

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

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## I HAD NO TIME

The day slipped by and time was spent  
And all the good things that I meant  
To do were left undone because  
I had no time to stop and pause,  
But rushed about, went here and there,  
Did this and that, was everywhere,  
I had no time to kneel and pray  
For that lost soul across the way;  
I had no time to meditate  
On worthwhile things. No time to wait  
Upon the Lord, and hear Him say:  
"Well done, my child," at close of day.  
And so, I wonder, after all  
When life is o'er and I hear the call  
To meet my Savior in the sky,  
Where saints live on and never die,  
If I can find one soul I've won  
To Christ by some small deed I've done:  
Or will I hang my head and whine,  
"Forgive me, Lord, I had no time."

—Mrs. Herbert Bell

## Today

This is the beginning of a new day. God has given me this day to use as I will. I can waste it or use it for good.

What I do today is important, because I'm exchanging a day of my life for it. When tomorrow comes, this day will be gone forever, leaving in its place something that I have traded for it.

I want it to be gain, not loss; good, not evil; success, not failure, in order that I shall not regret the price I paid.



## IF I HAD KNOWN

If I had known what trouble you were bearing;  
What griefs were in the silence of your face;  
I would have been more gentle, and more caring,  
And tried to give you gladness for a space.  
I would have brought more warmth into the place,  
If I had known.

If I had known what thoughts despairing drew you;  
(Why do we never try to understand?)  
I would have lent a little friendship to you,  
And slipped my hand within your hand,  
And made your stay more pleasant in the land,  
If I had known.

## Help Others

"Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."

Galatians 6:2



## How Were People Saved in the Old Testament

Dr. Harry Ironside, for 18 years pastor of the Moody Church in Chicago, told of visiting a Sunday school class while on vacation. The teacher asked, "How were people saved in Old Testament times?"

After a pause, one man replied, "By keeping the Law." "That's right," said the teacher.

But Dr. Ironside interrupted: "My Bible says that by the deeds of the Law shall no flesh be justified."

The teacher was a bit embarrassed, so he said, "Well, does somebody else have an idea?"

Another student replied, "They were saved by bringing sacrifices to God."

"Yes, that's right!" the teacher said, and tried to go on with the lesson.

But Dr. Ironside interrupted, "My Bible says that the blood of bulls and goats cannot take away sin."

By this time the unprepared teacher was sure the visitor knew more about the Bible than he did, so he said, "Well, you tell us how people were saved in the Old Testament!"

And Dr. Ironside explained that they were saved by faith—the same way people are saved today! Twenty-one times in Hebrews 11 will you find the same words "by faith."

—The Word of Faith.

OUR PREACHER  
SAYS HOPE IS THE  
CEMENT THAT HOLDS  
FAITH AND WORKS  
TOGETHER



ALGEBRA  
EXAMS



TODAY I NEED  
RE-ENFORCED  
CONCRETE



## Instructions

*I searched,  
but there definitely was not  
a packet of instructions  
attached to my children  
when they arrived.  
And none has since  
landed in the mailbox.  
Lord, show me how  
to be a good parent!  
Teach me to  
correct without crushing,  
help without hanging on,  
listen without laughing at,  
surround without smothering,  
and love without limit—  
the way You love me!*



VISITATION:  
The shoe fits everyone!

## I SAW GOD WASH THE WORLD

I saw God wash the world last night  
With His sweet showers on high,  
And then, when morning came, I saw  
Him hang it out to dry.

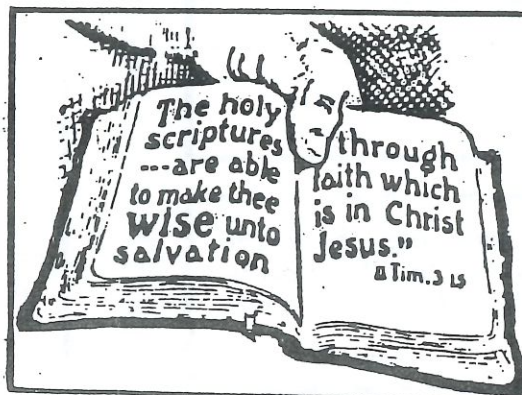
He washed each tiny blade of grass  
And every trembling tree  
He flung His showers against the hill,  
And swept the billowing sea.

