WINTER SNOWS on the Ambassador College grounds near London. Memorial Hall is lit up in the background and, to the right, one of several beautiful cedars of Lebanon tinted with snow.
"I Threw Your Booklets Away"

"Dear Mr. Armstrong:

"I have written to you twice before, but have always thrown your booklets away because they were so different from what I had ever read. I have become more interested in your interpretation in view of the present world crisis. The religious group I am presently affiliated with seldom mentions contemporary conditions. I believe that true repentance and obedience to God's laws are for today. Therefore, I would like to know more of His laws. Please send me the booklets and I will not throw them away."

Man from Fort Worth, Texas.

Editor's Comment: The truth is very different and sometimes, for the natural man, very difficult to believe until you have proved it for yourself. The real reason most people don't agree with God is that they are unwilling to do what He says.

My First Impression

"I heard your program today for the first time. You are the first speaker on any subject that has been able to hold my attention for any length of time. I never write letters to anyone."

Woman from Maryland.

First Broadcasts Seemed Radical

"At first your broadcasts seemed too radical and I destroyed a few of the first Plain Truth magazines I received, but now I believe your teachings are right and that God is using your ministry more than anyone else on earth. I will appreciate all future literature and preserve it and pass it on to others."

Subscriber from Friedens, Pennsylvania.

Bible Changes Reader

"It is only within the last nine months that I have discovered the Bible. All my life I've been an avid reader, but had never read the greatest Book of all. It is an experience that has changed me completely. For years I have been unattached to any religion, but your way is the first that seems to be reasonable, logical and believable. I had put off writing until I was sure. And this Friday night past, after hearing a religious discussion by some modern, progressive Protestants, I know there is no place for me in Protestantism either. I left Catholicism 15 years ago."

Woman from Hahnville, Louisiana

Comfortable Rut?

"These Bible Studies are amazing, gripping, and full of trouble—personal trouble. Decisions and some changes will have to be made. I am in such a comfortable rut! However, many thanks."

Queenstown, Australia.

Comment: Never stay in a rut! Better yet, avoid getting into one in the first place!

Accident in Ireland

"It was by accident that I happened to tune in and hear you for the first time. At first I must confess I thought you a bit of a crank. There was something in your message that made me want to listen again, and now I'm a regular listener twice weekly. I have come to respect and admire the way in which you so fearlessly and courageously discuss the Bible. You present it clearly and logically, offering proof step by step. You speak positively and with assurance, and this in itself is refreshing after hearing ministers and church leaders giving us their views and thoughts on the subject, instead of Almighty God's true, precise and definite word."

Man from Co. Antrim, Northern Ireland.

Comment: We are glad to notice more and more listeners in Europe writing in. And now new radio doors are being (Please continue on page 28)
YOU HAVE noticed, of course, that the price of a postage stamp has gone up to 5 cents. This new law increasing postal rates is important to both you, and also to me as Editor of The Plain Truth.

Did you read claims by proponents of this new postal increase that large-circulation magazines like The Plain Truth are not paying their own way through the mails? And especially a magazine like this, published by a non-profit institution?

The publisher of LIFE magazine thought his readers would be interested in knowing the facts—and I am sure our readers will be interested in knowing the plain truth about how your letters are handled, and how this magazine is transported, through the United States mails. It is interesting to note that the United States edition of The Plain Truth and the Pacific Coast edition of LIFE are both printed in the same printing plant—Pacific Press in Los Angeles.

Of course The Plain Truth, with a million readers, is published in three editions around the world. The edition serving Britain, Europe and Africa is published in London. The edition serving Australia, New Zealand, and Asia is published in Melbourne. The three editions are identical, except for one page reserved for necessary local notices in the British and Australian editions.

What I am explaining to you here about mailing procedures applies only to the North American edition, but postal methods affecting the other editions are quite similar, if not identical.

The plain truth is that, although the United States Post Office Department has granted this magazine the lower-cost second-class privileges, saving us from $35,000 to $50,000 per year in postage bills, this magazine does pay its own way! Further, and important, even though you cannot pay for your own subscription to this magazine (is there any other like it? I think not!)—it definitely is paid by others, and goes only to those who subscribe personally for their own subscriptions. This fact had to be established to the satisfaction of the postal authorities before we could be granted the second-class privilege. And it is a privilege for which we of The Plain Truth staff are very grateful, and you, as a reader ought to be, also.

But how can I say that we do pay our way, even at this low-cost second-class mailing rate? Your copy of The Plain Truth, now increased to 48 pages, is larger and heavier than the letter you can mail for a 5 cent postage stamp. And, pound for pound, and size for size, we do pay a lower rate than the individual citizen mailing first-class a personal letter. You will be interested in the plain facts. We do pay our way!

When you mail a letter with a 5 cent postage stamp by dropping it in your rural mailbox, or your corner mailbox in the city, a postman must drive by in a car or a truck to collect it. In a city he takes it to a station or substation. There other men must handle it. It must be canceled, then sorted, then, probably by still another clerk, bundled with other mail addressed to the same town or city, then put into a mailbag, after which, in most cities, it is taken by truck or helicopter to a central postal station. There the mailbag containing it is sorted with other bags, and taken to the train or the plane.

If your rural mail carrier takes it to a small-town post office, it is there canceled, sorted, bundled, and put in a mailbag. Then it may be taken by truck or train to the nearest city. There it may have to be sorted, re-bundled, bagged again, then taken to the train or plane.

