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To The Graduate

The young people of our area who have almost completed their formal education in the year 1963 should not make the mistake of assuming that they know enough. They have only begun to learn.

What students received in school, in terms of learning how to read, study and think for themselves, is more important than the subject that passed into their brains. If, in the process of acquiring a diploma, one has acquired the tremendous spread of human information and realized that what has been studied is the interest fraction of what is thus known, then the way is open for the individual to proceed intellectually.

Some of the students, no doubt, have been seriously impressed with the troubles that beset the world. By contrast, their pursuit of learning represents inaction in the midst of what may be a serious crisis. Some of them have reached the conclusion that there are other things more important in their lives than the pursuit of education.

The editor of The Weekly would like to go on record in opposition to such an idea. Our young people will do well to make their plans to continue the development of their personalities by seeking to acquire learn-

ing. After all, character building is largely the work of youth. By the time the average man or woman reaches maturity, principles have been accepted which later influence the activities of life. There is no substitute for the formative period of life and no time is lost which results in the development of character.

Be Careful In Water

Even though the hot summer months have not arrived, many are taking to the water on the warm week-ends. In addition to public bathing on the beaches and at the resorts, water sports attract thousands of people.

The accident toll is high. For some reason, sensible persons take chances in the water. God swimmers drown through overconfidence. Flippant jesters rock the boat.

It is a good idea for people to know the simple rules that might save their lives. Swimming alone, when overheated or too soon after eating, may be disastrous. It is a good idea to know the depth of the water in which you are swimming. Finally, make it a rule to avoid smart tricks and "showing off."

Living Too Fast

Perhaps the least praiseworthy part of the American way of life, these days, is the conclusion of psychiatrists, doctors and health experts in all fields that the fast pace of living in the United States is our most serious problem.

In the United States, heart attacks, nervous breakdowns, and all sorts of nervous disorders are steadily on the increase, and the experts know the reason for this tragic trend in the terrific pace of life we are setting.

The number of mental disorders, nervous breakdowns and all sorts of other ailments has increased strikingly as a result of the tension of modern living. This tension is brought about by pressure and the drive to out-produce, out-work and out-earn our neighbors.

Learn to relax and not to worry about the other man, and you will add years to your life and, thereby, increase the years in which you can earn money

and thereby earn more money. Moreover, you will probably find that by relaxing and learning to live all over again, you will be better equipped for whatever you are doing.

This Is The Life

By DONALD R. THOMAS

There was a man who liked money, and that was his whole life. He said money would buy anything a person needed. One day as he was walking along, he met a boy who wore a faded shirt and jeans. The boy had a big grin on his face. Why are you so happy, asked the man? I am saved, said the boy. Saved won't buy food or clothing. I don't need money to be saved, and as for food or clothing, God will bless me with both of these. How can I feel like you do, asked the man? By accepting

Christ as your savior, leaving everything that God's Word says and have child-like faith. The Good Book says "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." —Matt. 6:33.

BEAGLE CLUB HAS FIELD TRIAL

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by John Hogan
The highlight of the trial came in the 13-inch class when Norway Pilot owned by Jimmy Sawyer beat Stamper's McGinn, already a "field champion" owned by G. L. Stamper of Williamsburg, Va., in the finals to take first place.

ATHLETE'S FOOT GERM HOW TO KILL IT

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Dear friends,
Drive safely! Everybody advises it, but the needless sacrifices go on at the same terrible rate.
Perhaps if the public could see the consequences of highway accidents as we see them, the appeal for safety would have some effect.
Time after time the awful waste of human life has been brought home to us and we wonder why it has to be. In the name of humanity, let us drive carefully.
Respectfully,

Manion Swindell

Sunday School Lesson

LONGING FOR THE HOUSE OF GOD

International Sunday School Lesson for May 24, 1963.

Memory Selection: "I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'" (Psalms 122:1).

Lesson Text: Psalms 84, 121, 122

Continuing our study we are undertaking one of the most inspiring books in the Bible, the Psalms today we endeavor to learn how men find joy and courage in the presence of God.

The three Psalms under study today are often called the "pilgrim psalms." Each represents in its own way the tremendous and overwhelming joy that filled the Jews who went into the Temple of God in Jerusalem.

The first Temple was erected in Jerusalem during the reign of King Solomon. It took seven years of constant work, involving thousands of slaves, to erect the house of the Lord. Would God dwell there? This was the question the wise King Solomon asked upon completion of the Temple. He recognized that the highest heaven could not contain God, much less the house that he had built.

A man once said "I never pass a church of any denomination or faith without praying." That man stated clearly what God's house means for most people. It is a constant reminder of the reality of God. It is a place of prayer and a call to prayer. It is a place of worship where kindred souls center their hearts and lives on God, seeking his way together. We all need such an entering place for our lives.

Religion is extremely personal, especially when it has to do with the confession of sin, the outpouring of guilt, the need of one's soul for God's pardon. But sin and guilt and pardon and forgiveness all involve other people; too. God forgives us as we forgive others; our guilt must often be confessed to others for their forgiveness; the reaching of the soul to God is best fulfilled as we unite with others of like mind and spirit with ourselves. So religion is corporate as well as personal; it involves others intimately. It is insisted that the first and great commandment is that we must love the Lord our God with all our heart and soul and mind and strength. He also said that the second commandment is like the first; We are to love our neighbors as we love ourselves.

Sometimes one needs to go into the house of the Lord alone, save for God, and there listen to the still small voice. One could be alone with God at home, or in a car, in a field or by a stream. For God's presence is ever with us, no matter where we are. But the house of God offers a special quieting effect for the soul of a troubled man. The stained-glass windows, the altar, the cross, the pulpit with the Word upon it, the communion rail inviting us to bend the knees and humble the self—all these speak to our hearts as we kneel, along with God in the sanctuary.

At other times we need the presence and helpfulness of our fellow Christians when we turn toward God. A well-planned service of worship speaks to the depths of the spiritually alert. The steps of worship are logical and progressive. The hymn of adoration and praise, with sentences of Scripture reminding us of God's goodness. In his presence we bow in contrition, confessing our sins and asking his forgiveness. Through Scripture and creed we affirm our faith in him and his works. Filled with new certainty and trust, we offer ourselves and our possessions. Then we enter into grateful intercession for the needs of others. We move prayerfully through a hymn into the instructions and exhortation of the sermon, which, if the minister is close to his people, seeks to help them understand, accept, and live by their faith in Christ. Then in prayer and hymn we commit ourselves once again to God and wait together for his benediction. And for the true worshipper, all this is not merely a mechanical movement from point to point. He brings his whole being, body and mind and spirit, to the worship of God. With others, he brings the cares of life into the presence of God. Though the deepest communion with God is intensely personal, the presence of others adds only

THE FAST PACE OF LIFE

You'll find lots of people concerned about the tempo of life today. But most of them simply catch a breath when they can, and try to keep up with the pace.

There is something more important!

The winner trains... and plans his race. He may lag behind for a while, but he is confident of hidden resources. When others have burned up their energy and enthusiasm, he forges to the front. As they wilt in the home stretch, he sprints across the finish line.

The Church can help you train... and plan! A Christian is concerned with his own spiritual stamina rather than the fast pace of life. He is ready with hidden resources when the moment of challenge comes.

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 value. 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.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Psalms 119:29-40	Isaiah 40:27-31	Luke 13:22-30	1 Corinthians 9:19-27	Galatians 5:16-26	Galatians 6:1-10	Colossians 1:24-29

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