

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

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## TAXES — TAXES

Tax his cow, Tax his goat  
Tax his pants, Tax his coat  
Tax his ties, Tax his shirt  
Tax his work, Tax his dirt.

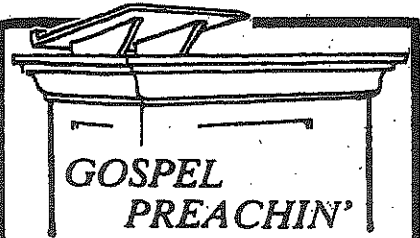
Tax his land, Tax his wage  
Tax the bed in which he lays  
Tax his tractor, Tax his mule  
Tax the books used in school.

Tax him good and let him know  
That after taxes he has no  
dough  
If he hollers, Tax him more  
Tax him til he's good and sore.

Tax his coffin, Tax his grave  
Tax the sod in which he lays  
Put these words upon his tomb  
"Taxes drove me to my  
doom."

Abortion wasn't the solution to  
my problems the abortion clinic  
employees promised.

—Luana Stoltenberg, pro-life infonet



Once I thought to be a preacher  
All you needed was God's call,  
And the Holy Spirit teach you  
Then His power on you fall.  
But it seems that's too old fashioned  
For this changing world today,  
Now to be a Gospel preacher  
You must have much more, they say.

Sinners now are much more wiser  
And much smarter in this day,  
And that simple Bible preachin'  
Is too square for them, they say.  
So if you would be a preacher,  
Of the Cross of Calvary,  
You must learn to preach salvation  
With much more proficiency.

Well, I must admit it helps you  
When some church sends out a call,  
And they see your robes of wisdom  
And diplomas on the wall,  
But if you need all this learnin'  
Which today is quite a fad,  
How did ever John or Peter  
Get along with what they had?

I don't want to hurt the feelin's  
Of those preachers of today,  
Who have got so educated  
That you don't know what they say.  
All I want is to remind them  
If they'll look around and see,  
We need simple Gospel preachin'  
For the common folks, like me.

—Walt Huntley

## Holy? Here's How

One of the biggest problems for the average Christian teenager is how to be holy and yet happy. Or, how to have fun and still be godly. So let's right here come to grips with this matter of what's right and what's wrong for you as a Christian. No, we're not going to give you a neat list of DOs and DON'Ts. The sins that are condemned in the Bible—like drunkenness and filthiness—are clearly out of bounds for the follower of Christ and you should have no question about them. But the dilemma usually comes concerning those things that are not definitely condemned in the Bible.

For these "questionable" areas and acts God long ago provided some timeless, appropriate principles. Study them. Make them a part of the way you look at life.

1. *The World Test.* Is it worldly? Will it make me worldly to do it? (John 15:19, I John 2:15-17)

2. *The Quality Test.* Is it good for me physically, emotionally, and spiritually? (Romans 12:9)

3. *The Temple Test.* Can I do it when I remember that my body is God's temple and must not be marred or misused? (I Corinthians 6:19)

4. *The Glory Test.* Will it glorify my Lord, or will it on the other hand possibly bring shame to His name? (I Corinthians 6:20; 10:31)

5. *The Blessing Test.* Can I honestly ask God's blessing on it and be sure I'll not regret doing it? (Proverbs 10:22)

6. *The Reputation Test.* Is it apt to damage my testimony for the Lord? (Philippians 2:15; Genesis 19:14)

7. *The Consideration Test.* Am I being considerate of others and the effect this might have on them? (Romans 14:7,21)

8. *The Appearance Test.* Will it look bad? Does it have the appearance of what is wrong or suspicious? (I Thessalonians 5:22)

9. *The Weight Test.* Could this slacken or sidetrack me in running the Christian race? (Hebrews 12:1; I Corinthians 9:24)

10. *The Coming of Christ Test.* Would I be ashamed to be found doing this when He comes again? (I John 2:28)

11. *The Companion Test.* Can I invite Christ to go with me and participate with me in this? (Matthew 28:20; Colossians 3:17)

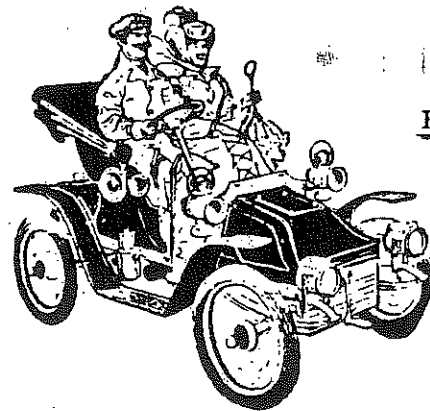
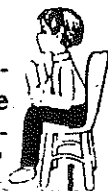
12. *The Peace Test.* After having prayed about it, do I have perfect peace about doing it? (Colossians 3:15; Philippians 4:6,7)

Better keep these principles handy, there will be plenty of times you'll need them. They will help you in your life-long task of living godly.

