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Knowledge

By Dr. Dayton Hobbs

The Bible has a great deal to say about knowledge, and it is important that we as Christian people understand the truth which I trust the Holy Spirit will bring to our hearts. Read with me in Hosea, the 4th chapter beginning with the first verse:

Hear the word of the Lord, ye children of Israel: for the Lord hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land.

That's some charge, isn't it?

There is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land. By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and blood toucheth blood.

It sounds like we are reading this morning's newspaper, doesn't it?

Therefore shall the land mourn, and every one that dwelleth therein shall languish, with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven; yea, the fishes of the sea also shall be taken away. Yet, let no man strive, nor reprove another: for thy people are as they that strive with the priest. Therefore shall thou fall in the day, and the prophet also shall fall with thee in the night, and I will destroy thy mother. My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

Notice what verse 6 says,

"For my people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." And the next verse says: "Because thou hast rejected knowledge." Then without any explanation a couple of phrases down it says, "Because thou has forgotten the law of thy God." Now that tells me that there is a direct connection between the Law of God and knowledge. In the light of this fact, what is our condition in America today? We are supposed to be the most enlightened people in the world. We are supposed to be superior technically to other people of any time. We are supposed to be smarter and to have more knowledge; yet, in America we have rejected the Law of God. We are very much like the people in this Scripture — swearing, killing, lying, stealing, and committing adultery. The land mourns because of this, and Hosea says that the people are destroyed because of lack of knowledge. I think as we go further into this, we will see that indeed what we have in America is not knowledge. We have been deceived. We are not a smarter, more intelligent people. In fact, we are a much more degenerate people as a nation, and what we are calling knowledge today, is not in fact, knowledge, but a pseudo-knowledge. It is evident by our public school's testing scores today that knowledge is certainly on the decrease in America.

Isaiah 33:6: And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times....

Now notice the two words "wisdom and knowledge." Every time these two words appear together in the Scripture, "wisdom" always precedes "knowledge." This is because wisdom in the Scripture is another word for the Lord Jesus Christ, and knowledge is another word meaning the law of God. So wisdom and knowledge are



the stability of our time, and wisdom comes first always when the two are put together, for Christ always comes first. There is no knowledge without Him.

Proverbs 19:27: "Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err from the words of knowledge."

I think this is probably one of the strongest verses of Scripture to tell Christian people they ought to put their children in Christian schools.

"Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err from the words of knowledge."

That is exactly the result of much of the instruction in public education today. It causes children to err from the words of knowledge even while they are supposed to be getting knowledge.

Notice another familiar verse in Luke chapter 11, verse 52. Jesus rebukes the lawyers saying:

Woe unto you, lawyers! for ye have taken away the key of knowledge; ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered.

The lawyers in that day had taken away the key of knowledge. (And I think they probably have had a part in the same process in our day along with the educators, the liberal pastor, the establishment, etc.) Now Jesus said there is a key to knowledge. Of course, the key to knowledge is the Lord Jesus Christ Himself. He said, "Ye entered not in yourselves and them that were entering in you hindered. You wouldn't go in yourselves,

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SEPARATION from BRETHREN

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Several years ago I spoke to a group of independent churches in a neighboring state on the subject, "The Church Today — Its Affiliations." I had two main points, explaining the policy of our own church. (1) We will not associate the name of our church with any church, mission, youth movement, or evangelistic movement which does not believe and obey the Word of God. (2) We will not associate the name of our church with any church, mission, youth movement, or evangelistic movement which maintains connections with men or movements which do not believe and obey the Word of God. The first point drew head nodding and amens. The second point made an abrupt change in the climate of the meeting.

After the message I was cornered by the President of a well-known Bible school and a retinue of his followers. He informed me that he wanted to protest my message; that it was unscriptural; that it is never right to separate from other believers, for, after all, we will all be together in Heaven. His final volley was, "We believe in separation, but we do not believe in second degree separation."

His viewpoint is popular today. In analyzing this position, I would like to set forth three points. First of all: I. CONSIDER THE PROBLEM OF DISOBEDIENT BRETHREN. In a previous article I have pointed out the teaching of II John 7-11. Refresh your memory by reading again verses 9 and 10:

"Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed."

The teaching here is quite clear. It mandates a clean break with those who do not abide in the Biblical doctrine of Christ. However, many of our present-day evangelistic movements, missions, and youth organizations feel that they can successfully bridge this forbidden chasm. Let me give three illustrations.

The Roman Catholic magazine, Our

Sunday Visitor, for July 5, 1965, shows a picture of a priest standing beside a plane in Bolivia. The caption reads in part:

"At one time it took Father William M. Allen, Maryknoll Missioner . . . forty hours to reach persons greeting him in this Bolivian jungle outpost . . . Now, thanks to an airplane which he rents from the Wycliffe Bible Translators, a Protestant group, he can fly over the jungle and reach his parishoners in only forty minutes." — Blueprint, January 4, 1966.

Bible believers know what to do about a Roman Catholic priest teaching his message of salvation by works of the church. They would not knowingly provide an airplane for him. But, what should Bible believers do about the "brethren" of Wycliffe Translators who disobey the Lord by providing aid for the enemy?

In my file on Campus Crusade I have a brochure about a Campus Crusade TV special. The advertisement shows a picture of scruffy-looking Paul Stookey, a featured performer on the coming telecast. Stookey came to fame as a member of Peter, Paul, and Mary — left-wing singers of protest songs. I have not heard any evidence of his conversion and he appears to be in the same business. Bible believers know what to do about such a person. But, what should Bible believers do about the "brethren" of Campus Crusade who disobey the Lord by making such alliances?

Christianity Today, for August 18, 1967, has the following revelation about the English Churchman, Canon Hugh Montifiore:

"Jesus might have been a homosexual, suggests the vicar of Cambridge University's main church. Canon Hugh Montifiore told a Modern Churchmen's Conference at Oxford that Jesus need not have been hindered from marriage by lack of money or possible mates. 'Women were his friends, but it is men he is said to have loved', the vicar added."

That is as filthy an implication as a

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EDITOR'S DESK

This is the time of the year when your editor is away from the office for the purpose of attending a few of the many Christian Educators Conventions being held in the United States.

Dr. Hobbs itinerary includes the Christian Schools of Ohio Convention in Cleveland, Ohio; the Eastern Association of Christian Schools in Upper Marlboro, Maryland; The Baptist Congress on Fundamentalism in Virginia Beach, Virginia; and the North Carolina Christian Educators Association in Walkertown, North Carolina. Dr. and Mrs. Hobbs will conduct workshops at each Christian School Convention.

