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Rock Music Can It Be Sacred?

Frank Garlock, chairman of the music theory department and director of brass ensembles at Bob Jones University, is a man of varied talents—an educator, composer and arranger, conductor, tenor soloist, trombone artist, guest lecturer at music conventions, and a preacher of the Gospel.

After receiving his bachelor's degree from Bob Jones University, he earned the master's degree from the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y., and has done further post-graduate work, including study with the famed Robert Shaw, conductor of the Atlanta Symphony.

In 1967 Mr. Garlock was selected

to appear in the publication, "Outstanding Personalities in the South."

In addition to his teaching duties at Bob Jones University, Mr. Garlock serves as minister of music at the large Southside Baptist Church in Greenville, S.C. Recently he has become particularly well known for his lectures on "The Dangers of Rock and Roll Music." He has conducted music for many evangelistic meetings and has been song leader for several area-wide evangelistic crusades with Dr. Jack Van Impe.

His brass arrangements are used around the world, and many of these arrangements have been published by Sacred Brass Publications.



Frank Garlock

magazine refutes that argument with one quick blow. In an article entitled, "The Coming Generation of Musicians," Joan Feysler of the SUNDAY NEW YORK TIMES staff discusses this question: "Has the 'rock revolution' of the '60s influenced the direction of music students?" In other words, has rock music become an accepted musical form in the serious musical world of today? Listen to these quotes, direct from the article: "In the calm that has followed the storm, HIGH FIDELITY asked me to assess the role rock played for this generation of music students. The one generalization I can make is this: IT HARDLY TOUCHED THE MOST SPECIALIZED STUDENTS AT ALL... Rock never became the great important music some thought it would... In any event—as it stands—it never moved beyond the initial forecast of the engulfed adult critics... In Columbia's graduate school of (See Page 7)

Why Christian Education?

Dr. Joseph Henson is chairman of the division of pure and applied science and head of the biology department at B.J.U. Dr. Henson received the bachelor of science degree from Bob Jones University and the master of science and doctor of philosophy degrees from Clemson University.

At Clemson Dr. Henson held a teaching assistantship the first year and taught zoology labs. During his second year he was granted a research assistantship and assisted with medical entomology labs.

The Colorado native is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, American Scientific Affiliation, South Carolina Entomological Society, the Gamma Sigma Delta educational fraternity, Sigma Chi, and the National Honor Research Society. He is listed in numerous books including "American Men of Science," "Leaders in American Science," and "Who's Who in Education."

He has presented papers to the national meeting of the Entomological Society of America, the Southeastern Branch of the Entomological Society of America, the South Carolina Academy of Science, and to the South Carolina Entomological Society.

Within the past five or six years we have seen a tremendous growth in Christian Day Schools, particularly on the elementary and secondary level. The fact of the growth would seem to indicate a definite need, at least to the minds of a growing number of concerned individuals. The changes in the average public school in the last few years almost stagger the imagination. Who would have thought five years ago that drugs would be a problem in the elementary schools today? Who would have thought that vulgarity and pornography would be commonplace as classroom assignments today? The list goes on and on. All of this gives pause to any thinking parent and particularly to Christian parents



mindful of their God-given responsibilities. What is the proper attitude of the Christian toward public schools today? I am well aware that some of the things I am about to say are going to cause strong (See Page 3)

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Last month, we discussed the rock musicals and songs that are being written by non-Christians about sacred themes in their attempt to "find God." Now we come to the second, and more crucial part of the question, "Can Rock Music Be Sacred?" Here we are dealing with rock musicals, folk musicals, quests in folk-rock, young-world songs, up songs, turned-on and tuned-in music that is being written and performed with the idea of winning the world to Christ.

This area is much more difficult to expose because it comes so close to the truth, but if we take a good close look at what these musicals contain, what is happening and what they are teaching will be obvious to any Christian who really knows his Bible.

In the March, 1971 issue of SEVENTEEN magazine, discussing what prompted him and Tim Rice to write JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR, Andrew Lloyd Webber said that this music which is being written to get kids into church is "awful, so terrifyingly awful" that it defies description. He recognizes that this music and material is not worthy of sacred themes, and in his own spiritually ignorant way was trying to show how it should be done.

I have been told by some of the composers writing these now-sound musicals that there is good and bad rock music, and that since the whole world has accepted rock as a legitimate form of communication, we should try to write it well and use it for God's work. The April, 1972 issue of HIGH FIDELITY

ATTENTION!!

Principals and Pastors Who Are
Concerned About

Christian Education

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Christian Educators Called—

Three In The Multitude

Dr. Bob Jones, one of America's foremost Christian educators, and chancellor of Bob Jones University located in Greenville, S.C., is considered one of the most eloquent and forceful preachers of this century. He is in constant demand for evangelistic campaigns, Bible conferences, youth rallies and many other religious gatherings.

At the age of 21, Dr. Jones was named acting president of the school founded by his father in 1927. In recognition of the unusual talents of this young college administrator, the degree of Doctor of Letters was conferred upon him when he was but 23 making him one of the youngest men ever to receive such a degree. Three years later he received the Doctor of Humanities degree and subsequently the Doctor of Laws and the Doctor of Divinity degrees.

Bob Jones University is the largest fundamental Christian educational institution in the world. More than 4,500 students from every state in the union and about 30 foreign countries are represented in the student body of the nondenominational liberal arts university. The campus, completed since World War II, is valued at \$35 million.

The following message was preached at the 1972 Convention of the Christian Educators Association of the Southeast before a capacity crowd of over 2,000 Christian educators in Daytona Beach, Florida on February 24, 1972.

I was sitting here thinking how I should address this group; friends—I consider you so; fellow-workers in the field of education—we are fellow-

workers together with God in the training of young people; sons and daughters—for a good many of you have been graduates of Bob Jones University and seem like my own children. So I don't know how, frankly, to begin this except to say I am glad to be here and I am glad to see you here and I thank God for this movement. I don't know any movement in America today



that is more necessary or whose position is more crucial to the welfare of this nation than those who are involved in the work of Christian Education, and particularly this Christian Day School and High School movement. At the same time, I don't know any work of God that is in a position of greater danger, because the stronger the testimony, the greater the (See Page 4)



EDITOR'S DESK

We appreciate the many fine comments we receive daily concerning THE PROJECTOR. From these comments we perceive THE PROJECTOR is meeting a definite need in Fundamental Christian circles today. Following are some quotes that bear this out:

"Someone sent our name to you for your publication, THE PROJECTOR, and we have appreciated it very much. I read the article, 'Rock Music, Can it be Sacred?' by Frank Garlock, in its entirety to our young people."

Florida

"I would like to say I was most impressed with Mr. Ken Becker's article, 'Compromise in missions....' I'd feared, as Mr. Becker states, that the spirit of Ecumenism would soon creep into missions."

Minn.

"I noticed in your paper an article by Bob Jones III stating his view on the Jesus Movement as unscriptural.... I am a Methodist pastor 76 years old and I heard Bob Jones, Sr. preach in the Methodist Church of Carmel, Md., when I was a young man and have never forgotten it. I would like for you to send it (THE PROJECTOR) to me."

Alabama

"I feel THE PROJECTOR is a very valuable paper and appreciate your sending it to me."

Ohio

"I have enjoyed very much reading your first issues of THE PROJECTOR.... I also enjoy the straightforward format of THE PROJECTOR. We need someone who will lay the answer right on the line, in the Bob Jones tradition. Please Don't Ever Compromise!"

Texas

This is only a small sampling of dozens of such letters. Of course, we get an occasional one like this!

"Please do not send me your sectarian paper, THE PROJECTOR. I am a Christian and don't have any use for man-made sectarian projects. I know you are saved, but all your works are hay, wood and stubble.... The Holy Spirit has taught me that men like Martin Luther, Wesley Bros., John Calvin, Chas. Spurgeon, Billy Sunday, Jonathan Edwards and D.L. Moody were all carnal Christians. Enoch did not win many souls, but he pleased God."

It's obvious the seed under this man's dentures is his failure to win souls as he ought. Anyone knows a horse with a burr under the saddle is not too happy with the condition of things. Letters like the latter are very rare; they come in at about a 20 to 1 ratio. Let us hear from you and what you think of THE PROJECTOR—Honestly!!!

