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CONVERSION DAY

There is one day I'll not forget
As long as time shall be,
And that's the day when I was saved
Through faith at Calvary.
I couldn't tell you what I prayed
Or how salvation came,
I only know that since that hour
I've never been the same.

It wasn't any fancy dream
Or stupid man-made deal,
But God, by mercy and His grace,
Made my salvation real.
And as I claimed the Precious Blood
My Saviour shed one day,
The old life, with it's sin and shame,
Was freely washed away.

The peace and joy and love that came
Into this heart of mine,
Would take an Angel to explain
With words of grace Divine.
It's lasted down through all these years
With value more than gold,
It shall continue till one day
The pearly gates unfold.

It was the day of days for me,
And how I praise His name,
For saving my unworthy soul
From all it's sin and shame.
Without a doubt, of all the days
That ever came my way,
The greatest and the best I've known
Was my conversion day.

(C.) Walt Huntley

In Days Gone By

On June 9, 68 A.D., the Roman Emperor Nero Committed suicide.

On June 9, 1969, the U.S. Senate confirmed Warren Burger as the new Supreme Court Justice.

A four-year-old attended prayer meeting not long ago with his parents. When he knelt to say his prayers before going to bed upon his return, he prayed: "Dear Lord, we had a good time at church tonight. I wish You could have been there."

—Christian Advocate.

HAVE YOU COME TO THE PLACE WHERE NOTHING MATTERS BUT JESUS?

Church Signs:

Free Trip To Heaven! Details Inside

Where Will You Be Spending Eternity? Smoking or Non-Smoking

Eternity Is A Long Time To Think Of What You Should Have Done

It's Not About Where You've Been Or What You've Done, But Where You Are Going And What Jesus Has Done

Fall In Love With God This Spring!

Heaven - Don't Miss It For The World

AS I GROW OLDER

This is what I would like to be; Braver and bolder ...

Just a bit wiser, because I am older,

Just a bit kindlier to those I may

Just a wee bit stronger, taking defeat.

This I would like to be; Just a bit finer . .

More of a smiler and less of a whiner.

Just a bit quicker to stretch out my hand . . .

Helping another who's struggling to stand.

This I would like to be; Just a bit truer . .

Less of the wisher, and more of the doer,

Broader and bigger, more willing to give . . .

Loving and helping my neighbor to live.

Bible Trivia Questions

- Can an angel keep a secret? Judges 13:17-18
- 2. What was the 1st command God gave to man? Gen. 1:27-28
- What is the Bible remedy for boils? II Kings 20:7
- 4. Does a mule possess understanding? Ps. 32:9
- 5. Who was the father of his own grandchildren? Genesis 19:30-38
- 6. What is the Bible penalty for kidnapping? Exodus 21: 16
- 7. Who was the 1st woman to use cosmetics? II Kings 9: 30
- 8. Was Noah a woman? Numbers 27:1
- 9. Do you read the Bible every day?

AROUND THE CORNER

Around the corner I have a friend, In this great city that has no end; Yet days go by and weeks rush on, And before I know it a year has gone.

And I never see my old friend's face, For life is a swift and terrible race; He knows I like him just as well, As in the days when I rang his bell.

"Tomorrow!" I say, "I'll call on Jim, Just to show that I'm thinking of him." But tomorrow comes, and tomorrow goes, And the distance between us grows and grows.

Around the corner, yet miles away, Here's a telegram sir, Jim died today; And that's what we get, and deserve in the end, Around the corner, a vanished friend.

Many, but Few

There are many hills, but only here and there a great towering Mount Shasta;

There are many streams, but only here and there a great Mississippi; There are many trees, but only here and there a great Sequoia gigantea;

There are many echoes, but only now and then an original voice; There are many musicians, but only now and then a Mendelssohn or a Mozart;

There are many politicians, but only now and then a commanding statesman;

There are many people, but only now and then an outstanding individual;

There are many Christians, but only now and then a fully dedicated one.

What's the Difference . . ?

Between the atheist who would not dream of financially supporting the church and the Christian who will not financially support the Lord's church?

Between the skeptic who does not believe the Bible and the negligent Christian who never reads it?

Between those who do not believe in Bible classes and those who choose never to attend a class?

Between the atheist who does nothing to build: up the Lord's church and the Christian who finds fault with others but does nothing himself?

Between a man of the world and a person in the church who lives like a man in the world?

Between a man of the world who lives for self and a person in the church building who lives for self, not God?

These are tough questions for Christians who live in a tough world. The fact is, Christians make no difference until they are different.

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VIEWS





ONLY CHRIST CAN SATISFY THE SOUL

A prominent, conservative radio talk-show host converted to Judaism 10 years ago. According to her statements, she did everything she was supposed to do: she read the holy books, prayed, agonized and followed all the rituals of that faith. But recently she announced to her listeners she was quitting the whole business. She told them, "The spiritual journey in that direction—as hardcore as I was at it— just didn't fulfill something in me that I needed." She said she envied her Christian friends who talked about their relationship with God, and that they felt connected to God. She said to her it was a mystery and she was very envious of those friends.

However, those friends have nothing more than what she could have if she would only come to Christ in the same humble, childlike manner in which they came to Him. She needs to seek God in the right place. The answer in its plainest form is found in Romans 10:8-13. If you have even the slightest desire to know and have the truth, turn there, read it and do what the Scripture says. It will change your heart, life and eternal destiny.



"My husband just refuses to put up those storm windows for me!"

Think back! Perhaps you approached it wrong. Nagging never works, but a chocolate pie sometimes does. Suggest that while he puts up the windows you will bake his favorite pie.

Saints in Wrong Places

- A backşliding believer— Abram in Egypt (Gen. 12:10)
- 2. A silenced witness—Lot in Sodom (Gen. 14:12)
- 3. A lazy saint-David on the housetop (Il Sam. 11:2)
- A seduced prophet—the man of God in the old prophet's house (I Kings 13:19)
- A discouraged worker—Elijah under a juniper tree (I Kings 19:4)
- A disobedient servant—Jonah in the sea monster (Jonah 2)
- A miserable disciple—Peter before the fire (Luke 22:55)

-W. J. Morrison