While filling in for Dr. Hobbs in this column this month, I would like to recommend the book which is being offered by the Conservative Book Club on page eight of this issue. Dr. Oden is a dedicated fundamentalist whom I have known for over fourteen years. I greatly respect this man of God. His book is well written and deserves the attention of all who are willing to think for themselves regarding this vitally important subject.

We receive many letters each month and, of course, we cannot publish all of them. The letter which follows this column was a real encouragement to us. If you feel this way about *The Projector*, we would like to hear from you.

Dear Dr. Hobbs:

Enclosed is a check to apply toward expenses for *The Projector*. I am sure there are many, many people who receive the projector who do not take the time to write when they receive the paper, but who feel the same way we do — and that is: this paper is one of the few, if indeed not the only one, which takes an uncompromising stand on issues that others will not dare even mention. Satan's forces are setting up their encampments boldly and visibly now, and this is no time to cut corners but it is a time for all those who love the Lord and His Righteousness to sock their heels in the ground and get ready for the ensuing battle. The latest attack upon the Episcopal Church and the Common Book of Prayer should let us know that our King James versions are the next target. If we remove everything in the Bible that is offensive to the Jews, Catholics, Edomites, Babylonians, or any other group, we won't have much Bible left.

You can be sure that we pray regularly for the school and those brave Christians and warriors who put together *The Projector*. If we truly trust Him, it is in times like these that the Lord makes bare His Mighty Arm. He helps those who CAN'T help themselves!

Please be encouraged and keep up the good work.

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Knowledge

you wouldn't learn the truth, and you hindered those who wanted to learn the truth." He said, "Ye have taken away the key of knowledge."

Now, I want to show you how things deteriorate. We have talked about how the dictionaries of today have deteriorated as far as the word meanings are concerned. You know dictionaries are rewritten every few years, and when they are rewritten they take on the philosophy of the writer. So most dictionaries written in modern times are practically useless to really get an understanding of what certain words mean. (That is their true meaning, according to what the Scripture teaches). Let us compare the word knowledge in the Webster's 1828 Dictionary and the Funk and Wagnall Dictionary to study this word "knowledge" and to illustrate the point of deterioration of today's dictionaries. In the Webster's 1828 Dictionary, the word "knowledge" means:

"A clear and certain perception of that which exists or of truth or fact. We have no knowledge of that which does not exist. God has a perfect knowledge of all His works. Human knowledge is very limited, and is mostly gained by observation and experience."

The word "know" in that dictionary means to perceive with certainty, to understand clearly; to have a clear and certain perception of truth, fact, or anything that actually exists. To "know" a thing precludes all doubt or uncertainty of its existence. Notice how the word "knowledge" is tied with truth and fact and certainty. Now notice in Funk and Wagnall's Standard College Dictionary the word knowledge. Notice that the first definition says, "Information" — information! We live in the world of information — not knowledge. Everybody is concerned about gathering data and storing it for easy recall and quick use. The fellow who can store it the most and recall it the quickest can make the most money, and money and making money is the order of the day! So today information is what is important, not truth, not understanding, but information. So the very first definition in the modern dictionary is "information." This is the definition given for knowledge: "Information or understanding acquired through experience."

Granted, we do learn through experience. I hope we do, because if we don't learn through experience we are going to keep repeating the same mistakes. If you stick your finger to a hot stove, you'll learn that when an object is red with heat it will burn you. You gather that knowledge and store it from experience. We do store some knowledge from

experience, but notice that this is the only thought the modern dictionary gives in that particular definition — "Information or understanding acquired through experience."

Now here's the second definition: "The cumulative culture of the human race." Here's another: "The raw data taken into the mind is information. Learning is the knowledge gained by study and experience of that data and information." Notice the difference and the decay of the meaning of the word "knowledge."

Be careful when modern educators talk about knowledge or secular education that is not Biblical or Christian. They do not mean the same thing we mean though they may use the same words. This is one of the problems we have today in communication. The liberals and modernists many times use the same language that we fundamentalists, Bible believers use. They talk of being born-again and use this kind of terms, but they have different meanings. If you were to ask for their definition it would not be the definition you give it. We have to recognize this fact. That's the reason I use the 1828 Dictionary, especially in the area of philosophy or other areas that might be easily affected. It gives a much clearer understanding of words.

"Knowledge then is knowing and understanding the truth about God and His creation, which He has seen fit to reveal to us through history, observation, experience, conscience, and most important, the Scripture." Let me read that definition to you again — "Knowledge, then, is knowing and understanding the truth about God and His creation which He has seen fit to reveal to us through history, observation, experience, conscience, and most important, Scripture." All knowledge then comes from God. For there is no knowledge, truth, or wisdom outside of God's knowledge, truth, and wisdom. All truth is God's truth. That's one thing about Christians — we don't ever have to worry about truth. Some people are afraid that the archaeologists might discover something in their diggings and findings that would discredit the Bible. How ridiculous! This Book is truth! God has given it to us, and we don't have to worry about anything ever being discovered that will make the truth that God has given to us untruth. For all truth is God's truth.

Now let us read some other verses. Proverbs 1:7. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge. Now think of that verse. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge — the beginning not the end of

knowledge. If we're going to gain knowledge, we must begin with the fear of the Lord. If you begin anywhere else, you will not gain knowledge. You may gain information, but not knowledge. You must begin with the fear of the Lord.

Psalms 94 verse 10: "He that teacheth man knowledge, shall not he know?" That tells me that God is the One who teaches man knowledge, not professors at Harvard, not professors in seminaries, not even the teachers. We don't make knowledge. We simply pass on knowledge that God has given or revealed. So it is God that teaches man knowledge.

Psalm 19:1-4: "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth His handywork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard. Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath He set a tabernacle for the sun."

We don't have time to go into this completely, but it's interesting to consider the

tree of the knowledge of good and evil. In the garden, God planted all the trees, created Adam, then took Eve from his side and created her, and told them to dress and keep the garden. In the midst of the Garden, He created the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. God said, "You may eat freely of all the trees of the garden except the tree of the knowledge of good and evil." He said, "In the day that you eat thereof, you shall surely die." Now man was created perfect, sinless, holy. He was not just negatively sinless, he was positively holy as God created him in the garden. But there was knowledge that God was not yet willing and ready to give to him, and God said to man, "You're not to partake of that tree." It was this point on which Satan made his attack. He said to the woman in verse one of chapter three:

"Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent, we may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it,

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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.



