

The Wayside Pulpit

D. E. EARNHARDT
Text: "I will glory in my infirmities." — II Corinthians 12:10.


Joe E. Brown was a guest in "I've Got a Secret." They laughed at his big mouth and he smiled until his mouth almost cut his head off. He gloried in his infirmities.

Abraham Lincoln was caricatured and mocked because he was homely. He decided to join the human race and laugh with them. We can do the same thing and stop crying because of our misfortunes.

There is something the matter with everybody. You have noticed that when you get done with your hard luck story your listener will start in on one of his. He was thinking it up while you were telling yours.

The Stoics taught resistance against all obstacles. The Buddhists teach indifference to misfortune. The Confucianists teach their people to accept misfortunes. The Christian religion teaches us to use our troubles.

According to the North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles, drinking drivers are involved in at least half of all fatal highway crashes.



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Students Study At University

CHAPEL HILL—The following students from the Edenton area are among the freshmen, transfer and special students entering the University of North Carolina here this fall.

They are:
William A. Bindeman, a freshman, son of Dr. and Mrs. Bindeman, South Greenville Street;

Jennifer Cady Crandall, a junior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson B. Crandall, 120 West Queen Street;

Charles Edward Dail, a freshman, son of Mr. and Mrs. William I. Dail, Route 1, Tyner;

Robert Oliver Evans, a freshman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Evans, Route 1, Edenton;

Charles Earl Fayton, a freshman Morehead Scholastic, son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Fayton, 210 East Hicks Street;

Thomas Claron Jackson, a freshman, son of Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Jackson, Route 2, Edenton;

Clifford Nowell, a freshman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nowell, Route 2, Edenton;

Amy Smith O'Neal, a junior, daughter of Mrs. Jeanne S. O'Neal, 107 Pembroke Circle;

Helen Goodwin Pruden, a junior, niece of Mrs. W. H. Wells, Route 1, Edenton;

John Elliott Raines, a freshman, son of Mrs. Carolyn Raines, 501 North Broad Street;

Edna Patricia Reaves, a sophomore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel P. Reaves, Cypress Lodge Road;

Susan Page Shearin, a junior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Shearin, Sr., Route 2, Edenton; and

Robert Wallace Worrell, a freshman, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Kenneth Worrell, 4 Stratford Road.

Nearly 19,000 students began classes today (Thursday). This includes 3,184 freshmen and 1,162 transfers. This year the freshman class includes 2,134 men and 1,050 women.

This fall, the university begins its first year under a new academic calendar. First semester ends on December 22, with exams scheduled for December 13-22.

Drawing Slated For Pungo Hunts

PLYMOUTH—John Fields, manager, announces that permits to shotgun hunt on Pungo Refuge will be issued in advance this year. No permits will be required to bow hunt.

Public hunting for male white-tailed deer only on 7,000 acres of Pungo National Wildlife Refuge will be permitted with bow and arrow September 17 through October 9 and with shotguns only October 11 through October 16. Pungo Lake and a buffer zone around the lake will be closed to all hunting.

Six hundred gun hunting permits will be issued as the result of a public drawing to be held behind the fire station in Plymouth at 1:15 P. M. on September 29. Two hundred two-day permits will be issued for October 11 and 12. Two hundred will be issued for October 13 and 14; and 200 will be issued for October 15 and 16.

Those desiring a permit should mail applications on a post card or similar size card in an envelope to Pungo National Wildlife Refuge, P. O. Box 267, Plymouth 27962.

The card must have the name of the person desiring a permit plus his first, second and third choice of the dates he desires to hunt. All cards received will be put in a box and 600 will be drawn out. The first 200 will get their first choice, etc. Permits will be mailed to successful applicants as soon as possible after the drawing. Unsuccessful applicants will be notified.

No more than four names will be honored on a card. No names will be permitted in the box more than one time; and if one is found in the box more than one time it will be disqualified along with all the rest of the names on that card. Illegible cards will be disqualified.

Hunting shall be in accordance with applicable state regulations subject to certain conditions that can be seen on the refuge special deer hunt regulations. A copy can be obtained from the refuge office in Plymouth.

In well over half of all accidents involving a motorcycle and a car, the operator of the car is at fault—usually because he didn't see the motorcycle.

Make Going To Church A Habit

THINKING ABOUT GOD

International Sunday School Lesson for Sept. 5

Lesson Text: Psalms 42; 53; 136; Acts 14:15-17; Acts 17:22-31.

As we move into a new church year, it is appropriate that we commence a new series of studies. This unit will consist of thirteen lessons designed to stimulate our thinking about the character of God and His work; the full meaning of His revelation of Himself to mankind, and the way He has spoken to man in the past, making known His divine plan for the world.

It is hoped that at the completion of this series we will more clearly understand God's redemptive purpose, and will commit ourselves anew in His service.

Although God will forever remain a mystery beyond our human capabilities of understanding, nevertheless there is that in man's spiritual makeup which will keep us ever questing after knowledge of His purpose for us, and this is good. The extent to which we attain understanding, however, will inevitably be governed by our approach, and the degrees of our acceptance or rejection. For we can think about God longingly, negatively or comfortingly. The way we respond will affect our actions and thoughts in relation to Him.