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price. We certainly don't want to do that but finances demand it. Send in your subscription and several for family and friends today. Use the convenient form found elsewhere in the paper this month.

We are making a drive to get all parents who have children in Christian Schools included on the subscription list of THE PROJECTOR. Help us by sending for copies of THE PROJECTOR to give out to these parents or collect names, addresses and \$1.00 per subscription and make some money for yourself or school, as indicated in the information included elsewhere in the paper.

A total of \$144.60 was sent to Dr. Gerry Johnson for his literature ministry in Korea from the money coming in to THE PROJECTOR over February, March and April. We wish it could have been thousands as Gerry is much in need of millions of tracts and correspondence courses for that needy land. Let's remember to pray for him and other faithful missionaries.

Projector Staff Sets Subscription GOAL

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The Christian Miniskirt

I want to make it clear that I am a Christian miniskirt. That is, I go to church every Sunday. What's more, I attend an evangelical church. Of course, I am not the only Christian miniskirt in town. There are many others who go to my church.

Though we represent a variety of colors and patterns, there is one thing we have in common. We all have a way of revealing attractive thighs, especially when the legs are crossed. They tell me that's the most comfortable way to sit.

Unless I am misreading the situation, we seem to make our wearers a bit self-conscious. At least the girl who wears me is always tugging at my hem. Though I am not an expert on human nature, this appears to indicate some kind of complex.

I have also noted that we miniskirts have the ability to attract a good deal of masculine attention even at church. At first I took pride in the fact that men were fascinated by my pattern and color design. However, just this morning, I heard the preacher say that this was not really what the

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Dear Dr. Hobbs:

May I commend you on your publication, THE PROJECTOR. I have read the past issues with interest and delight. The articles that touch upon matters concerning all of us in the Christian Day School ministry are particularly interesting and helpful.

As a school administrator for five years, I have seen the need of educating our school parents about educational philosophies, discipline, methods and the various other distinctions between the Christian School and the State School. A copy of THE PROJECTOR in the homes of school parents would help to do this.

This fall I plan to open a new school, Garland Christian Academy, at the Lavon Drive Baptist Church in Garland, Texas. I plan to have each of my school parents to subscribe to THE PROJECTOR, or use it as a complimentary publication from the school to the parents. I will be in touch with you about this later in the school year.

May the Lord bless you in your school and thank you again for THE PROJECTOR.

Sincerely in Christ,

John McCurt
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Educational Swahili!

Signs of Progressive Education

DR. DAYTON HOBBS

Progressive education has produced a dialect all its own. Some call it "Educational Swahili," some "Pedegese" and yet others, "Jabberwocky." Which ever way you slice it, it really doesn't matter. It is all an effort by the "Uneducation Cult" to talk in terms that neither you, nor I, nor they, understand. If you ask them what they are saying, you'll get a look letting you know that you are just not "with it," but you'll get no concrete answers. They think they are smarter than you are, because you cannot understand what they are saying... neither do I understand what a baby is saying when he garbles, nor a donkey when he brays, for that matter.

Let me give you an example or two. Desks are now "pupil stations," the library is the "instructional materials resource center" and the classrooms are "learning centers." We don't call poverty, poverty any more, it is now "developmental deprivation" or, better yet, these people are the product of a "cumulative deficit phenomenon." One of the most overworked words is "group." We have "peer group adjustment," "group psychology," "group therapy," "group adaptation," "group psychological testing" (taxonomy), "group dynamics," "group counseling," "in-groupness," and many others.

The school is now concerned with "meaningful relationships," "togetherness,"

"automated learning," "programmed instruction," "life adjustment," "sex education," "sensitivity training," "meeting felt needs," "democratic sharing," "fusion courses," "flexible modular scheduling," "fluid and meaningful groups," and many more.

The teacher is now the "manager of the learning environment," "the guide to the student's own discovery," or possibly the "Change Agent." At any rate, she no longer is to be (in their minds) "a repository of knowledge—doorkeeper to a warehouse of facts and generalizations." According to these progressives, one must get rid of the "teacher-dominated atmosphere in the classroom." "Such time-honored methods as lecture, drill, discussion and repetition" caused learning to become "a mechanical and sterile process" according to these socialist educators.

These proponents of uneducation have the answers to problems for which we have all been searching for generations, and the answers are so simple I don't see how we could have missed them. Here are their enlightened answers to some of the problems: (1) The way to eliminate failures is to eliminate testing and grades. (2) The way to eliminate dropouts is to allow them to "extend the flow of curriculum outside the school" for as long as they wish. (I suppose they could take practical "on the job" courses in "breaking and entering," "professional mugging," or

"hot-wiring" autos.) (3) The way to eliminate discipline problems is to eliminate rules. I don't know why we hadn't thought of these obvious and simple solutions long ago. Let's take this a step further and eliminate law-breakers by eliminating all laws. Say, come to think of it, that's anarchy, pure and simple.

The Florida teacher of the year for 1971, Miss Jane Swinney, has found a way to make children "like school" according to a news release. Her method—"don't teach them anything." She says if you just interest them, they'll learn by themselves. They'll learn all right, just what any group of sixth graders left to themselves will—an awful lot of meanness and a great deal of foolishness. Her children are grouped in "interest stations" and choose what they want to learn. "The real value is in letting them discover," she says. This is a perfect example of the "experience centered" "child oriented" "learn by doing" philosophy in a new(?) setting, "the open classroom." You eliminate the desks and any other signs of the Old Authoritarian disciplined atmosphere, and let the children "do their thing," and that includes everything from listening to "rock and roll" to finding out "how babies are made." Miss Swinney recently adopted an infant (boy) born to black and white parents. She spent seven years in three states trying to adopt a child before she was allowed to do so in Florida. To quote Miss



Swinney, "I so badly wanted a son I even thought about going out and getting pregnant. Even had the man picked out. But I never got up the courage to ask him." Miss Swinney sounds like a product of the new morality, but then that's not too surprising as the new morality and progressive education make great bed-fellows.

One of the new kicks in education is "individualized instruction," which must not be confused with "individual attention," which is a worthy goal in any school. "Individualized instruction" sounds good, but a closer look exposes it as another attempt at uneducation by the progressives. It is basically each child "doing his own thing," at his own speed with the teacher moving about from "interest station" to "interest station" giving direction as needed. Children select what they want to study and when. There is usually no grading, no testing, and no failures, and I might add very little learning. This, as all other progressive ideas in education, is based upon the concept that the child is "basically good;" is not a sinner; and will do what he should do if the environment is right. Let all Christian educators denounce these "child centered" humanistic ideas and do the job in

providing a quiet and disciplined atmosphere where the teacher is "in charge" and where the children learn. After all, the most important thing is that children get a good Christian education, not that they enjoy every mathematics or science class. Certainly, a good teacher will make his subject interesting, but that is not to say that education is not often a painful process, as education involves thinking. The scripture says, "It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth." Lam. 3:27. I believe this includes the yoke of study. Some parents are so concerned that their child be "happy" today that they throw away his chances for happiness in his adult life. As Dr. Bob, Sr. used to say, "Happiness is not found by searching for it; you stumble over it on the road of duty."

The educational "lingo" of today very much reminds me of a pastor of my boyhood days who preached in the small Methodist church in which I grew up. He used such big words I never knew what he was talking about. All I can recall about him is that he always walked out in front of and to the side of the pulpit when he talked (I don't believe you could call it preaching); he rocked back and forth from his heels to his toes as he spoke; he had a beautiful gold watch, which he kept in one vest pocket, and a chain that went over his rather stout mid-section, through a buttonhole and attached to the vest pocket on the opposite side, forming two loops resembling a "W," and his initials were A.B.C. That in itself made quite an impression on me. He had undoubtedly never heard Dr. Bob, Sr. state "Simplicity is truth's most becoming garb."

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Why Christian Education?

disagreement on the part of some, antipathy on the part of others, and disregard on the part of still others. Will the reader please be aware that these expressions are simply my own considered opinions and that I am willing to be convinced that I am wrong. I am also perfectly willing to admit that I am biased in my opinions about these matters. I am a teacher in a Christian school and have been for 14 years. I am concerned about the training of Christian students, having taught more than 10,000 in that period of time. If I have not learned enough during these years to entitle me to some rather strong biases, then I have been wasting my time.

