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EDUCATIONAL ACCREDITATION:

Survival or Sellout?

BY BOB JONES III



The instinct for survival is basic within man. Unsaved and unscrupulous men will kill, cheat, lie, steal, manipulate, and accommodate in order to survive. To what extremes will Christian leaders go in order to keep their Christian colleges alive?

The answer to that question depends on what these leaders think about accreditation, for we are told today that some kind of accreditation is a must if the state or educational institutions are to accept our colleges as viable educational entities. To those who believe that the school must survive at all costs, accreditation is no problem. To those who believe that it is

better to close a school rather than to violate a scriptural principle, accreditation is intolerable.

It is relatively easy for most Christians who believe the biblical command "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers" (I Corinthians 6:14) to understand that it is impossible for a school to obey the Lord and be a member of a regional accrediting association. This kind of "fellowship" between righteousness and unrighteousness, this "concord" between Christ and Belial, is clearly displeasing to the Lord and is one of the most basic and easily understood principles of Scripture.

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PEOPLE FOR PROFIT

BY PETER J. FOXX

As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ.

For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh. But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature.

Galatians 6:12-15

Three times in Galatians Paul uses the rather strong phrase "God forbid" or "May it never be" to guard against an action or thought process that is abhorrent to him as a Gospel preacher. The last of these three occurrences is found in our passage of Scripture. Here Paul repudiates the practice of viewing people as objects to be used to build personal ministries and reputations. The problem exists still today.

No man deserves more appreciation and respect than the faithful, sincere preacher of God's Word. Like many other professions, it is easier to become a good preacher than it is to stay a good preacher. Pressures, trials, and disappointments abound. Any preacher wants to succeed, but success in spiritual work is difficult to recognize, especially when it is defined and determined by others. Every godly preacher is pressed by doubts from within and pressures from without and is thus tempted to make a "fair shew in the flesh" in order to be accepted and approved by the brethren.

A good preacher does not use people for his ministry but rather uses his ministry for people. This is indeed a legitimate difference between true and false teachers of the Gospel. After dealing extensively

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BIBLICAL DISCIPLINE

DISCIPLINE MISCONCEPTIONS

BY DR. DAYTON HOBBS

I suppose one of the most serious misunderstandings concerning the discipline of children — and one that can cause the one into whose care a child or children have been committed to give up in despair or at least to not fulfil their responsibilities to their charges as they should — is that of believing that disciplinarians are a special breed and that only those endowed with the special gift of being able to control children are destined to be successful. Obviously, holding to such an attitude makes one feel less guilty when they are unsuccessful to some extent with the discipline of their own child or those of others; however, the premise is invalid. The best disciplinarians are made, not born. It is true that the discipline of children seems to come easier with some than with others and that some individuals are endowed

with a voice with the ring of authority or eyes that seem to penetrate the veneer of children, but it has been my experience that this type person tends to lean upon natural ability often at the expense of good discipline procedure. If God has given you the responsibility for the rearing and/or training of children, He will also give you the ability to do it as it should be done, including the use of proper discipline.

"I AM NOT A NATURAL DISCIPLINARIAN"

This misconception can be overcome with the proper understanding of your role, the grace available to you for accomplishing the task, and good discipline procedures. The person with the "gift of gab" is not likely to make the best preacher as

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Editor's Desk

Standards are thought of by many as a necessary evil — something you have to have, or at least say you have, if you claim to be a good Christian school. That is too bad.

Often people say, "Standards would be all right if they just didn't produce conflict." Those who make such statements labor under a misconception that undoubtedly makes them very unhappy and, in fact, miserable.

Standards are for the precise purpose of creating conflict and struggle within the individual. They are not instruments of legalism, but in fact are wonderful teaching tools and instruments for the development of character. There is no such thing as development of character apart from struggle and conflict. It is always during the periods of "trial by fire" that the Church of Jesus Christ shines, and through the scriptural standards imposed upon our youth, they can begin to develop the qualities that may be necessary to "withstand in the evil day." Let us not be weary in well doing; let us maintain high standards in every area including music, academics, hair, dress, and friendships, in order that our youth may have the opportunity to develop character through conflict.