Peter Delivered From Prison

No wonder the devil was mad! Saul had been saved miraculously on the road to Damascus. Peter had given the Gospel to the Gentiles — something that he never would have done before. And, the Gospel was being preached by the Apostles and the new Christians and was being spread across the country! The wicked, unbelieving Jews were furious, and Herod was aiding them in their effort to destroy Christians. He had just caused James to be killed with a sword. Now, it appeared that Peter's life

would be next, for when Herod saw that it pleased the wicked, unbelieving Jews to kill James, he determined to have Peter killed, too, to get the people on his side. He was a real politician, but he played dirty politics. So it was that Peter landed in prison. It wasn't any ordinary prison, either. Herod didn't intend to take any chances that Peter might get away. He planned after Easter to make a big event out of Peter's execution, to win the people to his side. Poor Peter was waiting in prison, expecting any day to

be his last, because he would be killed at the hands of the wicked King Herod. The tightest prison security had been set. Peter was inside the first big, thick walls and then inside the second walls of the inner prison. And that's not all — they put his feet in chains and chained him to the wall! Then, they put two soldiers beside him and had more guards at the door on around-the-clock duty. Four quaternions of soldiers changed the guard at regular periods. You mean they did all that just to keep one man? Oh yes,

because they dared not let this Christian leader get away. But don't underestimate God Almighty, boys and girls, because that man down in that prison was God's servant and that made a difference. In fact, the Christians were very earnestly praying for Peter that God would deliver him and give him strength. Oh, how they prayed because they knew of the evil plan that Herod had for Peter.

Oh, poor Peter! Soon he was to be killed, and what few days of his life that were left had to be spent in that terrible, dark, dirty, cold prison with heavy chains. He did not even have any freedom to move around in the jail cell because he was chained to the wall. What a terrible plight! But do you think Peter was complaining? Why, not on your life! Listen, he knew he was there for his testimony's sake, not for any wrong that he had done. And if he got half a chance, you can be sure he witnessed to those soldiers and won them to the Lord Jesus Christ. And if he died, he knew that he would go that much sooner into the presence of the Lord.

Now, let's look at him this night. Slip in quietly Shhh We don't want to disturb anyone. I declare! There is Peter in the middle of the cell fast asleep! Do you mean that Peter has peace and calmness and can even sleep in a situation like this? Oh yes, you see Peter was God's man, and he knew he was there because he had been faithful to the Lord. He left the outcome in God's hands. He knew God would have His will done and he was at God's disposal, so there was no use to fret or worry. Peter just rested in the Lord. At night, he leaned back against those old, cold, prison walls. It surely wasn't comfortable, but he rested in the Lord and fell fast asleep. Peter was chained to the wall with guards on each side and guards at the door. There

was no chance of escape. Then in the middle of the night — WHAM! Something hit Peter on his side! What in the world was that? He thought somebody (maybe one of the soldiers) had kicked him hard! But no, the soldiers were fast asleep, too! Why I declare! There stood an angel of the Lord! He said, "Peter, get up from there." How could Peter get up, angel? He was chained to the wall! Oh, but God's angel let the chains fall, and Peter got up. Well, he was half dazed, and he thought he might be dreaming.

They were in a terrible hurry, but the angel had to tell Peter every move to make. "Peter, put on your shoes." and Peter did. "Peter, put your coat on. Hurry up, come on."

Little by little, Peter got himself together and followed the angel. They reached the inner wall, and the door opened and they walked right past the guards! Peter looked in amazement, but he kept on walking. Then they got to the next wall, and the doors opened. But then, they came to the big outside courtyard wall — the big, thick wall with the big heavy iron gates! Oh, they would be stopped now for sure! But the angel just kept walking, and Peter knew to follow. When they got to that big iron gate, it swung open like a glass door with an electric eye, and they walked right on through! Peter and the angel walked on down the

street and when they were several blocks away, the angel left him. Peter had to shake himself to realize that he really was out of prison. Say, he had better hurry away from there. The police would soon be looking for him when the jailer missed him. Peter hurried down to his friend's house where the Christians were gathered earnestly praying for him, and he knocked on the door. Rhoda came to the door. "Oh, it is Peter!" she exclaimed. She was so excited! She turned around and ran to tell everyone, and didn't even let Peter in! At first, people couldn't believe it was Peter. They left him standing out in the dark until they finally came to their senses and let him in. Oh, what joy and rejoicing there was! Peter encouraged the people. You might think the people should have been encouraging him, but he encouraged the Christians and then went on his way. Once more, God had been faithful to deliver his faithful servant from death.

Today if you are in God's hands and you are His child, nothing can harm you. Nothing can offend you. The Lord Jesus will take care of you until it is your time to go home to heaven to be with Him. Be sure you are His child by faith in Christ Jesus and live for Him every day. You, too, can know the peace and security of being in God's care as you stand true to Him each day.

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neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die."

Now God didn't say she could not touch it. She added to the Word of God there, and in the second verse she subtracted from the Word of God. He said, "Ye may freely eat." That's when we get in trouble, you see, when we start adding and subtracting from the Word of God instead of taking God's Word as He said it. But notice now, the serpent said, "Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know...." God knows something that you don't know, and so it was a play upon knowledge — knowledge that God was not ready to reveal that played upon the pride. Satan said that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. He said that the only thing you lack to be a god yourself is the knowledge that this tree will give you, so the woman partook, and of course, sinned, and so death came upon the world because of sin. But the Scripture says that knowledge puffeth up. Knowledge that is not Christ-centered and does not honor the Lord Jesus Christ as it should will only puff up an individual. It was the quest for knowledge apart from God that caused the fall in the garden of Eden.

When we consider what God has revealed that we can know, we are thinking about two areas. There are two doctrines here about God's revelation to man. First, there is what God has revealed to us in nature, in history, and through con-

science which we call God's natural revelation. Now beyond that, there is what we call God's supernatural revelation, which is the Scripture, this Book, God's Word, the Bible. This is God's supernatural revelation through which we learn about prophecy, the miracles, and the Lord Jesus Christ. God has revealed Himself through this Book. We wouldn't know of His ways except through the Scripture, and we call this the supernatural revelation of God.

The knowledge that unsaved man can muster and gather comes from nature and conscience and history and things that he sees, and experiences, and knows. Follow me now. Unsaved men who recognize and fear God can gain knowledge from God's natural revelation. That's the reason that unsaved man can teach math, science, history, and other such subjects. Now here is a very important point. In the early days in this country before the 1830's, the real attack began upon the Scriptures and upon education. There was effort, as Horace Mann said himself, to take God out of the minds of children. He said before we could have a Utopia, a perfect society, we would have to take God out of the minds of the students, and the only way that could be done he said, was to get the Scripture away from children. To get the Bible out of the schools was the goal, and desire of Horace Mann in the state of Massachusetts. This effort was further advanced by Dewey who himself said "Many call me the father of

progressive education, but I am not the father of progressive education — Horace Mann is!" So we have seen a consistent effort in this nation to take God out of education. It has not been accidental. It has been a Satanic plan to destroy this nation and to destroy the Christian testimony.

