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## Are Teaching Methods Neutral?

**Dr. Dayton Hobbs**

In a new book entitled -- The Philosophy of Christian School Education, published by the Western Association of Christian Schools, there is a chapter entitled, "The Christian Philosophy Applied to Methods of Instruction" written by James W. Braley. Although a great deal of work was undoubtedly done by Mr. Braley in preparing this chapter and there is a great deal of very useful information and help contained therein, I must disagree with one of the conclusions he arrives at. On page 111 he states, "The 'rightness', or 'wrongness' of any method simply relates to how they are used and what philosophy they undergird. Methods are not necessarily good or evil in or of themselves."

A method is a way of doing something. There are right ways to do things

and there are wrong ways to do things. There are right ways to carry out our Lord's Commission to take the Gospel to the ends of the earth and there are wrong ways. There are right ways to teach and there are wrong ways to teach. Teaching methods are reflective of one's philosophy, particularly one's view of man. Depending on whether you view man as a product of evolution who only needs adjustment to his environment or whether you view man as the Scripture declares him to be (a fallen son of Adam, depraved, lost and in need first of redemption and then to be taught to bear the yoke of our Lord Jesus Christ), your view will make a difference in how you teach children as well as what you teach children. ". . . it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them

that believe." I Cor. 1:21. Preaching is the method God has chosen to get the Gospel to men. There has never been anything that could take the place of God's man preaching God's Word boldly in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Today a great deal of emphasis is placed on counselling; one outstanding preacher told me he knew of at least 100 preachers from his area who had left the pulpit for full time counselling. This is sad and is a commentary on our times. Every pastor certainly spends time counselling those who need it, but this does not substitute for the "thundering" pulpit, and as a matter of fact if the pulpit is the power it ought to be, many problems can be dealt with and corrected before personal counselling is needed.

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## An Open Letter To Dr. Jack Van Impe

**by Dr. Wendell D. Mullen**

Dear Jack:

As I have told you, I learned to have love and appreciation for you and Rexella during your two Connecticut crusades. When I presented you on the first night of the Hartford crusade I told the congregation that I was happy in the knowledge that you were a Fundamentalist and a Separatist. I expressed my gratitude that I was confident that you would never embarrass us or hurt our ministry.

But, Jack, you have embarrassed us,

you have hurt us very much.

Your Crusade Newsletter has just gone out to all our families. It is full of unfounded accusations and slander.

I have listened to your Cobo Hall sermon. Many of your listeners, even those who applauded, did not know that you were accusing Dr. Bob Jones of namecalling, mudslinging and muckraking.

In your Newsletter of November, 1977, you do not mention Dr. Jones by name, but you were guilty of judgemental slander against him. You make it appear

that there is no principle at stake. You do not even mention the issue.

There is an issue! Dr. Jones believes that Dr. John Rice is disobedient to the Word of God in teaching a generation of preachers to fellowship with men who openly support the apostasy. Many of us believe that Dr. Jones is correct.

Jerry Falwell has followed Dr. Rice's teachings and example. I heard him on T.V., and I read his statement in the Baptist Bible Tribune, saying

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# EDITOR'S DESK

I can remember as a preacher boy at Bob Jones University, Dr. Bob, Sr. warning us to be careful of men who felt that they had some kind of special calling, some vision or calling that was out of the ordinary and different from the usual responsibilities of men called of God. I have thought of that warning many times since, and I have found it to be sound advice from my own experience.

This type of person has what might be called a "Messianic Complex". They feel that they are divinely placed on this earth "for such a time as this", to fulfil God's plan in some special way. I do not lay claim to coining this phrase, as Dr. Rousas Russhooney uses this idea in relation to the role of education as viewed by the humanist, however I believe it aptly describes men who from time to time appear upon the Christian scene with a special commission, they feel, to accomplish some goal not in harmony with the scriptures or in keeping with the obvious condition of the times.

America is apostate. Apostasy is irreversible. God may grant mercy for a period of time, and there may be revival in some places in our nation on a limited basis, but as a nation, America can only look forward to judgment. There are those who believe that America is experiencing a revival, that 1/3 of the people of this nation are born-again and that it is just a matter of time, if the Lord will only tarry a while longer, til these super aggressive visionaries win America for Christ. We praise the Lord for each genuine conversion to Christ, and for each drop of mercy from the Father's hand, but anyone not blinded by his own self-styled Messianic ideas can plainly see that the spiritual and moral condition of America is declining daily. We are not experiencing revival but the fruit of an ever deepening apostasy.