Letters

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Sincerely,
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Things That Accompany Salvation

BY
REV. ROGER BIXLER
PART IV

HEART CHECK

I am sure there are other things that we could mention that could well give evidence or testimony to the salvation which is within our hearts by faith. The writer of Hebrews says there are "things that accompany salvation." Easy believism, I believe, presents a false salvation and a false assurance. In our personal work, we try to encourage our people not only to present the Gospel to those to whom they are witnessing, but also to tell them that if they are saved, their lives will give evidence of that faith in Christ. The old Puritan writers — Jonathan Edwards, Asahel Metherton, and some others of generations ago, would never tell a person who was a seeker of Christ that he was saved. I believe that today we are too quick and too desirous of giving a verse like John 5:24, among others, to assure them they are born again. Now don't misunderstand me. If we are truly saved, we have every reason and every right to claim the verses of assurance in the Word of God, but it is more than simply a mouthing of words. If we are saved, there are going to be things that accompany salvation in our lives.

Can we look down into our hearts as the Spirit of God searches us out and say, "Yes, praise God, there is an evidence of repentance"? Have we genuinely been sorry for our sin, confessed our sin, and by the grace of God, turned from our sin to serve the true and living God? Can we rec-

Dear Dr. Hobbs:

I greatly appreciate the timely articles in THE PROJECTOR. As a Christian school teacher, I find your articles encouraging and enlightening. I read "Stars of the Morning" to my class.

Please keep up the much-needed work. Enclosed is \$5.00 to help the ministry.

Sincerely,
V. M. A., Rockwood, PA

Dear Sir:

I appreciate your continuing to send THE PROJECTOR as I am still receiving it and would not want to miss any copy. I do enjoy reading all of it and then pass it on to others. Thank you.

Sincerely,
M. W., Orlando, FL

ognize, indeed, that by the grace of God, the Holy Spirit has been producing righteous works and acts in our lives? Have we renounced the world? Is there something about that world's system which simply causes us to turn our hearts and minds from it? The hymnwriter says, "Is this vile world a friend to grace to help me on to God?" It is not. It will take us away from the Lord. Can we look down into our hearts and know that all is well between our hearts and those of our brothers and sisters in Christ? Do we know Christ is dwelling within our lives because we have a love for His Word, for His will, and for His work? If those things are true in our lives, I believe then, by the grace of God, that we can claim John 5:24, Acts 16:31, and all the other great verses of assurance, but if those things are missing in our lives, we have real cause for concern. We should allow the Spirit of God to search out our hearts and souls and cause us to see whether or not that in which we are putting our confidence and trust is a false profession, a false security, or a false assurance. Dr. Bob Jones, Sr., used to say that it isn't until we get salvation from our heads to six inches below our collarbone on the left side that it really takes our counts. It is with the heart that man believeth unto righteousness, then with the mouth comes confession unto salvation. Let me ask you, my friend, are these things true in your life? Does the Spirit of God confirm these things to your heart? Can you praise Him that these things are true in your life? If not, then you would do well, with the Apostle Paul, to examine yourself and see whether you are in the faith. It is my prayer that you will cast aside false salvation, false assurance, and false security, and put your trust in the Lord Jesus Christ alone.

Dear Friends in Christ,

The first time I read THE PROJECTOR was when a friend handed me a copy of the November-December, 1982 issue. My attention was drawn to the article, "Falwell's New Fundamentalism," by Peter Foxx. I have since ordered and received your January-February edition....

I am thankful for Peter Foxx and other men who are bringing the issue of politics to light in regard to church separation. I shall continue to warn others as the Lord gives me opportunities in regard to the politics of the Moral Majority and other new right movements....

Your friend in Christ,
D. S., Connersville, IN

Stars of the Morning

By "Aunt Carolyn"

*Trouble
at
Old
Number
Ten*

PART III



The rescue squad began raking coal and dust with great care. There was little hope of survival in that hole the way the wall had caved in. If they were careful, perhaps they could pipe in air for the victim to breathe, if indeed he was still alive, but then how would they get him out? Digging or dynamite might only set off an avalanche of trouble and bring half the mountain down on Alex, sealing him in a tomb forever.

At last, using their smallest tools, the men dug painstakingly so as to disturb the area as little as possible. Through a small hole with a miner's light, they searched for signs of life below.

"Hello, down there! Can you hear me?" shouted the foreman.

No answer came.

"I say, boy, can you hear me?" another shouted.

"Alex, it's Pa! Can you hear me? Are you all right?" Still no answer came from the deep mountain dungeon.

"If he's alive, he's unconscious, Mr. Williams," the foreman said. "I don't know how we're going to get him out. We can't make the shaft bigger; the whole thing might cave in on him. There's no use to drop a rope. If he is unconscious, he can't tie it around himself. If we hook his belt, we'll never get him through that narrow shaft."