It is my considered opinion that public schools have deteriorated both spiritually and academically to the point that no born-again person ought to have anything to do with them either as a student or as a teacher. Before too many tailfeathers get ruffled, let me hasten to add that I am not trying to be anyone's conscience nor am I trying to dictate to anyone the Lord's will. If the Lord has called you to a public school as a student or as a teacher then you must be faithful to His leading. Some years ago I made a similar statement during a Bible-Science Seminar in Pontiac, Michigan. After the session was over, I was accosted by an exceedingly and understandably irate, born

again public school teacher. I said, "Before you get started, let me say two things and then I will listen to whatever you have to say. First, if you can present any sensible reason to support the idea of a Christian teacher spending his life, talents and influence in training young people, who are going to do everything they possibly can to destroy everything the teacher believes in, I would be interested to hear them. Secondly, you are going to argue that you have a tremendous opportunity for witness in the public school where most of the students are unbelievers. My response to this is, 'How many of these students have you won to the Lord this year?'" There was a rather strained silence which for practical purposes ended the conversation. The best analogy I know of a Christian teacher working in the public schools is that of an individual polishing brass on a sinking ship.

There are at least two aspects to this argument, one is spiritual and the other is academic. In the space left for this article, I would like to deal briefly with the spiritual side and if I have the opportunity for another article, I will deal with the academic side.

Most Fundamentalists, I hope, are able to give sound arguments for not belonging to a modernistic church. It is my contention, that most of these arguments are applicable to the

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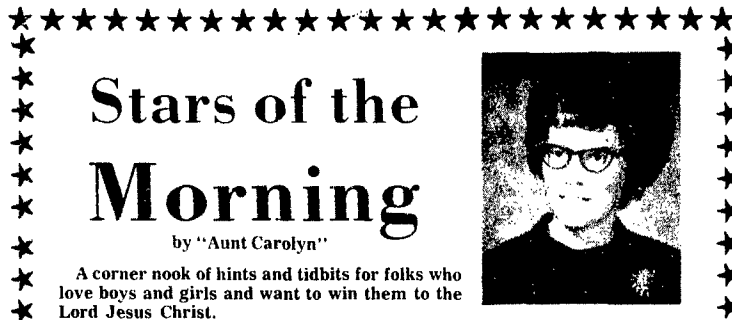
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Stars of the Morning

by "Aunt Carolyn"

A corner nook of hints and tidbits for folks who love boys and girls and want to win them to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Mothers Anonymous

"May" and "Mother's Day" are almost synonymous. Many a sentimental message will sift down upon congregations on May 14, but it will take more than sentiment and sweet thoughts to build backbone and character in the lives of today's young people.

"Women's Lib" would certainly be offended, but some of the greatest women of the past remain anonymous. What was the name of that lady who allowed her boy to work alone day after day far out in the hills guarding sheep? Who sent him out with lunch early each morning to withstand heat, wind, rain, or cold, allowing the elements to toughen her boy into manhood? Who encouraged accuracy with a slingshot, perfection on a harp, backbone to meet lions, bears, and other lurking dangers? Who instilled into him such a love and loyalty for the God of Heaven that a holy anger rose within him at the sound of a Philistine giant mocking and cursing his God? Who challenged the lad to take initiative, to volunteer, to stand against the greatest odds, alone, if need be, for principle and truth? Father Jesse no doubt led the way in training his boy for God, but David must have had a faithful mother who resisted the desire to pamper and make a soft place for her son and instead outfitted him with courage, faith, and backbone for a fight for God.

Daniel's mother's name is not revealed in the Bible, but what a reward must be hers. Terror and grief surely struck her heart as enemy soldiers captured her son and carried him into bondage into a foreign,

heathen land. Little did she know what testings were ahead for her son, but she could well be proud of him. Her prayers, her insistence on self-discipline, on bringing his body under, on giving God first place paid off when, hundreds of miles from home and friends who could "tell on him," Daniel refused the King's meat, willing to live on bread and water rather than cross God and conscience.

Who taught Shadrack, Meshack, and Abednego not to yield under pressure? Who taught Micaiah to tell the truth even if it meant affliction and imprisonment?

Nehemiah received some training from someone. He did not become capable of a burning desire for the welfare of Jerusalem and God's people by being pampered and "waited on" as a child. The ability to see a task through in spite of bribery, mockery, and out-right opposition was not instilled in him by allowing him to leave jobs incompleting, to think selfishly, or to follow the path of least resistance as a boy.

Young people of our day will face some testings, perhaps even persecution ahead if they stand true, really true to the Lord Jesus Christ. Parents and teachers can best prepare them by helping youngsters face reality, not dodging the knocks and hardships. Paul didn't send Timothy a sympathetic little note when he faced difficulty—he wrote "Endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ." Mordecai didn't pity Esther when she stood ready to put her life on the line for her people, but rather gave purpose to her position, strongly challenging

her: "And who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

A certain college student found schedule, studies, and increasing responsibilities quite a load. No long letter of sympathy or effort to take off pressure did the student receive from her father, but rather a short and pointed admonition, "When the going gets tough, the tough get going!"

Our own mother's indomitable spirit permeated every dealing with her children. Oh, there was plenty of love and reassurance when needed, but her children were never allowed to dwell in a web of self-pity when they were beat in a contest, appeared to be slighted, or met with disappointment. "It was good experience!" she insisted emphatically and moved them on to tackle a new challenge.

Clementine Paddleford described how her staunch mother faced hardship, discouragement, and disaster on the Kansas frontier without flinching and passed on to her daughter the dauntless spirit, the will to "come out from under," to win, to keep on fighting. Her constant admonition was, "Never grow a wishbone where your backbone ought to be!"

"Deny yourself. Take up your cross daily, and follow me," is the standard the Lord Jesus Christ set. We should be satisfied with no less for ourselves or for our boys and girls.

Dr. Bob Jones, Sr., said, "You can be saved in an instant, but it takes a lifetime to build character,"—so start early with the children before it is too late!

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Why Christian Education?

matter of today's public school. Unfortunately we are going to have to continue to pay taxes to support them and we are going to have to be concerned enough about Christian Education to pay whatever is necessary in addition to the taxes, to provide the facilities and teachers for Christian schools. Many parents get very concerned about air or water pollution and display little if any concern about their children's brain pollution. They are ever so careful about cavities in their children's teeth but are not at all cautious about the cavities in the child's mind. I am afraid that all too many parents in this day are ignorant of the content of the public school curriculum and the battles that their children fight there each day.

Historically, education began as an arm of the church. The reason being that a person had to be able to read in order to study the Bible for himself. I would point out in passing that when you teach a child to read, you make him a prisoner of the printed word. The sort of material made available for him to read becomes exceedingly important. It is not accidental that the communist countries are very much concerned about teaching everyone to read. Once this happens, the leaders just happen to have a basketful of books available which just happen to be communist propaganda. As we trace the history of education down to the present in our country, we discover that there were at least two major religious groups that never fell for the idea of allowing outsiders to educate their children. I am referring of course to the Catholics and the Jews. Why do you suppose this was?

I have no right as a fundamentalist to go into the public school and force my religious views on the students there. The idea of "bootlegging the gospel" into the public schools is at best unethical. In a Christian school on the other hand, I have not only the right but the responsibility to present the claims of Scripture to the students. There was a time when a youngster could go to the public schools and receive a Christian education from Christian teachers. That day has long since passed.

In my opinion the crux of the school busing farce which we have been witnessing is simply a ploy to increase the control over what is being taught. The supposed reason is to aid integration. I suspect that the real reason is to get the childer away from their neighborhoods into schools where the parents have no knowledge or care about what is being taught, and that integration is simply the red herring to cover this up. A least the result is that there is an increasing control over the subject matter placed in the hands of "experts" and taken out of the hands of parents and the local school boards. About the only prerequisite for an educational "expert" these days is that some other like minded "expert" passes on his qualifications. When we begin to delve into the philosophy and practice of these individuals, we find that many of them are academically unsound and religiously heretical.

All I am suggesting is that parents begin to give some serious consideration to their responsibilities of training their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. If you children can sit in public school classrooms without violating such scriptural admonitions as Corinthians 10:31, then those schools are most unusual in this day. If the Christian teaching in public school would begin to get concerned about the matter of Christian Education and devote their time and talents to the training of students in Christian schools, I would not be long before the public schools would stand revealed for what they really are—godless, state churches teaching the atheistic claptrap of a state religion. Isn't it about time we stop cutting bait and begin to fish?

