

# 60-SECOND SERMONS

By FRED DODGE

Text: "We have not grown until we groan." —Eiff Thomas.

A young journalism graduate bought a weekly newspaper and printed this notice on his editorial page:

"We aim to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth."

A year later it was noted that his newspaper carried this altered editorial notice:

"We aim to tell the truth—but not so blamed much of it as heretofore."

When we are young we judge harshly. We are crusaders who will right all wrongs. Everything is black or white. Nothing is gray. Everything is right

or wrong. Nothing is partially right.

What confuses us is the triumph of people and causes which we know to be evil. This makes us cynics or we seriously seek answers.

Mellowness in judgment is not weakness nor a surrender of principle. The evil person or evil cause that triumphs wasn't all evil. There was enough merit to win in spite of evil aspects. When we can accept this fact without quitting or becoming a cynic, we are maturing. When we admit that we cannot overturn the world, but will keep trying to nudge it a little in the right direction, we are fulfilling our destiny. Can anything more be expected?

## Requirement Minimum Wage Law Cited By Commissioner

State Labor Commissioner Frank Crane has issued a summary of the chief provisions of North Carolina's new Minimum Wage Law, which went into effect on New Year's Day.

Crane called attention to the following provisions of the law: 1. Starting January 1, 1960, all employers of six or more covered workers must pay each covered worker wages of not less than 75 cents an hour for all hours worked.

2. An "employer," as defined in the statute, means "any individual partnership, association, corporation, business trust, or any person or groups of persons acting directly or indirectly in the interest of an employer in relation to an employee."

3. Coverage under the law is spelled out on an employer basis, not an establishment basis. If an employer has as many as six non-exempt employees, they are all covered even though they may work in different places throughout the State.

4. The unit of time employed for determining coverage is the pay period used by the employer. Any time the employer has as many as six non-exempt workers on his payroll, all six are covered by the law for that pay period.

5. Enforcement of the law is the responsibility of the Department of Labor, under the Commissioner of Labor. The Commissioner or his inspector may inspect payroll records and may require from any covered employer a full and correct statement, in writing, of the wages, hours, names and addresses of his employees

6. Covered employers are required to keep posted in their places of business, in a conspicuous and accessible place, a summary of the Minimum Wage Law and any applicable wage orders or regulations.

7. Penalties for violation include a fine of not less than \$10 or more than \$50, or imprisonment for not more than 30 days, in the discretion of the court. After an employer has been notified by the Commissioner or his inspector that he is violating the law, each pay period during which the violation

continues constitutes a separate, indictable offense.

8. Employees may sue individually for collection of unpaid wages, plus six per cent interest, in any court of competent jurisdiction. In addition to any back wages or other judgment awarded to the employee, the court must require the defendant to pay court costs and reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the employee.

The law excludes from coverage all employers of five or less workers. Coverage begins only when as many as six non-exempt workers are employed. The Attorney General has ruled that in establishing coverage, only non-exempt workers may be counted.

The Attorney General also has ruled that State, county and municipal government employees are not covered by the Minimum Wage Law because these governmental units do not meet the law's definition of an employer.

Other groups of people specifically exempted from coverage include farm workers; domestic servants in private homes; hospital and nursing home employees; voluntary workers for educational, charitable, religious or nonprofit organizations; newsboys; shoe shine boys; golf caddies; bowling alley pin boys; baby sitters; ushers, doormen, concession attendants and cashiers in theatres; traveling salesmen; outside salesmen solely on commission; part-time student workers attending school or college; persons under 21 employed by their father or mother; persons receiving tips or gratuities as the principal part of their wages; persons confined in penal, corrective or mental institutions; boys' and girls' summer camp employees; all persons under 16 years of age; all persons 65 years of age or older; and part-time or piece-rate employees in the seafood or fishing industry.

Despite these exemptions, the new law will benefit some 55,000 Tar Heel men and women who have been receiving less than 75 cents an hour.

### GI's Requested To Check Beneficiaries For Life Insurance

G. I. insurance policyholders some six million strong are urged by the Veterans Administration to check their records to be sure that their designated beneficiaries are up to date.

The law gives GI policyholders the right to change their

beneficiaries at any time without the consent of the prior beneficiaries. But unless the change is officially made, no choice is given to the VA but to pay the claim to the beneficiary of record.

Carelessness in designating beneficiaries may result in undesired consequences, the VA pointed out. An example is the veteran who designated his wife as beneficiary. She divorced him, and he subsequently married again and raised a family. Should he neglect to change his designated beneficiary before he dies, his insurance may be paid to his former wife, and his widow and children will receive nothing.

Policyholders also have several options as to how an insurance shall be paid. Explanation of these options can be obtained by contacting any VA office.

Congress has liberalized the definition of an "adopted child" of a veteran eligible to receive benefits administered by the Veterans Administration.

If at the time of the veteran's death, the child was living in the veteran's household, and if the child is legally adopted by the veteran's surviving spouse within two years after the veteran's death, he or she is considered to be the veteran's adopted child, the VA explained. Formerly the adoption proceedings had to be completed before the veteran's death for the child to be eligible for any of the benefits, including compensation, pension, war orphans educational assistance, dependency and indemnity compensation and accrued benefits.

If at the time of the veteran's death, however, the child was receiving regular contributions toward its support from an individual other than the veteran or his spouse, or from any public or private welfare organization, then the child may not be recognized as the veteran's legally adopted child, the VA explained.

### MUCH BLOOD USED

The American Red Cross Blood Program provides for the shipment of blood to hospitals on a reciprocity basis. This blood is used by Virginia and North Carolina local residents who are hospitalized outside of their home city or town Red Cross chapter jurisdiction.

