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TWO MINUTES

WITH THE BIBLE
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THE BIBLE IS FOR YOU

No matter which translation of the Bible we examine, one fact stands out with particular emphasis and clarity: The Bible was written for the people, for the populace at large, not for some special class among them.

St. Paul addressed his epistles to both "laity" and "clergy": "To all that be in Rome" (Rom. 1:7), "unto the church... at Corinth...with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord" (1 Cor. 1:2), "unto the churches of Galatia" (Gal. 1:2), "to all the saints...at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons" (Phil. 1:1), etc.

When Paul proclaimed the gospel at Berea his hearers did not take even this great apostle's word for granted, but "searched the Scriptures daily, whether those things were so," and for this God called them "noble" (Acts 17:11). They were the true spiritual aristocracy of their day.

Our Lord, when on earth, encouraged --even challenged His audiences to "search the Scriptures" for themselves (John 5:39).

Indeed, since God has revealed Himself and His plan of salvation in the written Word, we

are responsible, each one for himself, to study the Scriptures. When Dives begged Abraham to be allowed to go and warn his five brothers about the horrors of hades, Abraham replied: "They have Moses and the prophets, let them hear them," and when Dives urged that a word from him would be more effective, Abraham answered: "If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead" (Luke 16:29, 31).

Do not depend upon your clergyman to interpret the Scriptures for you but see for yourself what they say, for "every-one of us shall give account of HIMSELF to God" (Rom. 14:12) and it will not be enough in that day to say: "But my minister or priest told me..." You are responsible to "search the Scriptures" for yourself to "see whether these things are so."

Search the Scriptures, especially the Epistles of St. Paul, and learn God's wonderful plan of salvation. "Christ died for our sins" (1 Cor. 15:3). "We have redemption through His blood" (Eph. 1:7). "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved" (Acts 16:31).

MEDITATION

A SERMONETTE
BY COLIN DOUGLAS

"To them that love God, all things work together for good," --Rom. 8:28.

We all have experienced times when we have felt that some need or desire, for which we have been praying hard and earnestly, seems very slow and being fulfilled. During these times we must not let our faith in God falter. If it seems that a certain prayer is not being answered, do not become impatient... continue to follow God's guidance, knowing that His plan for us is good, only good, and always good.

As there are different seasons in the natural world, so are there different "seasons" in our human lives. There are often periods of developments that move according to a larger Divine purpose that maybe we cannot understand at the time. Perhaps we want to hurry a season, to bring forth the bloom of the fruit before the time is ripe. And when our

prayer is not answered, we give way to doubt and fear, which only succeeds in blocking the channel for us and making the waiting seem even longer and harder.

We must always keep our poise, based on the inner assurance of God's unflinching presence and power. We must rely on Him as our strength and our wisdom, and know that with His help every activity is our assignment can be done easily and effectively. God, our Father, is always with us -- and through prayer we can be inspired with His wisdom to solve all our problems and with His strength to overcome all obstacles. As we open our minds and hearts to God's light and love, we shall see something fruitful in every experience, and we shall see the answers to all our prayers unfolding constantly before us.

"Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth, for I am God, and there is none else," --Isa. 45:22.

Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



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Anti-Semitism Of Negro Is Discussed

NEW YORK - The problem of Negro anti-Semitism is not one that men of good will like to talk about. To many Negroes it is a source of embarrassment; to many Jews it is an issue they wish had never come up. Most Negroes deplore anti-Jewish prejudice; yet many Negroes utter anti-Semitic remarks out of habit, or frustration, or resentment against anyone who is white. Most Jews are sensitive to the struggle against racism; yet many Jews active in the civil rights movement have tended to look the other way when anti-Semitism cropped up, or have explained it away in terms of "Jewish slumlords" or other examples of "exploitation" of Negroes by Jews.

Despite the excuse and despite the exploitation - or perhaps because of them -- the poison of Negro anti-Semitism has remained, clouding the atmosphere in which white and black, Christian and Jew, must work together in the common effort to make the promise of equality come true for every citizen.

It is against this background that what happened in Mount Vernon, N. Y., on the evening of Feb. 3, must be understood and evaluated. The facts are these: At a public meeting of the Mount Vernon board of education, called to discuss desegregation of the local schools, hot words were exchanged over an alleged lack of progress in ending racial imbalance. Among those accused of opposing school integration were some residents of the community who are Jewish. Tempers flared and at one point during the meeting Clifford A. Brown, educational chairman of CORE in Mount Vernon, shouted: "Hitler made one mistake when he didn't kill enough of you Jews."

The remark was an obscenity. It was reasonable to expect that the director of CORE, James Farmer, would immediately and unequivocally repudiate the statement and the man who made it. Instead, Mr. Farmer merely ordered an investigation to determine the "context" in which Mr. Brown made his remark. He also said that "based on what we find out, we might apply certain standard sanctions, which could include, ultimately, dropping him from membership." Mr. Farmer went on to say that "also intolerable" were the school board's delaying tactics in ending de facto segregation in the city's schools.

Tarboro's NACW Holds Meeting

TARBORO - The Tarboro Branch of the National Association of College Women held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Vivian M. Smith on Cofield Street Wednesday Feb. 11, at 8 p. m. with Mesdames Mabel Brown and Vivian M. Smith as hostesses.

Mrs. Mary P. Smith club president, had many items of interest on her agenda to claim member's consideration; one was a project to encourage home exterior beautification in the neighborhood. Another was to supervise teenagers at the recreation center two nights a week.

Suggestions were made to sponsor a weekend tour with the Trailways Company as a fund-raising activity.

After transaction of business a delectable repast was served.

Words of appreciation were extended to the hostesses.

Members present were: Mesdames Mary P. Smith, Jessie Pitt, Chanie Lowe, Ida Knight, Pearl Bennett, Emma Jones, Minnie Woodley, Susanna Thomas, Vivian Smith, Mabel Brown, Ruby Boyd, Virginia Hoffer and Louzanne Alderman.

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Did you ever look down railroad tracks and wonder where they went... or put your ear to the track, listen to the hum, and try to guess when the train would reach you? These questions we may have asked when we were children, but as adults it is time to ask... Are we headed in the right direction? Are we prepared for things in the future regardless of when they will arrive? Choose now the path you will take. Let the church help guide you.

"Oh that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes!"

The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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