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tack upon it. I feel that a new movement of this kind that has grown so rapidly is faced with great problems—and sometimes there may be a lack of tradition and experience necessary to properly meet those problems. Some of you with the technical aspects, you should all be involved and concerned about the philosophy of Christian Education.

To be truly Christian, certain things are absolutely necessary. First of all, an institution has to have a born-again, consecrated, dedicated, scripturally separated Board of Trustees. If your school has one ungodly or dead man on that Board, God have mercy on you; you cannot be a truly Christian school. There is no point in going out to seek for some rich man in town or some influential man, or some Roman Catholic Mayor and putting him on the School Board with the idea that it's going to lend prestige. We don't need prestige; we need to keep the power of God. God has

never called us to enjoy the approval and the applause of the world. We are called to be separated unto God, going to Him without the camp, bearing His reproach, and one of the dangers this movement faces is that it will become too respectable. The early Church wasn't respectable; all they were good for was to feed to the lions. I have often thought that the average lion today would have too much self-respect to waste his effort on the average Christian. There wouldn't be enough backbone for him to sharpen his teeth on! We are not supposed to have prestige; we are supposed to enjoy the power of God. My friend, there is great danger that as we gain the approval and the respect of the world (which will come if we do the job correctly, for though they may hate us they cannot help respect us if our products are proof of the fact that we are doing a job that should be done and doing it well), but there is a danger that even as we earn respect, we will lose our power

with God because we will keep our eyes on the faces of men rather than seeking the face of the Almighty.

Christian schools must have a Christian administration. If there is a man in power as a Dean, a Principal, a President, a Superintendent, who doesn't himself know Jesus Christ and is not firmly convinced that he is called of God, ordained and anointed of God for his task, you will not have a truly Christian institution. I don't know of a job that requires more backbone and more courage than the job of being an administrator in a Christian school, particularly a Christian school associated with a Church. There is always a danger if the Principal is one and the Pastor is another that there may be some conflicts. But if the Pastor is a good man who loves the Lord and pastors the right kind of Church, there will be no difficulty. But if a Christian school is organized, as sometimes I am afraid they are organized, and is more in-

terested in fighting integration than it is in winning souls to Jesus Christ, you may run into some problems where the Principal will have to stand up and assert himself with his Board and perhaps with the Pastor of the Church. A man needs great tact, he needs great courage, but above all, he needs deep conviction.

There must be a Christian faculty. Now let me say what I mean by that. I don't mean only that the faculty are saved people who know they have salvation, but I mean they are in a scriptural sense Christians—separated unto God. You show me a school with mini-skirted teachers, and I'll show you a school that is not a Christian school. You show me a school that has rock and roll, and I'll show you a school that is not truly a Christian school. When you are conformed to the world, you are not transformed by the renewing of your minds to prove, that is to demonstrate, what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of

God. Our business is to show the world—that is what it means to prove, to demonstrate—the good, the acceptable and perfect will of God, and that I certainly our sanctification. When we are so identified with the world in appearance, in the immodesty of dress on the part of our teachers, we certainly cannot maintain with our students those standards of Christian modesty and decency which even a good school would expect, whether it were Christian or not. I am troubled sometimes to see secular schools with higher standards of dress and codes of ethics than some so-called Christian schools. It should not be so, an I thank God that they are the exception—I am sure they are not members of the organization. But here another, so-called Christian schools are springing up there are not Christian at all; they are simply separated from the public school system and perhaps connected loosely with

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The Other Side

with Dave Johnson

God's Will

There was a time when the chief desire of Christian young people was to know the Lord's will for their lives. With the current age of "you do your thing and I'll do mine," the matter of knowing and doing God's will seems to have been relegated to a distant corner of the lives of youth and adults alike.

Last month in this column I covered three major issues on the subject of "God's Will"—God's Will for Every Person, Cooperating with God's Will, and Why Must I Find God's Plan for My Life? The following is the conclusion to last month's article:

HOW CAN I FIND GOD'S PLAN FOR MY LIFE?

1. Don't wait for a miraculous calling. Matthew 12:39 says, "But He answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas..."

2. Don't sit and wait for God to feed you. Do your duty and meet your responsibilities. I Timothy 5:8 reads this way, "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." So part of finding God's plan for your life is to meet your responsibilities.

3. Don't pattern your life after someone else. I Corinthians 12:4 says, "Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit." So we all have different gifts and different jobs and don't need to pattern our life after someone else.

4. Don't plan too far in advance. James 4:13-15 reads, "Go to now, ye that say, Today or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell and get gain: Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away. For that ye ought to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that."

5. Surrender every part of your life completely to the Lord. Romans 12:1 says, "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." God wants a living sacrifice and He wants every part of you. He wants your bodies to be used in His service.

6. You've got to be willing to be different from the world. The next verse, Romans 12:2 says, "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God." Be willing for God to transform your mind and to change your mind. This may be necessary in finding God's plan for your life.

7. Be faithful with your present small opportunities and God will give you bigger ones later. Luke 19:17 reads, "And he said unto them, Well, thou good servant: because thou has been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities." If we are faithful, then God will give us bigger opportunities.

8. If God has given you a talent, He wants you to use it for Him and He wants you to start using it now and not wait until a later time. Matthew 25 says this very clearly in the parable of the talents. We find that five talents were given to one man, to another two, and to another one. And you know the story of what happened. The man with five talents doubled them, the man with two talents doubled his, but the man with one talent didn't use his; instead he buried it and saved it. He was not rewarded—and this is certainly what God doesn't want us to do; He doesn't want us to bury our talent and save it for another time; He wants us to use it now.

9. You need to prepare yourself for service. In II Timothy 2:15, we read, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." We need to be prepared to do whatever God has for us to do and certainly preparation includes the study of God's word.

10. Listen carefully to the counsel of spiritual men. Hebrews 13:7-9 states, "Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God; whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever. Be not carried about with diverse and strange doctrines. For it is a good thing that the heart be established with grace; not with meats, which have not profited them that have been occupied therein." Listen carefully to the counsel of spiritual men and don't go to men for advice whom you know will take your side on an issue; but go to men that you recognize as spiritual leaders—men who have found God's will for their lives and can help you to find God's will in your life.

11. Finally, pray for God's continual guidance. Psalms 86:11 says, "Teach me thy way, O Lord; I will walk in thy truth; unite my heart to fear thy name."

HOW TO FIND GOD'S WILL CONCERNING A PARTICULAR PROBLEM

To find God's will concerning a particular problem, I have listed four don'ts and a test of seven questions.

Don't be deceived by your own selfish desires. Jeremiah 17:9 says that "The heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked: who can know it?" So you can't go by

your own desires because more than likely your desires will be selfish. This is natural.

Don't be led by impressions, dreams, or visions. Sometimes, or I might even say, most of the time, Satan sends these. The book of I John 4:1 says, "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world." People today who have impressions, dreams and visions more than likely have them because of something they ate the night before and not because God sent them.

Don't put out the fleece. In the sixth chapter of Judges, we have the story of Gideon putting out the fleece. This is the only time such a thing happened in the Bible and it was not an act of faith, but an act of unbelief. So this is not an example for us to follow. We are not to put out the fleece as was done in this Old Testament account of Gideon's unbelief.

Don't be misled by one isolated bit of Scripture. No Bible passage should ever be studied by itself. II Peter 1:20 says, "...no prophecy of the Scripture is of any private interpretation." Now this simply means that you cannot pick out a verse to meet your need. I suppose that anyone could go to the Bible and find one verse that would back up what he wanted to do, but you can't do this; you have to find something that is in agreement with the entire Bible. Now, in order to find God's will concerning a particular problem, there are seven questions that you need to ask yourself.

THE TEST

The first test is the test of Scripture. Is this action in agreement with the general teaching of the whole Bible? Now consider the thing that you are in doubt about concerning a particular problem and knowing if this is God's will. You must simply find out if it is in agreement with the general teaching of the whole Bible. If the answer is yes, go on to the next test.

The second test is the test of facts. Do known facts, gathered from reliable sources shed any light on the problem? Don't decide without considering all the evidence. The Bible says over in the book of Proverbs, "He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame unto him. So we can't just hear one side of the story and make our decision.

