



II Cor. 3:17 -- "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is..."

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God Has a Right

GOD has a right to a definite part of your time—He has the power to take all of it.

GOD has a right to a definite part of your money—He has the power to take all of it.

GOD has a right to be glorified through your tongue—He has the power to take all of it.

GOD has a right to be honored through your influence—He has the power to take all of it.

GOD has a right to your life—He has the power to take all of it.

In Days Gone By

On Sept. 16, 1940, President Roosevelt signed into law the Selective Service Training and Service Act, which set up the first peacetime military draft in U.S. history.

On Sept. 19, 1796, President George Washington gave his farewell address.

Little things
affect little minds.

Right or Wrong?

A thing is right or a thing is wrong,

And there is no in-between

We sometimes wish that it wasn't so,

But it's plain what both words mean.

If it's "not quite right," then it must be wrong;

If "it wouldn't be wrong," then it's right.

Though sometimes it's very hard to choose

When the difference seems very slight.

But no matter how old you live to be,

And no matter where you go,

There are no half measures with right or wrong;

And it always will be so.

—Alfred I. Tooke

Let Me See Your Hands

—Mrs. Richard Sandlin

What kind of hands do you have? Are they long and slender? Or are they short and plump? Are they rough and red? Or are they smooth and soft? Maybe they are strong and steady, or maybe they are weak and shaky. I don't know which of these things are true of you; but if you are a mother, I think I can safely say your hands are full!

When your husband was courting you, his first show of affection probably was to hold your hand. It was your hands, more than anything else, that gave your baby assurance of your love and protection.

My mother knows whether or not her piece of crust will be good by the feel of the dough in her hands. And what woman would buy a piece of material that she had not first run her hand carefully over?

The Bible has a lot to say about hands. In fact, long before the FBI knew it, God told us in Job 37:7 that a man could be traced through his fingerprints. And as far as a woman's hands—if you'll check the verses concerning the "virtuous woman" in Proverbs 31, you'll find the words "her hands" used seven times. They tell us that she worked willingly with her hands, planting a vineyard, making cloth, caring for the poor and her household in general.

If God feels that the feet of a preacher are beautiful because they are used to spread the news of the Gospel, then surely He must think busy, helping hands the loveliest part of a woman. Remember the little song the children sing: "Oh, be careful little hands what you do. Oh, be careful little hands what you do. There's a Father up above looking down in tender love, so be careful little hands what you do."

Say, what kind of hands do you have???



"Are All the Children In?"

*I think oftimes as the night draws nigh
Of an old house on the hill,*

*Of a yard all wide and blossom-starred
Where the children played at will.*

*And when the night at last came down,
Hushing the merry din,*

Mother would look around and ask,

"Are all the children in?"

'Tis many and many a year since then,

And the old house on the hill

No longer echoes to childish feet,

And the yard is still, so still.

But I see it all as the shadows creep;

And though many the years have been,

Even now I can hear my mother ask,

"Are all the children in?"

I wonder if, when the shadows fall

On the last short, earthy day;

When we say goodbye to the world outside,

All tired with our childish plays;

When we step out into that Other Land

Where Mother so long has been,

Will we hear her ask, as we did of old,

"Are all the children in?"

And I wonder, too, what the Lord will say

To us older children of His;

Have we cared for the lambs?

Have we showed them the fold?

A privilege joyful it is.

And I wonder, too, what our answers

will be

When His loving questions begin:

"Have you heeded My voice?"

"Have you told of My love?"

"Have you brought the children in?"

ONE SOLITARY LIFE

He was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman.

He grew up in still another village, where he worked in a carpenter shop until he was thirty. Then for three years he was an itinerant preacher.

He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never had a family or owned a house. He didn't go to college. He never visited a big city. He never traveled two hundred miles from the place where he was born. He did none of the things one usually associates with greatness.

He had no credentials but himself.

He was only thirty-three when the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends ran away. He was turned over to his enemies and went through the mockery of a trial.

He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While he was dying, his executioners gambled for his clothing, the only property he had on earth. When he was dead, he was laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.

Twenty centuries have come and gone, and today he is the central figure of the human race and the leader of mankind's progress. All the armies that ever marched, all the navies that ever sailed, all the parliaments that ever sat, all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of a man on this earth as much as that ONE SOLITARY LIFE.



A Matter of Perspective

Funny how \$10.00 looks so big when you take it to church . . . and so small when you take it to the store.

Funny how laborious it is to read a chapter in the Bible . . . and how easy it is to read a best-selling novel.

Funny how we can't think of anything to say when we pray . . . but we don't have

any difficulty talking on the phone or over the back fence with a neighbor.

On second thought, maybe these things aren't so funny after all. Perhaps they reflect our mixed-up priorities. Maybe our problem is that we're viewing our commitment to God through the wrong end of a telescope.

Miscellaneous.

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ONLY ONE WAY TO KNOW YOU ARE SAVED

If I told you that I know I am saved because I've been faithfully going to church most all of my life, I would be lying. If I told you that I know I am saved because I've been preaching for over 60 years, or because I've tried to live right, or because I've tithed my income faithfully, or because I have for many years tried to get other people to trust Christ and be saved, I would still be lying. Even though the foregoing statements are true, none of them is the reason why I KNOW I'm saved. The ONLY WAY that I or anyone else can KNOW we are saved is because the BIBLE TELLS US SO. Apart from the Word of God we cannot know or have any hope whatever. You can never get to Heaven because you go to church, have been baptized or are active in church work, etc. You are saved by putting your trust and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ who died for your sins and rose again from the dead. Here are a few verses we need to read and understand:

Ephesians 2:8-9 - For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the GIFT of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.

John 1:12 - But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.

John 3:16 - For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him, should not perish, but have everlasting life.

I John 5:12-13 - He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may KNOW that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

THE ONLY WAY to know that you are saved is through the Word of God. Do you know for sure? Trust Christ today!

"You had better play with forked lightning or meddle with the most deadly disease than trifle with the Word of God."
-D.L. Moody

DOCTOR: Tell your wife not to worry about that slight deafness as it is simply an indication of advancing years.

PATIENT: You tell her!