II Cor. 3:17 - "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is... LIBERTY
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## In Days Gone By

On Moverber 4 , 1862, the machine gun was patented.
On Nov. 4, 1B42, Thraham Lincoln married Mary Todd in Springfield, Illinois.
On November 4, 1884, Grover Cleveland was elected president of the U.S.
On November 4, 1952, General Elisenhower was elected as preaident of the U.S.

YOU GANNOT THINK DIRTY, YOU CANNOT TALK DIRTY, YOU CANNOT ACT DIRTY-AND BE CLEAN.

## Your Home Is Buggedl

Yes, your home is bugged. In every home there are two mlcrophones per child-one in each ear. These highly sensitive instruments pick up the table prayers, the hymns sung. ordinary conversation, ineldental remarks, type of language, a variety of words and Intensities of sound. These all absorblnig microphones transmilt all that they hear to highly Impressionable minds. These sounds then become the vocabulary of the chlld and his basis for action and reaction.

## OLD FRIENDS

There are no friands like old friends And none so grod and true; We greet tham when we meet them As roses greet the dew.
No other friends are dearer Though born of kindred mold And while we prize the new ones, We treasure more the old.

There are no friends like old friends, Wherever we dwell or roam In lands beyond the ccean Or neer the bounds of home. And when they amile to gladden Or sometimes frown to gulde We fondly wish those old friends Were always by our side.

There are no friends like old friends, To help us with the lond That all must bear who journey O'er life's uneven road. And when unconquered sorrowa The weary hours invest The kindly words of old friends Are always found the best

There are no friends like old frienda, To calm our frequept feers
When shadows fall and deepen Through life's declining years... And when our fallering footsteps Approach the Great Divide Well long to meet the old friends Who wait the Other Side-

| Let The Werd Of God Do Its Work! |
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| If you are cold, let a WARM you. |
| If you are asleep, let it WAKE you. |
| If you are a backslider, letst WARN you. |
| If you are defled, let it WASH you. |
| If you are disobedient, let a WHIP you |
| If you are uncertain, lat it WITNESs to you. |
| It you are unsaved, let it WN you. |

SOME LESSONS I HAVE LEARNED down through the years- Life is full of lessons and we are constantly learning. Sonetimes we have to learn the same lesson 2 or 3 times before it really sinics in, and some lessons we never seem to learn at all. Hut, having been around all these many years, especially 63 years as a Christian and 60 years as a preacher, I have learned some things that are truly inportant. Though I've Eorgotten a lot of things. here are four that I would like to share with yous I've learned from 1ife that death is inevitahle. As a minister I have dealt with the deaths of many people. We never get used to it. and ve are genuinely shocked when it happens to those we love the most. However, if Jesus doesn't come soon, your death notice and mine will be in the newspaper. The truth is, we really start dying the minute we, are born. When I walk through fandliar cenoteries I am always amased at the number of people buried there who were personal acquaintances in ilfe. I'r reminded once again of Hebrews 9427, " + + as it is appointed unto man once to die, but after this the judgment."

I've learmed from Iife that those who are aaved are the happlest of all people. We live in a dog-eat-dog world with hate and revenge everywhere, but when God's love comes in we have a love for others, even for our enemies. Where Cod's love is there is peace, contentwent and an unspeakable joy. In life or in death, we are ready to go because we know that Heaven awaits.

I've learned from life that nothing lasts in this world. Everything changes, disappeara and mmy things bocome diaappointing. We need to look further than this ilife. Listen to what the Apostle Paul wrote in II Corinthians 4r18: "While we look not at the things which are seon, but at the things which not seent for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal. " Hallelujah! We can be extremely happy hare one day and extremely sad the noxt, but it "s not that way in Heaven!

I've learned from life that hope maloes the difference in the grayyard. I have preached many funerals of family members, frionds, acquaintances and even strangers since I bocame a preacher in 1958, and one thing I've discovered about most fanilies is that they want to know where their loved one went. when you die as a saved person, it not only makes a big difference for you in eternity, but it makes a big difference for your family and friends as well.

