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Having The Understanding Darkened"

the mention of my name such

As I have said many times

before, a believer cannot

carry hatred in his heart

against anyone regardless of

whom you are or what you've

done to him. Now you let that

The Bible is the Word of

God, the key to understanding

the Word is the New Birth. In

the New Birth, the Lord opens

your understanding just as He

opened the understanding of

the two on the road to Em-

maus. Now, has the Lord

opened your understanding?

Apart from the teaching of the

Lord, you are blind and igno-

rant, but praise the Lord, once

He opens your understanding,

you begin to see heavenly

truths, you begin to see things

you never dreamed of. I know

what I'm talking about do

you? Am I talking about that

which you know? I am afraid

most of you are like that

deacon I have described; you

are running from God, Friend,

you can't hide no matter

where you run, don't run from

hatred comes out.

soak in.

In Eph. 4:18 Paul gives mmentary on the ravity of the human "Having the unten, nding darkened, being ted from the life of God igh the ignorance that is em, because of the

indness of their heart: Here, Paul gives a very clear and accurate description of man, blinded in his natural condition

Every soul out of Christ has his understanding darkened, you live and have your every move in darkness, you are darkened by Satan, self, and sin. Christ is the believer's light and if you are not in Christ you are in darkness. Anything out of Christ is dark-

As an unbeliver, you have no understanding of spiritual matters. Paul also said"being alienated from the life of God ... " The believer's life is Christ. So if you do not have Christ you do not have the life of God. Christ lives in the heart of every believer. Do you know Christ? Do you?

The soul in darkness is past feeling (Vs 19) Are you past feeling? When a soul is past feeling, the Gospel has no influ ence on him, it rolls off like water on a duck's back. Is that how the Gospel is with you! One of the ways I know the Lord is coming soon is that so few are saved and so few want to be saved. Where can you go to find souls hungering after Christ? Where do you go to find souls crying their heart hearts out to know Christ? I don't find that here: maybe there are a few there in your communit

As I said to someone just today; there are two souls you cannot talk to about Christ, one is a soul on a religious profession and the other is an educated. Paul said; "For the Jews (the religious professor) require a sign, and the Greeks (the educated) seek after wisdom (I Cor. L; 22)

The soul whose understanding is darkened knows nothing about Holy Spirit Conviction (Jn. 16:7-11) and will not have it when you tell then about how the Holy Spirit awakened you **"These Northern Companies Are**

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make about anything," said

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J. M. Little

under as a lost soul out of Christ. I was talking to a small group over a year ago, and as I sat there telling how God saves a sinner, a deacon who heard part of my

testimony said very quickly; 'I'm getting out of here." And he did, a deacon running from God. What a tragedy! I've wept much over that man. Listen friend, if you cannot stand to hear me tell how God saved me down here, how in the name of high heaven do you expect to stand at the Great White Throne of Judg-ment? The religious world is on the road to Hell. And many, meaning the vast majority, of religious folks, preachers, deacons, and Bible tea-chers, will be left behind when Christ comes. Then you will realize I and a few others were true to your soul. You'll not listen now, but then you'll wish ten-thousand times you had heeded the Gospel. Now, you can say I've gone off the deep-end if you want to, it's your soul that is at stake not

I've been called crazy, and every degrading name you can think of. At a gathering here recently, some souls let out such hatred against me that you would not believe if to your lost condition, showing you hadn't been there. Just at

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you the judgment you were

the Lord, run to Him! The soul who has his under-standing darkened, is tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine. You don't know what to believe, but you are responsible! God holds you responsible to believe His

word. There is coming a day you'll have to answer to my blessed Lord. He is going to ask you what you did with His Word! How will you fare?

Have you ever seen your blinded condition? If not then you are not saved. If you are seeing blinded condition, then the Lord is showing mercy on you. What will you do? Don't try to drown out those convictions the Spirit of God is giving you. If you do succeed in drowning out those convict-ions, my friend, in Hell you'll remember every one the Lord gave you, and that will be the never dying worm that is tormented forever and forever. Flee to Christ! Don't let Him go.

One day Iwas seeing my lost condition, knowing there was no way out except Christ, I began to cry; Lord, help me, Lord save or I perish! I resolved; Lord, if I go to Hell, I'll go to Hell crying for mercy. Night and days I pleaded with the Lord to have mercy on such a sinner as I. I believed the Lord came and died for sinners, but I didn't know that He died for me.

Young People Face Formidable Task

Young people today face a formidable task of making effective career and educational decisions because of the changing job market, particularly for college educated youth.

