

TODAY'S meditation

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THE WORLD'S MOST WIDELY USED DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

When Jesus was returned, the people gladly received him: for they were all waiting for him. (Luke 8:40.) Read Luke 8:37-40.

For nearly two thousand years Christians everywhere have prayed daily, "Thy kingdom come." It has been their mainstay and their most cherished hope. Yet it has not come.

Yet, as early as in John the Baptist's day the kingdom of God was at hand. Did not John say so?

What, then, is the mystery of the kingdom of God? Christ said, "The kingdom of God cometh not with observation," but "the kingdom of God is within you." Ever since the days of John the Baptist, many persons have misunderstood the phrase, "at hand" to mean, "to come soon." They overlooked the one necessary condition—which was and still is necessary—repent, and believe the gospel. The kingdom was within them; that is, within their reach. In this sense it was "at hand." But they were not waiting for the Christ, not willing to receive Him.

In our day the kingdom comes

to you and me if we repent of our sins and believe in the truth of the gospel and in Christ as our personal Saviour.

PRAYER

Our Father, we thank Thee that the kingdom is within us—within our will, within our reach, at hand. This day grant us faith to accept Christ as our Saviour and Thy gift of the kingdom. We pray in the blessed Saviour's name. Amen.

Thought For The Day
"The kingdom of heaven is at hand." — Max Zalcman (Israel)

OBEY THE TRAFFIC LAWS

LEGALS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Roxanna Dobbins, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 27th day of January, 1955, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 27th day of January, 1955.

Bonnie Dobbins, Administrator. 35-40P

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified as executor of the estate of J. Mc Bain, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 20th day of January, 1955, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 20th day of January, 1955.

Angus Wilton Hair, Executor, Route 2, St. Pauls, N. C. 34-30P

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of John Edwards, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 3rd day of February, 1955, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 3rd day of February, 1955.

Fred Plummer Johnson, Administrator. 36-41C

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Education of Hoke County, North Carolina, at the office of the Board in Raeford, North Carolina, until 2:00 P. M. o'clock, Tuesday, 15 February 1955 for the erection and completion alterations and additions to the Upchurch Union School, Raeford, N. C.

Plans and specifications for the proposed work will be on file at the office of the Board in Raeford, North Carolina, and in the plan rooms of the Associated General Contractors in Charlotte, Raleigh and Greensboro, and in the plan rooms of F. W. Dodge Corporation in Charlotte, Durham and Greensboro, N. C. One copy of plans and specifications may be obtained by licensed contractors upon written request to Leslie N. Boney, Architect, Wilmington, N. C. accompanied by a certified check for \$50.00 made as a deposit. All of the deposit will be returned to bona fide bidders

upon return of plans and specifications to the Architect.

Each bidder's proposal must be accompanied by bid bond of at least 5% of the amount of his bid, or in lieu thereof he may present a certified check made payable to Mr. Robert H. Gatlin, Chairman, Board of Education of Hoke County, Raeford, N. C., for 5% of the amount of his bid. As a further alternate the bidder may accompany his proposal with a cash bid deposit amounting to 5% of the amount of his bid. Said deposit may, at the discretion of the Board, be retained in event of failure of the successful bidder to execute the contract within 10 days after the award or fail to give satisfactory surety bond as required.

General Contractors are notified that "An Act to Regulate the Practice of General Contractors" ratified by the General Assembly of North Carolina on March 10, 1925 general contract.

Plumbing and heating contractors are notified that Public Laws of 1931, Chapter 52, as amended by Public Laws of 1935, Chapter 57, will be observed in receiving bids and awarding plumbing and heating contracts.

Electrical contractors are notified that Public Laws of 1937, Chapter 87, will be observed in receiving bids and awarding electrical contracts.

In consideration of the Board receiving his bid, each bidder agrees that no bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing

time for the receipt of bids, for a period of 30 days. It is the intention of the Board to return all bids deposits except the three lowest bidders, within 48 hours. Bid deposit of three lowest bidders to be held until contracts have been awarded or deferred, in no event longer than 30 days.

A Performance Bond will be required for all contractors in an amount equal to 100% of the contract price guaranteeing the faithful performance of the contract and payment to all persons sup-

plying labor and/or materials for the construction of the project.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or to accept the lowest legal bid deemed in the best interest of the Board, and to waive informalities.

Board of Education, Hoke County,

Robert H. Gatlin, Chairman
K. A. MacDonald, Superintendent.

February 1955.

Leslie N. Boney, Architect,
Wilmington, N. C.

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HICKORY GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST

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11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship
7:30 P. M.—Evening Worship
every 1st and 3rd Sunday.

PITTMAN GROVE BAPTIST

Rev. Taylor, Pastor.
10:00 A. M.—Sunday School
11:00 A. M.—Worship service each 1st and 3rd Sunday.

RAEFORD METHODIST

Rev. J. Herbert Miller, Minister
9:45 A. M.—Church School
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship
8:15 P. M.—Senior Fellowship
8:15 P. M.—Intermediate Fellowship
7:30 P. M.—Wednesday, Mid-Week Service
8:00 P. M.—Wednesday, Senior Choir Practice

SANDY GROVE METHODIST

Rev. N. P. Edens, Minister
9:45 A. M.—Sunday School
Each third Sunday preaching at 11:00 A. M.
Each first Sunday morning at 9:45 A. M.