In many cases, depending on location, there may be several other steps. Your first class letter may need handling by (Please continue on page 4)
as many as 20 men and carried successively by as many as three or four cars and trucks or a helicopter. All these man-hours cost the post office department money. You get a lot for a nickel.

Now compare that to the manner in which your copy of The Plain Truth is handled. In the two-story ultra-modern building that houses the Ambassador College Press, your name and address is kept on a punched card of the very intricate IBM electronic mailing system. With more than 300,000 others, your card runs at lightning speed through a machine which prints your name and address on a long strip, or roll, of tape. This modern electronic system, through another machine, already has sorted your card with others in your state, and even in your town. As the names and addresses are rapidly printed on these strips of paper tape, an impression is made on the last name in each town or city. All this is done on days prior to receiving the several large truckloads of copies of each month's Plain Truths.

Then when an issue of The Plain Truth is off the press in Los Angeles, large trucks deliver the magazines to our Press building in Pasadena.

Then a large trained staff goes to work. The hundreds of thousands of copies are run through a large addressing machine at the speed of 18,000 copies per hour, stamping the tape containing name and address on each. As these copies are carried down a conveyor belt, those going to each town or city are pulled out by workers. They are bundled by being placed on a string-tying machine. These machines rapidly wrap string around and tie each bundle together in a tight bowknot. In the case of magazines going to cities having local postal zones, we actually sort out and bundle separately those going to each local zone. Then our own staff places them in mailbags in exactly the same manner postal clerks sort and bag ordinary first-class mail in the post offices.

Finally these many truckloads of mailbags are transported to the Pasadena Post Office—not at government expense by Post Office mail trucks, but by our own transportation department trucks. So you see, in the case of The Plain Truth, all these many steps of handling mail to get it finally into mailbags labeled for the town or city to which each bag is to go, is done by us! All the Post Office has left to do is to put the bags on the trains. That is the reason the Post Office Department grants us the lower-cost second-class postage rate. We do probably the largest part of the Post Office work for them, so that the cost to the Government of delivering your copy of The Plain Truth is greatly reduced.

And so it is that although we are granted the lower-rate second-class privilege, saving us upwards to $50,000 per year, we do pay our way.

And if some of our readers are inclined to gripe about having to pay 5c postage for one letter, we should remember that the Post Office Department is really not a business. Nobody makes any profit from the postage stamps we buy. The Post Office Department has been losing large sums of money—millions upon millions of dollars. In other words, it actually costs more than 5c for the government to collect your letter, put it through all these many transactions, and deliver it to the person to whom you have addressed it. And we all, as taxpayers, make up the difference in the taxes we pay.

Your copy of the February issue of the Plain Truth was here! These 345,000 copies of the American and Canadian editions are brought in to the Press building and run through the new Magnacraft Mailing Machine, which addresses at the rate of 18,000 per hour!
What Is GERMANY'S DESTINY?

Germany stands today at the fulcrum of world decision. The dominant force of a third world power bloc of growing potential, Germany must act! Will her decision bring peace at last—or war?

by David Jon Hill

far less time, at a far greater pace than anticipated, these nations of Europe have risen from the economic chaos of World War II to the dizzying heights of a standard of living never known to them before!

With the present success well beyond the proportions of that expected three years ago, with a future success—in a world of peace—sure to produce a near-utopia, Western Europe is more concerned about war than any other economic and political entity on the face of this earth!

"This is very probably the last year in which anyone except Europe will be able to negotiate with the Soviet Union for Europe!" (London Sunday Times). These nations are enjoying their economic recovery and they will let nothing stand in its way—they will stop at nothing to keep what they have, and, GO ON TO MORE! So it is that a blueprint has been drawn up by the Six, that demands meetings among themselves to decide the MILITARY AND FOREIGN POLICY questions that come up regarding Europe!

Realizing the power potential of this New Europe, our former Secretary of State, Christian Herter, says, "If the United States does not cooperate with the great new economic giant we will be isolated on this side of the Atlantic!" Understand the significance of this quote! Mr. Herter is saying, in essence, that it is not we who are going to negotiate for Europe—economically or otherwise—but that we must negotiate with Europe, lest we find ourselves out in the cold.

No nation or group of nations of the power and potential of today's Europe could think of letting ANOTHER power speak FOR IT!

More Than Success

The present six nations of United Europe have succeeded in their aim far beyond the wildest dreams of the original signers of the Treaty of Rome. In
**RADIO LOG**

*The WORLD TOMORROW*

**MAJOR STATIONS—**
Heard over wide areas

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What Is Germany's Destiny?
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What they consider to be the naive, uncultured, non-realist, gum-chewing Americans! Germany leads the rest of Europe in asking in its banner headlines "Is Germany Now to be Sold Out?" Europeans in general, and Germans specifically, are beginning to fear that the United States is going to make a "deal" with Russia!

The Set-Up

Here's the age-old trick of human beings as individuals and nations: Accuse the other fellow of planning to do what YOU are doing! Get the other fellow on the defensive. True to form,
the United States of America will naively try to assure Germany that she has no intentions of betraying Germany in a "sell out" to Russia—that she does not plan to neutralize and demilitarize Western Europe or Germany. To soothe the ruffled feathers and hurt feelings, to assure our staunch allies that we are with them one hundred percent, America is now planning to add Nuclear Might to the German arm!