Now this is a very important point. Remember Proverbs 7:1 says, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge." Without the fear of the Lord you cannot even learn the truth from natural science. Without the fear of the Lord, men pervert natural science, and that's the reason we have the ideas and philosophies of evolution which flow into every other subject. That's the reason we have all the culture problems and all the other kind of problems, because man has taken the fear of the Lord out of our country. As the Scripture says concerning Israel, "There is no fear of God before their eyes." Now as long as people feared God, even though they could not have a full Christian education, they could at least gain some knowledge of God's natural world and universe that He created. But as soon as the fear of God was taken out of the hearts and minds of our people, then even these subjects and instruction in these areas deteriorated. That's the reason our children are graduating from high school not able to read and write. Satan's plan has been to pervert knowledge, to take God out of it and substitute a pseudo-knowledge.

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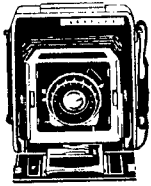
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YOUTH LOSES BEER BOUT

Dr. Bob Jones Sr. used to tell his students, "You can not do wrong and get away with it." This philosophy, of course, was based upon the Biblical injunction, "Be sure your sin will find you out." Sin always brings death. It is simply a matter of time. For a 15 year old girl in upstate New York, death came much sooner than expected.

One Friday evening in September, Christine Van Gelder was enjoying a football game with her friends. After the game, the teenage group went joy riding on the country roads and consumed several cans of beer during the escapade. Miss Van Gelder became violently ill from her drinking and her "friends" rushed her to the hospital. Shortly after midnight she was dead. The autopsy report stated that death was caused by regurgitation which caused her to suffocate. In other words, she

drowned in her own vomit!! The devil sure pays lousy wages, doesn't he? Little wonder the Scriptures say, "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging. And whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

PORNOGRAPHIC MOVIE OF CHRIST
Man is a resourceful creature, every time you think he has reached rock bottom, he manages to outdo himself. Can you imagine, a film on the sex life of Jesus Christ!!

The degenerate who has come up with the idea is a Danish director by the name of Jens Jorgen Thorsen. Thorsen wants to produce his movie in England. Concerning this desire he says, "Pornography is a fine old tradition in England and I, for one, see nothing wrong with it." In keeping with England's "fine old tradition," Thorsen plans to show scenes of Christ embracing John the Baptist, Mary Magdalene and a young Palestinian girl.

MINISTER'S UNION

England's religious woes include more than this film debauchery. It seems that some pea-brain across the sea is trying to organize a union for Anglican ministers. Rev. Christopher Ford says that the purpose of the union is, "the speedy and efficient settlement of the problems surrounding the future remuneration and deployment of the clergy." The authorized translation of that statement is, "We aren't getting enough money and we won't minister until we do."

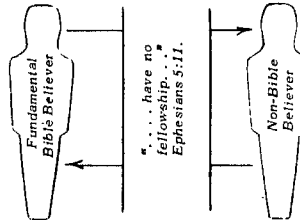
Can you imagine the Apostle Paul refusing to preach the Gospel because of poor working conditions and low pay? Just whom would a preacher strike against? I don't know about the Anglican bunch but I always felt that I was preaching for the Lord. Little wonder England is in such a political, social and moral mess.

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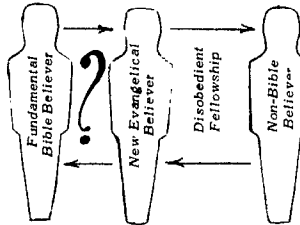
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man could possibly cast at Christ. Yet, would you believe that Canon Hugh Montifiore was advisor for the Cambridge Billy Graham Television Crusade in England? Bible believers know what to do about such perverted liberals. But, what should Bible believers do about "brethren" like Billy Graham who put themselves under the yoke with his ilk?

The illustration below pictures the policy of Scripture.



A second illustration is needed to picture the problem which fundamental Bible believers face today:



There is a new group openly positioned between the fundamental, Bible believer and the non-Bible believer. This group has coined the name "New Evangelical" to distinguish it from the historic position designated by "Fundamental". As the diagram shows, the new evangelicals are engaged in a disobedient fellowship with the non-Bible believers. This creates a new problem for the fundamental Bible believer. What should be his relationship to the new evangelical believer? This man in the middle is disobedient; but he is still a believer. This is the problem of disobedient brethren.

separate from him as far as any fellowship or cooperation in spiritual endeavor is concerned. In the case of Matthew 18 it is obviously right to separate from a brother. Might it not be that the trespass in question could be his unscriptural union with unbelievers?

When he wrote to the Corinthians the first time, Paul dealt with a case of immorality in the church and explained how the guilty man ought to be treated:

"But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat" (I Corinthians 5:11).

Notice in this case that believers are specifically told "not to keep company" with a "man that is called a brother". It is right to separate from a brother under these conditions. In fact, it is not only right, but also commanded.

In the opening verses of 1 Timothy 6, Paul is teaching Timothy about the proper relationship between servants and masters in the church. This is not a moral matter, but a matter of proper conduct in the church.

"If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness . . . from such withdraw thyself" (I Timothy 6:3, 5).

I have not quoted all of the passage — only the condition dealt with in verse 3 and the action commanded in verse 5. The passage is dealing with the relationship between brethren and the step commanded is to "withdraw thyself." That is separation from a brother who insists on unscriptural conduct.

Again in II Thessalonians 3 the subject is what to do about brethren who will not obey the Biblical injunction to work and support themselves. Again, this is not a moral matter, but a matter of proper conduct in the church. The Lord gives a definite command about the step to be taken:

"Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us" (II Thessalonians 3:6).

The command is, "withdraw yourselves." That is separation from a brother who will not obey the Scriptures.

One more Scripture will suffice. Listen to Romans 16:17:

"Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned: and avoid them."

There is separation again — "avoid them." In our generation nothing has been so divisive in the church as the unscriptural policy of joining hands with unbelievers. New Evangelical believers who join hands with unbelievers like to accuse the fundamental believers who separate from them of being divisive. However, notice that, according to Scripture, the man who bears the onus ought to be the one who causes the offence by disobeying the Bible. By refusing to separate from unbelief, the compromising believers have forced upon

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Our text says there is no knowledge of God in the land. Consider the book of Job. Job had three friends who came to him and tried to argue and convince Job that he was not righteous. Job said, "I am righteous; I trust God." They said, "No, you are not righteous, or this calamity would not have come upon you." they argued that calamity does not come upon those who are righteous. It is interesting to notice some statements they make. In the 33rd chapter, verse 3, Elihu is speaking:

My words shall be of the uprightness of my heart: and my lips shall utter knowledge clearly.