Pa stood with the men in silence. They were thinking, but no answer seemed to come.

Mother stood shivering in the cold, one arm around Abby and one around Patrick. She prayed silently but said nothing aloud to disturb the rescuers. Pa turned in her direction, his eye meeting hers in a desperate attempt to calm and encourage the mother, yet both knowing there was little or no hope for their boy. In all the world, wasn't there something someone could do? Patrick wished, oh, how he wished he could help. "Don't grow a wishbone..." Mother's oft-repeated precept drifted hauntingly through his mind. Suddenly, Patrick slid out from under Mother's arm and hobbled his

way past the rope and rescue crew right to the edge of the dangerous shaft.

"Let me get him, Pa, let me get him!" Patrick cried.

What in the world was the boy saying? Had he lost his senses?

"Let me go, Pa! I'm skinny. I'm thin enough to get down that shaft. I can help Alex up!"

A whisper of horror swept through the crowd at the very thought of the little fellow attempting such an effort. He was crippled. He was too little and weak. He was too young to understand the danger. He might suffocate. The shaft might give way, and he might be buried under the rubble, too. Oh, no, not little Patrick! He couldn't go! There must be some other way!

Seconds ticked by. Minutes seemed like hours as Pa pondered the decision.

"C'mon, Pa! Time's wastin'! Alex needs me!"

In no time, a harness was placed on Patrick and a rope secured. One last glance to Mother and then to Pa and Patrick was lifted over the opening, then slowly, ever so slowly, he was lowered down the tight, dark shaft. Many places were so narrow Patrick had to scrape the sides with his feet and arms to make the shaft big enough to get through. He had to remember to move carefully. He couldn't afford to disturb the walls or they might cave in and close around him. Patrick could barely see in the darkness, and his hands and legs were so cold he wondered if he could feel them at all, but he had to go on. Alex was below, and Patrick fought to get to him.

At last Patrick's feet touched the floor of the shaft. There was precious little room around the cave-in, but he had found Alex, and — yes — oh, thank God, his brother

was still alive. Patrick shouted to Pa and the men above but didn't know if they could hear him.

"Be careful, Patrick," an inner voice cautioned. "Don't blow it now. You have to get Alex in that harness and tie the rope right if you are ever going to get him out of here."

Patrick was careful, all right. "Oh, God," he prayed, "help me do it right."

"Alex, boy, keep breathing, don't quit now. The Lord's going to get us out of here. Easy, boy, easy!" Patrick soothed and talked to his brother as if he could hear every word. At last, with the ropes fixed, Patrick called up the shaft, "Okay — pull! Go slowly, but pull!"

They must have heard him at the top, because slowly, very slowly, Alex's body began to rise until it gradually reached the top. A cheer of relief went up from the crowd when the rescue squad lifted Alex gently out of the shaft and laid him on the ground. A medical squad swarmed over him with oxygen and other emergency equipment.

But the work wasn't done yet. Patrick was still down there! The crowd again grew silent that such a little lad was still in the cold, dark earth. The rescue would not be complete until that courageous lad was returned to safety. Once again the rope was lowered cautiously. It must not get hung on any obstacle in the shaft! Yes, yes, there it was! With hands half-frozen and legs now too cold to move, Patrick tied the rope to his own harness and gave the cry, "Ready!"

He felt the pull on the harness and slowly he began the climb back up the dark escape route. A scrape against the side here and there, the sound of crumbling rocks below,

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a trickle of water down the mine wall, and fears mounted in Patrick's heart. He had to stay steady. "Oh, please, Lord, don't let it cave in now. And please make Alex be all right."

The long lift seemed to take forever, but at last a brave and weary Patrick, black as smut, and covered with coal dust and mountain dirt, appeared at the top of the shaft. As the men lifted him up on solid ground, a deafening shout went up from the crowd.

"Hip-hip-hooray! Hip-hip-hooray! Hip-hip-hooray!" Shouts came from every corner of the crowd. "Patrick did it!" Patrick's a hero!

"Patrick lived up to his name today!" Mother hugged him and kissed him in spite of the coal dust and the observing crowd. Pa lifted him right off his feet and gave him a bear hug, and Abby danced around him deliriously. Patrick didn't know what to make of it all as he ran over to the ambulance and saw Alex on the stretcher. He was alive! Bruised, bandaged, and weak after his ordeal, but alive! Patrick gazed at Alex, too thankful to speak a word. Then the older boy thrust out his good arm and pulled Patrick to himself. "Sure do thank you, Buddy. You're an okay guy. Nobody better say anything about our Patrick any more! I'm mighty proud you're my brother!"