The Christian school movement will not, and indeed cannot "save America" as other Messianic visionaries predict

as possible. To believe this and to direct your energies toward that end is to miss the purpose of Christian schools, and in effect make the movement ineffective for God. These men would in effect throw away the "salt" God has given us to hold back corruption in our generation, and cast it out to be trodden under the feet of an unrighteous generation. The job of Christian schools is not to "save America", but to salvage some Christian young people from our present Godless educational system, and make soldiers out of them; soldiers to stand without compromise in our generation. If God chooses to raise from these ranks a John the Baptist to shake our country over hell and turn many to righteousness, that would be wonderful, but it is not our job to tell God what He should do with the Christian school movement. It is the servants job to serve faithfully, and have a school that builds character into youth. What our captain chooses to do with the soldiers trained for Him is His business.

(More next month on the problems that are caused by a "Messianic Complex".)

## We Get Letters

Dear Sir:

Your advertisement in the Reader's Digest Bulletin of Magazines (our public school was having a magazine drive) indicated that your magazine was about Christian schools.

I subscribed to your magazine because I am interested in Christian schools in this country. However, after reading your newspaper I have concluded that your main emphasis (example - see page one) is on degrading particular Christians with whom you disagree theologically.

Billy Graham, Oral Roberts, and Johnny Cash have proclaimed that "Christ is Savior and Lord" to many people. There have been many souls won to Christ through their ministries. Even as a Christian I am strengthened in the faith through their efforts.

It is my prayer that in the future you will promote Christ as Savior and Lord rather than to attack other Christians. I am sure that you will discover that condemning other Christians is not as spiritually rewarding as telling others about Jesus.

Since I have no need for your newspaper I am requesting that you cancel my subscription. A refund is not necessary.

Your newspaper probably goes into many Christian and non-Christian homes - may God use it to win souls and help to increase the faith of the Christians.

In Christ,  
D. W.  
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Dear Projector Staff,

Please begin our subscription to THE PROJECTOR right away. Bill us at the following address and mail THE PROJECTOR to the same. I'm hoping that the paper can be sent very soon as it is required reading for the Christian Education class at Fairhaven College. Thank you all very much.

In Christ,  
K. R.  
Chesterton, IN

Hi Projector Gang!

I've enjoyed your paper for some time and intended to write a thank you to Dave Johnson on the "Other Side" and then the pink slip fell out.

Lodges are something else but few have been taught this story. I studied it to satisfy myself, and often surprise men with the Hiram handshake which isn't to be known to women as only for men of the lodge. Lodges are indeed the working of darkness.

After I read your paper and other good publications, they are put in laundromats in hopes of enlightening others. The "Other Side" will be added to my 1977 files as it might be needed some day.

Sincerely,

L. Z.  
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(We oppose ERA)

Dear Dr. Hobbs:

I would like to let you know that I read the PROJECTOR. I have just completed reading the November/December 1977 issue. Again in this issue I find a lot of foolish and uncalled for statements against great men of God. In the current issue I refer to the article by Peter J. Foxx entitled "Falwell's Folly."


One of the greatest preachers of our day is Dr. Jerry Falwell. Although I am a graduate of Tennessee Temple Schools, I would not and I do not hesitate to recommend Dr. Falwell and Liberty Baptist College. I am grateful to God for the great number of men from Lynchburg, Virginia, who are coming up to the New England states to start new churches.

I would consider myself a fundamentalist. I have preached in a Nazarene church, a Southern Baptist, and several American Baptist churches. I would preach in a Roman Catholic church or in a Jewish Synagogue if I was given the opportunity. Any man of God who is concerned about souls had better preach the gospel anywhere he can! I certainly do not agree with all of the doctrine of these churches, BUT I love the souls of the people in these churches. This does not mean that I would invite them to preach in the pulpit of our church.

I appreciate the work and ministry  
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# Stars of the Morning

By "Aunt Carolyn"

**Commemorating  
The  
Bicentennial Of  
Valley Forge -  
1777-1977**



As one thinks back to what was taking place two hundred years ago, he has to admit that only through God's blessing were we enabled to become a nation. The details of what took place indicate that mere human ability, no matter how excellent, could not have accomplished the ordeal of Valley Forge.

Because Valley Forge is a testimony to our Lord by American Christians of 1777, we feel the forgetting of this event by American Christians of 1977 would be tantamount to forgetting Him. How can we expect Him to answer our prayers for our nation for the future, if we deliberately forget and ignore what He has done for America in the past?

*Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! (Psalm 107:8)*

The historian B. J. Lossing, in his book WASHINGTON AND THE AMERICAN REPUBLIC, Vol. II, page 569, describes this period:

*The winter had now set in with great severity, and it was impossible for poorly-clad and poorly-fed troops to live longer in tents. Perceiving this, Washington had already chosen a more comfortable place for the winter-quarters of his army, called Valley Forge. It is on the borders of a gorge sloping down to the Schuylkill, nineteen miles from Whitemarsh, and twenty miles from Philadelphia. There he ordered log huts to be constructed, assuring the soldiers, at the same time, that he, himself, would cheerfully share in the hardships and partake of any inconvenience. Accordingly, he left Whitemarsh on the eleventh of December, and reached the brow of the hill, overlooking the destined place of encampment on the eighteenth. Hundreds of soldiers made that dreary march with bare feet, and the pathway of the patriot army might have been traced all the way by their footmarks in the snow, stained with blood. And yet, at this very time, according to a contemporary writer, hogsheads of shoes, stockings, and clothing, were lying at different places on the roads, and in the woods, perishing for want of teams, or of money to pay the*