In a single year, for example, this out-of-region blood program served citizens of 20 Virginia and 19 North Carolina cities and counties. A total of 5,804 pints of blood were thus used in Virginia and 5,771 in North Carolina.

The greatest pleasure I know is to do a good action by stealth and to have it found out by accident. —Charles Lamb.

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# Let's go to Church Sunday

## Sunday School Lesson

### STRENGTHENING OUR CHURCHES

International Sunday School Lesson for January 10, 1960.

Memory Selection: "May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ." (II Thessalonians 3:5.)

Lesson Text: Acts 14.

The purpose of today's lesson is to raise the question: How can the churches improve the selection and training of workers as one means of strengthening our churches?

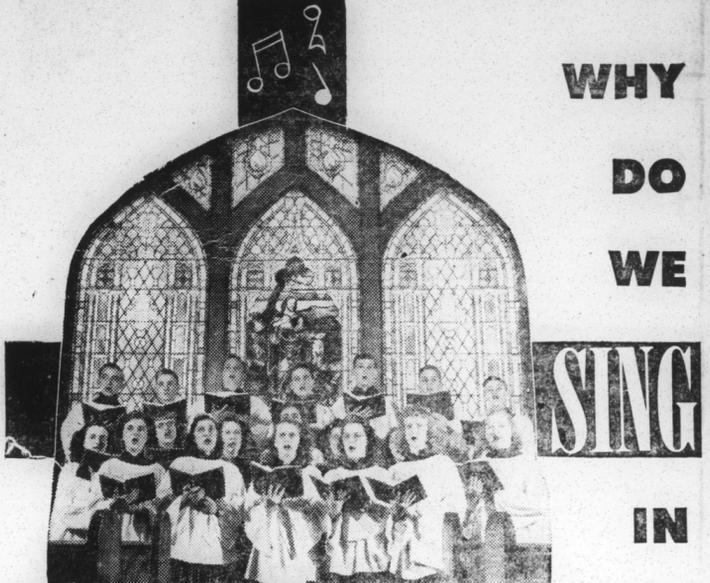
In today's lesson we read of the trials and tribulations of the disciples in preaching the gospel, and of the stoning of Paul, who was left for dead, but rose up and continued to preach the gospel in which he believed so profoundly. These verses conclude the first missionary journey, which took about two years to complete. And since the congregation at Antioch had been moved by the Holy Spirit to send out Paul and Barnabas, it was only natural that the returned missionaries should have reported to that church.

Paul had big ideas for the

spread of the gospel, and for this reason the whole of the Mediterranean basin finally became his field of operation. For him, and for his fellow apostles, this was practically the whole world. Paul, however, never viewed the church as a big enterprise running the gamut from top to local level. He always remembered that the destiny of the universal Church rested, ultimately, upon the effectiveness of local churches. Paul risked life and limb to revisit the first string of churches he started in Asia Minor. He did everything in his power to tutor and encourage them while he was in their midst. But he dared not leave them until such time as he and Barnabas had appointed local leaders. Whether these churches flourished or died depended greatly on these local leaders. And to a large extent the same is true in local churches today.

Naturally we need effective ministers and other professional leaders in our churches if our work is to prosper. But the condition of lay leadership is even more crucial. Poverty in this area can undermine, dampen and hamstring the activity of the best minister a church can

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**WHY DO WE SING IN CHURCH?**

### THE CHURCH FOR ALL...

ALL FOR THE CHURCH  
The Church is the greatest factor on earth for the building of character and good citizenship. It is a storehouse of spiritual values. Without a strong Church, neither democracy nor civilization can survive. There are four sound reasons why every person should attend services regularly and support the Church. They are: (1) For his own sake, (2) For his children's sake, (3) For the sake of his community and nation, (4) For the sake of the Church itself, which needs his moral and material support. Plan to go to church regularly and read your Bible daily.

Day	Book	Chapter	Verses
Sunday	Palms	100	1-15
Monday	Joshua	24	11
Tuesday	Palms	24	1-4
Wednesday	Palms	86	9-11
Thursday	Epistles	2	18-20
Friday	Colossians	3	15-16
Saturday	Revelation	7	9-10



### CHURCH?

Most of us take hymns for granted—until the eager mind of a child asks, "Why do we sing in Church?" And then we have to grope for the right answer...

It isn't that God prefers singing to other kinds of worship. We know He is concerned with sincerity, not melody.

And we don't sing simply because we are happy. In trouble and sorrow we have turned to a favorite hymn for strength.

Nor do we sing in Church merely because we like to sing. That would seem a self-centered sort of worship.

We sing because sacred music has beauty, feeling, reverence. It is a fitting expression of our faith in God. And we sing because the message of a hymn reaches the soul of the singer and the heart of his neighbor—as well as the throne of God.

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Mid-week prayer service Wednesday at 7:30 P. M.
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Evening worship first and fourth Sundays at 8 o'clock.  
Prayer service Wednesday at 8 P. M.
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Morning worship at 11 o'clock.  
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Prayer service Thursday nights at 8 o'clock.
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9:30 A. M. Church School.  
10:00 A. M. Adult Bible Class.  
11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.  
7:30 P. M. Young Churchmen.  
Wednesday, 10:30 A. M. Holy Communion.
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Preaching service at 11 A. M.  
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Wednesday prayer meeting at 7:30 P. M.
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Third Sunday at 9 A. M. Holy Communion.  
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Wednesday night choir practice at 7:30 o'clock.  
Thursday night choir practice at 7:30 o'clock.  
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Wednesday night second Senior Choir practice at 8 o'clock.
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