We need to know all the facts then make a decision. I suppose one of the best ways of doing this is to make a simple list on a sheet of paper. Put the pros on one side and the cons on the other side and just get back and look at all the facts.

The third test is a test of motives. Why do you want to do this thing that you are in doubt about as far as God's will is concerned? Do you want to do it for self or do you want to do it for God and others. Mark 12:30, 31 reads, "And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these." So the test of motives simply means, do you want to do this for selfish reasons or do you want to do it out of love for God and others?

The fourth test is the test of time. Is this thing that you want to do a passing fancy or is it a permanent lasting desire? Jesus doesn't change His mind. Hebrews 13:8 says that He is the same yesterday and today and for ever, so if you are trying to find God's will concerning a particular problem, you should be able to give it the test of time and see if you still want to do this thing after some time has gone by. God gets blamed for a

lot of things by many Christians who simply do not give this test a chance to influence their decision. I have had people tell me that God led them to a new job or a different church and then turn around and imply that God must have made a mistake.

The fifth test is the test of opportunity. God closes doors and He opens doors. We must use this test to find out if will we want to do is in God's will. If the doors are open—fine; if the doors are closed, we must accept this as part of God's will for our lives.

The sixth test is the test of peace. Do you have peace—a settled peace—about doing this thing? God's will leads to peace, and if you are disturbed and doubtful, you should not do it. Wait until there is real peace about it.

These six tests should help you to find God's will concerning a particular problem, but let me give this brief warning. Give it one final test.

This test is the test of continuity. Don't go by just one of the above six tests. Use them all. To find God's will concerning a particular problem you must be able to go through this list of six tests with an affirmative answer. God will show you His will concerning a particular problem—if you are already in His general will by being born again and cooperating with His leadership in all phases of life.

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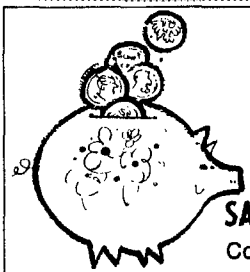
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Missions Militant

by Dr. Gerry Johnson



The past month hundreds of Korean soldiers have written to us for Gospel literature. Korean chaplains are exerting efforts to win these soldiers to Christ. We are now supplying these Korean soldiers with sound Gospel literature. This past month we sent out 3,204 correspondence courses, many of them going to the Korean soldier boys. This is the greatest number of correspondence courses sent out in one month up to date. Also, this past month there were 436 graduates for which we wrote the Lord. We sent out over 75,000 Gospel tracts to pastors and evangelists all over the country. As a result, nearly every day our post office box contains numerous decisions for Christ. Due to the heavy load of

printing and sending out literature, we added two more Korean workers to our staff.

Maranatha Seminary is still going strong. During the special winter session we had a large attendance at Maranatha Seminary, but like various seeds falling into poor ground, as mentioned by Christ, many of the students quit. We have a smaller number at present, but they are eager to learn and delight in their studies.

Spring has arrived in Korea and Summer is just around the corner. We have many things planned including a week of special meetings with Dr. Bob Jones Jr. later on in the summer. We must get out the precious seed of the Gospel throughout the Korean countryside. It is seed planting time! Since I carry most of the teaching load at our Maranatha Seminary, I will not be able to get out into the countryside for meetings as much as I would like. But my Korean 'side-kick', evangelist Lee Soon Kyong, will be going out regularly. In fact he is having meetings right now and God is blessing. Pray for this evangelist that many hundreds may be reached with the Gospel and be saved.

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some Church, denomination, National Council, or something else. They are parochial but they are not Christian.

Finally, to be a truly Christian school, you have to have Christian students. Any institution that is not winning its students to Jesus Christ might just as well close its doors and cease to exist. The purpose of Christian Education is to train Christians. If they come there unsaved—and you'll get some—the first effort of your institution should be to bring them to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. If you educate men without Christ, you make them clever devils. There are some crimes you cannot commit until you are educated. You cannot send a man to jail for forgery until you teach him to read and write. You cannot send a man to jail for misappropriation of funds until you teach him how to do math. (With this new math it is pretty easy to juggle your expense account!) You have to have Christian students, and if you do not seek to win them to Christ as the first step in their education, you are not fulfilling the commission of the Lord Jesus, which was to go and make disciples of all nations. You must begin with the young people whom God puts in your care.

Now all of these things are essential to a Christian school, but they of themselves will not guarantee preservation of a Christian institution. There has to be a day by day renewal in the power of the Holy Spirit and the constant awareness of the circumstances in the world around.

I was reading for my devotions this morning the account in the third chapter of Daniel of Nebuchadnezzar's image, and I thought how appropriate that is to the situation we face today. Nebuchadnezzar, in the previous chapter, had had a vision. Daniel had revealed and interpreted the vision of the great image that God decreed as a type of the nations of the earth of which Nebuchadnezzar was the golden

head. Afterwards came nations of decreasing power down to the final mixture of iron and clay, the day in which we live. Then comes the destruction of that image with the stone not touched with hands, and immediately in the next chapter, Nebuchadnezzar is erecting a golden image—all gold—in his own likeness apparently. The purpose is a defiance of God. A strange man, Nebuchadnezzar. He said when the truth was revealed about his vision, "My, isn't God wonderful; let everybody in my kingdom worship God." And then he began to think about it. "Say, that isn't too good. I am the head of this image and they are going to take me away and somebody else is coming after me. Not my kingdom! My kingdom is forever!" And in defiance of God he erects a great golden image. Do you know, my friend, this nation today is standing in a place of defiance of Almighty God. All of our foreign policy today is aimed at increasing a peaceful world which, God says, will not come till the reign of Jesus Christ to bring peace. We have false messiahs in high office who say they are going to guarantee, out of this diplomacy, a generation of peace. I shudder when I hear them say it, for my Bible says, "They cry peace and safety and sudden destruction comes upon them." I grieve for America as we stand today in danger of God's judgment for our blasphemy against God and our defiance of what His word declares. There's the image. Mighty fine! And called together are all the officials. Did you ever notice who the personnel are gathered there? We think of them as all the common people. The Bible doesn't say so. They are the princes, the governors, the sheriffs, the officials, and the treasury. The Treasury Department's there, too. The Internal Revenue gets in on it if it is a big occasion! They're there. All of them gathered together in support and unity

for an eternal kingdom in defiance of Almighty God. You talk about a united nation. They were. And the law is that people out of every language and blood and nation gathered together in this great empire shall bow to the image. The decree goes out, "When the band begins to play, let's do our exercises." You know, I know some school teachers in some Christian schools who will be well prepared to bend. Their skirts are so short they wouldn't be in their way. When the time came to bow, they could do a full knee bend. When the band sounds—the coronet, flute, the harp, the sackbut, psaltery, the dulcimer and so forth—when the rock starts to rolling, everybody's going to bow. The band started up, and everybody was on his face. Thank God everybody was on his face except three! Thank God for Meshach, Shadrach and Abednego. Boy, with names like that they were already branded! But they just didn't bow. I thank God there are always a few who won't join the society of knee-benders. I am glad there are some people who say just because it is official we won't go along with it. If it's contrary to God's Word and we must choose between the decree of the government and the teaching of the Word of God, we'll obey God's Word.

It is interesting how racial prejudice enters in here. The Chaldeans went to the King and said, "There are some Jews here that wouldn't join in." Let me stop here to say something I think needs to be said. We are facing a great danger in America from anti-semitism. God's promise to Abraham still holds good, "I will bless him that blesseth thee and him that curseth thee shall be accursed." Don't you have a share in this growing anti-semitism that blames everything that is wrong on the Jews. Let's stop to see the blessings that have come to America through the Jew. God gave us the Bible out of the heart of the Jew as God's Holy Spirit played upon that heart of emotion. Our Lord came from the lineage of David. Much of our science today, much of our technology, much of our medicine has been given us by the Jew. This world has been greatly blessed by these people. Oh, when they are unconverted those same gifts can be bent to destruction and evil, but my friend, it is not because they are Jews that they do evil. It is because they are unconverted, and the Gentile with the same gifts and the same talent and the same degree of intelligence would be just as bad as a smart Jew who isn't what he ought to be. I grow sick at heart. A man recently called me a stupid coward because I wouldn't subscribe to his paper in which he jumps on the Jew. Let me tell you, when we begin to lift our hand against God's people, God's hand is going to be against America. God always deals with those who add to the affliction of Israel. They have been under His judgment, but let's not add to it. God's promise is for their restoration. There's going to be a day when ten of those Gentiles will hang on to one Jew's coat-tail and say, "Let us go up to the city of the Lord with you." We'd better beware!