Patrick didn't have a chance to answer. They loaded Alex in the ambulance and drove away with him and Pa. Alex was going to be just fine, and Patrick was surely thankful for that.

As Patrick watched them drive away, he stood numb and dazed from the cold and pressure of the last few hours. His frail little body felt so hungry and weak that he wondered how he would ever make it back up the mountain and home, but before he had time to consider it, suddenly two big strong miners lifted Patrick right off his feet, hoisted him up on their shoulders, and carried him all the way home.

With Mother and Abby running alongside and the crowd clapping and shouting, Patrick was carried in triumph all the way up the mountain without any stop until he was deposited on his own front porch! One more big "Hooray" went up from the crowd, and Patrick was proclaimed the hero of the whole village.

Patrick didn't know much about that "hero" stuff, but he did know one thing. If God could use him to save his brother's life, God could use him in other ways in spite of his shriveled, lame leg, his dinky size, and other problems. He might

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**From
The
President**



Dear High School Girls
(Especially Seniors):

Funny that you should find a personal letter from "Aunt Carolyn" in The President's Column, but he said that I could write you a note if I would keep it short!

So here is what I wanted to tell you. These college men around here are a pretty fine crew! (Don't tell them I said that!) They are training for the Lord's service — mostly as pastors, ministers of music, missionaries, and Christian school teachers. By God's grace, they are getting sound teaching in the Word of God, strong grounding in the principles of Scriptural separation to stand for Truth, and practical training in service for the Lord, — and more are coming. If the Lord tarries, Santa Rosa Christian College will soon be sending some faithful laborers into His harvest.

Now, the truth of the matter is this, girls — many of these young men are going to need "helpmeets" in their ministries. A wife can be a wonderful asset or a dreadful liability to a man's ministry. That is why I am encouraging you, as a Christian girl who wants to do the Lord's will and be used in His service, to come to Santa Rosa Christian College. The Lord may call you to train for a teaching or music ministry, but a Christian wife must, of necessity, be versatile, able to function in many capacities, and carry many different responsibilities. You never know what opportunities will come your way as the helpmeet of one of God's servants. Service for the Lord in Christian school teaching, music, child-training, nursery work, church ministries, youth and children's work, Bible classes, etc., is open to the young lady who is prepared.

Our program at Santa Rosa Christian College is practical to help you be "a vessel unto honor...meet for the master's use" (II Tim. 2:21). Write for information. And if you have questions or need help, let me know. I will be looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely in Christ,
"Aunt Carolyn"
(Mrs. Dayton Hobbs)

PS.: The Orville and Anna McVay Scholarship Fund is often able to

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give financial assistance to students who could not otherwise come. You may want to ask about that, too.



HONORABLE MENTION

Nasim Zahran, a sophomore at Santa Rosa Christian Academy, won Honorable Mention at the State Science Fair on the campus of Broward Community College near Fort Lauderdale, Florida, April 13-15.

Nasim's project entitled "Deposition of Lead in *Oncopeltus Fasciatus* (Milkweed Bug)" was entered in the Senior Chemistry Division. He qualified to enter state level competition by winning First Place in Chemistry in the Regional Fair held in Pensacola in March and also by the judges' choice.

Five hundred seventy-four students entered in the state competition representing both public and private schools across the state. The opportunity to enter the State Science Fair was won through placing in previous competition on the local and regional levels.

Nasim was accompanied on the trip by Mr. Alan Knowles, Chairman of the Science Department of Santa Rosa Christian Academy. Nasim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Zahran of Santiago, Dominican Republic. This is his fifth year at the Academy.

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CHRISTIAN News



Testimony
BY
DARLENE RICHTER

Seventeen years ago on March 17, I accepted Christ as my personal Savior. I am so glad that even though I have not always been in the center of God's will for my life, God has never forsaken me.

My parents were not Christians; therefore, I did not have the privilege and opportunity that many young people now have of attending a private, Christian high school. I thought of college, and even took college preparatory classes throughout school, but never had any definite leading concerning a particular college.

Several years ago the Lord led me, through the Lord's calling to my husband, to Santa Rosa Christian College to further my education that I might better serve the Lord in future years should He tarry. Although I am not a full-time student at Santa Rosa, I count it more than a privilege to attend a school that has the advantages offered here. Santa Rosa Christian College has quality in staff and curriculum, high standards important to character building, opportunities to use God-

given talents, and strong, sound Bible teaching.