PEOPLE'S METHODIST

Frank E. Self, Pastor
10:00 A. M.—Sunday School
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship
6:30 P. M.—Young People's Service
7:30 P. M.—Evening Worship
7:30 P. M.—Wednesday, Prayer Meeting and Bible Study

COMMUNITY METHODIST

Rev. James Hamilton
9:00 A. M.—Sunday School
9:45 A. M.—Morning Worship
Each 2nd and 4th Sunday
6:30 P. M.—Sunday, Methodist Youth Fellowship

PARKER'S METHODIST

Rev. N. P. Edens, Minister
10:00 A. M.—Sunday School
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship
1st Sunday
7:30 P. M.—Evening Worship
3rd Sunday

CHURCH OF GOD

Ray E. Loftis, Pastor
10:00 A. M.—Sunday school.
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship
6:30 P. M.—Y. P. E.
7:30 P. M.—Evangelistic Service

RAEFORD FOURSQUARE

Rev. W. B. Robertson, Pastor
9:45—Sunday School
11:00—Morning Worship
6:30 P. M.—Crusaders
7:30 P. M.—Evening Worship
7:30 P. M.—Wed., Prayer Meet

EPHESUS BAPTIST

Rev. E. C. Taylor, Pastor
10:00 A. M.—Sunday school
Worship every 1st and 3rd Sunday at 7:30 p. m. Every 2nd and 4th at 11:00 a. m.
E. T. U. at 6:30 p. m.
Prayer Service Sunday Night at 7:30.

RAEFORD BAPTIST

James E. Baker, Pastor
9:45 A. M.—Sunday school
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship
7:00 P. M.—Training Union
8:00 P. M.—Evening Worship
7:30 P. M.—Wednesday, Prayer Services

WOCKFISH TABERNACLE BAPTIST

Scott Turner, Jr., Pastor
9:45 A. M.—Sunday School
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship
6:15 P. M.—B. T. U.
7:30 P. M.—Evening Worship
7:00 P. M. Wed., Prayer Meeting
8:00 Wed., Choir Practice

ASHLEY HEIGHTS BAPTIST

W. Ray Gosnell, Pastor
Worship Services
Second and fourth Sundays at 11:00 a. m.
First, third and fifth Sunday at 8:00 p. m.
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m. Thelma S. Supt.
Prayer Meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

RAEFORD PRESBYTERIAN

W. B. Heyward, Pastor
1:45 A. M.—Church School
10:00 A. M.—Morning Worship
3:00 P. M.—Pioneer Vesper
7:30 P. M.—Wednesday, Adult Choir Practice

ANTIOCH PRESBYTERIAN

Rev. Gower Crosswell
10:00 A. M.—Sunday school,
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship

SHILOH PRESBYTERIAN

Joseph W. Amory, Pastor
10:00 A. M.—Sunday School
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship,
every first and third Sunday.

LUMBER BRIDGE PRESBYTERIAN

C. M. Bowling, Pastor
10:00 A. M.—Sunday School
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship,
1st and 3rd Sundays.

BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN

Joseph W. Amory, Pastor
10:00 A. M.—Sunday School
11:00 A. M.—Every second and fourth Sunday, Morning and Worship

DUNDARRACH PRESBYTERIAN

Rev. Gower Crosswell
10:00 A. M.—Sunday School
Worship services every 2nd and 4th Sunday evening at 7:30 P. M.

PHILIPPI PRESBYTERIAN

10:00 A. M.—Sunday School
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship
7:30 P. M.—Prayer Meeting
7:30 P. M.—Wednesday, Pioneer Fellowship

GALATIA PRESBYTERIAN

B. O. Shannon, Pastor
10:00 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship.
Every Sunday except the 8th Sunday.
Choir Practice 7:30 P. M., Wednesday

THE CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY

Floyd B. Haywood, Pastor
10:00 A. M.—Sunday School
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship

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THURSDAY - FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 3-4

"THEY RODE WEST"

Robert Frances - Phil Carey - Donna Reed

Latest News and Shorts

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 5

"SON OF A BADMAN"

Lash LaRue

"BLACKOUT"

Dane Clark

Also "MANHUNT IN AFRICAN JUNGLE" No. 5

SUNDAY - MONDAY - TUESDAY

FEBRUARY 6-7-8

"REAR WINDOW"

James Stewart - Grace Kelly

Latest News and Shorts

WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 9

"BATTLEGROUND"

Van Johnson - Ricardo Montalban - John Hodiak

Also "BATMAN" No. 10

ALL MIXED UP

Johnny's all mixed up!
His coat rumpled and twisted! Buttons all wrong!
Do you know what Johnny's trouble is? He got a bad start. He poked the first button in the wrong hole.
You see, that first button is all-important. Unless Johnny gets that one right, the other buttons will never follow in pattern.
Johnny's first years are all-important, too. Without the proper Christian training, Johnny will get all mixed up inside. He will learn bad habits, dishonesty, untruthfulness. His life will become rumpled and twisted.
Bring your Johnny to Sunday School and Church. Help Johnny to a right start. The rest of his life will follow in the Christian pattern.

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	Genesis	1	1-13
Monday	Genesis	4	1-9
Tuesday	Genesis	25	24-34
Wednesday	Mark	10	17-27
Thursday	Luke	12	15-34
Friday	Acts	17	25-34
Saturday	1 Thess'lonians	4	1-12

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