That's what Elihu said about the knowledge he was going to give Job. Turn now to chapter 36, verse 16. Elihu is still speaking:

Therefore doth Job open his mouth in vain; he multiplieth words

without knowledge.

He said Job didn't have any knowledge; he just had words. Chapter 36, verse 4:

For truly words shall not be false: he that is perfect in knowledge is with thee.

This is Elihu speaking of himself: man, not God. He sounds like a present-day educator. Doesn't he sound like a Harvard professor? Turn to chapter 38, verse 2, and now notice that God is speaking. The Lord answers Job, and hear what He said in verse 2:

Who is this that darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge? Now that's exactly what the friends had said Job's problem was, that he had words without knowledge. But God said, "No, that's not the problem. It is Elihu the man who professes that he that is full of wisdom is with thee, who has words without

knowledge." Now folks, that is a perfect picture of what we have in American education today, especially in higher education. It's so ridiculous to talk about accreditation because most of the colleges are accredited. Somebody asked, "are you accredited?" Yes, we're accredited. By the way, the State Department of Education is putting a new book out in the state of Florida and all the schools accredited by the Florida Association of Christian Schools are listed in that book. So we'll be listed with every southern college and university. But I want to tell you something, accreditation means absolutely nothing except among the men who use it because the knowledge in secular education is only "words without knowledge," because they have taken God out.

I want to show you another portion of Scripture. Turn to

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The Other Side
with Dave Johnson
Halloween?

There are certain subjects which we, as fundamentalist Christians, do not like to read about. As a matter of fact, we do not even like to think or talk about certain topics. One of these subjects is that of holidays, and Christian participation in them. We are like the man who says, "Don't confuse me with facts, my mind is already made up."

Fundamentalists are quick to criticize the commercialization of Christmas and at the same time defend our right to have a Christmas tree. We are quick to lambaste the Easter bunny but we defend out right to have a new dress or suit and a basket of colored eggs for the kids. We abhor the UNICEF commercials on T.V. while we defend our right to send the kids out, dressed as witches and devils, to trick or treat all over the neighborhood.

At this time of year, I would like to deal briefly with the Christian and Halloween, and I call your attention to a tract entitled, "Make This A Real Halloween" published by the Faith Prayer and Tract League. This tract states that Halloween, the eve of All Saints Day, was at one time a very sacred and holy night.

October 31 was celebrated over two thousand years ago by the Celts. It was the eve of their festival of Samhain, Lord of the Dead. Samhain, the prince of darkness, called together all the dead of the previous year on this night. He supposedly told these spirits what form they should take. The bad spirits took the forms of animals but the most wicked took the form of a cat. The next day was a harvest festival in honor of Baal, the Sun God, who had given the ripened grain now safely stored away for the winter.

Later, when the Romans conquered the land of the Celts, the harvest goddess Parmana and Samhain or Baal were combined into one great festival on October 31.

It was in the eighth century that Pope Gregory III dedicated an oratory in St. Peter's to all the saints and fixed the anniversary as November 1. Later, in 834, Pope Gregory IV established this date to be observed by all churches. Thus, the emergence of All Saints Day or All Hallows Day in the

Catholic Church. Ralph Linton in his book, *Halloween Through Twenty Centuries*, states "That the day chosen was one already associated in the popular mind with a thronging of spirits of the dead, was quite in line with the church policy of incorporating harmless pagan folk ideas."

Outside the church, the belief in the eve of All Hallows, Halloween, as a gathering time for un-sanctified as well as sanctified spirits seems to have continued with little change. There was, however, much added to this night. To the ghosts which were originally assembled by Samhain, the Lord of the Dead, were added troops of goblins and fairies, which were a part of the pre-Celtic cult of the dead. Soon the practice of witchcraft came to be associated with this night of Halloween. This was especially true after the Reformation when the practices of witchcraft were classed as heresy. This resulted in the emergence of witchcraft as a more or less organized cult in opposition to the church. Much of its ritual was in mockery of Christian rites. Halloween became the great witch night. The Prince of Darkness and his cohorts, the witches and warlocks, gathered to mock the church's festival of All Saints' Day by unholy revelings of their own.

If one takes time to look into the origin of almost anything which we do here in America that is part of our Halloween celebration, it is found to be deeply rooted in either the pagan idol worship of the past, false compromising doctrine of the church, or the occult today.

The Lincoln Library of Essential Information claims that "All Hallows or All Saints Day represents a Christian appropriation of an ancient pagan festival of autumn."

While most of us can quote verses regarding separation from the world and verses regarding the facts that we are to be a peculiar people, this world is not our home, etc., we find it difficult to apply these verses to some areas of life. We are told that we are supposed to be misfits in this world. We don't have to try to be peculiar. If we obey God's Word, we will be

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peculiar. Our God is a jealous God. He does not want to share us with Baal. We must worship God only and refuse to mix this worship with idolatry regardless of what so called Christian name we give it. Joshua made this choice for his whole house — will you?

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Romans. Here we have a picture of the degeneration of man. Notice Romans 1:19 and 20:

Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse.

In other words, it is possible to get a great deal of knowledge from just what God has created if you have the fear of God. But now notice verse 21 says:

Because that, when they knew God, they glorified Him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools....

Now notice further on in verse 25 what else did they do?

Who changed the truth of God into a lie....

(They didn't call it a lie.

They called it truth, but it was a lie.)

and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever."

That's simple humanism!

And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient....

Notice that every time God is taken out of knowledge, the result is immorality and further stages of immorality. Does that tell you anything about the college campuses of today? Does that tell you why they do as they do and why they are like they are? The more you take God out of education, the more you're going to get corruption. If you sow to the flesh, you're going to reap the flesh. This is the reason we have such a mess in education. God has been taken out of their knowledge. They have not desired to retain God in their knowledge. So we have proof then of Satan's success in today's education. Johnny can't read, Johnny can't write, Johnny can't spell, Johnny can't talk, and Johnny can't think and the

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reason Johnny can't is not because Johnny is any less capable, but simply because God has been removed from their knowledge, and you cannot have quality education without God. There is no way — you just can't do it!

