

TWO MINUTES

WITH THE BIBLE

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BIBLE TEST

A Bible test was sprung recently on five classes of college-bound 11th and 12th graders in an American public school. Some thought Sodom and Gomorrah were lovers; that the gospels were written by Matthew, Mark, Luther and John; that Eve was created from an apple; and that the stories which Jesus told were called parables.

Eighty to ninety per cent of the students could not complete the most familiar quotations from Scripture.

The teacher, Thayer S. Warshaw, was understandably upset and rightly asked, "Is the student to study mythology and Shakespeare and not the Bible? Is it important for him to learn what it means when a man is called an Adonis or a Romeo, yet unimportant for him to be able to tell a Jonah from a Judas?"

This writer's heart is with that teacher and all who are awake enough to see that the Bible is disappearing more and more from American life. How can we expect anything but juvenile delinquency, the rapid general rise in the crime rate, the growing divorce rate, in-

creasing dishonesty at every level of business and social life—how can we expect anything BUT this condition when the Bible is flaunted and despised? This departure from the Word of God is bound to get us deeper and deeper into trouble.

But whatever the conditions about you, you may have the joy and peace and light that comes from that Blessed Book. The Bible tells us frankly that "all have sinned" (Rom. 3:23) and that "the wages of sin is death" (Rom. 6:23) since a just God MUST deal with sin. Ah, but "Christ died FOR our sins" (I Cor. 15:3), and the believer may have "peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ" (Rom. 5:1).

Read the Bible, especially the Epistles of Paul, who was raised up to proclaim "the gospel (good news) of the grace of God" (Acts 20:24). You will never cease to thank God for having given your attention to that Wonderful Book. It shows to man his dand'ring ways.

And where his feet have trod; But brings to view the matchless grace Of a forgiving God.

NCC Holds Meeting On Cadet Tutors

DURHAM—Dr. William Colbert told some 75 teachers and principals attending a conference on student teaching that, "In some schools, success in teaching is synonymous with a quiet classroom. In such schools it matters little what kind of relationships exist between teachers and pupils; what type of instructional procedures are employed, or what materials are used as long as all is quiet."

Addressing the Saturday meeting at North Carolina College, Dr. Colbert, who is coordinator of teacher education at the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, continued, "In some other schools, success in teaching is accomplished and realized if the parents of the children are pleased with what the teachers are doing."

What is lacking, then, in viewing the role of cooperating teachers, he said, is a uniform concept of what constitutes success. He urged college supervisors and cooperating teachers to direct their efforts toward "establishing some sort of success criterion for student teachers." In order that "the student's potential for becoming a truly professional practitioner," could be better evaluated.

Hatchett To Recieve Grant

GREENSBORO—John F. Hatchett, assistant professor of religion and philosophy at Bennett College, has been selected to receive a teacher grant from the Danforth Foundation, of St. Louis, Mo. for the 1964-65 academic year.

Mr. Hatchett, presently on New York University, was notified by Dr. Pressley McCoy, associate director of the foundation, who also invited him to attend the Danforth Teacher Conference to be held at Camp Minnowana, Stony Lake, Michigan, August 24-30.

Mr. Hatchett, a native of Pontiac, Mich., did his undergraduate work at Wayne University in Detroit, later receiving the S.T.B. degree from the Boston University School of Theology. His study for the Ph.D. is in the field of social philosophy.

A member of the Bennett faculty for the past four years, he married a Bennett graduate, the former Miss Thelma Simpson, of Greensboro, and they are parents of a son.

Contest At A&T:

Williston Hi Dominates Trade, Talent

GREENSBORO—Williston High School, Wilmington, continued its domination of the North Carolina High School Trade and Talent Contest, conducted last week here at A&T College, by taking eight first place wins in 16 events.

The contestants from Wilmington captured first place victories in auto mechanics, cooking, drawing, floral design, radio and TV repair, meat cutting and shoe repairing and second place wins in four other events.

In the climatic event of the day, Arcela Mallette, also of Williston, was named "Queen of Industry" for 1964, in a combination talent and beauty contest. She won out in the finals over Sandra Durante, Dillard High School, Goldsboro, second place and third place, Shelia Brunson of Georgetown High School, Jacksonville.

The competition drew nearly 600 youngsters from every section of the State.

Other place winners from Williston High School, included: Caesar Crosby, auto mechanics; Jas. Shipman, cooking; Kenneth Chestnut, drawing; Edith Frasier, floral design; Melvin Bowden, meat cutting; Walter Wright, Jr., radio and TV repair; and George Murphy, shoe repairing.

The Vets Corner

Here are authoritative answers by the Veterans Administration to questions from former servicemen and their families.

Q—Is it true that VA is discontinuing distribution of free cigarettes in its hospitals and domiciliarys?

A—Yes.

Q—Who gets top priority for VA hospital treatment?