The United States is planning to sell Polaris Submarines—with nuclear missiles—to the West German government. The West German government has promised to pay for these submarines with American dollars—this will help the United States cut its international payment deficit. In exchange the United States is giving West Germany more and new assurances that it will supply Bonn's army with nuclear delivery capability—Pershing Missiles!

In our eager, youthful, naive, friendly American manner we applaud—never question, hesitate, wonder—when Germany launches the first of a new armada of "killer U-boats" for the West German Navy! We are overjoyed to hear that the West German government is helping to share in the cost in the "defense of the West." We are now the friends of Captain Otto Kretschmer, "The wolf of the Atlantic" who sank 250,000 tons of allied shipping during World War II, as he urges his crew of the U-1 to have that "traditional, famous U-boat spirit!"

Editorials of praise are written in our press regarding a Germany who, fifteen years ago was the scourge of the earth, and yet now is our greatest ally, our "Bulwark against the East." "By virtue of its political strength and its economic dynamism, the United States of Europe can reshape the dangerous and unhealthy polarization of the world wherein all the power of decision—for good or ill—comes only from Moscow and Washington.

"This should be welcome to the United States!" (Saturday Review, Nov. 4, '61.)

We are convinced that nothing but good can come from our closer association with this dynamic new power! "Surely we in the United States are not going to neglect to do our part in carrying forward the tremendous momentum of the expanding European community which, through the Marshall Plan and NATO, we have done so much to help bring into being" (Saturday Review).

The Friendly Enemy

In the years since the war we have changed our mind. In 1942 the word "German" was associated with atrocity, bombs, Fascist, enemy—everything German was considered war-like, cruel, treacherous! Now, somehow all this has been changed and the word "German," in 1961, brings with it, ally, partner-in-industry, Bulwark of the West—Germans are considered to be hard-working, intelligent, practical, progressive, brave!

How has this whole nation changed in so short a time? Admittedly, these are fast-moving times in which we live. But, can a leopard change its spots, no matter how fast it moves?

One case in point will show how the heroes of the Nazi era have lived through defeat and conquest to become the heroes of post-war Germany and of the West!

Reinhard Gehlen, case history: A

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At the 150th anniversary of the Krupp Steel Firm, Alfred Krupp delivers address during ceremonies. During celebration, Ludwig Erhard, German Economics Minister, said that Allied requirement for Krupp to sell his coal and steel holdings is "out of date."

Wide World Photo
Just What Do You Mean—KINGDOM OF GOD?

WHY cannot the churches agree on what is the GOSPEL? Jesus Christ came preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom of God. Yet few preach about the Kingdom of God today, for they have lost all knowledge of what it is!

A prominent evangelist said to a world-wide radio audience that the Gospel of the Kingdom of God is not for us today. Some denominations proclaim a "Gospel of Grace;" some what they call a "Gospel of Salvation;" some a gospel about Christ; some a social gospel; some the "Science of Mind" or "Religious Science."

Not One is Right!

Some churches claim either that their particular denomination, or "Christianity" as a whole, constitutes the Kingdom of God.

Not one is right! Could anything seem more incredible? Yes, to the mind reared in this world's concepts, one thing is, indeed, still more incredible! And that is the PLAIN TRUTH about what the Kingdom of God really is! This truth is not merely surprising—it is shocking—staggering! Yet it is truly GOOD NEWS—the most glorious GOOD NEWS ever to enter human consciousness!

CHRIST'S Gospel

What is the one and only Gospel of Jesus Christ? THE WORLD DOES NOT KNOW! It has not been preached for 18½ centuries, strange as that may seem. Look into your BIBLE. Look at it from the very beginning!

"The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ" you'll read in Mark 1:1. "Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD, and saying, the time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the Gospel." (Mark 1:14-15).

It is necessary to believe that GOSPEL to be saved! And how can you believe it, unless you know what it is?

Jesus went everywhere preaching the GOOD NEWS of the KINGDOM OF GOD. He taught in parables about the KINGDOM OF GOD. He sent out seventy men preaching, and commanded them to preach the KINGDOM OF GOD (Luke 10:9). He sent the Apostles, on whom the Church of God was founded, to preach only the KINGDOM OF GOD (Luke 9:1-2).

Isn't it amazing that the world has LOST the knowledge of what it is?


WHY, then, do so many DARE to preach so many other gospels? The good news of the KINGDOM OF GOD is something you must understand, and BELIEVE, in order to be saved! Jesus Christ said so! You had better be finding out what it is!

Daniel Knew!

Haven't you heard men speak of the Kingdom of God something like this: "By Christians everywhere working together to bring about world peace, tolerance and brotherly love, the Kingdom of God may at last be established in the hearts of men."

Because they rejected Christ's Gospel 1900 years ago, the world had to supplant something else in its place. They had to invent a COUNTERFEIT! So we have heard the Kingdom of God spoken of as merely a pretty platitude—a nice sentiment in human hearts—reducing it to an ethereal, unreal NOTHING! Others have misrepresented that the "CHURCH" is the Kingdom. Others confuse it with a "millennium." Still others have, in our century, claimed the British Empire is the Kingdom of God.

How deceived can this world get?

The prophet Daniel, who lived 600 years before Christ, knew that the Kingdom of God was a real kingdom—a government ruling over literal PEOPLE on the earth.