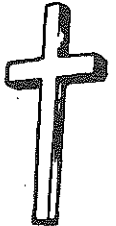
Whenever something "questionable" comes up, test it and you may detest it!

## Lovingkindness

A mother asked her six-year-old boy what lovingkindness meant. "Well," he said, "when I ask you for a piece of bread and butter, and you give it to me, that's kindness. But when you put jam on it, that's lovingkindness."



OLD  
FASHIONED  
FAITH



I like to own the modern things --  
The things that automation brings!  
The leisure time I have to spend  
Is automation's dividend.

I like to own a real nice car,  
And have a home that's up to par;  
The gadgets in my kitchen too  
Save time and they are almost new.

But I have one thing that is old  
That always will be good as gold;  
And though perhaps you think it strange  
This thing called 'faith' will never change!

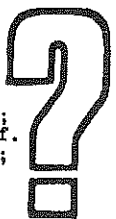
Call me 'old fashioned' if you must,  
But God's sweet Word I'll always trust!  
For it can't change - Not in the least --  
No more than west could change to east!

So thank the Lord for blessings rare --  
His love that's far beyond compare!  
Live modern but don't ever stray  
From God's own sweet old-fashioned way!

## WHICH IS ME?

Within my earthly temple there's a crowd;  
There's one of us that's humble, one that's proud;

There's one that loves his neighbor as himself;  
And one that cares for naught but fame and self.  
There's one that's broken-hearted for his sins;  
And one that unrepentant sits and grins.  
From such corroding care I should be free,  
If once I could determine which is me!



## Bible Trivia Questions

- My grandson's name is Timothy.  
a. Lois b. Rhoda c. Sarah
- I am the wife of wicked King Ahab.  
a. Rebecca b. Jezebel c. Naomi
- Aaron is my brother.  
a. Hezekiah b. Judith c. Miriam
- I am Joseph's only full brother.  
a. Benjamin b. Reuben c. Jacob
- Abraham is my uncle.  
a. Samuel b. Lot c. Cush

ANSWERS: 1. Lois 2. Jezebel 3. Miriam  
4. Benjamin 5. Lot

## Just Checking Up

A young boy walked into a drugstore and asked to use the phone. He dialed a certain number.

"Hello, Dr. Brown? Do you want to hire a boy to cut the grass and run errands for you? Oh, you already have a boy? Are you completely satisfied with the boy? Okay, then, good-bye, doctor."

The druggist said, "Son, if you're looking for work, I could use a boy like you."

"Thank you, sir, but I have a job."

"Didn't I just hear you trying to get a job from Dr. Brown?"

"No sir," said the boy, "you see I am the boy who is working for Dr. Brown. I was just checking up on myself."

It might do us all good to check up on ourselves once in a while to see if God is pleased with our service in His kingdom.

If the translators go much farther in revising and modernizing the Scriptures, they'll be having the 5,000 fed on a bucket of Kentucky fried chicken.

**Criminals are  
home-grown.**

**-J. Edgar Hoover**

"AND THAT'S HOW I WAS DELIVERED FROM A CLOSE BRUSH WITH DEATH — I TELL YOU, FOLKS — I HOPE I NEVER SEE ANOTHER UNREHEARSED WEDDING!"



## "Only a Little While"

Only a little while—  
A moment it may be—  
Ere I shall see Him face to face,  
Who died, who lives for me!

Only a little while  
The wilderness to roam,  
And then the Father's house above  
My dwelling-place, my Home!

Only a little while  
To walk by faith alone,  
And then without a veil to see,  
And know as I am known!

Only a little while  
To tread the path He trod,  
And then the Home of rest and joy,  
The dwelling-place of God!