The white rose is a clearer white,  
The red rose is more red,  
Since God washed every fragrant face  
And put them all to bed.

There's not a bird; there's not a bee  
That wings along the way  
But is a cleaner bird and bee  
Than it was yesterday.

I saw God wash the world last night  
Ah, would He had washed me  
As clean of all my dust and dirt  
As that old white birch tree.

— William L. Stidger



## Biblical Quiz

Florence J. Johnson

- Which one was "slow of speech"?  
(a) Aaron .. (b) Moses ..
- Which one was the second son of Adam?  
(a) Abel .. (b) Cain ..
- Which one wore "the coat of many colors"?  
(a) Benjamin .. (b) Joseph ..
- Which one went to Heaven in a "chariot of fire"?  
(a) Elisha .. (b) Elijah ..
- Which one made the Golden Calf?  
(a) Aaron .. (b) Joshua ..
- Which sacrificed his daughter to fulfill a vow for victory?  
(a) Jephtha .. (b) Solomon ..
- Which one was Ruth's sister-in-law who did not go to Bethlehem?  
(a) Orpha .. (b) Deborah ..
- Which one was known as "full of good words and alms deeds"?  
(a) Rebekah .. (b) Dorcas ..
- Which one saved the life of her kinsman by pleading with Ahasuerus?  
(a) Jezebel .. (b) Esther ..
- Which one was the sister of Moses?  
(a) Sarah .. (b) Miriam ..
- Which one was the son of David and Bathsheba?  
(a) Absalom ..  
(b) Solomon ..
- Which one came to Elisha to be healed of leprosy?  
(a) Ananias ..  
(b) Naaman ..

## Answers to Biblical Quiz

- (b) Moses
- (a) Abel
- (b) Joseph
- (b) Elijah
- (a) Aaron
- (a) Jephtha
- (a) Orpha
- (b) Dorcas
- (b) Esther
- (b) Miriam
- (b) Solomon
- (a) Jezebel
- (b) Naaman
- (a) Absalom
- (b) Miriam



## HOW TO RAISE A JUVENILE DELINQUENT

The police department of Houston, Texas gives to the parents of each juvenile who runs afoul of the law 12 rules for raising a juvenile delinquent:

1. Begin with infancy to give the child everything he wants.
2. When he picks up "bad" or "dirty" words, laugh at him. Later he will pick up words that are even worse.
3. Never give him any spiritual training or take him to church regular.
4. Praise him in his presence and show how much smarter he is than the neighbor's children.
5. Avoid the use of the word "wrong." It may develop a "guilt complex in the child. This will prepare him to believe that when he is punished later on for stealing cars or assaulting women that society is "against him" and that he is being persecuted.
6. Pick up everything after him: his shoes, his books, his clothes. Do everything for him so he will be experienced in throwing burdens on others.
7. Let him read anything he wants. Have no concern whatever for what goes into his mind. Provide him with Lily cups for his lips, but let his brain drink out of any dirty container for words and ideas.
8. Quarrel frequently in the presence of your children. In this way they will be prepared for broken homes later on.
9. Give him all the spending money he wants. Never let him earn his own.
10. Satisfy every craving of the child for food, drinks and everything that has to do with the sense of taste and touch, gratifying every sensual desire.
11. Take his part against policemen, teachers and neighbors. They are all "prejudiced" against your child.
12. When he gets into real trouble, always defend yourself by saying, "I could never do anything with him."

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*Within the covers of one single book, the Bible, are all the answers to all the problems that face us today—if only we would read and believe.*

—Ronald W. Reagan