Jesus Christ brought additional knowledge about it which the prophet Daniel might not have known. Still, Daniel knew there was going to be a real, literal Kingdom of God on the earth.

Daniel was one of four extraordi-
narily intelligent and brilliant Jewish lads in the Judean captivity. These four were stationed in the palace of King Nebuchadnezzar of the Chaldean Empire, in training for special responsibilities in the Babylonian government. Daniel was a prophet who had been given special understanding in visions and dreams (Dan. 1:17).

Nebuchadnezzar was the first real world ruler. He had conquered a vast Empire, including the nation Judah. This king had a dream so impressive it troubled him—moved him to tremendous concern. He demanded that his magicians, astrologers, and sorcerers tell him both what he had dreamed, as well as what it meant. They could not. They were baffled. Then Daniel was brought before the King.

Daniel disclaimed any more human ability to interpret dreams than the Chaldean magicians, "But," he said, "there is a GOD in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king

by Herbert W. Armstrong
Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days.” (Dan. 2.28).

First, God’s purpose was to reveal to this world-ruling human king that there is a God in heaven—that God is Supreme Ruler over all nations, governments, and kings—that God Rules the Universe! This Chaldean king knew only about the many pagan demon gods. He knew nothing of the true living Almighty God. Like people and rulers, even today, he did not know that God is the living, real, active, ruling and governing personage who actually and literally governs not only what is on earth, but the universe entirely!

The whole purpose of this dream was to reveal God’s government—the fact that God rules—the truth of the Kingdom of God—the very thing that is the one and only true Gospel of Jesus Christ! And, secondly, to reveal—preserved in writing for us today—what is to happen “in the latter days”—actually within the next two decades—this last half of the 20th Century!

For US, Today!

This is no dry, dull, dead writing for a people of 2500 years ago. This is living, tremendous, BIG NEWS for OUR DAY! It is advance news for us, NOW. News before it happens—of the most colossal event of all earth’s history certain to occur in your lifetime—during the very next few years!

This is the True Gospel! It is the very Gospel Christ preached! It is intended for you and me TODAY! It is vital that you understand!

Read, in your own Bible, verses 28 through 35. In his dream, this king had seen a vast statue—larger than any image or statue ever built by man—so tremendous it was terrifying, even in a dream. Its head was of fine gold, its breast and arms of silver, the belly and thighs of brass, legs of solid iron, feet a mixture of iron and clay.

There was a time element. Nebuchadnezzar had viewed it until a supernatural STONE came from heaven, smashing the statue on its feet. Then the whole of the statue broke into small pieces, and was actually blown away by the wind—it disappeared! Then this STONE expanded miraculously and quickly became a great mountain—so great it filled the whole earth!

What did it mean? Did it have meaning? Yes, because this was God’s doing. Unlike ordinary dreams, this one was caused by God to convey the message of God’s sovereignty to Nebuchadnezzar—and, because it is part of the written Word of God, to us today—to reveal important facts of the true Gospel!

“This is the dream,” said Daniel (verse 36), “and we will tell the interpretation thereof before the king.”

This, then, is God’s interpretation. It is decidedly not Herbert W. Armstrong’s interpretation. Men ought never to interpret the Bible. The Bible gives God’s own interpretation! Here it is:

“Thou, O king, art a king of kings”—he was the first real World Ruler over a world empire! “... for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.” God was revealing Himself to this human world-dictator as the Most High Ruler over all.

People today, like this Chaldean king, seem not to think of God as a Ruler—as the Supreme One who governs—as the Head of Government. The Eternal was revealing Himself through Daniel to Nebuchadnezzar—and through the Bible to you and me today— as a Sovereign, All powerful, Governing God who is to be obeyed!

“Thou,” continued Daniel to this human emperor, “art this head of gold. And after thee shall arise another Kingdom inferior to thee, and another third Kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.” (Verses 37-39).

What Is A Kingdom?

Notice! This is speaking of Kingdoms. It is referring to kingdoms that bear rule over the people on earth. It is speaking of governments! It is not speaking of ethereal sentiments “set up in the hearts of men.” It is not speaking of churches. It is speaking of the kind of governments that bear rule and authority over nations of People here on earth. It is literal. It is specific. There is no misunderstanding, here, as to what is meant by the word “Kingdom.”

There is no misunderstanding the interpretation. God gives His own interpretation through the prophet Daniel. The great metallic image represented national and international governments—real, literal Kingdoms.

It represented a succession of world-ruling governments. First was the head of gold. That represented Nebuchadnezzar and his Kingdom—the Chaldean Empire. After him—later, in time sequence—was to come a second, then a third Kingdom “which shall bear rule over all the earth”—World Empires!

Then, verse 40, the legs of iron represent a fourth world-Empire. It was to be strong, even as iron is strong—stronger militarily than its predecessors. Yet, as silver is less valuable than gold; brass than silver; iron than brass, though each metal was harder and stronger, the succession would deteriorate morally and spiritually. The two legs meant the fourth Empire would be divided.

After the Chaldean Empire came the still larger Persian Empire; then the Greco-Macedonian, and fourth, the Roman Empire. It was divided, with capitals at Rome and Constantinople.

