

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

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WE NEED MEN

We need men in the hour we face,
 Men of backbone, strength and grace.
 Men of courage, brave and true,
 Men who will endure and see things through.
 Men who will not play with sin.
 Men who will stand up, fight, and win.
 Men who teach by what they do,
 What is right, and what is true.
 Men with character true to their word,
 That consider well what they have heard.
 Men who are not ashamed to claim
 That they've called on Jesus' name.
 Who'll let the whole world round them see,
 That they serve Him faithfully.
 Who'll lead their family for Christ to-live,
 And of themselves, and substance give.
 Men who'll say, "I give my word;
 We are going to serve the Lord."

-Ted Huston

So Much to Do, So Little Done

So much to do, so little done!
 Ah! yesternight I saw the sun
 Sink beamless down the vaulted
 gray,
 The ghastly ghost of yesterday.

So little done; so much to do!
 Each morning breaks on conflicts
 new;
 But eager, brave, I'll join the fray
 And fight the battle of today.

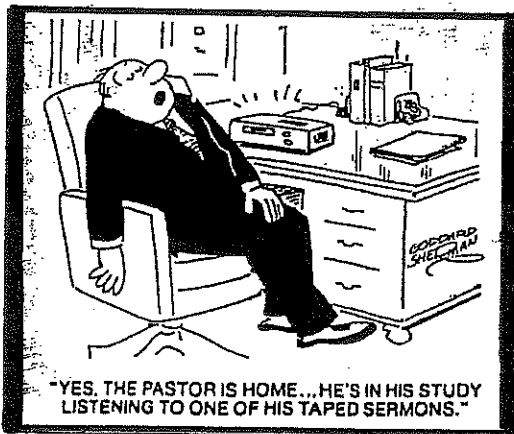
So much to do; so little done!
 But when it's o'er—the victory won—
 Oh, then, my soul, this strife and
 sorrow

Will end in that great, glad tomorrow!
 —James Roberts Gilmore

Days Gone By

On Sept. 1, 1939, Hitler declared war on Poland, thus bringing on World War II.

IF WE MEET, AND YOU FORGET ME, YOU'VE LOST NOTHING; IF YOU MEET JESUS CHRIST, AND FORGET HIM, YOU HAVE LOST EVERYTHING!



Where Will You Be When The World's On Fire?

By disposition I tend to be optimistic, but as I view our world through the magnifying glass of the Word of God, it seems to me that the world is in a rush to embrace the growing godlessness and unrighteousness being propagated on every hand and at every level of society. It is so very important that we who love the Lord understand what is coming so that we might live triumphantly during this present moment of history.

Concerning the end of the age, the apostle Peter wrote:

10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

11 Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what

manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness.

12 Looking for and hastening unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

13 Nevertheless we, according to

his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

II Peter 3:10-14

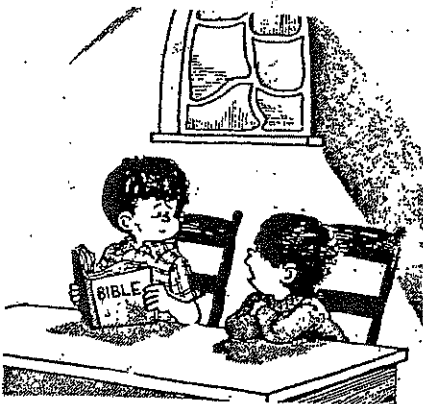
There is nothing of enduring value to be found in this world. Certainly, not home and cars, and gold and silver. These things tarnish and pass away. Somebody said it so well many years ago:

Only one life, 'twill soon be past;
Only what's done for Christ will last.

We brought nothing into this world, and we can take nothing with us when we leave; but through fidelity to Christ we can send treasures ahead -- a crown of faithfulness which we can lay at the Savior's feet.

Citizen of Heaven, be not weary in well doing (it seems to me like so many of God's people are growing weary); for in due season (at the proper time) we shall reap, if we faint not.

-Marvin J. Rosenthal



If Paul had a thorn in the flesh, why didn't he just pull it out?

*He never asks me to go anywhere He has not gone,
To face anything He has not faced,
To love anyone He does not love,
Or to give anything He has not given.*

Good talkers have little trouble in getting jobs... but only good doers keep them.

To handle yourself, use your head;
to handle others, use your heart.

A SHORT SERMON

A retired business executive was asked to share the secret of his success. He replied that it could be summed up in the three words, "and then some." He went on to say, "I discovered at an early age that most of the difference between average people and the top people could be explained in those three words -- the top people did what was expected -- 'and then some'. They were thoughtful and kind and 'then some.' They were considerate and helpful and 'then some'. They were good friends to their friends 'and then some'."

Jesus said basically the same thing when He taught us to go the "second mile." The challenge to us is to do what we can, and what we ought to do, "and then some."

WHAT'S ON THE OTHER SIDE?

A sick man turned to his doctor, as he was preparing to leave the examination room and said, "Doctor, I am afraid to die. Tell me what lies on the other side." Very quietly, the doctor said, "I don't know."

"You don't know! You, a Christian man, do not know what is on the other side!"

The doctor was holding the handle of the door; on the other side of which came a sound of scratching and whining, and as he opened the door, a dog sprang into the room and leaped on him with an eager show of gladness.

Turning to the patient, the doctor said, "Did you notice my dog? He's never been in this room before. He didn't know what was inside. He knew nothing except that his master was here, and when the door opened, he sprang in without fear. I know little of what is on the other side of death, but I do know one thing...I know my Master is there and that is enough."

Miscellaneous.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

A young man named John went to church one Sunday in a southern city in Indiana. He had been to reform school and wanted to make an effort to straighten out his life. At the end of the service the pastor gave the invitation and John went forward and knelt at the altar. Ordinarily, someone would come and pray with each person who responded to the invitation. But nobody went up to pray with John. The people knew who he was. He was a bad actor. He had been to reform school. He was no good. No one prayed with him or read Scripture with him that day that perhaps would have helped him know that God loved him and would forgive his sin through Christ. But nobody cared.

When John left the church that Sunday he told his sister, who related this story many years ago, that he would never go to church again as long as he lived. And he never did. The young man's name, that is still known around the world today, was John Dillinger!

What a rebuke to those who go to church and don't care about the visitors. How often do people come to your church and you are not friendly? How often do visitors leave your church feeling the unconcern and indifference of those who profess to know Christ? How often do visitors come to your church and you are not even there to welcome them?

A man deliberately went to different churches for the purpose of grading those churches on different parts of the service such as preaching, singing and friendliness. It was in the area of friendliness to the visitor that churches got their lowest marks. How sad! Do you see yourself in this story? Everybody is important to God and should be welcomed at church with open arms. Be one of those who care and show it by your faithful attendance and friendliness to those who worship with you.