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

r dealing with the backslider

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

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EDITORIAL

WINDOW BLINDS

Most people are conversant with the above named articles. They are used by every household. In fact they are an imperative in every house. No house is complete without them. They are made of different materials and have many different colours. They differ also in type. Some are expensive, some are cheap. Some last for a long time; others need renewing occasionally.

Why all these facts about "bilnds"? I think we can draw some spiritual lessons from these well known articles.

First, everyone possesses blinds. With most of us they were pulled down all the time. When our little house was created we began to look at the world through the windows and soon discovered it was dark outside. We seldom saw a ray of sunshine pierce the gloom. When we attended Sunday School and began to awaken to the possibilities that were before us of bringing light and cheer to the world, we discovered that our blinds were pulled down. Try as we might we could not give our light to the world for the darkness of the world was in our house as well. Our spiritual blinds were down and there was no light within the house. Satan had blinded our eyes and we were no different from the rest.

Secondly, our blinds consist of different materials and colours. Satan has always been the manufacturer and painter of blinds. He made and painted the first blind, and has been and still is the owner and managing director of the blind company. He gave to Eve a blind which he called a window. He said, "Eat of the tree and your eyes will be open and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil." What he actually did was to pull the blind over her spiritual eyes and she lost the light of God. He was a liar from the beginning. Most people's blinds are different in material. We could name a few blinds: Pride, jealousy, anger, malice, evil-speaking, envy, self-righteousness, selfishness. Some people possess all these colours in some degree with on apparent major colour visible. Others have a definite shade that no one else could mistake.

Thirdly, blinds differ in type. Some work on a spring; others like the venetian, work by pulling a string. Whatever the action, they perform the task for which they are made. They shut out light. Have you ever pulled the blinds down? Have you fiddled with the

string and gently shut the slats, or perhaps reached for the tassel and snapped down the blind almost pulling it off the wall bracket? Light has made its intrusion and men love darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil.

So we could go on, window blinds could give us a lot to talk about. What about your spiritual blinds, Young People? Are they down or up? Let them up when the dawn comes and keep them up until the sun sinks in the Western sky and you bid farewell to darkness for ever. If they are up already, see that you keep lifting them to let a little more of God's sunshine in. We control the blind, let us see to it that we have a Master whom we love and obey and at His command do His bidding.

A WORTH WHILE TOUR

I am sure the recent tour of Brother Conard Stairs with the girls' trio to our churches has been of great value. Speaking for the service here we enjoyed every moment of it. The singing was excellent and the presentation of B. B. C., with its needs and accomplishments was of the highest order. I doubt whether any church can now feel our College is not worth while. Personally I feel it is a necessity and we could not get along without it. We trust next September that a record enrollment. will be realized and that many of our Young People will feel a pull to this College which has been of God's planting.

ASSURANCE

I do not know what it may cost to win him, Lord-

The one for whom I pray on bended knee;

But thou who knowest all, and could afford To suffer, bleed, and die for him, can plainly see.

Tho' years have past since first my prayer went winging

From melted heart unto Thy throne above,

Shall I give way to doubt? Nay I am singing, "God answers prayer! Love cannot fail, for God is love."

Perhaps my part has not yet been completed-The corn of wheat could never bear until it died.

Let not Thy holy purpose be defeated,

Nor let we from the price of victory turn aside.

Till then I shall pray on, and keep the incense burning

Upon the altar of a staunch, expectant faith,

For some glad day the soul for which I'm yearning

Thou shalt redeem by Thy abounding grace.

-Francis B. Erickson

Dear Young People,

Greetings in Jesus precious name from our Young People's Society at Millville.

We are enjoying His presence and blessing in our Young People's services held on Saturday evening.

Our annual Young People's business meeting was held on June 16, 1951, at which new officers were elected for the coming year.

We are sorry to be losing our former Young People's President, Karl Gorman, however we are glad that he is going to Bethany. Hoping to meet you all again at Beulah.

Yours in Him,

Ruth M. Morgan.

A CONFESSION

Mrs. Minnie Dowson of Oshkosh, Nebr., has requested that we make a confession for her through the paper. Back in 1942 she sought and obtained a divorce from her husband. About two years later while going through a heart searching time God showed her that she had done wrong in getting a divorce and had missed it. Immediately she wrote to her husband, made her confession, and asked forgiveness. In her recent seeking God revealed to her that she needed to make her confession to the church people through the paper. She is desperately seeking for a full deliverance from all sin and the pride of her heart. She requests that the readers of the paper pray for her.

CHRISTLIKE

Christians are to be Christlike, or like Christ. Let us dress, act, do like Christians-BE Christians—real sincere followers of the One who died and gave Himself for us, that we might live, and not perish. "For

G od so loved the world, that he gave his

O nly begotten

S on, that whosoever believeth in him should

P erish, but have

E verlasting

L ife," (John 3:16).

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