I am glad that even after marriage and children the Lord opened the doors for me to further my education at Santa Rosa Christian College.

Many young people do not consider college because of finances or because of a love for material gain, but life is too short to waste on ourselves. Now is the time to decide to attend a good, sound, Bible-believing Christian college.

Education may seem expensive in some ways, but that expense will never be as great as the price paid for ignorance. An old proverb says, "It is hard for an empty sack to stand upright." As Christians, we should desire not to be as an empty sack but to stand upright in the Lord Jesus Christ and to let the Lord open doors of training and service.

May-June Calendar

May

- 2-6 -Achievement Tests
- 6 -Spring Concert (Matinee and Evening)
- 8 -Mother's Day
- 9-11 -Senior Trip
- 11 -Film-"Lesson from China" in Chapel and Prayer Meeting
- 12 -Field Day, Pre-School and Elementary
- 12-13-College Final Exams
- 13 -College Semester Ends
- 14 -Academy Award Banquet
- 16 -Senior Supper
- 19 -Kindergarten Graduation, Century Christian
- 20 -Junior-Senior Banquet
- 22 -Academy Graduation
- 24 -Kindergarten Graduation, Santa Rosa Christian
- 27 -School Year Ends

June

- 17 -Tee Ball Managers' Meeting
- 18 -Sunday School Party
- 24-30-Tee Ball World Series

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not be able to do some things others could do for the Lord; he might not be able to go some places others could go, but if the mine shaft was any example, perhaps there was some place Patrick could serve the Lord where no one else could go; perhaps there was something Patrick could do for the Lord that no one else could do. Patrick was determined that whatever it was — preaching, teaching, being a missionary or a medical missionary — whatever God wanted him to do, by God's grace he would do it, or...or his name wasn't Patrick Henry Williams!

By God's grace you can be what God wants you to be. There is no problem too big for God to handle if you will turn your life over to Him. There is no job too hard for you to do if God is in it.

Perhaps, however, you are not saved. Perhaps you are like Alex, still desiring your own way, still disobedient and dissatisfied. If so, you need to realize that your sin and rebellion is against a holy God. You are lost in the darkness of sin and separated from God. Like Alex, you are in that condition by your own doing, and you are helpless to save yourself. The good news is that Jesus came "to seek and to save that which was lost" (Luke 19:10). Just as Alex had mocked and ridiculed the very one who came to his rescue, you have rejected and scorned Jesus' name, love, and sacrifice. But you need not continue in your own way. You can repent of your sin and trust the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior today. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved" (Acts 16:31).

Placement Service

PARSIPPANY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL: a ministry of Parsippany Baptist Church, Dr. David Nettleton, Pastor, is accepting applications for the 1983-84 school year (our 14th year). Projected needs include: Kindergarten, Jr.-Sr.-High English/Science/Math with language, business and coaching needs. Contact: Rev. Harold Wolcott, Principal, P.O. Box 165, Parsippany, NJ 07054. Phone: 201-539-7012.

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with the Judaizers in the book of Galatians, Paul climaxes his expose of these advocates of a works salvation by illustrating the selfish carnality of their ministry. The personal welfare of the Galatians was of no concern to the Judaizers. They were simply objects to be used for personal gain and gratification.

Paul was justly repulsed by the carnal abuse of the Galatian believers and spoke forcefully against it. The problem was compounded by the fact that the victims did not realize they were being violated. Let us follow Paul carefully as he identifies the tell-tale flaws in the ministry of the Judaizers which disqualified them as spiritual leaders worthy of a following. Are any of these same qualities visible in the ministries of preachers in our day?

THE BOASTING OF THE JUDAIZERS
vv. 12-13

1. The need to be approved by men

Paul uses the phrase "to make a fair shew in the flesh" to describe the driving force behind the actions of the false teachers. They were wanting to impress others with their spiritual accomplishments. The Judaizing preachers had mentors and peers in Jerusalem who were closely monitoring their work in Galatia. Recognition, reputation, and advancement all depended on their success with the Galatians.

Ministries designed to appear successful are doomed to failure. If a man's goal is to "make a good showing" it is inevitable that human means and methods will be employed to produce the desired results. More than anything else, the Judaizers wanted to "look good" and Galatia converts were necessary for this to be.

