



— a weekly message relating the world of today to the lessons of Faith and Church ...



For this very reason make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge. —11 Peter 1:15

Life is a constant learning experience, a succession of good times and bad. There is a need, always, for a strength of purpose, for the kind of faith that gives consistency to everyday actions.

Sometimes we try to shut out the world, to ignore the oppressed, the weak and the sick. We turn our eyes away from the "wrongs" of life as something that is "none of our business." We do not always get away with it. Conscience steps in to destroy our sense of inner peace.

Open your eyes to the world. See the good and the bad of it. Let your life be one of example, and of purpose. If you believe in God, and in the ultimate good, virtue and knowledge will always direct your footsteps.

**SUNDAY'S SERMON**

**The Undeclared**

There are some individuals in life more frequently visited by bad fortune than comes the way of their contemporaries, and in this group are a few who appear always able to take life in stride, without lament, without moaning, and with a bright face outward to the world.

Most of us know someone like this, some person who, appears never completely defeated; who in modern-day parlance, "never quits."

If we are familiar with such a person, and know the tricks that life has played upon them, we wonder at their perseverance, at their ability to bounce back and have another go at the world. We wonder too, how deep the reservoir from which they draw the strength to carry on.

More often than not, this individual draws strength from faith, from the belief that God is in the heavens and that tomorrow is a better world. Faith is the power and the motivation. Where faith is strong, hope is never lost.

When we are tempted to quit, when it seems the fates have chosen to torment us, we should examine the strength of our personal faith and measure the goodness and blessings of life that we have known. With a proper analysis, we may choose not to be completely defeated.

**BENTON IN EUROPE**

Hugh F. Benton of 109 E. First Street, Kinston, is now serving in the Mediterranean aboard the amphibious transport dock ship USS Austin which is making its second deployment with the Sixth Fleet.

**LAWSON ON FORRESTAL**

Airman Apprentice Glenwood Lawson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie J. Lawson of 8-D Carver Courts, Kinston, is serving aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Forrestal in the Mediterranean.

**Deaths**

**Lon Otis Taylor**

Funeral services were held Saturday for Lon Otis Taylor, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Taylor of Kinston route 6, who died last Thursday from injuries suffered in a plane crash.

**John Wesley Rose**

Funeral services were held Sunday for John Wesley Rose, 18, a native of Jones County, who died last week in Brooklyn.

**Mrs. Flora Sutton**

Funeral services were held Wednesday for Mrs. Flora Sutton, 86, widow of Wyche Sutton of the Rivermont community, who died early Monday.

**Willie Powell**

Funeral services were held Wednesday for Willie Powell of Macon Street, Kinston, who died Saturday.

**Raiford Jackson**

Funeral services were held Wednesday for Raiford Jackson, 68, of Kinston route 6, who died early Monday after a long illness.

**Joe Jasper Fisher**

Funeral services will be held Sunday in Sand Hill Free Will Baptist Church for Joe Jasper Fisher, a native of Lenoir County, who died in New York Monday.

**BOARD VETOES PURCHASE**

Monday the Lenoir County Board of Commissioners unanimously rejected a request from the county school board to buy 17 additional acres for the campus of Woodington School, which has 31.7 acres at present, only about 12 acres of which is in use.

**VANDALISM REPORTED**

Sunday night three residents of Deep Run route 1 reported to the sheriff's department that considerable damage had been done to their homes by vandals and one of the three reported that about \$250 worth of jewelry had been stolen. Mrs. Roger J. Basden lost the jewelry and the others whose homes were damaged were Durham Lee Jr. and Dallas Freeman.

**Veterans Corner**

Q — My father died in wartime service. I am 20 years old and going to college under the War Orphans Educational Assistance Program. I earned \$800 last year. Will that prevent me from receiving VA benefits?

A — No, there is no limit on your earned income.

**For And About Teenagers**



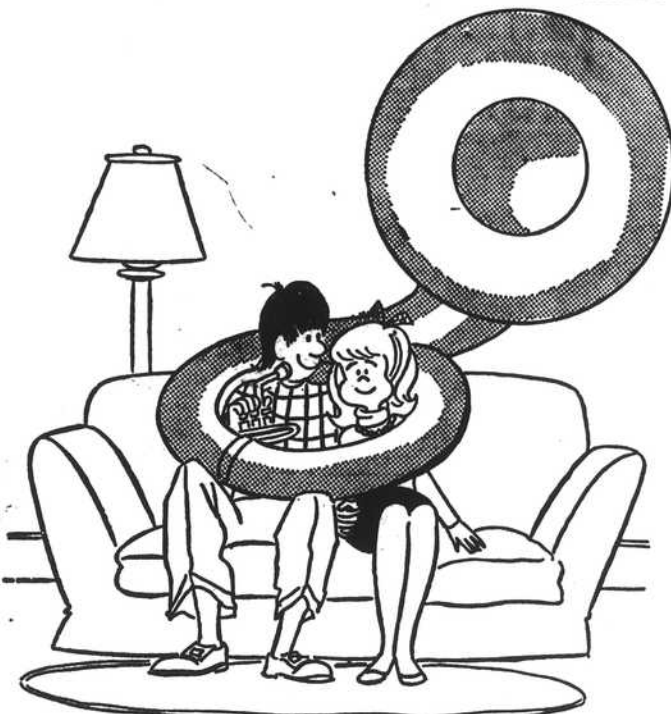
**THE WEEK'S LETTER:** "I am a girl of sixteen and in love with one boy. He has taken me out and says he loves me. But I don't know if I should believe him or not. He says that his dad told him we are getting too serious and that he should go out with other girls. He told me this, and when I asked if he was going to do it or not, he said his dad couldn't make him do it and that he would not. Last week he took one girl out and now he comes over and just talks about how much fun she is and everything. I want to know what to do. Should I keep listening to it or tell him I don't want to hear about it? I won't go out with other boys because I love him. He is 17, soon will be

18. Please help me or tell me what I should do.

**OUR REPLY:** You should go out with other boys. It is possible he is putting you on about his dad's attitude and just wants to date other girls. If he is right about dad's attitude, and you continue to get serious, it is likely that dad will insist that he doesn't date you at all. In any event, chances are that you will only lose if you continue with the idea that you love only him and refuse to date other boys. Give it a try.

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