make him but a clever clown.

Worthy goals must be reached by worthy means; otherwise they cease to be worthy.

To be a truly Bible Christian, I must also be a Spirit-filled and Spirit-led Christian.

A task worth doing and friends worth having make life worth living.

Real knowledge like everything else of value is not to be obtained easily. It must be worked for, studied for, thought for, and, more than all, must be prayed for.

The church is full of willing people, some are willing to work, and others are willing to let them.

NEARER, EVER NEARER !!

Nearer, nearer! This my plea—

Let me lose myself in Thee.

Every day and every hour

Witness thy soul-saving power.

Oh, gracious Lord, for this I pray—

Give grace unto me for this day.

When life's temptations come to me,

May I more closely cling to Thee,

When sorrows come, and toil and care,

May I always know that Thou art there.

DOROTHY CONANT STROUD.

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