

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

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FATHER'S DAY

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#### When Little Boys Pray



When little boys kneel by their beds

And fold their hands and bow their heads

And shut their eyes and start to pray,

I don't think God is far away.
I think He listens with intent
To any message that is sent
And answers prayers that small
boys make.

In His Son's name, for His Son's sake.

One dad to another:
"I'm no model father. All
I'm trying to do is behave
so that when people tell
my son that he reminds
them of me, he'll stick out
his chest instead of his
tongue."

### HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



Exodus 20:12 - "Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee."

#### WHAT MAKES A DAD

God took the strength of a mountain,
The Majesty of a tree,
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight,
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,
Then God combined these qualities,
When there was nothing more to add,
He knew His masterpiece was complete,

And so, He called it. . . Dad.



#### **Bible Plants and Trees**

How many of these statements about plants and trees mentioned in the Bible can you complete?

- 1—Adam and Eve used FIG leaves to make (a) shirts; (b) tunics; (c) aprons (Genesis 3:7).
- 2—GOPHER WOOD was used in (a) Noah's ark; (b) Aaron's rod; (c) Solomon's temple (Genesis 6:14).
- 3—The Israelites used the WILLOW upon which to hang their (a) harps; (b) laundry; (c) lunch baskets (*Psalm* 137:2).
- 4—Zacchaeus climbed a SYCOMORE tree to see (a) Caesar's soldiers; (b) a flerce lion; (c) Jesus (Luke 19:4).
- 5—God prepared a GOURD to give Jonah (a) shade; (b) food; (c) a drinking cup (Jonah 4:6).
- 6—For a pottage of LENTILES Esau sold Jacob his (a) coat; (b) shoes; (c) birthright (Genesis 25:33, 34).
- 7—Moses' mother used BULRUSHES to build (a) an ark; (b) a tree house; (c) a cart (Exodus 2:3).
- 8—When the dove came back to the ark with an OLIVE leaf, Noah knew (a) the waters had abated; (b) food was near; (c) it had quit raining (Genesis 8:11).

#### GOD'S WORK - GOD'S PAY

Who does God's work will get God's pay,

However long may seem the day,

However weary be the way. He does not pay as others pay,

In gold or land or raiment gay,

In goods that perish and decay.

But God's high wisdom knows the way;

And that is sure, let come what may,

Who does God's work will get God's pay.

-Dennis McCarthy

#### This Is Alcohol

The police say: "Alcohol and gasoline cause accidents."

The murderer says: "I don't know what I did; I was drunk."

The judge says: "Alcohol makes for crime but doesn't excuse it."

The psychologist says: "Alcohol robs a man of reason."

The doctor says: "Alcohol weakens resistance and shortens life."

The moralist says: "Alcohol and morals never keep company."

The lady says: "The breath of alcohol is repulsive."

The mother says: "Alcohol robs the home of its security and its peace."

The children say: "When father is sober we run to meet him; when he is drunk we run from him."

The wife says: "Alcohol brings about divorce."

The undertaker says: "Alcohol speeds up my business."

The liquor dealer says: "Give youth a sample, and you have a customer for life."

The wet voter says: "I voted for this."

The dry-voting legislator says: "I'd rather oppose my constituency than my conscience."

The pastor says: "Alcohol has sent many a soul to hell."

The Bible says: "A drunkard shall not inherit the kingdom of heaven."

What do you say?

#### Still Wanted and Still Needed

You may be growing older,
And your step a mite bit slow;
You may not move as fast as once,
But, oh, God loves you so!

You may think that you're not needed,
That your work down here is through;
But, my beloved oldster,
God has a plan for you.

Your white hair shows the wisdom
You've gathered through the years;
Your patience stands for victories,
Proves you've conquered many fears.

Your sweetness shows that Christ indwells, His love in you abides;

As these virtues flow out from you, You're blessing other lives.

Oh, don't ever be discouraged
If others must wait on you;
You've done your share of service;
Just let His light shine through.

So rejoice and live for Jesus
And to others His kindness show;
You're still wanted and still needed,
You're God's messenger, you know!

Clair Belle Steinmiller

### What God Expects of a Christian

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GROW GO GLOW SOW SHOW KNOW

The important thing is not what the church or the minister expects of a Christian—but what God expects. Here are some expectations that come straight from the Bible:

- 1. He expects us to grow (2 Thess. 1:3).
- 2. He expects us to go (Mark 5:19).
- 3. He expects us to glow (Luke 8:16).
- 4. He expects us to sow (Mark 4:1-20).
- 5. He expects us to show (Ps. 92:1-2).
- 6. He expects us to know (2 Cor. 5:1).

GROW GO GLOW SOW SHOW KNOW

The poorest man is he whose only wealth is MONEY

#### What They Said

That was a great sermon, preacher—
I want to give up my class for a while—
Consistent giving is what we need—
I've just got to get outside more—
A man has to take care of his family—
I was under the weather last Sunday—
Everyone should have quiet times—
Simon Peter was quite a man, wasn't he?
This was the church's greatest year—
That boy's class is a real challenge—
Our people are really enthusiastic—
We mean to get started, but something always comes up about time to go.

#### What They Meant

I'm glad you let us out before 12:00. We expect to miss church quite a bit. I've been giving \$1.00 a week since 1941. We are planning to go camping Sunday. If we have any left, we will give some. What a downpour out on the golf course. Don't interrupt us during "Gunsmoke". We went fishing again last Sunday. We didn't have a special finance drive. Those kids just about run me ragged. You can hardly hear the organ prelude. When the sun shines in we pull the covers up over our heads and go back to sleep.

# NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF ONE!

Many times, people say, "He's more capable, more gifted, more prosperous, more important than I. Who am I?"

You are "only one."

- \* It took only one person on the Jericho road "one good one" the good Samaritan.
  - \* It took only one to face Pharaoh "one old one" Moses.
- \* It took only one to face adulterous King David "one brave one" — Nathan
- \* It took only one woman only one voice to save the life of a nation one who said, "I will go ..." "If I perish, I perish" (Esther 4:16) "one willing to go."

Are you willing to help, to stand, to GO? We need only one! How can one make a difference? Do you remember the words of Edward Everett Hale?

i am only one,

But still I am one.

i cannot do everything,

But still I can do something:

And because I cannot do everything

I will not refuse to do the something that I can do.

And aren't we glad somebody has always believed that down through the centuries? Like back in —

1645 ... when one vote gave Oliver Cromwell control of England

1776 . . . when one vote gave America the English language instead of German

1875... when one vote changed France from a monarchy to a republic

1941 ... when one vote saved the Selective Service System just twelve weeks before Pearl Harbor was attacked

Talk about the influence of one! Did you know that in 1923, one vote gave Adolf Hitler control of the Nazi party?

Oh, my friend, "Never underestimate the power of ONE."

Too many people spend too much time trying to be the captain of someone else's boat. Learn to be a lighthouse and the boats will find their way.

<sup>&</sup>quot;When we are powerless to do a thing, it is a great joy that we can come and step inside the ability of Jesus." Corrie ten Boom