We've already mentioned that the unsaved who recognize and fear God can gain knowledge from God's natural revelation, but when they cease to fear God then that knowledge becomes warped and useless — pseudo. The saved then, the Christian, the person who believes the Bible, is the only one who can have full knowledge. He cannot only learn from science, math, and natural things that God has created; but the Christian has a higher source of revelation. The Scripture tells him about all these things and the God who created them. He gets full knowledge and full information right here.

One of the aspects of inspiration is the matter of illumination. God enlightens the mind and opens the Word of God so that we understand things better. One interesting portion of Scripture is a verse in Daniel 12:4. The Lord is talking here about the last days in this last message He gave to Daniel.:

But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

That verse used to bother me because in the light of what I'm saying knowledge is not increasing but decreasing — pseudo knowledge is increasing, but the knowledge we have is a completed revelation. We still see through a glass darkly, we don't understand everything, but in our day and time knowledge is increasing, not with everybody, but amongst God's people. And that's who it is talking about here. He said, "Seal this book up to the last time." We've talked about what a mystery is. A mystery is something that has not been revealed in the past but something which

God is revealing now. There are many of these that have been open to man in this time, the mystery of the church, etc. We live in a time in which if we will study the Scripture, God will teach and instruct us. This is one of the beautiful things that God is doing through the Christian school movement. We are getting the opportunity for the first time since the 1700's and early 1800's in America to get children back to a Christian education, an education where they can really learn the truth, where they can get knowledge, not pseudo - knowledge, and where they can increase in knowledge as they increase in understanding of what God has written and given to us. And so, just as the Scripture says in Habakkuk, chapter 2, speaking about the millennial days:

For the earth shall be filled with the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

That's the way it's going to be when Jesus Christ rules and reigns upon His throne. The earth is going to be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord. That is what a Christian education is — learning the knowledge of the glory of God. Whether it is math or science of history, we are simply studying the knowledge of the glory of God and digging into these things to seek God. For Jesus said, "Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God." He wasn't talking about when they get to heaven; He's talking about right now. They see God in their education. What we are seeing today in the Christian school is a part of something glorious, something wonderful that God is doing. You ask me what God is doing in our time? I'll tell you what I think God is doing in our time. He is in the process of bringing out a people for his name, but He is also taking that people and getting them out of the corrupt, Godless, pseudo-knowledge education system and teaching them truth. This is the greatest opportunity today in America and in the world as

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obedient believers the responsibility to separate from them.

What About Second Degree Separation?

"But," the cry will come, "that is second degree separation!" This is always said with a note of horror which indicates that the bare mention of the term should end all argument. Is this Scriptural terminology? The references given in Matthew, Romans, I Corinthians, I Timothy, and II Thessalonians give definite commands to separate from brethren. Yet, not one of them indicates that this is "secondary separation." Rather, the term "secondary separation" has been coined by those who have sought to develop ground for opposing what the Scriptures teach about separation. I have learned by experience that whenever a man uses the cavil of "secondary separation", you may write him down as an opponent of Scriptural separation in general.

I did a good bit of my growing up with my grandfather on a farm in western Pennsylvania. Not far away lived a boy who was more like Huckleberry Finn than anyone I ever knew. He was always followed by a black and white hound named Rowdy who was the best skunk dog in the county. Whenever work was done I sought out this friend as a companion. However, we could never be together for ten minutes before Grandad would break us up with some work assignment for me. It dawned on me that this was not by chance. I asked why I couldn't play with this friend. Grandad's reply was, "You are not going to swear and you are not going to run around with boys who do." I wasn't in favor of his answer that day, but he was right. If you hang with the swearing crowd you will swear. If you hang with the smoking crowd you will smoke. And, as a Christian, if you hang with the compromising crowd you will compromise.

Separation from apostasy is Scripturally valid. Separation from believers who consort with apostasy is Scripturally valid. It ought not to be termed "secondary separation." If it must have a name, why not call it "consistent separation"? Those who adopt the dodge of "secondary separation" almost always use another argument. They say, "It is impossible to be consistent." The unspoken implication is, "So why try?" After almost twenty-five years as a pastor I will freely admit that it is impossible to be perfectly consistent. I have had speakers I would not have again; supported schools I could not support when I learned their true position; given to missions to which I could no longer give after observing their policies. But, does the difficulty of being consistent deliver us from the responsibility of trying? Perfection has always been an impossible standard for man. Yet the student on his arithmetic test, the musician in the band, and the athlete on the playing field are all aiming at perfection. It is impossible for any human being to be perfect, but this is no reason why we should not prayerfully seek to be consistent.

Ring Around The Rosie

An ecumenical evangelistic crusade, such as is practiced by Billy Graham and his emulators, is a giant game of Ring Around the Rosie. The evangelist starts the circle, joining hands with unbelievers from the councils of churches for the sake of prestige and crowds. Bible believers are invited to join for the sake of money, counsellors, and prayer. Satan's play in that game is to convince the believers that they are only joining hands with the evangelist, who is a believer, and other believers. But, somewhere in the circle is Mr. Modernist with his two hands. Those who play Ring Around the Rosie play all. It is disobeying II John. The Bible believer would

not want to call the modernist a brother, but in such a case, it is also wrong to call him a nephew or a third cousin.

We Will All Be Together in Heaven

What about the cry, "We will all be together in heaven"? Yes, it is true; all believers will be together in heaven. There will be one great difference there. When we see the Lord as He is, we will all see sin as He sees it, and there will be repentance from it. When that has taken place we will have no trouble being together in heaven. But, stop to think. If that same repentance takes place on earth right now, we will have no trouble being together on earth. The person who has rent the fellowship of the body of Christ is not the fundamentalist who insists on obeying Scripture, but the new evangelical who insists on fellowshipping out of bounds. Were separation from disobedient believers not valid, God would have left the church without any defense against the eroding cancer of movements like new evangelicalism. Our God, who sees the future, has not left us without orders for this battle.

THE "GOOD" DONE

A third item needs to be thought through. III. CONSIDER THE "GOOD" DONE BY DISOBEDIENT BRETHREN. You might argue that this ought not to be a heading. Yet, the argument which wins thousands of Christians to the side of compromise lies right here. "Look at the souls being won," say the compromisers; "Four thousand came forward in the latest campaign." Let me point out three things here.

First, God has never called us to judge obedience by results. Christianity is not pragmatic. It is authoritarian with God as the authority. God says, "Come out from among them and be ye separate . . ." He

does not tell us to try cooperating and evaluate the results.

Second, if something is to be measured by results you must evaluate all the results. Satan wants us to believe that the results of an ecumenical effort can be measured with a number - the four thousand people who came forward. That is not true. Think about the other results.

One result of compromise is that the line between belief and unbelief in any given community is obscured. Before an ecumenical effort comes to town churches are clearly branded as fundamental or modernistic. After such a campaign, in which most of the churches have cooperated, no such clear line can be marked and God's true work suffers.

