



"SYMBOLS OF LIFE AND DEATH"—Harrisburg, Pa.: Costumed as "Symbols of Life and Death" supporters of the "Harrisburg 7" stand before a coffin on Capitol Plaza during the 1st of 6-rallies held through the Easter Week. (UPI).

First Black Appointed Dean Of Big Theological Seminary

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — The Board of Directors of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary announces the appointment of the Rev. David T. Shannon as Dean of Faculty. Mr. Shannon is the first black appointed Dean of a predominantly white denominational seminary in the United States.

Presently Associate Professor of Religion and Director of Master's Studies at Bucknell University, Mr. Shannon holds a B. A. from Virginia Polytechnic Institute; a B. D. from Virginia Union School of Religion; a M. T. M. from Oberlin Graduate School of Theology and is a candidate for the S. T. D. degree from Catholic University of America.

With his experience as pastor, teacher, and administrator, Mr. Shannon will engage himself in the work of the total Seminary community. Asked about his role as a black man in a predominantly white

institution, Mr. Shannon said: "I come first of all as a person with whatever skills, unique abilities, or weakness I might have.

"I come, secondly, as a member of a minority group, therefore, there is a certain perspective I have which will be different from that of most of the persons with whom I will be working. I can see my role as a black person to be positive one, to bring a perspective that would be complimentary to the dominant perspective in the Seminary. I can bring a certain sensitivity to the need for greater understanding of whites and blacks in the urban setting and throughout the country."

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ences and feelings, so that all theological education is enriched as we relate to each other in the learning experience."

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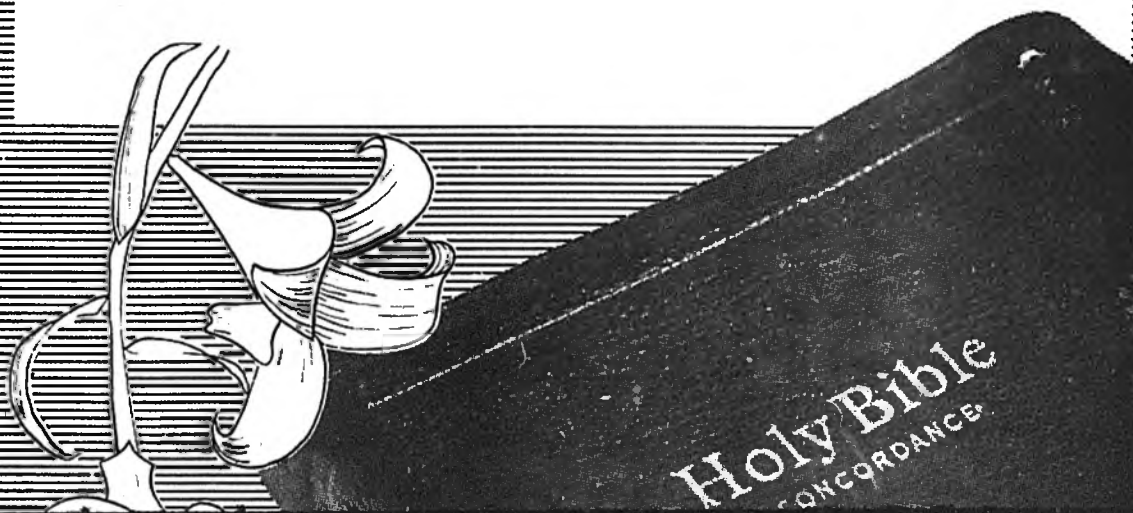
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TWO MINUTES WITH THE BIBLE
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"WASHED, SANCTIFIED AND JUSTIFIED"

As you are a child of God, but you are not yet washed, sanctified, and justified, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and by the Spirit of our God. (Titus 2:11-14)

The apostle Paul says in 1 Cor. 6:11: "Ye have been washed, sanctified, and justified, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and by the Spirit of our God." And such were some of you, God's Church would have you to be as you are now. You are washed, sanctified, and justified, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and by the Spirit of our God. (Titus 2:11-14)

Thank God, he goes on to say of those who have been washed, sanctified, and justified, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and by the Spirit of our God. (Titus 2:11-14)

Meditation

A SERMONETTE BY COLIN DOUGLAS

"Jehovah is a God of justice; blessed are they that wait for Him." Isaiah 30:18.

Almost all of us have felt at some time or another in our lives that circumstances or conditions have been unjust. There have been times when it has appeared that another person has treated us unfairly. But, the truth is, when we come to know and believe God's law of justice, we find freedom from these feelings and beliefs in injustice and unfairness.

Most of our feelings of injustices are right in our own minds. It is when we are tempted to think we have been unjustly treated that we need to look away from the appearances and to depend upon God, on His law of divine justice to bring forth our good.

It is not always easy to erase hurt feelings from our minds. It is not always easy to see how justice can come forth out of certain circumstances, but even when we cannot see how good is to come forth, we need to keep our faith steadfast, and we need to believe absolutely in God's unfailing law of justice and right. The good that springs forth from many of these so-called unjust experiences is the manner in which we handle them, the attitude of mind with which we face them. Each time we handle them in the way that God wants us to handle them—with tolerance and love—we are strengthening our spiritual nature just a little bit more. And that is the good we extract from them.

We bring forth justice in our lives and affairs by having an unshakable faith in God. With God working for us, in us, through us, and around us, the ultimate outcome of any situation will be right and just for us and for all concerned.

"Open thine mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of Thy law." Psalms 119:18.

Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



"You've got to admit they economize. They made only one copy of the budget, in crayola on wrapping paper!"

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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