Concerning capitalism. Dr. Bob went on to say:

I don't go around preaching this all the time because there's much in capitalism that is evil, because there are unconverted capitalists, but my friend, the system is not evil. The Word of

God is that a man who won't work shall not eat. I say, sometimes I get awfully sick at having to buy beer for lazy rascals who won't buy their own beer. If I'm going to buy beer for anybody, I'd rather buy it for some of my Christian friends! I must stop here to say I hope you know I'm joking. I am sure the Bob Jones graduates do, but the rest of you may think I am serious about this. I am not buying it for anybody, but the point I am trying to make is that today a man will work hard, sacrifice and try to save, and the government will take away his money in order to put some fellow on relief in the position where he can sit in the sun all day and drink beer. That is an unscriptural principle! The millennium reign of Jesus Christ is going to be a capitalistic reign. They are going to sit every man under his vine and his fig tree. You may not have enough figs to go into the business of canning fig preserves; you may not have enough vineyard to be able to bottle grape juice (of course you wouldn't bottle anything else), but you'll have enough to have some grape juice for your own family, some fig preserves on your own table, and no man will make you afraid or take it away from you.

The Bible stands contrary to all the religious system of our day. The world system is a system of unity and religion and, by the way, I should stop here to point up something, for I am trying to cover in a few moments as much as I can and to suggest things that you might consider further. One of the great dangers we face today is a growing emphasis on a charismatic movement which brings a pseudo-unity between those who know Christ and those who are the enemies of Christ. My friend, any movement that brings unity between the Roman Catholic Church and a fundamentalist Church is not of God; it is of the devil. This business of getting together on some pseudo-gift of tongues or healing or something else, my friend, is not of God. I found the same movement among Baptists in the Far East, and it is even manifesting itself today in Mohammedanism. Do you mean to tell me God's Spirit is working in these pagan religions, at enmity against God's Word? This thing is not of God today, and it will divide God's people. The tragedy today is that in a day when the emphasis is upon unity—a unity of the devil for the building of the church of anti-christ, those who stand strong against this unity should be themselves united in fellowship, and yet we are splintered by all sorts of divisions and minor interpretations of the Word of God when we should stand firmly on the authority of the Word of God and the "thus saith the Lord" of the Holy Spirit in this Book.

Now you'll stand against all the trends of the day—political, religious, and even academic—and as you stand you'll know a persecution that comes to those who will not bow. You are going to have to go through a fiery furnace. I look at my grandchildren—the eldest is seven, the youngest is two—and I pray to God daily to give them the grace they are going to need to walk through the fire that is coming as the Lord tarries in America. I wish I could be optimistic in telling you that the future is bright, that the work will continue to grow, that your problems will be no bigger in the future than they have been

in the past, but I'd be untrue to my own soul, I'd be untrue to the Word of God if I made you any such promise. My friend, every day the task is going to get more difficult. The temptations to conform are going to be more obvious, and all the whispers of the devil to compromise a bit here and cut a little bit there and conform a little bit yonder are going to become more and more pressing on you. But the three Hebrew children wouldn't bow even one knee! You know they could have made some kind of show of going along. They could have stepped behind one of the rocks there in the plain so they wouldn't have been so obviously in view. I tell you, though, to withdraw from the fight is just as cowardly as to turn and join the enemy. The treason of neutrality is one of the worst crimes a Christian can commit. God cursed Meroz bitterly, because they came not out to the aid of the Lord in the day of the battle. You can conform or you can withdraw or you can try to be neutral, but if you stand for God they will throw you in the fire. But you know one thing, when you put God's man in the fire, you find you've got more than you counted on, because instead of three, there are four, and one is like unto the Son of God. You know the fire is not so hot if Jesus is there. I don't mind the flames if the Lord of Glory and the Son of Righteousness is walking with me in the midst of the flame. Shadrach turned to Meshach—hope he could remember which one was named which—he said, "Meshach, I thought they threw three of us in here. Here you are, yonder's Abednego, but look who is over there." God's Son was in the fire, and they came out the victor. God doesn't always promise that. You know, God says sometimes it is going to be necessary for us to be torn asunder by wild beasts, crucified, put to death—sometimes that is necessary for His glory and the spread of His Word and the conversion of lost men—and these people recognized that. They said, "Whether the Lord will preserve us out of the fire or not, we don't know. We know He can, but that is not the thing we consider; that really doesn't make any difference. The thing is, we can't afford to bow when God tells us not to bow. If we go through the fire and walk out or if we go through the fire and go up in smoke and fall to ashes, that doesn't make one bit of difference." I believe we are going to have some martyrs in America, and I believe they may come out of some of this group. I believe Christians are going to have to go to jail for their convictions in America. We have to render to Caesar's things that are Caesar's, my friend, but you cannot render to Caesar what belongs to God—and Caesar's possessions end where God's prerogatives begin. If you think you can compromise and give Caesar a little bit of God's, you'll soon cease to be a Christian teacher in a Christian school. There will be nothing left but an empty shell over which God writes "Ichabod", because the glory has departed.

Well, they came out. They were preserved, and they got promoted. It is interesting, isn't it, how old Nebuchadnezzar could always adapt himself to the winds of political change and do that which was appropriate in a moment of crisis. There's enough power in the prayer of God's people for us to

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Rock Music—Can it be Sacred?

music, in conservatories such as Juilliard, Mannes, or Manhattan, in the training orchestras of New York, ROCK MADE VIRTUALLY NO DENT AT ALL." (emphasis mine throughout this article)

At the Juilliard School of Music, for instance, Miss Peyser found only ONE STUDENT interested in rock. The conversation between Miss Peyser and this one student is very enlightening: "I told Marty that in my week of interviews I had not found a single student who had come to 'serious' music from rock. He offered this explanation:

The problem with rock is that its defining limits are visceral rather than cerebral. It's a visceral form of self-expression, and volume is often used to cover up a lack of technique."

Remember, this is the one student who likes rock music speaking. Joan Peyser then went to an L & M class (literature and materials) where she asked the students a few questions: "How many had come from rock or jazz? None. How many had ever played rock or jazz? None. How many planned to play rock or jazz? None. What would they like to do? Be great performers. Class dismissed."

Those who believe that rock music is THE accepted way to communicate with people have been completely brainwashed by the devil because this just simply is not true. Even serious minded, non-Christian musicians reject this as a legitimate form of music.

What then, can be the philosophy under which people operate who have accepted rock as a legitimate way of reaching teens? First, because of a lack of genuine spiritual power, many of these folks believe that this is the only way that you can communicate with teenagers today. My own personal experience of working with teens tells me that the very opposite is true. I don't see how teenagers can ever be reached on a spiritual level with a style of music which has been established over and over, even by the secular world, as a medium of sensuality. Appealing to a young person's sinful, sensual nature does not enable the Christian worker to communicate with him on a spiritual level. In fact, I believe it gets in the way and becomes a stumbling block to ever good him any real spiritual good.

It has been interesting to me, in talking to hippies and other rebellious teenagers, to note that these folks laugh up their sleeves at these hip-Christians who are trying to reach the hippies by becoming like them. When a Christian presents the claims of Christ to these folks, that want to see that the faith which we claim to have has made a difference in our lives. If we have become just like them, they see no need of trusting our Savior. "Look here, man," they say, "you look like we do, dress like we do, talk like we do, and you even use our music. Why should I take your Christ?" Christianity is not "adding a new dimension" to your life, it's a brand new life with different philosophies, life styles and desires. What we Christians need to show these folks is that we have something which they will never know nor experience outside of the saving power of the Lord Jesus Christ. My observations as I travel all

over the United States is that only people who are really communicating with and reaching teenagers with a genuine spiritual message are those whose lives and testimonies reveal a way of life contrary to what unsaved teenagers are experiencing.

A second aspect of this philosophy was expressed by Bill Pearce in the August, 1971 issue of CHRISTIAN LIFE magazine. In answering the question, "Can rock music really be used effectively to communicate sacred truth?" Mr. Pearce said: "Yes . . . I don't think the rock idiom, as such, is detrimental to the message of the Gospel of Christ. I think there are other musical styles in sacred music every bit as 'worldly.' IT'S A MATTER OF HEART ATTITUDE AND MOTIVATION."