Now—verse 44! Read it! Get your Bible. See it with your own eyes in your own Bible. Here, in plain language, is God’s explanation of what the Kingdom of God is:

“And in the days of these kings, ...” it is here speaking of the ten toes, part of iron and part of brittle clay. This, by connecting the prophecy with Daniel 7, and Revelation 13 and 17, is referring to the new United States of Europe which is now forming, out of the European Common Market, before your very eyes! Revelation 17:12 makes plain the detail that it shall be a union of TEN KINGS OR KINGDOMS which (Rev. 17:8) shall resurrect the old Roman Empire.

So, mark carefully the time element! “In the days of these kings”—in the days of these ten nations or groups of nations that shall, within the decade, now, in our time, resurrect briefly the Roman Empire—notice what shall happen:

“... shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed..." (Please continue on page 14)
This Idiotic Modern "PSYCHOLOGY"

"There are no Eternal TRUTHS," they say. "Stealing a car may be wrong for you, but right for the car thief. We shouldn't judge head-hunters. Killing people is right for them, in their society."

This article blasts away at this "educated" philosophy.

by Herbert W. Armstrong

ONE of our Ambassador College graduates, now serving in God's Work in one of America's major cities, writes that recently he was in conversation with two professional psychologists.

They brought up the subject of "eternal truth." This appears to be a favorite subject of those who have absorbed without question the modern university teaching in psychology. Many times I have wanted to write something on this pseudo-scientific concept, but it seems to have taken this letter to get me at it.

No Eternal Truth?

These two men appear to have expressed the accepted "educated" teaching. There is no such thing as absolute, or eternal truth, they averred. What is true today may not be true tomorrow. What is truth for you, may not be truth for me.

There is no God, they assured the Ambassador graduate, who has revealed eternal truth, for no such truth exists. History, they argued, shows the evolution of man's views. Our views today are not the same as the views of the ancients. So who are we, to judge? How can we say that another is wrong? What is wrong for us may be right for him.

We must learn to be broad-minded, they declared. We must not condemn a person for stealing a car. It may be wrong for us, but right for him!

The Ambassador man asked, "What about head-hunters?"

"O, we shouldn't judge the head-hunter," they replied. "Killing other humans is right for him, in his society."

Perhaps we ought not to judge, or blame, these modern "educated" psychologists for expressing such ideas. Perhaps we ought to be "broadminded"—and surely, at the very least, we ought to consider the source! I mean that literally. The source of such ridiculous concepts is not erroneous thinking on the part of these men. They did not think these absurd conclusions out, in their own minds. How did such nonsense become lodged in their minds?

It is well that, first of all, we realize once again the vicious system of education employed by this world. From kindergarten and the first elementary grades on, pupils and students are not trained in thinking, in examining, investigating, proving, and finding established, proved truths. Modern education is a process of memory-training. I have said it before. It is like teachers sticking funnels through the top of the heads, into the brains of their pupils and students, and then pouring in the theories, postulates, ideas—right or wrong—of the teacher, or the textbook. Students are graded on how well they memorized and recited, or wrote down, whatever was stuffed in their minds. They are not expected to think, to question, to examine, or prove what thus enters their receptive and unsuspecting minds.

Psychologists Are BRAINWASHED

It is a process of BRAIN-WASHING! These modern dignified-appearing psychologists were merely a pair of brainwashed automatons. Of course they had come to believe this modern so-called "psychology." They had been inoculated with it, and the inoculation had induced mental slumber against admission of truth. They had absorbed it without question. Now it saturated and permeated their docile minds.

No, perhaps we ought not to judge or condemn them. They are the unsuspecting victims of a vicious, diabolical system that grips the whole world today. No wonder the whole world is deceived!

But we ought to take these "intellectual" concepts out, and examine them, and see what is wrong about them, and why.

Education lists "psychology" as one of the sciences. Modern science is something NEW in the world—still in its infant swaddling clothes. It really hasn't learned much, yet! About 90% of all the scientists who ever lived are among the present living generation—and perhaps another 9% were in the two generations preceding.

Science is wholly materialistic. By that, I mean that its recognized tools are observation, measurement, and reason. They are confined to the physical, material realm. Scientists are fallible human beings. Scientists know only what knowledge comes through the eyes, ears, mouth, nose, or sense of feel and touch—only what they can see, hear, taste, smell, or feel.

They know absolutely nothing of the spiritual realm. Spiritual facts, principles, laws, and values are beyond their scope of vision—completely out of their field.

What, then, is wrong with this so-called "intellectual" concept that there are no eternal truths—no fixed true values? What they are in ignorance of is the fact that spiritual values do exist—that spiritual LAWS are in actual motion—and that these principles, these laws, these forces are even more real than matter, and that they work on, and effect, matter and physical action.

The basic error of all this modern supposedly educated "intellectualism" and vain "rationalism" is that they are
able to see, comprehend, examine, or weigh only a part of the existing facts that bear directly upon their problems.

In a word, the basic error is that they leave God out of their knowledge. (Read it in Romans 1:28.) Professing themselves to be wise, they have become FOOLS (Rom. 1:22). That is what the Eternal God says of them!

What, therefore, they cannot see is that there are spiritual laws and principles which the Eternal God set inexorably in motion—laws as real as the physical laws of physics and chemistry—which act on matter and material forces and actions.

These laws are eternal. They are fixed, undeviating, unchanging. Matter is subject to constant change. As Elbert Hubbard said of the material world of matter and its forces and energies, “nothing is permanent but change.” You are a physical person—you are constantly changing, and you are not permanent. You are here, in this life, for only a little while!