I recently read an article in a church paper announcing a Sunday School contest. Prizes were to be given and winners declared on the basis of the number of visitors that actually walked the aisle during the invitation and submitted to baptism. Mind you that coming to church was not enough, they had to become converts! God forbid! May it never be that our driving force to win others to Christ would be "to make a fair shew in the flesh."

2. The need for a symbol of conversion

What good are converts if you cannot count them. Paul noted, "they constrain you to be circumcised." Circumcision for the Galatians was the visible means to verify that the law-works salvation teaching of the Judaizers had been embraced. Submitting to circumcision made it possible for the Galatian Christians to be

numbered as converts to Judaistic Christianity. Little wonder they were being pressured to be circumcised!

Why do we want folks to be baptized? Why do we pressure men to submit to this ordinance as soon as they make a profession of faith? If our motives include a desire to number them as converts so we can make a fair shew in the flesh, we are no better than the false teachers in Galatia. This manner of thinking and doing was repulsive to Paul, and it was repulsive to Christ. It should be repulsive to us.

3. The need to avoid persecution

Paul charged the Judaizers with pushing circumcision so they could avoid the persecution of the cross of Christ. It must be understood that the Galatians were not being urged to turn away from Christianity but to make their Christianity acceptable to the religious community. Circumcision and law keeping were the means to this end. The Judaizers and the Galatians could still talk about being followers of Christ, give glowing testimonies of the new birth, and demonstrate concern for winning the lost — all without the stigma of the cross of Jesus Christ. Circumcision placed Christianity under the umbrella of the Jewish religion. Rome recognized Judaism as a legal religion of the State, and the hostility of the Jews was tempered by overt submission to the law.

Men still seek to remove the repulsiveness and stigma of Biblical Christianity. Religious acceptability and recognition are sought through embracing a new intellectualism, a tolerance for a wide spectrum of faith and practice, a political involvement, and a gaudy display of power through numbers. The reality of sin, the depravity of man, the bloody sacrifice of Christ on the cross, and the necessity of genuine repentance are down-played. We are to talk about love and fellowship with a sweet spirit of cooperation. We are to make Christianity palatable to an antagonistic world. God forbid. May it never be.

THE BOASTING OF PAUL
vv. 14-15

1. The need to glorify Jesus Christ

Paul chose to boast about the very thing the Judaizers had chosen to shun — the cross of Jesus Christ. The Gospel message of justification by faith though the finished work of Jesus Christ was based solely on the bloody cross. Salvation was the work of Christ. The Lord Jesus was to be exalted and magnified. Identification with Christ and His cross was sure to bring suffering and persecution. So be it. Paul's personal

relationship with Christ had resulted in the severance of his relationship with the world, including the religion of this world.

"God forbid," said Paul. "May it never be," "perish the thought" that he would ever stoop to using people as objects to boast in himself to receive the approval of men and avoid the persecution of the cross. Such thoughts and actions were ugly, worldly, disgusting, and repulsive. Do we feel the same way?

2. The need for a new creature

Circumcision for Paul was much ado about nothing. Circumcision could not save. Rejecting circumcision could not save. The issue was whether or not a man was "in Christ Jesus" and thus made a new creature. Had old things passed away and all things become new? Was new life issuing from within wrought by the Holy Spirit of God? Was there a new attitude toward God, a love for Christ, a severance from the world, a new relationship with the brethren, and a desire to be obedient to the Scripture?

CONCLUSION

Those with whom the Word of God has been deposited must hold this treasure in sacred trust. The ministry of the Gospel is too holy to use for selfish and fleshly purposes. The Scriptures must not be cheapened or violated. They must not be used to impress others, gain power, or secure a following.

Indeed, it was with disgust that Paul viewed the practice of using people for personal profit. Let us as well put aside the practice of numbering converts, pressing for baptisms, and boasting in accomplishments. May this type of spiritual perversion be as ugly and repulsive to us as it was to the Apostle Paul.

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he will be tempted to substitute that ability for the more important ingredients of Bible study, prayer, and faith. An utter dependence upon God, knowing that He is responsible for results is far more valuable to a preacher than personality or the "gift of gab," and likewise, the parent or teacher who approaches their responsibility of child training with "fear and trembling," realizing the necessity of God's help and blessing in the task, will likely have more successful results in the long run than the "natural disciplinarian."

"I AM A WOMAN!"