A—Veterans needing hospitalization for injuries or diseases incurred or aggravated in line of duty in active service.

Q—I borrowed on my G. I. insurance and want to start paying off the loan with monthly payments. How do I do this?

A—Make your check or money order payable to the Veterans Administration and mail it to the VA office where you pay your premiums. Give your insurance number and specify that the payment is to be applied to your loan.

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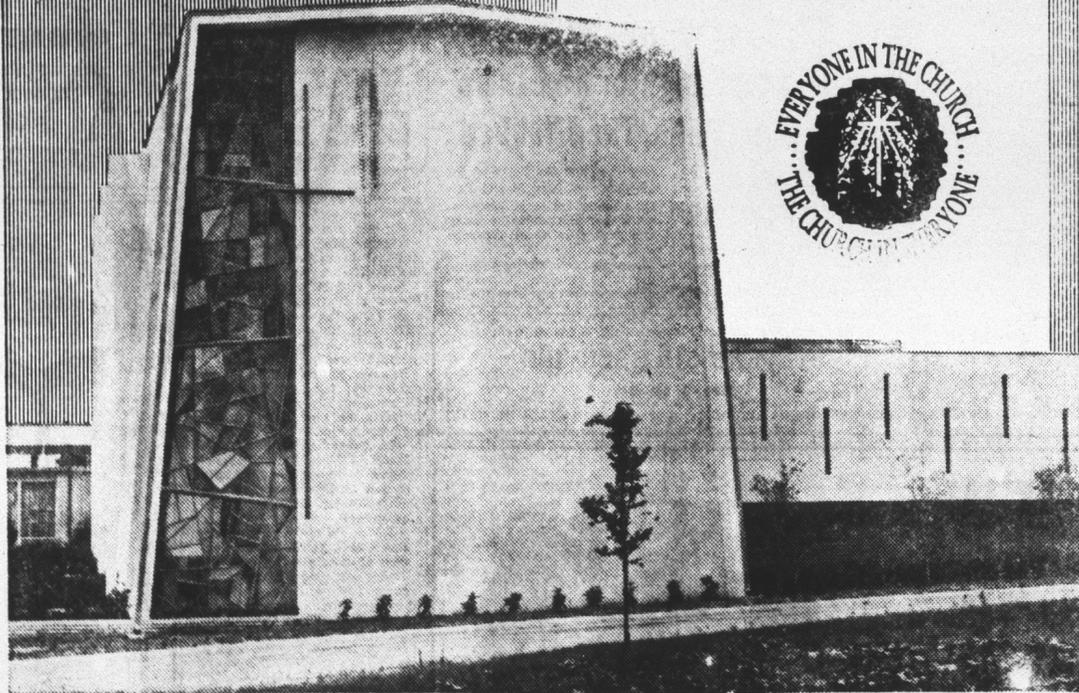
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ATTEND CHURCH SUNDAY

The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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WEEKLY MEDITATION

BY COLIN DOUGLAS

"Count it all joy, my brethren, when ye fall into manifold temptations; knowing that the proving of your faith worketh patience. And patience have his perfect work."—James 1:2, 3, 4

Many persons, when things do not work out for them as quickly as they would like, become discouraged and are tempted to give up. However, it is that extra bit of trusting, that extra bit of faith, that extra bit of confidence in the never-failing presence and power of God. Anyone beyond the point when we would give up that can turn the tide.

We should strive always to bar impatience from our minds. When we are impatient, it is because we are giving more attention to the results we expect at some future time than we are to our trust in the ever-present power of God NOW.

Things always have a way of working out, and certainly they work out much more easily and happily when there is no impatient

and anxious mind to deter them. We must keep our minds and hearts so filled with our faith and trust in the Father, we must keep ourselves so busy doing the work that is before us now to the best of our ability, that we shall have no time to think of things we should like to do or have done in the future.

Through unshakable faith in God, we can dwell in His presence and can be carried safely through every contingency of life. God is the Supreme Reality of the universe. He is the giver of every-thing good. We are His children, ever beloved by Him. Let us declare this and believe it throughout every fiber of our being, and let us perform our daily tasks with assurance and quiet, patient confidence that our Father is working with and through us for our good. Let us acknowledge and know always that "with God all things are possible."

"Now faith is assurance of things hoped for, a conviction of things not seen." — Heb. 11:1.

Yes, We All Talk

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS QUESTION: What is the difference between a constitution and by-laws??, and what should a constitution include?—V.C.L.

ANSWER: A constitution of a club is a compilation of the fundamental rules defining and listing the government of the organization. By-laws supplement the constitution, are longer, and explain the principles laid down by the constitution.

Usually a constitution includes:
Preamble
Article I—Name
Article II—Membership

Article III—Officers

Article IV—Executive Committee or Board

Article V—Meetings

Article VI—Amendments
The writer of this column upon request will prepare constitutions and by-laws, resolutions, credentials, and other parliamentary-papers.

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