But God is not changing. God is the same, yesterday, today, and forever! God is eternal. God’s Truth is eternal. God’s spiritual laws are eternal—fixed, unchanging. The true values, likewise, are eternal. But men of “science” confine themselves to the physical realm. Of these eternal values, laws, principles, facts, they are in total ignorance. Yet, in their vanity, they fancy that they are educated! Well, the simpleton doesn’t know he is a simpleton. And what the strutting turkey gobbler or parading peacock doesn’t know, he just does not know that he doesn’t know! And what these deluded ignorant “scientists” don’t know, they just simply don’t know that they don’t know these things!

Perhaps we ought not judge them. As I said, they are victims of a vicious and satanic system!

Psychologists Ignorant of Spiritual Law

Now take a look at God’s great spiritual law. It’s principle is love—a spiritual love the “scientific” world knows nothing about.

The whole law is summed up in that one word, love. Then it is sub-divided into the two Great Laws, love to God, and love to neighbor. Then it is further sub-divided into ten points (James 2:10, and 8-11), of which the first four of the Ten Commandments instruct us in how to love God; and the last six in how to love neighbor. Then this inexorable spiritual law is sub-divided much farther, until the whole Bible is a magnification of it in its myriad details.

Now notice the connection: The Ten Commandments involve physical acts—but they are spiritual principles! To break the letter of the specific law by committing adultery is a physical act. It involves material things—two people, plus a third and possibly a fourth, the husband and/or wife to which one or both guilty parties are untrue. It involves physical action. But also it is a spiritual principle.

Now modern psychiatrists and marriage counsellors who see only the material and physical factors involved are coming more and more to the view that in committing adultery NO HARM IS DONE, provided the physical factors are “right.” If the faithful wife does not know of her husband’s infidelity with another woman, what’s the harm? That’s about as far as they can see.

But God Almighty created a spiritual law, and set it in motion. God created sex in the first place. He created it for two major purposes, plus a third. The two are 1) the magnet to draw a husband and wife together in marriage, to set up a home, and to be the source of a physical-spiritual love, and to become the frequent supreme expression of that love and respect and endearment of each other, thus increasing this bond of love which is shared with no one else, binding the marriage, protecting the home inviolate; and 2) the means of reproduction, and of bringing into the home the God-given blessing of children to love. The third purpose is the great blessing of a means of building character—of developing faithfulness toward mate and toward children; of developing a sense of purpose, fidelity, self-restraint under temptation; of developing a sense of responsibility in providing and keeping the home and training the children.

Now take the “educated” ignoramus who can not see much past the end of his nose—who sees only physical factors—and reasons that adultery can do no harm, if the circumstances are “right,” and the wife doesn’t find out. The man is very careful. He begins “cheating on his wife”—he commits adultery.

What happens? You might think nothing, if his wife never hears about it. But you are wrong!

God’s law is an invisible, spiritual law. There could be no law without a penalty. This law has two penalties. One, the curse it imposes here and now, in this life. Two, the final punishment, which is death—and it is eternal punishment—death for eternity.

Penalty for Broken Law

What is the curse the law will exact, here and now? It is this: Very soon, this adulterous husband will begin to realize that his wife doesn’t seem the same any more. She isn’t as physically attractive as before. More and more he begins to realize he isn’t in love with her any more. Her glamour—her loveliness—isn’t there. He doesn’t understand it.

Poor fool—of course not—this is an invisible spiritual law at work! This is something he can’t see. If it were a visible, physical action, the “scientists” would see it, and warn him. But they can’t see it. This man BROKE the law God set in motion to preserve love—to increase marital love. And, breaking that law, he has broken that love! More, he has broken his own character-building. He has impaired his own self-respect.

One tragic result of ignorance and violation of this point of God’s law is the breaking up, in divorce, of almost a third of all American homes—and the divorce rate now is climbing in other nations, too! It results in children growing up without normal homes—usually without the vital companionship and influence of a father. It results in juvenile delinquency, and ruined lives of children.

Don’t think there are not curses! There are—and they are inexorable.

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Pagans astrologers in India, Malaya, and southeast Asia forecast that the world was coming to an end the night of February 2nd, or during the ensuing week-end. It became big news, world-wide.

Millions in America, Britain, Australia, and around the world displayed interest and curiosity. It seemed everyone was talking about it.

Astrology a Science?

Many people seem to be under the delusion that astrology is a science. Perhaps many confuse it with astronomy. The two are totally different.

Countless millions around the earth believe in and follow the ideas and prognostications of the stargazers. You probably would be astounded to learn how many hundreds of thousands of businessmen in the United States and British Commonwealth nations plan their business deals and policies according to astrology. Newsstands sell millions of copies of magazines or monthly pamphlets on astrology—telling them which days are supposed to be their "lucky days" and on which days to avoid business deals.

So it was that when pagan astrologers of India and Malaya predicted the end of the world for the week end of February 2, 1962, it became big news and caught world-wide attention.

On that night, said the astrologers, seven planets in the "House of Capricorn" were to be in conjunction, and the moon was to enter the same "house" the same night. And that meant, according to the interpretation of these stargazers, the end of the world!

One astrologer in India predicted the earth would explode like an over-ripe elon.

"Why, we ought to wonder, do the foolish ideas and predictions of ignorant and superstitious astrologers catch fire in the public imagination, world-wide, while the same hundreds of millions remain utterly heedless of the prophecies of God Almighty, which are absolutely sure?