Another result of compromise is that hungry-hearted souls are led to believe that their modernistic pastor and church are all right. After all, the counsellor who led them to Christ marked their card to be sent to their home church.

A corollary to this is that new converts are left on the doorstep of unbelieving churches where they will never be fed. Do you believe in abandoning babies on doorsteps? Then why abandon spiritual babies there?

A further result of compromise is that workers in the local church are weaned away from faithful service on the local level. Who wants to teach seven young people when four thousand have been saved and who wants to sing in a twenty-five-voice choir when they have sung in a crusade choir of two thousand? The thrill of service on the local church level is gone. Yet, that local church level is God's level.

How To Get Good And Bad Results

If you are going to measure by results, these results must be considered. Think over the following two statements; God's work done in God's way will always produce good

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TEN REASONS Why You Should Send Your Child To A Christian School



by Dr. Paul A. Kienel
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The Christian school movement is the fastest growing educational movement in America today. The U.S. News and World Report and Christian Life magazines have referred to the rapid proliferation of Christian elementary and secondary schools as the "Boom in Protestant Schools" and "The Christian School Explosion." Christian schools are currently being established across the United States at the rate of two new schools a day. In California we average one new Christian school each week.

During the 10 years I have served as the Executive Director of the Western Association of Christian Schools, our association has grown from 68 to 500 member schools and colleges. Enrollment in our schools has jumped from 11,388 to 63,131 students. Obviously parents by the thousands have opted to send their youngsters to Christian schools as opposed to secular public schools. As a parent who sends my children to Christian schools and speaks to thousands of parents on the radio and on tour, permit me to share ten reasons why you should send your children to Christian schools:

One: You are accountable to God for what your children are taught in school. Proverbs 22:6 is a direct command to parents. It says, "Train up a child in the way he should go . . ." "What your children are taught in school should be a direct extension of your parental views. The teachers under whom your children are taught should be the kind of teachers you would personally hire if your children were being educated in your home.

Two: Christian schools offer a better level of instruction. There is no question about it. The test scores over a long period of years are conclusive. The annual Stanford Achievement Test administered to first through eighth grade Christian school students in the western states shows them to be six to sixteen months ahead of the national norm in reading and five to nine months ahead of the national norm in all general subject areas.

Three: The Bible does not teach that children should be exposed to all kinds of sin. We are to train "up" a child, not point him downward. Children do not grow spiritually stronger in a negative non-Christian environment. Students do not become stronger Christians by being taught non-Christian thinking, but by being taught Christian thinking, and there is no such person as a "neutral" school teacher who neither advances nor inhibits religion. School represents 16% of your child's time. It is prime time, a training time, and Christian school education represents a positive Bible-centered form of instruction that will

build a child up in the faith—not tear him down. Proverbs 19:27 says, "Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err from the words of knowledge."

Four: The Christian school is right for your child because the Christian school has not cut itself off from the most important book in the world—the Bible, important in that it enables us to see the light we need in education. Without the Bible, education is nothing more than the blind leading the blind. Standards for morality must be taken from Scripture alone, not from situations as often taught in secular schools. As Theodore Roosevelt stated, "To train a man in mind and not in morals is to train a menace in society."

Five: The Christian school provides an opportunity for your child to witness for Christ. This surprises some people because they assume all students in a Christian school are Christians. In most cases a majority are Christian; however, in every Christian school there are always some students who need the Savior. Christian students are trained and encouraged to reach these youngsters for Jesus Christ. Witnessing in a Christian school has the support of parents, students, teachers, administration and the school board. Presenting Christ as Savior is not illegal in a Christian school.

Six: The Christian school educators teach all subject matter from a Christian context. They put the Bible at the center of the curriculum and ask the student to evaluate all they see in the world through the eyes of God. To quote Dr. Roy Zuck, a Christian educator,

The secular vs. Christian school issue is really a question of whether a child will learn to view life from man's perspective or God's perspective. From man's viewpoint, history is purposeless; from God's viewpoint, history has meaning. From man's viewpoint, science is the laws of "nature" at work; from God's viewpoint, science is the outworking of His laws.

In a Christian school, a student is exposed to the centrality of God in all of life. In public education, a student is legally "sheltered" from this important dimension of education.

Seven: Christian schools support the family as the number one institution of society. Christian school educators train students to respect their parents. These educators agree with the early American patriot, Noah Webster, who said, "All government originates in families, and if neglected there, it will hardly exist in society."

Eight: "The atheists have, for all practical purposes, taken over public education in this country." Shocking words, yes, but they were spoken by a prominent pub-

lic school educator, Dr. W.P. Schoffstall, Arizona State Superintendent of Schools. Paradoxically, many public school personnel openly support Christian school education. As a matter of fact, the largest group among the parents who send their children to Christian schools are public school teachers and principals. I conducted a nationwide survey among these public school educators. The following statement is typical of the responses I received:

I prefer to send my children to a Christian school because Christ is central to all information taught and caught. The public school is basically humanistic and materialistic in its approach to life and the fundamental questions of human existence and purpose. The Christian school holds a unique position with the home and the church.

Nine: Christian school educators maintain discipline in the classroom and on the playground. Without a reasonable standard of discipline, the process of education is severely hampered. "For whom the Lord loves, He disciplines . . ." the Bible teaches. And it is within that context of love that discipline is carried out in a Christian school. This important feature of education is rapidly disappearing from public school education. According to the recent Gallup Poll of Public Attitudes Toward Education,

Lack of discipline in the public schools again heads the list of problems cited most often by survey respondents. Discipline has, in fact, been named the number one problem of the schools in five of the last six years. New evidence of its importance comes from the special survey of high school juniors and seniors. An even higher percentage of this group names discipline as the leading problem faced by the local public school.

Ten: "We believe that our children are gifts of the Lord. We are responsible as parents to train them according to His Word not only at home and in church, but in school as well." This statement was made by a parent in response to a question on an application form for enrollment of his children in a Christian School.

More and more parents, especially Christian parents, are coming to the conclusion that secular public education and most of its teachers and principals no longer represent their personal parental views. These parents are exercising their freedom of choice and sending their children to Christian schools and colleges.

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results. God's work done in man's way will produce both good and bad results. That is exactly what every compromising effort produces.