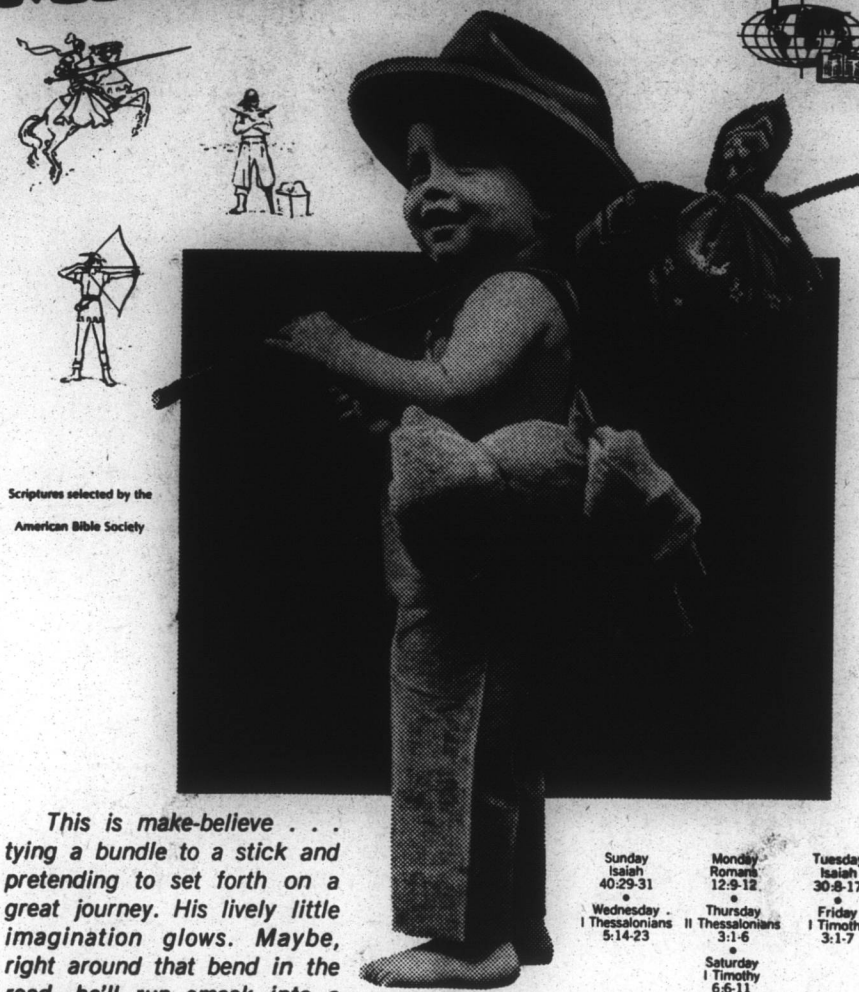
In Psalm 42, verses 1, 2 and 3, the psalmist expresses a beautiful thought. God is the living water, necessary to man's existence, and for whom no man need thirst hopelessly. Just as water is necessary to human life, so is belief in God necessary to spiritual well-being.

Those of us who are fortunate enough to have the faith of the psalmist can find comfort in God in times of trial and adversity. For God is man's ultimate security in an increasingly insecure world, and man robs himself irrevocably if he denies God the central place in his life.

We can think about God negatively, but repudiation of God leads, inevitably, to a repudiation of His divine authority. Negative thoughts can only produce negative results. One has only to reflect on the fortunes and misfortunes of Israel to be made aware that this is so. Led out of captivity by Jehovah, they finally reached the Promised Land. For a while they prospered, but then they forgot their covenant with God. Time and time again He called upon them to turn from their evil ways. Time and time again they were guilty of backsliding. Israel failed to heed His warnings, and retribution followed. Yet, God always left a door open, through which the repentant could walk whenever he so desired. It is still so today, for God spoke to man, in love, through the life and death of Jesus Christ.

If we will always remember that God is the divine observer, watching over our lives and seeing into our hearts, and conduct ourselves accordingly, then we need have no fear of the ultimate confrontation, when all that is unknown to us now, becomes known. But until that day arrives, let us resolve to live in close communion with Him, submitting ourselves to His service gladly and unstintingly.

MAKE-BELIEVE



Scriptures selected by the American Bible Society

This is make-believe . . . trying a bundle to a stick and pretending to set forth on a great journey. His lively little imagination glows. Maybe, right around that bend in the road, he'll run smack into a big brown bear . . .

That's a "scary" idea. So he takes off his hat, puts down his bundle, and plays at home. Yes . . . it's fun to make-believe.

Home, just now, is his place. In it, he feels a wonderful sense of security, basking in his parents' love, knowing by instinct that they are there to help and guide him.

At night when he kneels to say his prayers, his mother tells him the story of Christ. She is preparing him for the day when he will become a more active part of the Church. She knows that, during his life, when he makes real journeys, the Church will be his home, and that it will help protect and guide him when she cannot.

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Sunday Isaiah 40:29-31	Monday Romans 12:9-12	Tuesday Isaiah 30:8-17
Wednesday I Thessalonians 5:14-23	Thursday II Thessalonians 3:1-6	Friday I Timothy 3:1-7
	Saturday I Timothy 6:6-11	

Notice Of Meeting Of Chowan County Commissioners

At the request of a member of the Board of Commissioners, a meeting of the Chowan County Commissioners is called for 9 o'clock A. M., on Monday, September 13, 1971, at the Court House in Edenton, N. C.

There will be no meeting on Monday, September 6 due to the observance of the Labor Day holiday.

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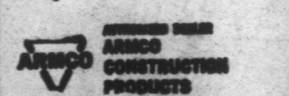
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