The sure Word of God says that this earth "abideth forever," and it shall not be removed forever! But the sure Word of God does say something about the end of this world—this age—this present civilization and pattern of organized society.

God Labels It Fakery

Astrologers are mentioned in the Bible. They are classed along with sorcerers, witches, and magicians—fakers all!

When King Nebuchadnezzar, 600 years before Christ, had a startling dream that troubled him (see article, "Kingdom of God," this issue), he first called for the astrologers, the magicians and sorcerers to tell him what he had dreamed, and its interpretation. They failed utterly (Daniel 2:1-11).

But then the prophet of God was called in. He told the king what he had dreamed, and gave the true meaning. Thus the certainty of the Word of God is contrasted to the absurdity of the words of astrologers.

In Jeremiah 27:9, God commands: "Therefore hearken not ye to your prophets, nor to your diviners, . . . nor your enchanters, nor to your sorcerers." Again: "For thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, Let not your prophets and your diviners, that be in the midst of you, deceive you" (Jer. 29:8).

Wherever astrologers, or the other fakers associated with them, are mentioned in the Bible, God Almighty represents them as pretenders who have no power at all.

Yet the followers of false and non-existent gods and demons in India and southeastern Asia believed these astrologers. So they went into an orgy of frenzied prayers to their false or non-existent gods to prevent the exploding of the earth.

In one city the officials and the guards of the prison were so intent in their prayers and false worship and heathen ceremonies that they neglected entirely the prison—and many prisoners escaped. So, even if the world didn't end, prison confinement did for a few!

And now, of course, the superstitious pagans are claiming that their gods heard their prayers, and their prayers saved the world! If it had happened, they would have claimed to be right. Since it didn't happen, they still claim to have been right—their prayers saved them! Speaking of this false Babylonish religious system, which, incredible though it may seem, actually grips our English-speaking peoples today falsely called "Christianity," God says to our people, today:

"Let now the astrologers, monthly prognosticators, the star-gazers stand up, and save thee from the things that shall come upon thee. Behold, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame" (Isa. 47:13-14).

The prophecies of your Bible—the prophecies of the Creator God—are absolutely sure—but the predictions of astrologers are fakery. God warns our people that our sins are fast increasing, and He is soon going to punish our nations, unless we wake up and repent, and turn to Him and to His ways! We are to be punished with famine and disease—with economic depression and panic—with hydrogen bombs that shall destroy our cities—until two-thirds of our people have died or been killed!

Astrologers can't prevent, neither could they cause the end of the world. But God's warning handwriting is on
our walls, NOW! Prophecy is SURE! It is as certain as the rising and setting of the sun! It will come upon us approximately between ten and fifteen years from now—it is FRIGHTFULLY IMMEN-"TENT! IT IS LATER THAN YOU THINK!

What we have been forecasting by God's PROPHECIES for more than 28 years HAS BEEN HAPPENING RIGHT ON SCHEDULE! YOU had better HEED!

Just What Do You Mean—KINGDOM OF GOD?

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stroked. . . but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever!"

Yes, in OUR TIME!

Now here we have described the FOUR universal world-Empires—the only four that ever existed! Revelation 13 and 17 show that, after the fall of the original Roman Empire, there would be ten revivals—seven of which would be ruled over by a Gentile CHURCH—the "daughter" of ancient BABYLON—a Church claiming to be Christian, but actually named by God "MYSTERY BABYLON the Great!"—or, more plainly, BABYLONIAN MYSTERIES!

Six of those have come and gone. The seventh is now forming—the last, final, brief resurrection of the Roman Empire by ten European groups or nations. These are the ten toes of iron and clay mixed.

In their days—and they shall last but a very short space, possibly no more than two to three-and-a-half years—shall the GOD OF HEAVEN SET UP A KINGDOM.

This, then, shall be the KINGDOM OF God!

Compare with Revelation 17. Here is pictured a Church. Not a small church—a GREAT Church. She rules over "many waters" (Verse 1) which are described in verse 15 as different nations speaking different languages. She posed as The Church of God—which Scripture says (Eph. 5: 23; Rev. 19: 17; Mat. 25: 1-10, etc. etc.) is the affianced "bride" of CHRIST, to be spiritually MARRIED to Him at His second COMING.

A FINAL WARNING from God, just before He puts an END to the present world, and ushers in the WORLD TOMORROW, is to be signs in the sun, moon, and stars. This event proclaimed by the astrologers was NOT the prophesied signs in the heavens—but we might do well to take warning that it was a premonitory sign in the stars, moon, and sun, as a fore-runner!

But she has committed fornication. How? By having direct political intercourse with HUMAN GOVERNMENTS of THIS WORLD! She "sat on" (Rev. 17: 3) all seven of these resurrections of the Roman Empire—called the "Holy Roman Empire." She RULED OVER the human kingdoms—as a common-law and unmarried "wife" ruling her paramour husband—a totally unnatural and ungodly relationship.

She is, therefore, to "sit on" this last "head of the Beast"—this final resurrection of the Roman Empire. It is to endure but a very short time. It is to FIGHT AGAINST CHRIST at His SECOND COMING! That will be its END.

We see it in process of rising, now. Therefore we are CLOSE to the coming of Christ! We are now very near the END of this world.

When Christ comes, He is coming as KING of kings, ruling the whole earth (Rev. 19: 11-16); and HIS KINGDOM—the KINGDOM OF GOD—said Daniel, is to CONSUME all these worldly kingdoms.