This is a misconception that I have heard espoused on many occasions, and indeed it is a misconception. In my thirty-plus years of involvement with the control of children, I have seen as many women who were good disciplinarians as men, and probably more. One lady who has labored with us in the teaching ministry for twenty-two years is as good or better than any man I ever saw. She is not five feet tall and probably does not weigh 90 lbs. soaking wet, yet she would not have one minute's problem controlling a hundred junior high boys (that is about as rough a picture as I can paint). It is not the sex of the person, but the consistent use of proper methods and procedures with inner confidence.

"I DO NOT HAVE THE VOICE FOR IT"

Many believe that a strong voice, especially a strong masculine voice is the greatest asset to being successful in the discipline of children. It can be helpful if used properly, but it also easily lends itself to misuse. You may have the idea that you are doing a good job with discipline, but in fact you may be only bluffing your way, using your voice as a crutch. A soft, quiet voice which is rarely raised — and then only for emphasis — can be just as effective as a strong, masculine one. An example of this is a lady who also has labored together with us in teaching children for twenty-two years whose voice is as quiet and soft as a snowflake. She always speaks softly, even when teaching junior high students, yet she has perfect control with any age group,

and her rapport with her students is such that they would be broken-hearted if any one of them thought she was displeased with him. Control lies within the individual himself, not in an external thing such as a voice.

"BUT YOU JUST DO NOT UNDERSTAND JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS"

I cut my teeth in the classroom in junior high and, in fact, spent most of my classroom years in that department. They are a special breed, and probably the most difficult to understand and work with in the opinion of most; however, the principles of discipline are basically the same regardless of the age group. Establishing rapport and gaining respect may be a bit more difficult with this age group, but they are simply young folks who are going through a difficult period of growth and development in their young lives and need a firm and consistent yet loving and understanding hand to steer them.

The principles of good discipline work regardless of the age group, so long as the children are normal. Occasionally you come across a child that has physical or emotional problems outside of what is considered normal. This child might obviously require special help and may not indeed be capable of performing in a class situation. For the sake of this individual child's training and for the benefit of the entire class, it would be better if at all possible to work with that child separately.

Misconceptions about discipline can hinder your performance as a parent or teacher. Do not let this happen to you.

**Book Review****WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT... CHILD TRAINING**

J. Richard Fugate, the author, is founder and director of the Foundation for Biblical Research, a corporation organized to conduct research in the original languages of Scripture. His experience is varied and includes two years of Christian school administration. His research into the words of Scripture having to do with the training of children adds much depth and dimension to the subject. Tapes of Mr. Fugate's lectures on child training are available as well as films.

This is a "how to" book with such chapters as: "How to Be Successful Parents..."; "How to Set Standards"; "How to Understand and Control A Child's Negative Behavior"; and "How to Punish A Child Justly and in Love."

Tee Ball World Series**YOU ARE INVITED!**

PROJECTOR friends who may be vacationing on the beautiful Miracle Strip beaches or in the Northwest Florida area in June are urged to put at least one afternoon of World Series Tee Ball on their vacation agenda. The 13th Annual Tee Ball World Series will be played June 24-30, 1983, at Gospel Projects Baseball Complex. Twenty teams are expected to participate in this year's series. The keen competition of the All-Star teams chosen from the leagues and the high quality of baseball played by these five- through seven-year-olds make the action of this tournament exciting and sometimes almost unbelievable for the age participating.

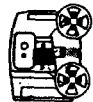
Tee Ball, a game for boys and girls ages five through seven where the ball is hit off a batting tee instead of being pitched, was invented by Dr. Dayton Hobbs in the early 1960's. Since that time it has been developed and patented by Gospel Projects, which now franchises teams and sends the Tee Ball Rule Books throughout the United States and into many foreign countries.

Originally developed as a soul-winning effort as well as a recreational provision for youngsters in the community, the local Tee Ball League is still used as a major tool of reaching boys and girls in the area for the Lord Jesus Christ. PROJECTOR readers may want to come see the World Series action and learn first-hand how Tee Ball could be used in their church and community for soulwinning and character training. Information on the program may also be requested by mail.

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I highly recommend this book for use by parents of young children and for the instruction of young folks in Christian colleges (we use it as a supplement in the Child Psychology course). The book is published by Aletheia Publishers, Inc., P.O. Box 1437, Tempe, AZ 85281 and sells for \$5.95.

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Yet there are Christian colleges today setting this principle aside with impunity because they believe they cannot survive in the educational marketplace without it. That sort of pragmatism in the household of faith is one of the major curses of our age, but it is common. If a work of God cannot survive by practicing the precepts of Scripture, then it ought to close. It is better to close in defense of Truth than to remain open in compromise of Scripture.