Third, results do not mean that something is the will of God. I am indebted to Dr. Charles Woodbridge for pointing out a clear Scriptural instance of this. Speaking in our pulpit several years ago, Dr. Woodbridge pointed out the disobedience of Moses in Numbers 20. In the attempt to get water for the rebellious Israelites, Moses disobeyed the Lord by angrily smiting the rock twice. For that disobedience Moses was not allowed to set foot in the promised land—a stern judgment from God. But, did Moses have good results? The water gushed out and quenched the thirst of millions of Israelites and their beasts. God, in His grace, quenched the thirst of His people, but that did not make Moses' actions right.

Is "good" ever done by compromising efforts? Yes, perhaps so. But, do not be deceived. That does not make it right in God's sight. Why not do it God's way and have only good results instead of the mixture which results from disobedience?

We are living in the last days of which our Savior spoke. We are faced with the apostasy as the Scriptures have warned us. Satan has confused this clear picture with the problem of disobedient brethren who desire to overstep the bounds God has set for fellowship. The compromising position has been popularized by cooperative, non-church organizations such as Campus Crusade, the Graham Crusades, and Campus Life. It has been publicized by new evangelical magazines like *Christianity Today*, *Eternity*, and *Decision*. It has been philosophized by schools like Wheaton College and Fuller Seminary. Is it right to separate from such brethren? Yes, it is not only right, but commanded in Scripture. Results are not the question. The supposed good done by disobedience is mixed with the bad consequences of compromise which are left behind.

Discernment From The Past

Henry Parsons Crowell was a great Christian entrepreneur who made his fortune in Quaker Oats. He was a bountiful benefactor of Moody Bible Institute. In Richard Ellsworth Day's biography of Mr. Crowell we read these significant words which sum up what I have sought to articulate in this article:

"Mr. Crowell finally realized that all attacks on faith were essentially the same: the discrediting of the Bible as the inerrant and perfect revelation of Truth and the Will of God. That was the leaven of the Sadducees, whether it was the innuendo of a maturing mind, or the broadside blasts of an endowed professor. . . He realized that not only must Faith be careful to select workers and leaders who are Bible believers; but these workers and leaders themselves must be intolerant of unbelievers in office! If they were tolerant they could bring defeat just as effectively as if they themselves were infidels. Therefore, faith must not support men in authority who, though they are themselves Bible believers, are tolerant of others in position of trust and authority who do not so believe. . .

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Knowledge

far as that is concerned — the opportunity to have a Christian education. It is not just winning boys and girls to Christ: That's wonderful, but it is also training them, giving them a Christian education, an education that's built upon truth, built upon the Word of God, built upon true knowledge, not pseudo-knowledge.

We have seen the deterioration in America systematically taking God out. Now there have been some very obvious times when prayer and the Bible were taken out. Those are the times on which people usually focus their attention, but these are not the ones to which I'm particularly referring. I'm talking about, for instance, the teaching of evolution, which is in fact a lie, and yet it is taught for truth. That is probably the best example of pseudo-knowledge. All the information they gather and teach about it is error. You say, "Yes, but brilliant minds..." Yes, but God's not interested or concerned about brilliant minds. He's interested in pure hearts. Brilliant minds will ruin us. Some of us say, "Poor Christians, we are the scum and off-scouring of the earth." That's right. That's what the Bible says. Not many mighty or many noble are called. God uses the things that are not to bring to pass the things that are. He doesn't need the wise and the brilliant to get His job done. He uses humble servants of God who believe this Book, who preach it and teach it. This is the business in which we are engaged in this ministry and that's why Satan hates it so badly. Wouldn't you hate an organization that was taking young folks out of Satan's schools, funded by tax money by the millions and billions so that he can train his servants. Yet, we're taking youngsters out of those places. We're going to train them for God. We're going to pull them out of those places and bring them into a place like this where

they are protected and sheltered. Thank God! Somebody said that's one of the problems with Christian education, the students are so sheltered. Yes, that's right! When we were out in Kansas in June for my wife's parent's 60th Wedding Anniversary, I was looking at Mrs. McVay's flowers. I noticed one beautiful white rose. She said, "Do you know the history of that rose? My mother brought that rose from Indiana to Kansas when she married in 1875." She said I could have some of it. Do you know what I did? I carefully dug and got some with root on it, wrapped it up in plastic, wet it good, and brought it home with me. Now in my greenhouse, I have a rose that is over 100 years old. Do you think I'm going to put it out in the toughest soil I can find and leave it and let the sun bake upon it, because it is precious and I wouldn't want to shelter it? That's the logic of the argument many people give about Christian schools! We Don't have dope, we don't have smoking; we try to provide a proper atmosphere to bring out some young folks with some character and give them knowledge — the knowledge of God. That's the whole idea of Christian education. Christian education is the complete opposite of the public school education. Yes, there are certain things that are still similar. We teach that 2 plus 2 is 4. (I'm not sure public schools still do that any more or not.)

The central theme of all knowledge is the Lord Jesus Christ. We can teach a boy or a girl who is taught the fear of the Lord certain facts of knowledge and nature, but when a boy or girl comes to know Jesus Christ as Saviour then we can really begin Christian education, teaching him all the truths of God and the fact that this is a moral universe. That's the reason people can't get away with sin. It's not just that we believe in morals. It is a

moral universe, and God has built that into His system. If you violate it, you will suffer the consequences. So we teach spiritual truths, but you can't teach spiritual truths until a person is spiritual — that is until he knows Jesus Christ as Saviour. You will never understand spiritual truth as long as you are a natural man or woman, until you've been born-again, until you receive Jesus Christ. The natural man understandeth not the things of the spirit of God. They're foolishness unto him. But when you come to know Christ, then you come to know Truth.

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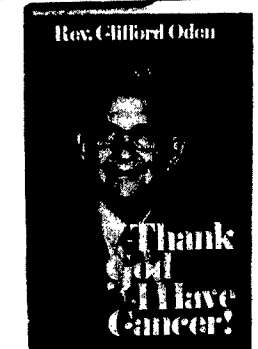
This book, then, is more than the story of one man's brave and so far successful fight against a killer. It is rich in practical advice: foods and natural substances that Rev. Oden has found helpful; an early detection test for cancer; a list of doctors who find merit in B-17 and metabolic therapy; and a recommended reading list.

This does not purport to be a book of medical science. But until medicine gives us the definitive cancer cure, Rev. Oden's story deserves to be pondered: by doctors, and by laymen.

Rev. Clifford Oden is currently serving as Associate Pastor of the Jupiter Road Baptist Church in Garland, Texas. He has previously been pastor of Baptist churches in Longview and Dallas, Texas, and dean of Garland College. He has a B.A. from Howard Payne College, an M.S. from East Texas Baptist College, and an LL.D. from Garland College. He and his wife Louise have four children: three sons and one daughter. He has written one previous book, *Man, Woman, and God*.

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