To help deal with this suation, a career counselor at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte has just compiled a book, "Current Career and Occupational Literature:

The author, Dr. Leonard H. Goodman, is career development coordinator in the Counseling Center at UNCC.

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Friend, how is it between you and Crhist? Do you know Christ? Not the other fellow, just you. George, how is it between you and Christ? You will not be here very long, life is just a shadow or vapor, but you will live in eternity forever. Where will you spend eternity? Do you know Christ?

The greatest thing in all this universe is just to know Christ. I would not " exchange what I have in Christ for ten-thousand worlds of gold and silver. I have something the world cannot give, I have Christ.

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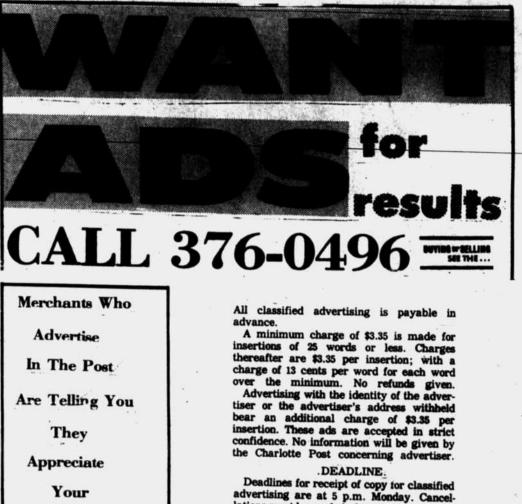
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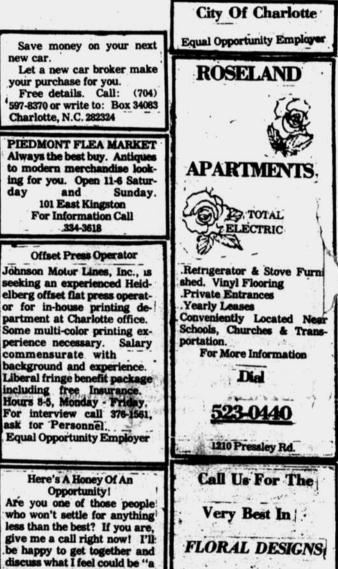
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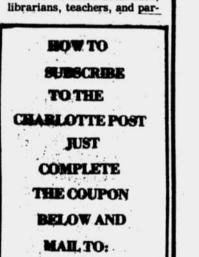


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for more than 100 employees.

The organization is headed by Edward J. Dowd, Jr., a former Ohio businessman and industrial psychologist. Recently Dowd was chosen cochairman of the Council on a Union Free Enviroment, a creation of the National Association of Manufacturers.

Dowd started his organization in Charlotte 20 years ago. but keeps his work so secret that most employees don't even, know their companies belong to it.

"Their purpose is to keep unions out," said Jimmy Newell, UIU service representative. "They advise companies on how to stop union drives and how to stall negotiations."

When employees do elect a union, Dowd often represents the company at the bargaining table. According to union representatives, he usually table. advises the companies to refuse the union a dues check-off system and grevance procedures.

Dues check-off is when companies agree to deduct a designated amount from an employee's pay check for union dues, similar to charity deductions or payroll savings plans that employees may authorize.

The grievance procedure is a system for handling complaints that employees have with the company over working conditions and disciplinary actions.

What's happening at Thon et-Simmons exposes the myth that northern companies bring higher wages when they move to ivorth Carolina," said Tim Lund, a member of the International Union of Electrical Workers Dowd at the bargaining table since The Stamping Company employees elected the IUE in January.

"At our parent company in Minnesota, the same union has just renewed a very good contract," said Lund. "They have good wages, dues checkoff, grievance procedures, a pension plan, more holidays and a union shop.

A union shop, where all employees must belong to the

tary of Commerce Lauch Faircloth for defending the state's right-to-work law. Faircloth said the law was essential to attracting more northern industry into the state.

Hobby, however, said the right-to-work law promoted low wages.

According to Governor Jim Hunt wages in N.C. are about \$2 an hour below the national average. "The South is like a colony,"

said Lund. "Slavery was defeated after the Civil War,

Only 6.9 ercent of N.C.'s work force belongs to unions.

black and white."

"It's a myth that wages and the standard of living in the South are going to rise same level as the North,

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Lund. "The Thonet-Sin case shows that norther panies moving South to pay lower wages an unions out. Unless v organize strong union the conditions up Nor going to fall to the sam as here in the South," Lund concluded.

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