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The End of Trains?

A number of Americans were shocked recently when a highly placed official predicted that the nation's railroads would stop hauling passengers by 1965, except on certain exceptional routes.

Adding to this opinion are the conclusions of an official government study of railroad operations, which was made public recently by the Interstate Commerce Commission. This report concludes that nothing can be done to keep intra-city passenger trains from disappearing from the American scene.

The conclusions in the government study indicate that passenger trains may have disappeared from the scene by 1970. Since 1947, which was a year of post-war travel and still-scarce automobiles, the railroads have been on the decline. In the last session of Congress aid was extended to them, but the official opinion that government aid cannot save the railroads.

Among the statistics which lead to this conclusion is the loss of \$725,000,000 on passenger operations in 1957. Freight hauling was a profitable operation, but much of the profit from these operations was used to counter the deficit realized in passenger operation.

So it seems that the passenger train—with all its traditional

color, history and romance is not for long. After a thoughtful pause, Willie asked, "Pop, how a thing of the past. In Europe, it will probably survive much longer, for distances there are shorter, trains better designed and equipped, and air transport possibilities more limited.

Who can ever replace the thrill in the child on seeing a fast passenger train or long freight speeding by with all the noise and drama of which the Iron Horse is capable? It seems a pity that coming generations will miss this old-time thrill.

Good Question

Trying to rest after an exceedingly hard day, poor father was being bedeviled by an endless stream of unanswerable questions from little Willie.

"What do you do down at the office?" queried the youngster.

"Nothing," shouted the father. It looked as if the boy had been shut up for a while, but

pause, Willie asked, "Pop, how do you know when you're through?"

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Sunday School Lesson

THE GALILEAN MINISTRY BEGINS

International Sunday School Lesson for November 2, 1958.

Memory Selection: "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel." —(Mark 1:15).

Lesson Text: Mark 1:14-20.

The aim of our lesson today is to show the simplicity of Jesus' message as he preached it in Galilee, and to point out both the obligation and the joy of Christian discipleship.

Jesus has sometimes been called "the unspoiled Galilean" because Galilee, with its quiet hills, was his native province. When he began his public ministry, he started in the province of Galilee, which in those days was comparatively new Jewish territory. A considerable number of persons in its upper classes were vigorous nationalists who held strong messianic hopes. The middle classes were ardent zealots who quite openly opposed the Pharisees. The lower class was virile and rugged. It was in these somewhat explosive surroundings, therefore that Jesus chose to launch his ministry.

Studying our text for today we see that Jesus called to Simon and Andrew, two fishermen who were also brothers, to leave their nets and follow him; we see, also, that he likewise called on James and John, sons of Zebedee, also fishermen, bidding them become his disciples and help him spread the Holy Word. (Mark 1:16-20). Jesus, therefore, chose his immediate followers from the laboring classes—simple men in their mode of life, but intelligent—men who were hard workers and men of character. He chose them, in other words, not for what they were, but for what they could become. This summons from fishing in the Sea of Galilee to casting nets into the stream of humanity is characteristically Jesus' way of dealing with persons. He seemed always to feel that what a man can do well in a modest endeavor, he can do better with a larger opportunity. When he called the four fishermen, he did not mock their occupation; instead, he glorified it. And, having set himself to the task of preaching the Kingdom on his home ground, and enlisting his followers, he proceeded to the third step in his plan—defining the obligations of discipleship.

"And they went into Capernaum; and immediately on the sabbath he entered the synagogue and taught. And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes." (Mark 1:21-22).

Jesus astonished the people because he "taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes." The usual pattern of the service at that time was to read the Scripture, to glory in the past, and then to dwell on an idealized future. Jesus dared to apply the Scriptures to the present and to himself.

Jesus, then, was boldly launched on his task of bringing the Kingdom of God to mankind. He had chosen his disciples wisely, and with care—that much is obvious by the widely different qualities of character embodied in the four he chose, as related in the Book of Mark; Simon, the impulsive one; Andrew, a commonplace man indeed, but a man of great honesty; James, the silent man, a man of innate strength and patience; and John, the "man of temper." These four were completely different types, each with his own individual potentialities, as were the other eight out of the now famous twelve apostles. And, in his defining of the obligations of discipleship, Jesus dared to interpret the Scriptures in a new and different way.

The only asset Jesus had was the fact that at the time of his coming there was a feeling abroad that it was the propitious season. Prophets had foreseen his coming, and had created a climate of expectancy.

And, just as the farmer prepares his soil for the crop he plants, Jesus sowed the seeds of Christianity as we know it today in the fertile grounds at his disposal. He did not anticipate that his Kingdom could be easily and quickly realized. He knew that its establishment depended upon the radical reconstruction of human hearts. The character of any kingdom is determined by the character of its members as a whole. Preparation for membership in God's kingdom is repentance. Thus the sower is re-



ATTENTION Teen Agers!

You teen agers have many problems! Sure, they are hard to solve, but with the right kind of help, you can find the right answer.

Have you ever discovered that God can satisfy your longings? In His Church, you work and play with other teen agers, sharing with them the experience of worship through music, Bible study, and prayer. Here you discover that others have passed through similar experiences, solved similar problems.

