

Sunday School Lesson

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I am involved with others for Christ's sake — because he has so graciously created, preserved, and redeemed me. He desires every soul and all society to blossom. That is his good news, and I am a part of it. So I try to point not to myself but to him.

Many church people give themselves to others in community service, but they do not understand that they are there for Christ's sake and the gospel's. They do not point effectively beyond themselves.

Self-Fulfillment

A man who loses himself for Christ's sake and the gospel's is safe. He is safe in knowing what life is all about — the meaning of existence. He is safe in God's acceptance and does not have to save himself or others; he is safe because he is free from self-preoccupation, able to live for others and enjoy life as it comes. He is safe in God's gift of eternal life.

The rich young ruler wanted to follow Jesus. He had obeyed the commandments from his youth, but he could not give up the one thing that kept him from losing himself in Christ's cause — his money. What he could not see was the way that band of adventurous disciples would move down the road in history, claiming the nations for Christ.

What a fulfillment of life could have been his! What a fulfillment of life can be ours!

What Will We Do About It?

Pick out some hymns on discipleship and read them over as poetry. Give special attention to George Matheson's "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go." What ideas of discipleship do these hymns suggest?

If the person needing your help was your brother, would you risk danger for his sake? Do you answer, "Yessir, I would"?

Discuss: Who are some people you have known or read about that lost themselves for Christ's sake and the gospel's?

Discuss the possibility of organizing a covenant group in your church that will agree to live by certain disciplines of self-denial and service for Christ. What are some disciplines that members of such a group should follow?

Our Father, we thank thee for men and women who have lost themselves in thy service. Take from us fear and timidity so that in thy spirit we may give ourselves in loving service to others. Help us overcome selfish desires and purposes that keep us from aligning ourselves with thy great purpose and will for all mankind. Amen.

OPEN HOUSE TO BE HELD

The Ray Warren Day Care Center, 1306 E. Lee Street, will hold an Open House on Sunday, March 9, 1969 from 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. This is a new subsidized Day Care Center and a United Funds Service. There is an opening for children ranging in ages from three to five years old. Mrs. Janice McNeil is the Directress.

An eligible veteran can take flight training under the Veterans Administration assistance program if it is for the attainment of an approved vocational objective in aviation.

THIRTIETH ANNUAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE IN PROGRESS

The Thirtieth Annual District Conference of the Greensboro District of the Churches of God in Christ is in progress at Wells Temple Church, 409 Asheboro St. A special Talent Program will be held Saturday night, March 8, 1969, sponsored by the youths. Young people from Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Eden, Durham, Lexington and other churches in the district will participate. The Conference will end on Sunday, March 9, 1969. Music will be rendered by

the Mass District Choir, consisting of choirs from five churches. B. H. Parker is Superintendent. Elder Bishop Wyoming Wells is the Presiding Bishop.

THANK YOU

I wish to thank my many, many friends for their kindness shown during the illness and death of my mother, Mrs. Sallie Battle Reynolds.

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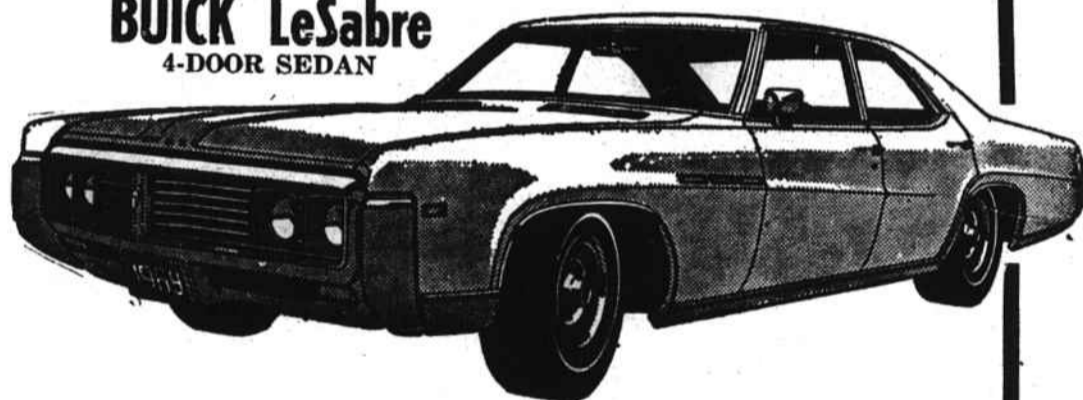
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