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*teamsters, so deranged was the commissariat by the interference of the Congress.*

*The day on which the army arrived at Valley Forge, had been set apart by the recommendation of the Congress, as one of thanksgiving, "for the signal success lately obtained over the enemies of the United States" at Saratoga; and Washington and his whole army engaged in religious exercises. . .*

*Around the name of Valley Forge there cluster associations of deepest interest to every American; for in all the world's history, we have no record of purer devotion, holier sincerity, or more pious self-sacrifice, than was there exhibited in the camp of Washington. The courage of the battle-field dwindles almost into insignificance when compared with that sublime heroism displayed by the American soldiery at Valley Forge, in the midst of frost and snow, disease and destitution. . .*

*It was one of the most trying scenes in the life of Washington, but a cloud of doubt seldom darkened the serene atmosphere of his hopes. He knew that the cause was just, and holy; and his faith and confidence in God as a defender and helper of right were as steady in their ministrations of vigor to his soul, as were the pulsations of his heart to his active limbs! In perfect reliance upon Divine aid, he moved in the midst of crushed hopes, and planned brilliant schemes for the future.*

On December 17, the day before moving into Valley Forge, General Washington gave General Orders which closed with the following paragraph:

*Tomorrow being the day set apart by the Honourable Congress for public Thanksgiving and Praise; and duty calling us devoutly to express our grateful acknowledgements to God for the manifold blessings he has granted us. The General directs that the army remain in it's present quarters, and that the Chaplains perform divine service with their several Corps and brigades. And earnestly exhorts, all officers and soldiers, whose absence is not indispensably necessary, to attend with reverence the solemnities of the day.*

(Writings, Vol. 10, p. 167)  
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# Are Teaching Methods Neutral?

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God was very careful to give precise instructions as to the method by which the ark was to be moved from place to place. The Philistines were able to move it successfully with a "new cart" but David found this method to be fatal for the people of God. After one man was smitten by the Lord, David did his homework, found out the method God had established for moving the ark, and successfully moved it to Jerusalem. I Chron. 13, 14, 15.

Some would admit that God has prescribed specific methods for carrying on the ministry of the Gospel, but see no conflict with using the world's methods in carrying on the work of Christian education. This is very inconsistent. If proper methods are important in one area of God's work there must be "right" methods of carrying out the very important work of Christian education. Just because progressive educators have not purged all the good methods out of their teaching; just because some of these men used some methods they did not develop, but kept from previous systems, does not mean that the methods that they specifically developed were good. Methods such as "Discovery", "Inquiry", "Group Activity", "Learning by Doing", "Individualized Instruction" were developed by progressive educators and are designed to accomplish things in keeping with their goals and in harmony with their view of man.

The problem with some in Christian education is that they attempt to "Christianize" these methods: that is they define them the way they want to define them and try to put them into the framework of a Christian philosophy. This is not good educational practice and is not being honest. We must use the definition of the men who developed the methods if we are to understand the meaning and purpose of the one who designed and developed these methods. What a teacher believes will be reflected in "what" he teaches and "how" he teaches it. Humanistic methods can accomplish humanistic results even in a Christian school where the material being taught is Christian.

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# An Open Letter To Jack Van Impe

## We Get Letters

that he was a Fundamentalist, but, that he could fellowship with men like Dr. Criswell of Dallas, Texas. Dr. Jones says that Jerry Falwell is wrong. There is a Biblical principle, an issue. Why didn't you mention the issue and honestly discuss the issue?

You say that Dr. Jones is full of bitterness and hate. You judge him, and you judge him wrongly. I know his heart. He loves the brethren, but he stands against compromise with the apostasy and compromisers who compromise with the compromisers. This is Biblical separation, God's only provision for protection against the ever engulfing apostasy.

When Dr. Jones accused you of "grandstanding, playing up to the weak crowd", he was accusing you of doing so with men like Dr. Rice and Dr. Falwell. I believe that he was saying, "Jack, you had an opportunity at Cobo Hall to take the Biblical stand on separation. You could have shown men like Dr. Rice that they are wrong not to obey the Bible in separation. You could have strengthened the brethren who are less informed or weak in Biblical separation. Instead you went and 'played up' to men like Dr. Rice and Dr. Falwell who are teaching a whole generation of preachers to compromise."

Dr. Lee Roberson has never been strong on Biblical separation. Is Dr. Jones wrong to say so? Many of the preachers who received their training under Dr. Roberson are very weak on separation. Look at what happened at the Southwide Fellowship in Charlotte!!