In the Church are adults who remember their own teen age tangles, and have come to realize that human beings are more or less alike, regardless of age. Here are leaders who can help and who really understand! The Church offers you teen agers an opportunity to be yourselves at your very best, to exercise all your powers, to make life as wonderful as your rosiest dreams.

How about it teen agers? Don't you want to give the Church a chance?

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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 strong Church, neither democracy nor civilization can survive. There are four sound reasons why every person should attend services regularly and support the Church: (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	Psalms	107	49-53
Monday	Psalms	139	17-18
Tuesday	Matthew	18	19-20
Wednesday	Deuteronomy	21	11-13
Thursday	Luke	18	11-32
Friday	John	2	12-17
Saturday	Mark	19	16-22



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- HERTFORD BAPTIST CHURCH**
James O. Mattox, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship, 11:00 o'clock.
Evening Worship, 8 o'clock.
Mid-week Services, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.
- BETHLEHEM CHURCH OF CHRIST**
Joe Brickhouse, Pastor
Sunday School, 10:00 A. M.
First Sunday, 11 A. M., and 8 P. M.
- BURGESS BAPTIST CHURCH**
A. J. McClellan, Pastor
Sunday School each Sunday at 10:00 A. M.
Morning worship at 11 o'clock, 2nd and 4th Sunday mornings.
- PERQUIMANS CHARGE CHURCHES**
Rev. Albert Gore, Jr., Pastor
Cedar Grove Church: 1st Sunday, 10 A. M.; 2nd Sunday, 11 A. M.; 3rd Sunday, 7:30 P. M.
Epworth Church: 1st Sunday, 11 A. M.; 2nd Sunday, 7:30 P. M.; 3rd Sunday, 10 A. M.; 4th Sunday, 7:30 P. M.
Oak Grove Church: 1st Sunday, 7:30 P. M.; 2nd Sunday, 11 A. M.; 4th Sunday, 11 A. M.
- NEW HOPE-WOODLAND W. E. Pickett, Pastor**
Worship services 1st and 3rd Sundays, 11 A. M., at New Hope, 7:30 P. M., at Woodland.
2nd and 4th Sundays, 11 A. M., Woodland, 7:30 P. M., New Hope. Sunday School each Sunday at 10 A. M.
- ANDERSON'S METHODIST CHURCH**
Church School, 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship, 11:00 A. M., second and fourth Sundays.
- WOODVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH**
Lowe A. Norman, Pastor
Church Services on second and fourth Sundays at 11 A. M.
First and Third Sundays at 7:45 P. M.
Sunday School at 9:45 A. M.
- UP RIVER FRIENDS CHURCH**
Orval Dillon, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 A. M.
Church services, 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.
Youth Fellowship, 7 P. M.
Prayer service, Wednesday, 8 P. M.
- BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**
Byran Holoman, Pastor
Sunday School, 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship, 11:00 A. M.
Evening Worship, 7:30 P. M.
- PINEY WOODS FRIENDS CHURCH**
Earl Redding, Pastor
Church School, 10 A. M.
Morning worship, 11 A. M.
Young People's meeting, 7 P. M.
- WHITEVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST**
Rev. J. Paul Holoman, Pastor
Sunday School, 10:00 A. M., every Sunday.
Church services first and third Sundays at 11:00 A. M.
- HERTFORD METHODIST CHURCH**
J. A. Auman, Pastor
Church School, 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship, 11:00 o'clock.
Youth Fellowship, 6:45 P. M.
Evening worship, 7:30 P. M.
Mid-week Fellowship, Wednesday at 7:30 P. M.
- BAGLEY SWAMP PILGRIM M. M. Holmes, Pastor**
Sunday School, 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship, 11 o'clock.
Young People's meeting at 6:30 P. M.
Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock.
Mid-week Services Wednesday at 7:30 P. M.
- HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH**
Rev. Paul E. Shultz, Pastor
Church School weekly at 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship weekly at 11:00 A. M.
Holy Communion first Sunday at 11 A. M.
Fifth Sunday Services and Holy Days as announced.
- MERRA CHURCH OF CHRIST**
Neil Packatt, Minister
Bible School Sunday 10 o'clock.
Church Services first and third Sunday mornings at 11 o'clock.
Evening services, first and third Sundays at 7 o'clock.
Communion is served each Lord's Day morning.
- CHAPPELL HILL BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. J. Paul Holoman, Pastor
Sunday School every Sunday at 10:00 A. M.
Worship service every second and fourth Sunday at 11:00 A. M.
ETU every Sunday at 7:30 P. M.
- ASSEMBLY OF GOD**
Rev. L. J. Howe, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 A. M.; Worship at 11 A. M.; Evening Service, 7:30 P. M.; Prayer Meeting, Tuesday night at 8 o'clock, and 2nd Service, Friday night at 8 o'clock.
- MRS. EDNA BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. N. Edgar Hadden, Pastor
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Church services first and third Sunday mornings at 11 A. M.; Evening worship service at 7:30 P. M.; Prayer service, Wednesday at 8 P. M.

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