

## THE BEST FOR GOD

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sacrifice. If you have not yet taken that great step, then let me urge you to take it now. Let your consecration be something very definite and very real. Enter into a solemn covenant with your Lord and pledge yourself His forever. Let this be your prayer:

"Just as I am, young, strong and free,  
To be the best that I can be,  
For truth, and righteousness, and Thee,  
Lord of my life—I come."

And what will the practical outcome be? I have no space to touch upon this in any detail, but let me say that real consecration will show itself in every department of life. Let me indicate just three directions in which it will affect us very markedly.

(1) **In our Devotional Life.** If we have enthroned Christ as King, we shall long to grow in grace and in the knowledge of Him; we shall long, too, to love Him more and to become more like Him. Like Mary, we shall delight in sitting at His feet in sweet communion. His Word will become more precious to us; prayer will become more real; the privileges of worshipping in His House and of gathering round His Table will be more highly valued; and thus our inner lives will become stronger and richer and deeper.

(2) **In our Daily Walk.** When Christ is Lord, our everyday lives will bear the impress of His sovereignty. Our time and our talents must be at His disposal. Thoughts, tongue and temper must be beneath His control. In all things He must have the pre-eminence. **"Whether ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God"** (I Cor. 10:31). That is practical consecration, and our consecration is nothing if it is not practical. Unless the fruit of the Spirit is being seen in our lives we had better not begin to talk about being consecrated Christians.

3) **In our Christian Service.** The Apostle says, **"The love of Christ constraineth us"**—compels us, overpowers us, conquers us—**"because we thus judge, that . . . He died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but UNTO HIM which died for them, and rose again."**

That is the one great overmastering life-purpose of the Christian: to live for Christ, to labour in His service, to make known His Name to the uttermost parts of the earth. This will express itself in all that we do for our Master; in the love-service we render others for His sake; in our efforts to bear witness to Him by word of mouth; in the gifts we offer for the extension of His Kingdom at home and abroad; in our prayers for His work and His workers everywhere. By these and other means may we yield Him our consecrated service, and ever give our best to Him who gave His best for us.

Whole-hearted! Saviour, beloved and glorious,  
Take Thy great power and reign Thou alone,

Over our wills and affections victorious—  
Freely surrendered and wholly Thine own.  
—Living Waters

George Whitefield's prayer was, "O Lord, make me an extraordinary Christian." He sought extraordinary grace, and he was answered by extraordinary usefulness.—Clipped.

## THE CAMPUS CORNER

### THE SCHOOL BOARD VISITS US

Wednesday, November 12th, marked the beginning session of the fall meeting of the School Board of Bethany Bible College. The Board met in the office of the President with all of its personnel present and the Superintendent, and the President of the School. The recently-appointed chairman, Rev. H. R. Ingersoll, presided over the sessions. The other two new members of the Board were present: Rev. A. D. Cann and Rev. R. H. Parks. Reverends H. S. Wilson, F. A. Anderson and P. H. Green, continuing in their terms of service, were also in attendance.

Enthusiasm and aggressiveness characterized the Board meetings and the personal expressions of its members. A oneness in purpose and vision pervaded all deliberations. In spite of apparent sizable financial problems, the Board plans to enlarge and improve the school's facilities and program. If there is as great an increase in enrollment next year as there has been this year over last year's, a building for dormitory use will have to be secured. The Board will meet that challenge when it arises; and they are confident, as we are, that our people will meet that challenge also.

A highlight of the Board's visit was a chapel service in which all of the Board members participated. Each one gave his testimony and expressed his personal feeling about the School. Something akin to a campmeeting spirit prevailed, and all of our hearts were refreshed by it.

The Board left that same day, but it left behind something: a feeling that they shared with us, faculty and students, a mutual concern and vision for the school we love.

### QUARTERLY MEETING, DISTRICT NO. 2

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 2 convened with the church at Westchester Sept. 11—14 inclusive.

Rev. Roosevelt Benson brought the opening message on "The Purpose of Life," which should be serving God. The Friday evening message was given by Lic. Llyle Harvey on "Revival and the Need of it."

The regular business session was held on Saturday afternoon, and conducted as usual. While waiting for the report of the Devotional committee, we had a praise and testimony service.

Saturday evening Rev. B. C. Cochrane spoke for a short while on the Crusade and its work and then Bro. James Price brought a short and inspiring message.

The short session of Sunday School was in charge of Sister Mary Campbell and Rev. R. Benson. Mrs. B. C. Cochrane led the Love Feast. The morning service was in charge of Rev. A. L. Stairs, who spoke on Holiness, and the Great Need of it."

The Sunday afternoon message was given by Lic. L. Harvey on "Singleness of Purpose". Rev. B. C. Cochrane brought the closing message from Luke 22:31. The Quarterly closed with a good testimony and praise service. God's presence was felt in a special way throughout this Quarterly.

MRS. ARNOLD STAIRS,

Secretary.

### AN EVENTFUL MORNING

The morning of November 14, 1952, was an eventful one at Bethany Bible College. It was a morning which had been foreseen by some people of vision, for many months, and even years.

In recent weeks we of the faculty and student body waited in rather impatient anticipation for this morning, which had been delayed again and again. But on this morning, unlike other mornings on which we had hoped, the radiators were hot—the new central heating plant was in operation. In place of two old furnaces, a jacket heater, and nine cheap little stoves, we had one heating unit which supplied our large three-story Main Building. (When finances are available this system will be connected to all our buildings).

#### A Thankful School

We had gone into cold classrooms many mornings, and some of us had gone to bed with an uneasiness as we listened to a strong, cold wind and thought of the several little stoves which had been filled for night burning. Our sense of appreciation was real that morning. Shortly before twelve o'clock, classes were dismissed and faculty and students gathered in the long hallway of the Administration Building. Present also, were two guests: Rev. H. R. Ingersoll and Rev. W. L. Ferney. The President, Rev. N. E. Trafton, led the group in singing "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." Then Rev. H. R. Ingersoll, Chairman of the School Board, led us in a prayer of thanksgiving.

#### An Honored Guest

It was fitting that Brother Ingersoll was present for the occasion, because he had long before advocated such a heating system when he was business manager of the school.

#### A Loyal People

Last year's School Board and the President had brought final plans to completion. However, the people who made this modern hot-water heating system, with automatic stoker, a reality were the "unknowns" who quietly put a day's pay in envelopes marked, "A Day's Pay for Bethany." The response to the day's-pay-for-Bethany idea was overwhelming.

Over and above budgets, three thousand and one hundred dollars raised in a day! Enough to pay half of the contractor's bill! The Business Manager states that as some churches have not reported yet, the total will be higher than it now is. It appears as though another day's pay offering next year will pay the entire bill of \$6,200 within a twelve-month period. Such a small group of people meeting such a large bill—in addition to regular giving—in such a short time seems almost incredible. We remember that only five weeks ago the same people gave in the thousands to home missions; a couple of months earlier they pledged thousands at our summer camp meetings for denominational work. But Calebs do things like these.

Let us sincerely thank pastors and lay people, church members and non-church members—God's people everywhere—who supported this project.