In your Newsletter you say, "I have purposely omitted the names of my accusers. I have never attacked a Christian brother in this Newsletter. . ." These statements are very deceptive! You do not use Dr. Jones' name, but, YOU DO VERY CLEARLY IDENTIFY HIM. What is the difference? You misrepresented him and lied about him with every informed person knowing about whom you were speaking.

I will list below some things said about Dr. Jones in your Newsletter: (All underlinings in this letter are done by the author, Wendell Mullen.)

" . . . namecalling, mudslinging and muckraking. . ." - p.1, col.4.  
"In the harshest of language, the man ((Dr. Jones)) and his group accused me of renouncing fundamentalism at the Sword of the Lord Conference."-p.3, col. 1.

I HAVE DR. JONES' LETTER HERE BEFORE ME. HE DID NOT ACCUSE YOU OF RENOUNCING FUNDAMENTALISM. HE ACCUSED YOU, AND I QUOTE, ". . . playing up to the weak crowd, and attempting to encourage unscriptural weakness and tolerance of disobedience to the Bible. . ." "You are encouraging him (Dr. Rice) in his weakness."

"Men are mislabeled today by others who dislike them or wish to 'even' the score." -p.3, col. 2. "This Christian educator came to Flint, Michigan, recently and attacked all of these giants of the faith. . ."

DID DR. JONES ATTACK DR. RICE, DR. FALWELL AND DR. ROBERSON OR DID HE WARN CONCERNING THEIR WEAKNESS ON THE ISSUE OF BIBLICAL SEPARATION???

YOU GO ON TO CLAIM THAT YOU WERE "MISLABELED" AND "MISREPRESENTED." YOU CLAIM, "All I did was call for uncompromising love." NOT TRUE, YOU SAID MUCH MORE!!

"Don't get upset at this vicious and slanderous attack." -p.5 (Quote from Dr. Fuller, published by you.)  
"There are those divisive brethren who seem to be committed to building their own 'bastion of fundamentalism' to the exclusion of most of the good men in the vineyard of the Lord today."-p.5 (Quote from Dr. Falwell, published by you.) "No fair, honest, and objective person could find fault with your message or your method."-p.5 (Falwell)  
"When I read such unfounded and unloving comments. . ." -p.7 (Falwell)

Brother Jack, please allow me to review the unkind, untrue and slanderous things you have printed in your Newsletter concerning Dr. Bob Jones:

He is accused of namecalling, mudslinging, muckraking. . .

He is accused of using the "harsh-est of language"

He is accused of being "divisive".  
 He is accused of being unfair, dishonest, not objective. . .

He is accused of making "unfounded and unloving comments". . .

Yet, Brother Jack, you wrote in this same Newsletter, "I have purposefully omitted the name of my accusers. I have never attacked a Christian brother in this Newsletter. . ."

Your Newsletter of November, 1977, is full of vicious namecalling, cover-up and slander!

Dr. Jones never resorted to such harsh language in warning you of your compromise. He never used such harsh language in warning against the unbiblical compromise of Dr. Rice and Dr. Falwell.

You claim that you preached only "uncompromising love." Where is the love????? Where is the kindness?????

### SOME PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS

Brother Van Impe, I still love you in the Lord. I believe that you sincerely want to honor God, His Word and His people. I believe however, that you have sinned against God, His Word, the cause of Christ, and against Dr. Bob Jones.

I will be praying for you. Please

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of the following men: Drs. Jack Van Impe, Lee Roberson, John R. Rice, Curtis Hutson, Jack Hyles, Tom Wallace, John W. Rawlings, A.V. Henderson, Gary Coleman, Jack Wyrzten, and a great host of other FUNDAMENTALIST.

My Bible tells me that one thing that God hates is "he that soweth discord among brethren." It would do us FUNDAMENTALIST a lot more good if we spent our time and energy fighting the devil rather than doing battle among ourselves.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely in Jesus name,

R. W.  
 North Whitefield, Maine

P.S. It's Fun Being Saved!!

Dear Dr. Hobbs:

Just a note to let you know how much we appreciate The PROJECTOR. Someone gave us a subscription two years ago . . . and I am giving one to my husband for Christmas this year.

We are behind you in your recent articles about Jack Van Impe. Last year our Christian radio station played a selection sung by Rexella (which she also sang on a nationwide TV broadcast in Oct.). I was really shocked that she would sing something like that and this caused us to watch carefully to see how they would go.

I think you would be interested to know that Jack Van Impe held a big meeting in August in Binghamton, New York. Recently my husband spoke with a pastor of one of the largest churches which sponsored the meetings. This pastor, when questioned by my husband, said he did not have one person come to his church as a result of the meetings....

Sincerely in Christ,  
 Mrs. W. P. W.  
 Jermyn, PA

Dear Dr. Hobbs:

Enclosed find check for two year subscription to The PROJECTOR. I just realized my subscription had run out 10-77. . . and we would certainly miss even one issue.