Now, I agree wholeheartedly with Bill that there are other styles of sacred music which are just as worldly. I have been saying for a long time that his trombone playing sounds like it comes straight from a nightclub and is just as worldly as rock. Just this morning, driving home from the airport, I turned on my car radio hoping to find some good sacred music to soothe my mind and body after an all-night trip home. I was very disappointed to hear some worldly-sounding music coming over the air-waves and was ready to change the station when I realized that this was not intended to be worldly music, it was a song from Bill Pearce's latest trombone album. Anything THAT worldly should not pretend to be Christian.

But when Mr. Pearce goes on and says that it's an attitude of heart and motivation that makes the difference, he has unwittingly accepted the philosophy that the end justifies the means. On that basis, some so-called "evangelical" churches are using girls to perform dances in church to portray spiritual truth because, they say, the girls' minds are pure. And some liberal churches have even allowed teens to strip off their clothes in "worship services" because, as one minister said, "(They) came very respectfully. My feeling was that (they) were very devout." To any perceptive Christian, this blasphemy and heresy is perfectly obvious.

This is the same philosophy which led Bill Pearce in the same article to say about JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR: "People say it is antichrist in spirit and approach and contains a mixture of truth and error. That may be so. But I think SUPERSTAR opens the door if it does nothing more than speak of Christ's humanity. This IS an aspect of his life. This can be a stepping stone to more dialogue." Thank you, Bill, for clarifying your version of the end justifies the means.

This is the same philosophy that led Ron Hutchcraft of WMBI in Chicago on September 28, 1971 to say about SUPERSTAR, "It is in fact turning the attention of thousands and thousands of kids to Jesus Christ . . . Many kids are still listening to it, and the concepts of it are still alive in the lives of many kids and will be for some time." Now, having accepted and promoted this Jesuit philosophy, watch Mr. Hutchcraft's next step downward: "We would have a hard time finding a lot of places where it (Superstar) deviates from the

actual account of the last days of Jesus Christ. It may even have portrayed Judas pretty accurately," (as the hero of the story?) "Its portrayal of the disciples is to say the least, thought provoking. And perhaps even biblical." (as bumbling drunkards at the last supper?). "Its portrayal of Mary Magdalene goes beyond what Scripture says, but not against it. It could well have been an accurate portrayal of Mary Magdalene," (as a former harlot who has a physical relationship with Jesus Christ?).

The promulgation of this kind of philosophy by an "evangelical" radio station, and the defense of these words by the president of Moody Bible Institute, Dr. George Sweeting, is an almost unbelievable acceptance of Jesuit philosophy. Here is what Dr. Sweeting said in his letter of defence: "Mr. Hutchcraft suggested on the program that a discussion of Superstar might be an opportunity for Christians to introduce the Superstar listeners to the Jesus Christ who is far more than Superstar." Read back over Mr. Hutchcraft's words. Do you think that is what he was doing? When Christians compromise with the devil, they end up promoting the devil's philosophy.

But now, I would like for us to see how far down the road of spiritual bankruptcy these philosophies have led the promoters of "sacred rock music" as a means of reaching teens for Christ. The devil's music will eventually be accompanied by the devil's ideas and words.

The first requisite of Christian music should be that the words must be based on Scriptural ideas and principles. Since Christian songs "preach" and communicate ideas that teens will remember long after they have forgotten many sermons, the words of the songs should reflect Scriptural truth. Let's look at some of the most popular musicals and songs of 1972 and see what they are "preaching." I do not mean in this next analysis to say that these musical do not quote some Scripture. They do, but so does Herbert W. Armstrong (and he's as phony as a three-dollar bill), so does Mormonism, and so does the devil himself. What I want us to see is the vast amount of error that is being presented as spiritual truth.

HERE ARE SOME WORDS FROM A VARIETY OF THESE MUSICALS AND SONGS:

NATURAL HIGH, by Ralph Carmichael and Kurt Kaiser—"It's my world and it's your world, too—But there's an awful lot that we both can do.—If we try, really try, if we try.—There's so much hate, hate and despair.—If you'll look around, it's ev'rywhere.—But why, tell me why, won't you tell me why, please tell me why.—I'll tell you—There once lived a Man with a plan that showed us how to live together.—It takes love, more than we've got.—And He only can provide love, can provide love, can provide love."

"Life Can Be Changed," by Otis Skillings—"You see a world full of misery. War and hate are everywhere.—But what is worse, people just don't care.—The ghettos cry tears of poverty; Morals low, and crime is so high.—The need to love and the fear to die. You see a world in sin, in a spin. But that world can all be changed. It's up to you; it's up to me." Etc.

GOOD NEWS, by Bob Oldenburg—"We're gonna change this land! We'd have you understand that there is much that must be done.—We're gonna wake the town and bring the barriers down, and work until the setting sun.—We're in a race that must be run; We've heard the challenge from God's own Son.— (It's almost blasphemous at this point.) "He said to all men, 'Come with Me, and I will give you God's liberty!—We took Him at His word and this is what we heard: 'You are the ones who can change this land!'"

"A Quiet Place," by Ralph Carmichael—(We will quote only the final words of this nice, little sentimental song to show the trend.) "Then from my quiet place.—I go prepared to face A new day.—With love for all mankind."

The big question about these words is obvious: WHERE CAN YOU FIND SCRIPTURE TO BACK UP ANY OF THESE TEXTS? They certainly are not part of the Gospel. These writers, in order not to offend the people they are trying to reach, have left out the Gospel and Scriptural truth. Instead, they have substituted what our fathers in the faith rejected 50 years ago. It's the SOCIAL GOSPEL! And they are proclaiming it clear and plain. This "gospel" which the devil has not been able to push off in evangelicalism for years, is now coming into "Bible-believing churches" like a flood. And what is the devil using as his vehicle for this heresy? These rock musicals and songs.

Let's look at just one more of these musicals to show how innocuous, anemic and hypocritical these things are.

LIFE, by Otis Skillings—The first section of this one is titled, "Life," and here are some of

the words: "LIFE" pa pa pa pa—pa pa pa pa LIFE! pa pa pa pa (etc.) I'm talking 'bout real LIFE that's turned on, Talkin' 'bout the kind that's really great . . ." This is really all this section says. Now the second section, called "Contagious." "When your hear the beat, (oo) Well, it sounds so neat. You hear a happy sound; You want to gather 'round. It's CONTAGIOUS; Makes you want to get involved." The rest of this song just seems to keep repeating the same thing. Then there is a "reprise" of "LIFE," and we come to section four called "Born Again." You want to know how to be born again? Here it is according to LIFE: (we will quote the whole song) "Like a flow'r in ground so dry, Scorched by heat, it starts to die.—Til the clouds begin to rain; then the flower blooms again.—Like a bird with a broken wing, Once it had a song to sing.—Yet one day that bird will fly Far away up in the sky.—So our lives once came to be. We can think and we can see;—Yet beyond there's even more if we'll just unlock the door.—There's a new world to be found, And a great life to abound.—Like the flow'r beneath the rain, So can we be BORN AGAIN, again, again."

Anyone who thinks this is salvation doesn't know first-grade truth about the Word of God and the way to eternal life. After a number of other silly songs with music to match (one song is a "steal" from "The Isle of Capri"), and a few scriptural words, we come to the invitation song of this musical. Here it is: RIGHT NOW, RIGHT NOW, Commit your life RIGHT NOW. Decide to live your life for Him RIGHT NOW, RIGHT NOW."

That's it! In its entirety. Do you think that teenagers who come forward after this kind of jibberish know what it

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Rock Music

means to trust Christ and be born again? But these people tell us that they are "winning thousands to Christ" this way. If the decisions are no deeper than the message, and it's difficult to see how they could be, then there are a lot of false decisions being made, and many folks who think they are saved are still in their sins.

This anemic, insipid, flabby and spiritually bankrupt approach to Christianity also shows itself in the kind of performers that are being promoted by such magazines as CHRISTIAN LIFE as today's top sacred musicians. Included in an ad for the Christian Record Club of America are such groups as the Chuck Wagon Gang and The Mormon Tabernacle Choir. Has the scope of Bible Christianity encompassed this heresy? Then, listed among the top performers are such folks as Joe Wise who is quoted as saying: "I believe a Christian is a man who attempts to span that bridge" (between childhood and old age) "with love-decisions during the 'middle' years—one who commits himself day after day to a priority of people over things." This is a Christian?

