



News and Notes for Young People

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If I Were IN MY TEENS I Would

Become truly converted.
Take an active part in my Church.
Respect my parents.
Help create a good home life.
Be an honest student.
Get High School and College training if at all possible.
Learn how to work.
Discover the value of money.
Find my life's work.
Make close friendship with some older people.
Listen to advice.
Not make a fool of myself by imitating bad habits.
Participate in clean, wholesome fun.
Acquire friendship with both sexes.
Hold a high moral standard.
Think seriously of what I desired in a future companion.
and begin a friendship closely guarded to that end.
"Rejoice, O young man in thy youth." Ecc. 11:9a

By P. L. Kindschi.

SHIELD AMONG BAYONETS

WHILE A NATION cocked its ears and watched the bayonets in recent Little Rock, Ark., school integration strife, the heart of one of the drama's principals clung to a Scripture verse.

Fifteen-year-old Melba Pattillo, daughter of a local school teacher, was one of the nine Negro students barred from Central School by segregationists.

Before entering the school Melba explained she was haunted by feelings of "courage, fear and challenge."

"With the morning came my definite decision: 'I must go.'" She continued. "The verse came to me, 'The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in Him, and I am helped.' With this verse in my heart I entered the halls of Central High.

Melba added, "Each time as I was about to give up, exhausted by the jeers and insulting remarks, some kind face would come up and say, 'I want you here,' or 'you're pretty,' or 'won't you stay and fight it out?' This made all the insults fade into the background."

—Conquest.

THE SECRET OF JOY

He who lives without prayer, he who lives with little prayer, he who seldom reads the Word, he who seldom looks up to heaven for a fresh influence from on high—he will be the man whose heart will become dry and barren. But he who calls in secret on his God, who spends much time in holy retirement, who delights to meditate on the words of the Most High, whose soul is given up to Christ—such a man must have an overflowing heart; and as his heart is, such will he be.

—Quoted in The Alliance Weekly.

The King's Highway

SINS OF OMISSION

Beware of sins of omission; lose no opportunity of doing good in any kind. Be zealous of good works; willingly omit no work, either of piety or mercy. Do all the good you possibly can to the bodies and souls of men. Particularly, "thou shalt in any wise reprove thy neighbor, and not suffer sin upon him." Be active. Give no place to indolence or sloth; give no occasion to say, "Ye are idle." Many will say so still; but let your whole spirit and behavior refute the slander. Be always employed; lose no shred of time; gather up the fragments, that nothing be lost, and whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." Be slow to speak and wary in speaking. "In a multitude of words there wanteth not sin." Do not talk much; neither long at a time. Few can converse profitably above an hour. Keep at the utmost distance from pious chit-chat, from religious gossip.—From Wesley's Plain Account of Christian Perfection.

GENERAL BOOTH'S RULES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

1. Consider your body as the temple of the Holy Spirit and treat it with reverence and care.
2. Keep your mind active. Stimulate it with thoughts of others which lead to doing something.
3. Take time to be holy with daily Bible reading and prayer.
4. Support the church of our faith. Mingle with others.
5. Cultivate the presence of God. He wants to enter your life and will as far as you let Him.
6. Take God into the details of your life. You naturally call upon Him in trouble and for the bigger things.
7. Pray for this troubled, war-threatened world and the leaders who hold the destinies of the various nations.
8. Have a thankful spirit for the blessings of God—country, home, friends, and numerous other blessings.
9. Work as if everything depended upon work, and pray as if everything depended upon prayer.
10. Think of death not as something to be dreaded, but as a great and new experience where loved ones are met and ambitions realized.

—The Broadcaster.

A man is no bigger than his ideals.

Only small minded men are hard to get along with.

Don't expect coddling—a job is work and not a petting party.

Carrying a chip on the shoulder is a confession of inferiority.