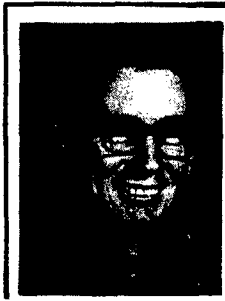
We are thrilled with your militant stand and often have views on issues, where we feel we are "nit-picking." Then out comes The PROJECTOR standing in the same way we were. This past issue with "Falwell's Folly" surely heightened our feelings. Yet we had hesitated saying anything due to possibly not having enough so called ammunition. . .

May the Lord richly bless you as you stand firm for Him.

Sincerely in Christ,  
 Mrs. D. M. D.  
 Lauderdale Lakes, FL

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# Parable Of The Prodigal Housewife



## The Other Side

with Dave Johnson

## Trial By Jury

The Biblical injunction to render unto Caesar that which is Caesar's and unto God the things which are God's (Matt. 22:21) is becoming increasingly more confusing in the minds of many people. The problem seems to be that Caesar, in his indefatigable effort to gain more power, wants to decide what belongs to him. It is becoming increasingly clear that Caesar wants everything and he is doing his best to see that his goal is accomplished.

The Bible, however, teaches that there are some things which do not belong to the government. It is the duty of all Christians to know what belongs to Caesar, what belongs to God, and what to do when a conflict arises.

As Caesar attempts to gain more power over the lives of his subjects, he must not only destroy the power to resist in the will of the people but he must also destroy the power to resist through the legal channels of the courts.

Our modern Caesar has a problem which Caesar of old did not have -- common law. Common law is that system which was given to us by England. Under this system, an accused person is innocent until proven guilty. In order for a person to be proven guilty, a unanimous decision (not just a majority) must be handed down by a jury made up of his peers (not government employees, etc.). Once an accused person is found guilty of a crime, a precedent is set for future cases involving similar crimes.

This protection was included in our Constitution by our founding fathers so that the government could not persecute or harass a citizen who was in disagreement with the government over some political issue. This system put the people in a position to decide whether or not an act was in fact a crime.

Every country in the world, with the exception of England and the United States, is under a system which is referred to as codified law. This system always treats the accused citizen as a felon and the citizen is guilty until proven innocent. Legal codes, which are drawn up by the government determine what a crime is. Naturally, under this system, the most heinous crime is resisting the all powerful government.

Our modern day Caesar would like very much to return to this system but

*"For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts." II Tim. 3:6.*

*"And, behold, there met him a woman with the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart (She is loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house)" Prov. 7:10-11.*

### THE DOWNFALL OF OUR AMERICAN HOME

A certain man had a wife and three children. The wife becoming dissatisfied with housekeeping and coveting the money earned by her neighbors, said to her husband, "Secure for me the social security number that falleth to me and divide unto me a portion of thy trousers." With reluctant heart the husband granted her desire and divided his wardrobe.

#### Not too many days later the wife

unfortunately for him, the "chains" of the Constitution bind him and prevent such a return. Caesar however, is not easily thwarted. There must be a way around the Constitution and the jury system!

In our country today there are ways in which our government by-passes the original protections given to us by our founding fathers. New legal codes have been instituted which make a trial by jury a rare commodity in many instances.

Today, when a person is accused of violating a government regulation he is not allowed a trial by jury. For example, the IRS, OSHA, FDA, Labor Department, Social Security and miriads of other government departments have regulations and standards which, if violated, result in the accused person being found guilty without benefit of trial by other citizens. The obvious reason being that the jurors would consider the fact that they might be in the same position of the accused next week and they would not want to be found guilty of violating one of these absurd regulations.

Our founding fathers intended to safeguard our rights so that the government could never punish a citizen without permission from his peers in a trial by jury. As more government departments are created, more codified laws go into effect. The names, such as IRS code etc. plainly tell us what is happening.

As Caesar tries to take more and more power and control, he is also making it more difficult to resist. We must consider the instructions which our Lord gave to the twelve in Matt. 10:16,17. "Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves. But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils. . ."

donned slacks and with tool box took her journey into a far country and secured a man's job in a factory. She made big wages, but she associated with the wicked and listened to the vulgar stories that they told, there was a mighty spiritual famine in the land, and she grew lean in her soul.

The children, turned loose at the mercy of the neighbors, soon forgot they had a mother, but the husband remembered the duties of a wife and wished that his wife would return to her home. The husband dined on cold lunch meat while the wife tried in vain to fill her stomach with the husks of the cheese crackers that fell from the canteen vendor machine. And no man gave unto her the respect due to a lady. One day at rest period as she sat engulfed in cigarette smoke and smutty stories she came to herself.

