

# "You Should Know"

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In the past few years, I have observed a growing conflict between young people and the church. One reason for this is that the church has failed to be sincere and honest with young people in answering some of their most vital questions. Young people have not and are not finding in the average church the faith and courage they so strongly desire and need to go out into a selfish confused world to cope with the battles of life!

Young people of today want honesty, "especially from the church" through the years we have permitted our children to enter Sunday School to be taught by unprepared teachers who hurriedly glance over their lessons during opening assembly.

This goes on until their pupils become adults and find themselves suddenly thrust out into the world to make their own way. And, about the only thing the church has taught them was something about a little Jesus boy riding a donkey thru the city of Jerusalem, they have felt that Jesus was some female character that one would be ashamed to acknowledge or follow, or only a man of sorrows acquainted with grief.

Jesus was not a sissy, nor a square. He was not meek and mild as some have him pictured. Jesus called people hypocrites and blind guides to their faces, this man had a steel tempered will power and acted according to his convictions without fear or safety to his

reputation. He arose early each morning and spent many sleepless nights in prayer followed by a busy day, plus long journeys without the aid of motor cars. They called him an impostor and a pretender. He denounced their sins and yet he had great compassion for them. This man could hear their cries for bread, healing and freedom.

The church has not been honest with young people concerning sex. The church has always played hush-hush about sex, at least during my ministry. Yet when a young person does make a mistake it is usually the church that puts its foot on them to push them a little further down when it is the fault of the church in the first place.

How long has it been since the teacher in Sunday School has tried to help his pupils understand something about sex? When has your pastor preached a sermon on sex? What have you as a parent taught them about sex? Or had you rather some hoodlum in a back alley teach them out of its proper setting about one of the most important things in their lives than for it to be taught from its proper source the church.

When churches become honest with their young people concerning these vital elements of Christ and sex in their lives, they will not be found parked at undesirable places discussing things to fill the emptiness and boredom in their lives that the church ought to be filling.

I ask you, does the Bible, God's

word, play hush-hush with these very vital elements of life? — Then why should the church?

## Kathy's Komments

It's a touchdown! This exclamation was heard last Friday night three times as Dunn won over Oxford, 20-13. It was a really great game! We give our praise to all the football players, especially Eddie Taylor and Barry Dudley. Eddie scored two touchdowns and Barry the other one. Yes sir, they are really something to be proud of! Let's keep this winning ability, boys, and go on to be the State AAA champions! "We're the Champs!"

Then, as always another "Blue" Monday. School really seems to be getting underway now as we seem to have tests just about every day — two or three at a time!

**RANDOM NOTES:** Last Saturday night Gloria Barnes honored the football players and cheerleaders with a little get-together. The food was delicious and everyone enjoyed it immensely. Last night the home of Joanne Ruark was the scene of a social for the football players. It was held before the pep rally and Cokes and Donuts were served. Those attending were the cheerleaders and the football players. We extend our sympathy to Bulb and Larry Pate, who lost their step-father, Roger Crowe, this past Monday. We are glad Linda Welborn, Dale Webb, Sandra Duncan, and Faye Neighbors survived the wreck Sunday night. It was a close call, girls. We hope they'll hurry and get well — we miss them at school.

**GOSSIP:** Judy Tart, whose class ring is that your's sporting now? Could it be George Blalock's? ... Kenneth Monds and Debbie Mixon have been seen together a lot lately. Looks like a romance might be brewing!! ... Wonder who Dollie Peay's new flum could be? Good luck in "catching" him, Dollie! ... Emmett Aldredge, where did you get that "buff" new car? It's really sharp! I love those Buick Wildcats!

**PEP RALLY** — Anyone for a truck ride? That's right — the pep rally Thursday night consisted of a truck ride around town, followed by cheering in the A & P parking lot. There was a big turnout and everyone seemed to have a real good time. Those truck rides always draw a big crowd!

**MAYOR BLALOCK SPEAKS** — This afternoon in assembly Mayor Blalock gave a talk on Athletics. It proved to be a very interesting speech and we hope it boosted the school spirit of the students. We think maybe it will lead to having a great turnout at the ballgame tonight.

**CHOW FOR CHEERLEADERS** — The home of Paulette Drew is to be the scene of a supper in honor of the Midway cheerleaders tonight. The cheerleaders from both teams will enjoy fried chicken, all the trimmings, cake for dessert, and Cokes. These suppers are held in order to make the cheerleaders better acquainted with each other. For years these suppers have been very satisfactory in attaining their purpose.

Thought for the week:  
To handle yourself, use your head; to handle others, use your heart.

**DON'T MISS IT** — We had a good crowd at the ballgame Friday night in Oxford, so we should have even greater support tonight at our second home game. Be sure to attend as the Dunn High Greenwaves "Roll on the Raiders."

### Lindley E. Cox Buried Today

Funeral services for Lindley E. Cox of Newton Grove, Rt. 2, who died Wednesday, were held at 3 p.m. Friday at Newton Grove Methodist Church. The Rev. A. E. Falls officiated. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery.

He was a member of Friends Church.  
Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mable Cox; four daughter, Mrs. Cecile Bagwell of Goldsboro, Mrs. O. J. Spence of Asheville and Mrs. Roy Warren of Fayetteville, and Mrs. Paul Young of Portsmouth, Ohio; three sons, Merlon W. Bernice L. Eldridge, of lot Newton Grove, Rt. 2; one sister, Mrs. Emma Marney of Dudley; 19 grandchildren.

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