

I LOOKED AND I SAW

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"Who Can We Trust?"

The days in which we live are not easy ones for men to achieve their goals. We may be able to see that our world is infested with human weakness on every hand. The world in which we find ourselves is a nervous world. In other words, we have a society of nerves whereby individuals may only consider the feelings of a few persons who are close to them and develop a don't-care spirit toward others with whom we come in contact on a daily basis. Even those who are close to us sometimes find that we are deceived by someone within the immediate group.

Who can we trust? This question has been the primary problem before God's people no matter how small himself as the rotten apple that appears in every barrel. In other words, wherever there are people with good intentions, the evil forces of the devil are present also. Of course what would this world be like if man didn't have something to challenge him?

The Apostle Paul wrote about how evil presents itself when men would do good. With this in mind, men may easily be caught in a snare. Even with Jesus' dealings with His disciples, all wasn't well within the group. Judas, for example, appeared as the rotten apple among the twelve disciples in order to spoil the whole situation with respect to Jesus.

I do not mean to infer that today's world has no real good natured folks, but they are not found in wholesale groups anymore than one can find money trees growing all kinds of bills. He who hath ears to hear—let him hear.

TWO MINUTES WITH THE BIBLE

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DEAD WORKS

Twice in Paul's epistles he refers to "dead works." In Heb. 6:1 he writes about "repentance from dead works," while in Heb. 9:14 he declares that the blood of Christ avails to "purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God."

Mark well, these references are not to wicked works but to dead works. These "dead works" are the so-called "good works" (whether moral or ceremonial) which men did—and still do—to make themselves acceptable to God. They are "dead" because they are not the product of regeneration or spiritual life, but the mere attempt on the part of unregenerate sinners to justify themselves before God.

Paul himself, once zealously religious, but who "unwittingly" had to repent of his "dead works" and come to Christ, through whom he could produce good works which God could accept (Phil. 3:4-9).

This is why he later declared by divine inspiration: "For by grace are ye saved, through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast, for we are His workmanship,

created in Christ Jesus unto good works..." (Eph. 2:8-10).

"Dead works" are not only unacceptable to God, but an evil substitute for the faith He desires. "For without faith it is impossible to please God" (Heb. 11:6). But "he that believeth on the Son of God hath life" and this life is bound to bear fruit—the good works with which God is truly pleased.

The difference between the "good works" of the unregenerate man and the "good works" of a true believer, then, is that the former are "dead works" while the latter are the precious fruit of life possessed.

No man can please God while he denies the truth of His Word or rejects His Son, so graciously given to die on the cross as our Savior. To try to win His favor by "good works" is like sending a gift to a man whose beloved son you spurn and despise.

"The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into His hands. He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life; and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him" (John 3:35, 36).

Final Rites Held For Mrs. Alice Maria Stokes

Final rites for Mrs. Alice Maria Stokes, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Clem and Emma Spragg, were held at the First Baptist Church, Farmville, Virginia. Rev. L. Francis Griffin officiated.

Mrs. Stokes was born in Prince Edward County and died at Stuart Circle Hospital in Richmond, Virginia.

She was married to Mr. Luther Stokes in 1915 and to this union five sons and two daughters were born. Six of them now survive.

At an early age she joined the Mercy Seat Baptist Church in Hampden-Sydney, Virginia where she continued as a faithful member. She was a dedicated Christian and by example expressed her philosophy of worthwhile living. Her contributions to the church and the community are immeasurable. In addition, she was a member of the choir at Zion Hill Baptist Church and founded a church school. Throughout her life she attended church services in Prince Edward County and also in surrounding counties and nearby states.

In 1960, she was one of the two chief organizers of the first Deaconess Club in Prince Edward County. She also helped in organizing other church groups. At various times she has served as either an officer or a member of the Missionary Club, Mercy Seat Baptist Church, Willing Workers, Zion Hill Baptist Church; the Loving Sisters of Worship, Hampden-Sydney and the Imperial Order of King David, Rice, Virginia. Mrs. Stokes was also active in PTA, Vacation Bible School, the Prince Edward County Senior Citizens, the Virginia Council of Human Relations, and numerous other community activities during the times.

Survivors include, her husband, Luther Stokes; four sons, Clem M. Stokes, Roper, N. C.; Howard W. Stokes, Jessup, Maryland; Leslie H. Stokes, Beltsville, Md.; John A. Stokes, Baltimore, Md.; two daughters, Colonel Martha E. Stokes Cleveland, Army Nurse Corps, and Carrie D. V. Stokes of Fayetteville, N. C.; four daughters-in-law, seven grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Brown and Miss Martha Spragg, and one brother, James L. Spragg, Farmville, Va., and many nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends.

Interment followed in Trinity Memorial Gardens, Rice, Virginia.