She said to herself with remorse, "Here I sit surrounded by vulgarity and sacrificing the respects due to a lady. At home is a deserted husband while my children roam the streets unrestrained. The money I make seems small compared to the peace of mind and soul." In vain did she try to smother her conscience with thoughts that she was contributing to the family's economic welfare. So she said to herself, "I will rise and go to my husband and will say to him, 'Husband, I have sinned against Heaven and neglected my family in a terrible way. I am no more worthy to be called thy wife nor mother to my children; make me thy hired housekeeper.'"

So she gathered her tools and started home. When she was yet a long way off, the husband saw her and ran and clasped her in his arms. And the wife said, "Husband, I am no more worthy to be called thy wife nor mother of thy children." But the husband said to the children, "Run and bring hither a dress and best apron, rush to the market and get a steak off the fatted calf and let us have a warm meal once more. For this your mother was lost but is found, so rejoice and be merry."

"Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies. Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her." Prov. 31:10, 28.

"He maketh the barren woman to keep house, and to be a joyful mother of children. Praise ye the Lord." Psalm 113:9.

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# Elephants or Ants?

Donald K. Drake-Daybreak



## Teaching

### Tips

by Alice Ann Smith

## We Miss You



Very often it is necessary for pre-schoolers to miss classes for several days due to normal childhood diseases.

During these absences it is encouraging to the sick child to receive a note from classmates letting him know he is missed. (This is often encouraging to the mother also.) Allow each child to dab one finger in a bright color of poster paint and make his imprint on a card with his name identifying his fingerprint. The fingerprints can then have ears, whiskers and a tail added to make mice -- the teacher may draw a piece of cheese and sign her name. The child receiving the card will be reminded of each of his friends and will also think of the exciting project he is missing while recuperating. This will help him to be eager to return to his classmates and school activities.

The fingerprint project can be used to further emphasize to the children God's principle of individuality and the fact that God in His love and mercy has made each of us with a special fingerprint -- like no one else's.

There is a great deal of discussion going on as to whether a church should be big or small. The answers to this question seem to relate very closely to the experience of the questioner and this by necessity makes it very difficult to be objective.

For the pastor of a small church to say that all churches should be small could indicate a sort of self-justification. For the pastor of a large church to say that all should be large may be interpreted in the same way.

The argument on the basis of results is a very tenuous one since this is the same reasoning for which we have been critical of ecumenical evangelism. We should be very careful not to fall into the trap of defending a position by a line of reasoning that we have consistently called invalid.

Is it possible that God has a place for both big and small churches? May it be that somehow this fits into the "all things" of Paul? The danger of being eaten up by a critical attitude is many times more dangerous than the mistake we are trying to correct.

There are some Biblical precedents that ought to demand our attention and recognizing this we should be far more concerned with seeing that these are the characteristics of the work which God has committed to us. In the Book of Acts, there are precedents for procedure and guidelines for action in the work of the Lord.

First of all, it is important

to note that God is interested in numbers as they relate to people being saved. Acts, chapter two, records that about 3,000 souls were born again at Pentecost. Acts, chapter four, talks about 5,000 men who were believers. Spiritual statistics should be both God-honoring and God-inspired. It should be noted that the primary purpose of the statistics is not to give the size of the church or Sunday school in Jerusalem, but to let the world know how many believers there were!

Again, in Acts, there is a great response to the witness of Philip in Samaria, "... there was great joy" and "the people were with one accord" are both indications of this. At the same time, it is in Acts, chapter eight, that the story of the Ethiopian Eunuch is given and the Word of God devotes a large amount of space to the recording of God's dealing with one lone individual.

Perhaps God is trying to tell us that whether one or 5,000, they are all "ones." God never saves one "5,000," but He does deal with 5,000 "ones." People are never really important because of their composite numbers, but because each one is a soul for whom Christ died.

It seems then, that an important lesson for the pastor of a big or small church to keep in mind is the value of individual souls. If we lose sight of that in trying to pass 100, or 1,000 in our Sunday School then we have missed out on God's value.

A danger that should be

noted is that when the spectacular happened, the people focused their attention on the men. In chapter fourteen, when Paul and Barnabas were in Lystra, the people took them to be Jupiter and Mercury. The danger of "men" worship is always there when something is happening. Interestingly enough, this seems to happen in big and little churches as well. Paul and Barnabas disclaimed this quickly. This should be a lesson to all.

Throughout the Book of Acts, people kept being saved and this was one evidence that the work was of God. It is important to note that the people being saved were added to the churches and this appears to be in a vital active way rather than just a number on the roll.

The preaching was simple. The results were startling, but varied. What lessons can we draw? 1. God wants us to be interested in the salvation of people. 2. God wants us to see the value of a soul. 3. God wants us to see new converts involved in the work of a local church. 4. God wants us to leave the results to Him.

With these kind of values, it is possible to press forward, trusting God that whether the work is big or small, there is a commitment to the truth that it must be done His way. God created both the elephant and the ant. Is one right and one wrong, or do they both have a place in God's economy? It seems that in every aspect of life, God leaves room for individuality. Certainly His work is no exception.