In an article entitled "Today's Top Musicians Express Their Faith," CHRISTIAN LIFE lists John McCarthy, choral director of the Ambrosian Singers, as expressing his faith this way: "Communication of music in churches is particularly difficult because of the enormous cross-section of the different types of individuals in the congregations. I try therefore, to make all the music as varied as possible . . . If I do anything considered 'corny' by the purists, I do it with the greatest sincerity and with as much care as I would any great work." This is Christian faith? Listed on the same page is a husband-wife team named Steve and Maria. CHRISTIAN LIFE says their latest album "won for them the following tribute from BILLBOARD magazine . . . 'It takes a special talent for a folk

duo to sing religious music and convey a subtle message. This duo has the talent and demonstrates it well. . . . Why must the message of Christianity be SUBTLE? Are we trying to sneak up on the world and inject them with Christianity while they are not looking? God deliver us from this kind of talent.

We could go on and on quoting this kind of nonsense, but one quote from the "musical patriarch" of the sacred rock music field will codify their non-spiritual thinking processes. Ralph Carmichael says: "A song is like a sermon . . . You tend to predict your evaluation on WHAT IT DOES, not on what IT IS . . . My musical tastes have nothing to do with the kind of music." How much clearer can he make it? He believes that the end justifies the means, and that if the results are good, you can't criticize the method of achieving the results. In other words, if the end result of rock music is good, don't criticize the rock. And there is a whole school of composers and arrangers who follow Mr. Carmichael's leadership. He is the intellect of the field. (The quotes in the paragraphs above are from CHRISTIAN LIFE, August, 1971 and May, 1972.)

Let me say again that I do not question the sincerity of the people involved, nor do I question their motives. But sincerity and motivation have never been a test of real spirituality or even Christianity for that matter. These people have made communication with the world and the "winning of souls" more important than anything else, and are willing to swallow and excuse anything that portends to have these goals in mind. But the WORD OF GOD is that which will abide forever, and it is upon His Word that God hinges all of spiritual truth. It is not right to ignore the Bible, to become worldly in philosophy and practice, to call things Christian which are not, nor to disobey the Word of God, even to try to win people to Christ. God will not excuse disobedience, compromise and worldliness, no matter how lofty the motivation and goal. God demands that His message

remain pure (Galatians 1:8-9). Just how do Christians get themselves into a position of proclaiming the devil's philosophy and lies? By failing to declare "all the counsel of God" (Acts 20:27). In rock and folk musicals, there is not enough about sin to bring repentance, and not enough about the cross and the blood to bring salvation. When the holiness of God is ignored, as it is in every musical which I have seen, (I examined more than

twenty musicals in preparation for this article,) then there is no need for repentance from sin. Through an over-emphasis on "love," these people have completely forgotten that God's love is predicated upon His holiness. The same book of the Bible which says that "God is love" prefaces that statement with the truth that "God is light" (I John 1:5 and 4:7). The neglect of the "love of God" by some people is not license for the neglect of the "light of

God" by others. Obedience to the Word of God is placed above any sacrifice that men may make for God. The purpose of winning teens to Christ will not justify the use of rock music. Those who compromise with the devil eventually become a vehicle for expressing his philosophy and error. The sensual, worldly music being used in "evangelical" circles today can lead to no other place than spiritual corruption and poverty.

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Three In The Multitude

preserve for a while the liberties we have in America, but I say to you—and I know what I am speaking about here—Health, Education and Welfare is not interested in your health. They gave me ulcers long ago, and they are not interested in the welfare of anything that is true to the Word of God, but I hope they have helped your education a little bit. I hope you've learned you cannot trust them! But I will tell you one thing—if you stand with God, God will use you and preserve you as long as your place and your testimony are necessary, and I would rather die for Jesus Christ and be spent in something worthwhile than to have a name that I am God's and not have the power of God and the anointing of the Holy Spirit and the smile of the Almighty.

I congratulate you if you are a teacher by the will of God—and I hope you are. I think every teacher ought to be a teacher because of a call as assuredly as every pastor ought to be a preacher by divine call. If you are a teacher because God has called you, you won't count time, you won't be concerned about a salary. Let me tell you something. Any Christian school that says, "We've got to pay the biggest salary of any school in the country"—that school is immediately headed for a downfall, because they will

get teachers that aren't called of God, but are interested in the big salary. Any teacher that teaches for his salary cannot be a God-anointed teacher. If you are called of God to teach, you'll teach for bread and water and an opportunity to instruct young people. Wait a minute—I think the laborer is worthy of his hire, and I will tell you one thing, God won't ever leave you hungry. God will take care of you. You may be tested sometimes, but God's promise is sure. "My God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19).

When my father was founding Bob Jones University (forty-five years ago—at that time my dad was a young man), he said to a wise old preacher, "I am going to try to pay the best salaries of any Christian school." The man said, "You'll make a mistake. Put your salaries so that needs are met and so that a faculty member can live and bring up his family, but if you try to make your salaries too high, you'll begin to attract people who aren't interested in the call of God but who work for the salary." You are entitled to your salary, my friend, but that is not what you work for. You work for the glory of God and for the privilege of serving the Lord in the lives of young people. If you will be true to God, if you will prove God's

promises, I tell you as a man of sixty years of age, who for forty-five years has been in this business of education, that God will do exceedingly abundantly above all that you can ask or think. God will surprise you every day with new blessings and give you joy unspeakable and a life that is full of glory. After all, what more can you ask?

Lots of people are bending the knee today. As far as I am concerned, I don't like this loud band anyhow. All of the psychology was for confirmation and conformation. The crowd and all the officials kneel, but thank God there were three who did not bow. This is a wonderful representation, but in comparison to all the folks teaching in these ungodly schools across the country, I think you possibly average about three in the multitude when you take the overall percentage. All it took to break up the meeting was three people who wouldn't bow. All it took to make the king show his true nature and bring glory to God in a miracle of victory were three men who said, "Let others join the knee-benders' association; we belong to Almighty God." Better to walk with God in the fire than to bow before a golden image that God was going to overthrow.

God bless you.

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The Christian Miniskirt

young men (and some not so young) were looking at. Though I was all ears when he started to preach, "The Appeal of a Miniskirt," I was embarrassed before he was through.

He claimed that the miniskirt does not appeal to the aesthetic. According to him, there are dozens of other dresses more beautiful than I am. His blanket statement that miniskirts do not make an aesthetic, academic, economic, moral, or spiritual contribution to their wearers left me with a feeling that I wasn't such a great Christian after all.

He said the only appealing thing about me was my appeal to the flesh. Then he spoke for ten minutes on the carnality of human nature. He publicly accused me of contributing to the lust of the flesh. I felt a hard tug on my hem when he said that!

You could have heard a pin drop in the sanctuary when he quoted the following statement from Kerry Elliott:

"To flaunt sexuality in public is a betrayal of your femininity, not an en-

dorsement. It is like playing the tuba on the subway to prove that you are a musician.

It isn't honest to expose a man to the aroma of steak and apple pie . . . and then accuse him of being a glutton because he licks his lips." I think everyone got the point.

I really blushed when he began asking questions about what we mini-skirts did when we were out in the work-a-day world. He wondered what we thought our testimony amounted to in the presence of men who couldn't care less about feminine purity. He said it doesn't take much to trigger a man's thoughts in the direction of sex. That's why Jesus said, "He that looketh on a woman to lust after her hath already committed adultery with her in his heart."

The preacher claimed that there is nothing about a miniskirt that would suggest to the man on the street that the wearer's body is the temple of the Holy Spirit. He said that the Spirit-indwelt body should be adorned in modest apparel (I Timothy

2:9-10). Furthermore, he had secured some statistics from somewhere that prove there is a vital relationship between miniskirts and the increase of rape in America. I began to feel as though I was abetting the crime wave.

I suppose it is the truth that hurts. That's why I hurried out of church this morning. I saw several other miniskirts slinking out, too.

I guess what we really need is to be converted into something more modest.

—Don W. Hillis in "The Southsider"

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