DEDICATED FOR THE ASSISTANCE, ENCOURAGEMENT, GUIDANCE, AND INSTILLATION OF A SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY AND CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE BY A husband, two daughters, four sons, four daughters-in-law, and seven grandchildren, make this dedication to the most

CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late General F. Bruton wishes to express their thanks to relatives, friends, and neighbors for their sincere kindness, cards, visits, flowers, prayers and other words of sympathy during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father.

The Family

MRS. STOKES

wonderful person, our foundation, our inspiration, our wife, mother, and grandmother, MRS. MARIA STOKES.

Compensation

I'd like to think when life is done That I had filled a needed post That here and there I'd paid my fare. With more than idle talk and boast; That I had taken gifts divine, The breath of life and manhood fine, And tried to use them now and then In service for my fellowmen.

I'd hate to think when life is through That I had lived my kind of years A useless kine, that leaves behind No record in this vale of tears; That I had wasted all my days by treading only selfish ways.

And that this world would be the same If it had never known my name. I'd like to think that here and there, When I am gone, There shall remain A happier spot that might have not existed had I tolled for gain; That someone's cherise voice and smile Shall prove that I had been worthwhile, That I had paid with something fine My debt to God for life divine.

By Edgar A. Guest

House votes funds for Radio Free Europe.

China official sharply critical in U.N.

CHURCH NEWS

World Community Celebration Day Held at West Durham Bapt.

On Friday, November 2 at 10 a.m. at the West Durham Baptist Church 1901 Athens Street, Reverend Harold Cobb, minister, the Church Women United in Durham held its World Community Day Celebration before a large and an appreciative audience of Church Women in which all participated. The Theme was "Where in the World Is My Neighbor" which was portrayed as a Moral Drama under the direction of Dr. Willmena M. Davis, as chairman. The worship took the form of a pilgrimage from the past to the present, from the concern for nearby neighbors to include concern for global neighbors, from limitations of our own experiences to an understanding of those in our world today separated by isolation and alienation. The program began with the greeting from the president, Mrs. Sarah Horry Jones, followed by a Procession of Banners. Mrs. Frank Montgomery, first vice-president led the Procession and presided. Those who participated in the Procession and the Drama as Leaders, Pilgrims, Travelers, and Samaritans were:

Meedames: Katherine Thomas, Ruth Boynton, Carol Bunting, Lizzie Chandler, Mac Mitchell, Charlotte Hackett, Alma Bennett, John McKennie, Annie Green, Julia Lucas, and Berry McCullen. The drama was stirring and moving. An offering and gift certificates for Intercontinental Mission was taken and consecrated. The gift certificates were received by Mrs. Janet Whittenberg. Ushers were supervised by Mrs. Josephine Squires and Mrs. John Williams. Mrs. Thurman Prescott provided the music. The celebration ended with the recession of characters in the play and was followed by the audience two by two singing "Lead On, O King Eternal".

Rev. and Mrs. Satterfield Note Anniversary

On November 1, at 7:30 p.m., Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Satterfield, Jr. of 413 Cecil Street, celebrated their Twenty-Fourth Wedding Anniversary at Kyles Temple AME Zion Church, 409 Dunstan Street where Rev. Satterfield serves as pastor.

The Lillian McKay Young Adult Choir of Kyles Temple served as host and hostess for the 8:00 p.m. candlelight buffet dinner in the Fellowship Hall of the Church. A very meaningful rededication prayer was given by Mrs. Lucille Starks and grace was given by Rev. Satterfield.

Rev. and Mrs. Satterfield are the proud parents of one son and two daughters; Allen, serving in the Armed Forces; Alverta, a Senior at Livingstone College; and Mona Lisa, a Junior also at Livingstone College.

The Satterfields received many beautiful gifts ranging from money to Silver. Out-of-town guest present were, Elder and Mrs. J. A. Brown, Henderson, NC and Mr. and Mrs. James Knight, Sanford, NC.

The Anniversary Dinner was enjoyed by all and the members and friends of Kyles Temple AME Zion Church wish the Satterfields' many more "HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES".

Mrs. Haskins Hosts Calvary Senior Ushers

Mrs. Rebecca Haskins was the hostess for the First Calvary Senior Ushers on November 8. The chairman of the group presided over the sessions. Scripture and prayer was given by Mrs. Mitchell. A delicious repast was served at the close of the meeting. Members present included Meedames Doris Watson, Nancy Cameron, M. W. Webb, Belvin Mitchell, Lena Edwards, Martha Lyde, Anna Hogan, Rose Grafton, and Mary Melver.

Mrs. Watson thanked the hostess for a lovely evening. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Rosa Grafton of Rock Street on December 6 at 8:00 p.m.

Javits unit backs U.S. force Free Europe.

Russell Memorial CME Celebrates 68th Anniversary

Russell Memorial CME Church will celebrate its 68th Church Anniversary on November 18, 1973.