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## ON RELIGION Falwell Goes To Moody

Many have written THE PROJECTOR to express their views concerning last month's article entitled, "Falwell's Folly." I especially appreciated those who encouraged us to continue a strong stand against compromise and spiritual decay. It was refreshing to see others recognize the similarity in the attitude indicated by the Falwell - Van Impe crowd and that taken by Billy Graham back in the fifties.

I have before me the official Conference Schedule for the 1978 Moody Bible Institute Founder's Week. Dr. Jerry Falwell is scheduled to speak twice on Saturday, February 4th. Other Conference speakers include: Dr. W. A. Criswell of the Southern Baptist Convention, Dr. Paul Bauman of the New Evangelical Letourneau College, Dr. Ralph Keiper of the New Evangelical Conservative Baptist Seminary, Dr. Warren Wiersbe of Moody Church and Dr. J. Vernon McGee. The music for the program features John Peterson and the Moody Musical Groups.

Those who feel an expose' of this nature brings any personal joy or gratification are greatly mistaken. It must be remembered that I have never questioned Dr. Falwell's motives. No attack upon his person has been made. Loyalty to the Word of God compels me to speak out against the disloyalty of a Christian leader.

Dr. Falwell's words and actions have brought shame and disgrace to the Fundamentalist cause. Dr. Rodney Bell's term Psuedo-Fundamentalist is most appropriate. The fruits of Dr. Falwell's ministry clearly prove he has appeared to be a Fundamentalist when in truth he is not. It was imperative that God's people be warned.

### Poor Billy

Billy Graham has swung so far to the left in his religion and philosophy that emotions of pity have replaced those of disappointment and anger. The following statements appeared in the January issue of McCall's magazine under the title, "I Can't Play God Any More":  
"Graham confesses that he has

## Gothard Stand Still Unclear

In a letter on IBYC (Institute in Basic Youth Conflicts) stationery, Oct. 28, 1976 the official position of the Bill Gothard Organization regarding seminars is stated. This statement appears to differ little from a Billy Graham Crusade.

Under "Phase Two," the statement reads, "This phase begins when the seminar headquarters receives personal letters of invitation from the majority of PASTORS representing the various denominations in a city." The above statement indicates two serious weaknesses in the Gothard position.

1. The Sole Sponsorship of the IBYC Seminars is not the Gothard Organization. This evangelist has been told by fundamentalist supporters of the IBYC that the seminars were sponsored solely by the Bill Gothard Organization. The above positional statement reveals this is not the case. There must be an "invitation from the majority of pastors representing the various denominations."

This surely cannot refer to uncompromising fundamentalist pastors. In what large metropolitan area do they represent the "Majority of pastors from the various denominations?"

2. Lack of Clarity with Regard to Apostasy, New-Evangelical Compromise

*taken a more modest view of his own role in God's plan for man. 'I used to play God,' he acknowledged, 'but I can't do that any more. I used to believe that pagans in far-off countries were lost-were going to hell-if they did not have the Gospel of Jesus Christ preached to them. I no longer believe that,' he said carefully. 'I believe that there are other ways of recognizing the existence of God -- through nature, for instance -- and plenty of other opportunities, therefore, of saying 'yes' to God.'*

The McCall article apparently brought more criticism than Dr. Graham expected. He has subsequently released this attempt at reconciliation,

*"I have held without reservation the belief that Jesus Christ is the only way of salvation" and that "pertains to the whole human race. . ."*

However in the very same McCall interview, Dr. Graham gave this answer when questioned as to whether Jews without Christ were lost.

*"I am told to preach Christ as the only way of salvation. But it is God who is going to do the judging, not Billy Graham."*

It is interesting that Dr. Graham did not say he had been misquoted or quoted out of context. He said nothing different in the subsequent news release than he did in the McCall interview. In both he says he preaches Jesus Christ as the only way of salvation. What he preaches and what he believes do not appear to be the same.

and Separation. On the 2nd page of the IBYC sheets entitled, "Steps to Bring the Seminar to a New Community" the phrases, "Christian Community," "Community Leaders," and "Christian Community Leaders" are used without explanation. If Mr. Gothard is referring to uncompromising fundamentalists why does he not plainly state this? In I Cor. 14:8, Paul states, "For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?"

This evangelist attended the 1974 IBYC Seminar in Atlanta, Ga. In 30 hours of instruction not ONCE did he hear the words, fundamentalist-modernist-apostate-new-evangelical-or charismatic. There was also an absence of verbal-plenary inspiration of the Scriptures, atonement by the Blood of Christ, and the pre-millennial, pre-tribulation rapture of the saints.

The editor was also distressed that two churches in that seminar shared in a public announcement as winners of the attendance contest. One was the largest Fundamentalist Baptist Church in South Carolina (They still support the IBYC Seminars according to a recent bulletin.) and the other was the new-evangelical First Baptist Church (Southern Baptist Convention) of Atlanta, Ga. How can such spiritual cooperation between compromising new-evangelicals and fundamentalists be justified?