A clear illustration of the pathetic result that follows when God's people seek protection and acceptance from the world and its systems is found in I Samuel 27. Saul and his soldiers were breathing down David's neck, hot on his heels in pursuit of his life. Without praying and seeking the mind of God, David took matters into his own hands. He panicked. "And David said in his heart, I shall now perish one day by the hand of Saul: there is nothing better for me than that I should speedily escape into the land of the Philistines..." (I Samuel 27:1).

This carnal reasoning got David in trouble. The natural mind reasoned that the enemies of God should be able to give him succor and defense. He fled to Gath, to the very people whose champion, Goliath, he had so bravely defeated in his younger days. There was no question then that the people of Gath were to be opposed and not joined. Goliath had blasphemed the God of heaven Whom David loved.

The educational humanists blaspheme God, rob Him of His creative glory, and seek to build a kingdom of man where God is not welcome. They are our enemies, not our friends. We are as wrong calling upon them to accredit us — and that means put their stamp of approval upon us — as David was in running to the open arms of the Philistines.

In verse 12 we find that David's action left the Philistines with the inevitable conclusion that "therefore (David) shall be my servant for ever." There is nothing honoring to Christ when Christian colleges join the world's educational accrediting unions and thereby accept their endorsement upon the quality and appropriateness of the education being offered by the Christian college. These modern Philistines know nothing of what is appropriate and acceptable in the eyes of God. The demands they make upon the Christian colleges bind them spiritually so that they cannot make decisions about faculty hiring and firing, student rules and conduct, admission policies, etc.

The net effect of it all makes the Christian college serve today's Philistines and their gods, just as David so unwisely became the servant of Philistia. Thank the Lord he left, but I have yet to see a Christian college voluntarily leave the bondage of accreditation.

But what about those accrediting agencies which exist or desire to exist within the household of faith? Should there be a Christian organization to accredit Christian colleges? That certainly is not violating the scriptural injunction against unequal yoking with unbelievers. Is there anything wrong with a religious body endorsing religious institutions? There is a certain school of thought within Christendom that says "no." They maintain that the state will insist on some policing of educational standards and policies within the Christian schools, and if we cannot in good conscience let the world do it, then we must do it ourselves in the hope that the world will accept that as sufficient policing to satisfy their demands for conformity.

A cursory knowledge of church history will reveal that, however sincerely motivated this idea may be, it just will not work. It never has. However benignly they originate, such efforts result in religious totalitarianism and a religious hierarchy of control which is intolerable to any school owing allegiance to the Lord Jesus Christ. If these religious accrediting bodies go far enough to please the state, they will go too far to be acceptable to the schools that value their independence under God. If they make few enough demands to be acceptable to these independent Christian colleges, the organization will be unacceptable to the state or to the educational bureaucracy.

Accreditation comes from the root word *credo*, which means "I believe." There is a religious connotation there that carries with it the approval to exist. No Christian college will submit to a religious organization giving it approval to exist. God gives us the approval to exist. He grants it and He alone can withdraw it. It would be a terrible mistake for any Christian college to submit to "the approval to exist" granted by its peers. No religious body has jurisdiction to certify any college's right to exist, just as no state body has that right. An ecclesiastical imprimatur upon a Christian college's educational process is just as offensive and unthinkable as acceptance of a secular educational imprimatur.

In Acts chapter five we find the apostles on fire for God. Through their preaching many believers were

added to the church, multitudes began following them, and the religious hierarchy of the day laid their hands on them and put them in prison in order to control their activities, which were considered religiously offensive. They commanded them not to teach in the name of Christ and took offense at their doctrine (verse 28).

But Peter, their spokesman, correctly refused to allow any religious group to control their activities and said, "We ought to obey God rather than men" (verse 29). Presidents of Christian colleges should take that same firm stance with regard to any accrediting effort made by a religiously motivated group.

Those preachers who so properly oppose and expose the hierarchical system of Catholicism or denominational Protestantism wherein a pope — be he Catholic or Protestant — determines the conditions and policies under which their churches and schools function should readily understand why accreditation of any kind, secular or religious, is unfitting and impossible for a school that owes its allegiance to the Lord alone.

For the spiritual good of our Christian young people, Christian colleges must remain autonomous and free of control by an educational hierarchy, ecclesiastical or secular.

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