Under the dynamic and loyal leadership of Mr. James T. Walker, Chairman and Mrs. Sarah Mangum and Mrs. Pauline Wingate serving as his assistance, we are anticipating one of the noblest church anniversaries of our history. The church anniversary committee has selected as a theme, "Total Church Involvement". The theme is emphasizing the fact that everybody is important in the church and there is a place of service for each member of the church.

One of the highlights of the church anniversary will be the film "From Montgomery to Memphis." We are encouraging all our members and friends to attend this outstanding presentation at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, November 18.

BISHOP ASKS MEMBERS TO JOIN THE NAACP

NEW YORK—Bishop J.O. Patterson, Presiding Bishop of the three-million member Church of God in Christ, has asked "each member of our great Church to take out an individual NAACP membership." The call upon his denomination to support the "organization that has done so much for all of us" was one of many new

developments in the fall membership campaign of the NAACP.

LONG HAIR LOST PHILADELPHIA—A former Philadelphia fireman, in court trying to overturn his dismissal for long hair, set his hair on fire to prove hair was self-extinguishing. The surprised fireman blamed the flame on the hair spray he used.

"SCHOOL HAS OPENED AGAIN"

Attention parents: It is surprising how many parents assume that other people are going to be responsible for safe guarding their children. Policemen, Firemen, Teachers, etc. are willing to help, but they have to operate on the basis that the children coming within their purview have been given training and guidance by their legal guardian or parents. Now that School has opened again parental care is doubly essential. You cannot assume that some one else is going to do your job for you. Please be willing to help save our children.

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9:30 A.M. CHURCH SCHOOL
10:55 A.M. WORSHIP
Preaching, Dr. Thomas J. Pugh, Professor, Psychology of Religion, Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, Georgia

Youth Choir Leading the Singing, Paula Harrell, organist

7:00 P.M. Thank You Dinner - Lynch Campaign for Durham's Mayor. Mrs. Marilyn Gasswint, Coordinator, Speaking, Fellowship Hall.

Homecoming At Fisher Memorial

Fisher Memorial United Holy Church will observe Homecoming, Sunday, November 18 in an all day service.

Bishop A. W. Lawson, will speak at the 11:00 a.m. morning worship service, followed by dedication of babies and small children. At 3 p.m., service will be devoted to expressions of thanks and praises. Reports will be made by group leaders of the church. A Fellowship dinner will be served in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

Sunday School Classes Meet

The Mary E. Borland and Abdemelech Sunday School Classes of West Durham Baptist Church on Athens Street met Sunday, November 4 at 4 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gather Jones at 1009 Cana Street with Meedames Georgia Taylor, Sallye Graham, Mary W. Stephens, Eleanor Brown, Margaret Allen, Addye Coley, Sedie Winston and Margaret Fuller as hostesses.

After the opening which included the theme song, "Have Thine Own Way" and prayer, short business sessions were presided over by the presidents Mrs. Elizabeth Tate and Lee E. Jones.

During the evening, Mrs. Maurine Jones presented Miss Mary Louise Stephens who gave a very interesting and informative travelogue on her recent trip to Israel, Africa, Ethiopia and the Holy Land.

A delicious repast was served buffet style to the following guests: Meedames Laura Bruce, Fannie Harris, Geneva Mebane, Ida M. Hunter, Isabel Harden and about forty five class members. Mrs. Elizabeth Tate thanked the hostesses for a very enjoyable evening.

American Bapt. Conv. Minister Mt Gilead Guest

Sunday, November 4 at 8:00 a.m. the Mount Gilead Baptist Church heard the Reverend Walter Long, a missionary from the American Baptist Convention.

The Reverend Long is pastor of the St. John American Baptist Church, one of twelve participating churches engaged in an ecumenical venture designed under the Columbia Cooperative Ministry to minister to the Columbia and Howard, Maryland communities. The St. John American Baptist Church, as a member of the Columbia Cooperative Ministry is committed to work with and through the Columbia Cooperative Ministry in coordinating its missional work with all religious congregations and groups in Columbia and Howard counties who wish to covenant together under God and serve his purposes.

He is a former program representative of the Division of Parish Development, served this agency from 1963 through 1970, and has served pastorates in Coffeyville and Topeka, Kansas. He also served for eight years as the Dean of the Kansas State Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Congress. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree at Washburn University, Topeka, Kansas and Bachelor of Divinity from Central Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Kansas.

Reverend Long is prepared to answer all questions in regards to the outreach of the American Baptist Convention, USA.

The Reverend A. D. Moseley is pastor of the Mount Gilead Baptist Church located at 404 Dowd Street.

WORDS FOR THE WORLD

THAT ONE INDEED IS A MAN who, today, dedicateth himself to the service of the entire human race.

—BAHA'I WRITINGS

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