The question to be answered is this: Does the official Bill Gothard position spurn the ecumenical compromise of the day? This evangelist believes the IBYC seminars promote such ecumenical evangelism via the "back door". The editor hopes the above criticism will not be construed as an attack on Mr. Gothard's personal character but a criticism of his weak position.

-- The Voice of Fundamentalism

From p. 4

## We Get Letters

Sir:

Having a whole-hearted commitment to Christian education in Christian schools, the words of Arend J. ten Pas in "The Real Imperative of Christian Schools" in the November-December PROJECTOR evoked a cheer from us. Why? I guess because he said things clearly, forcefully, and positively, which we too believe.

We join you in standing up for Christian education in Christian schools.

Sincerely,  
P. D. K.  
Leota, MN

Gentlemen:

I should like to receive The PROJECTOR. Your recent article on "Falwell's Folly" was excellent. Thank you for your courage.

Sincerely,  
J. H. H.  
Hamilton, Ontario

From Page 4

# An Open Letter To Jack Van Impe

sit down with Dr. Jones, talk with him, pray with him, try to hear what he is saying. THERE IS A BIBLICAL ISSUE AT STAKE!!!

In your Newsletter you quote Jerry Falwell as saying, "The same letter (Dr. Jones' letter of September 2, 1977) took a very cheap swipe at dear Dr. John R. Rice, Dr. Roberson and myself."

You know, and I know that this is not true. In his letter to you Dr. Jones said that these men are weak on separation and that you had "encouraged them in their weakness" in your Cobo Hall sermon. Dr. Jones' warning cannot be construed to be a "cheap swipe!"

I believe that your Cobo Hall sermon will haunt you like Watergate will haunt Richard Nixon the remainder of your life.

The letters quoted in your Newsletter were without substance. Not one of them even mentioned the issue, the Biblical principle involved. They all gave testimony that you were a Fundamentalist and a Separatist. Dr. Jones never said you were not. HE SAID YOU HAD GIVEN AID AND COMFORT TO THOSE WHO WERE WEAK ON SEPARATION. Concerning Dr. Rice he said, "You are encouraging him in his weakness."

I believe your newsletter (Nov. 1977) is a far greater sin against God than your Cobo Hall sermon. I have never seen a scandal sheet so filled with harsh words, so loaded with unkind and untrue misrepresentations!!

You would have been more honest to have printed Dr. Jones' entire letter. You had ample space. He dealt with issues and principles, the letters you quoted did not.

You have said that you are losing an average of five supporters a week. You have lost many more than that this week. In your Hartford crusade (September, 1976) only two local fundamental pastors refused to cooperate (both graduates of Baptist Bible College, Springfield). I thought they were wrong. Now it appears that they were right in withholding their support. I regret that I led the way in inviting you to Hartford.

Dr. Jones concluded his letter to you by saying you were, ". . . a poor risk and a weak reed. You have shown yourself an opportunist, insincere, vacillating, and unreliable." I do not know you as well as he does but I have found you to be unreliable. (see p.1, par. 1)

A sad brother,

Wendell Mullen

# Book Reviews

Dave Johnson

Delightful Discipline by Louis R. Goodgame. Mott Media, Box 235, Milford, MI 48042. 184 pages, paperback, \$2.75.

Mott Media sent me two books this month and both were confiscated by members of my family before I had opportunity to read them. My wife heard me laugh as I was reading the introduction to Mr. Goodgame's book and consequently, the book disappeared for two days. I knew where it was when I heard my wife laughing in the other room.

Remember when discipline was a common sense issue? Author Louis Goodgame, in a delightfully humorous style, reminisces about episodes that taught him about home, school, and self discipline. From these tales he draws general principles, common-sense practices, and witty proverbs - all based on Biblical principles.

I must warn you however that along with the K.J.V., the author quotes from five other versions (some of which are perversions) and he even quotes from

Desire of Ages by Ellen G. White.

Delightful Discipline give a practical approach to many discipline problems which parents face. Teenagers as well as parents could benefit from the humor and wisdom contained on every page

Calculator Word Games by Bennie Rhodes Mott Media, Box 236, Milford, MI 48082 127 pages paperback, \$2.25.

The second of my Mott Media review selections was quickly removed from my desk by my twelve-year-old daughter who also took my calculator. Anything that can keep a twelve-year-old girl busy for several hours deserves looking into. Good entertainment is not easy to come by nowadays.

Bennie Rhodes has written a book filled with calculator word games about the Bible. He uses the K. J. V. for all her references and makes an educational game for children and adults as well.

This book may even be used in math class each day as a means of rewarding students who do their work quickly and accurately. A teacher might even place a problem a day on the board to challenge students to use their Bible in math class along with a calculator.

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