Revelation 11: 15 states it in these words: "The kingdoms of this world are become the KINGDOMS of our LORD, AND OF HIS CHRIST; and He shall reign for ever and ever!"

This is THE KINGDOM OF GOD. It is the END of present governments—the governments that rule Russia, China, Japan, Italy, Germany—yes, and even the United States and the British nations. They then shall become the kingdoms—the GOVERNMENTS of the Lord JESUS CHRIST, then KING of kings over the entire earth.

This makes completely plain the fact that the KINGDOM OF GOD is a literal GOVERNMENT. Even as the Chal- dan Empire was a KINGDOM—even as the Roman Empire was a KINGDOM—so the KINGDOM OF God is a government. It is to rule over the GOVERNMENT of the NATIONS of the world.

Jesus Christ was BORN to be a KING—a RULER!

When He stood, on trial for His life, before Pilate, "Pilate therefore said unto Him, Art thou a King then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a King. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world." But Jesus also said to Pilate: "My Kingdom is not of this world"—(John 18: 37, 36). His Kingdom is of THE WORLD TOMORROW!

Have you not read what the angel proclaimed to Mary, the mother of Jesus, prior to His birth? Jesus told Pilate He was born to become a KING. The angel of God said to Mary: ". . . thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call His name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto Him the THRONE of His father David: and He shall reign over the House of Jacob forever; and of His Kingdom there shall be NO END." (Luke 1: 31-33).

These Scriptures tell you plainly that God is supreme RULER. They tell you in plainest language that Jesus was born to be a KING—that He is going to rule ALL NATIONS OF THE EARTH—that His Kingdom shall rule eternally.

But all this is only part of the fantastic, amazing, actually SHOCKING TRUTH about the KINGDOM OF God.

The KINGDOM OF God will rule over the peoples and nations of the earth. Yet these mortal peoples and nations will NOT be the Kingdom, nor even in the Kingdom of God. They shall be merely RULED OVER BY IT!

We have established that the KINGDOM OF God is a ruling GOVERNMENT. We still have to learn OF WHAT, or OF WHOM it is composed. Can YOU, as an individual, ever become a part of this Kingdom? The BIGGEST PART of this tremendous subject is yet to come. It is startling!

(To be continued next month)
The KEY to Good Health

It is UNNATURAL to be sick—yet millions take sickness for granted. Why? Because the KEY to good health has been thrown away! Few know what that KEY is! You probably have been walking on it all the time and never noticed it!

by Eric Eweson

I WANT to talk tonight as a biochemist about your health—and how fertile soil affects it. Few people really know much about the very ground they walk on. If they did, millions of sick and crippled would be in radiant health today.

From soil we derive our food, our climate, and the pleasure of an attractive landscape. Soil has accumulated by the diverse forces operating in nature. As every schoolboy should know, it consists of finely ground rock elements and decayed organic matter. FERTILE SOIL accumulates very slowly, but it can be destroyed very rapidly. Even under favorable conditions in our climate it would take three or four hundred years to accumulate an inch of it!

Why Soil Is Losing Its Fertility

It has been in the last fifty years—and, I would say, notably in the New World—that there has been greater demands on the land than the land can give without losing its natural fertility. This situation cannot be remedied by chemical—or commercial—fertilizers, as we call them, which are being used so extensively in modern times to increase the yield from the soil.

As you probably all know, the theory of chemical fertilizers was born of war. It was conceived in Germany during the latter part of the nineteenth century by a gentleman whose name was Baron Justus von Liebig. He developed his theory by analyzing organic matter and noticing the predominance of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potash. He then conceived the idea of adding those major elements to soil in the form of water-soluble chemicals to increase production.

The idea seemed to work like magic and was gradually adopted all over the quantity of chemical fertilizer that we apply, the faster is the organic, living portion used up!

As the organic matter diminishes, we must increase the quantity of chemicals to obtain the same yields—not to mention the loss of quality. Gradually we will arrive at the point when there isn’t enough of the humus fertility left in the soil to sustain a crop, NO MATTER HOW MUCH CHEMICAL FERTILIZER WE APPLY. In common terms, the soil is then said to have “died.”

The death of soil is a phenomenon that has occurred from early historical times. The earliest example is probably in China, some 1000 years before Christ. Such “soil death” was also a dominant

This eye-opening article is a special report by the noted Swedish biochemist, Eric Eweson. Mr. Eweson’s lecture, delivered at Ambassador College, is so vital that, with his approval, we decided to publish it in this issue.

Life Was Missing!

In more recent years we have discovered that even if we add to the soil these chemicals which are the ones used in the largest quantities by plant life, we still use up the organic living portion of the soil. And the greater the

Soil in the process of dying! Barely visible is a grape arbor, now covered by sand and blown topsoil. Poor soil management has caused millions of once-fertile acres around the world to die.

Wide World Photo
A healthy, plant-covered soil attracts rain and good weather. An abused land cannot retain moisture, becomes ever drier—and soon the rains have fled. Hundreds of thousands of acres in Australia and the USA and the Soviet Union are annually becoming desert due to destructive farming methods.

factor in the decline of the Persian Empire after 500 B.C. It was previously the principal cause of the decline of the Babylonian Empire which flourished on the rich but thin soil in the valley of the Euphrates and Tigris rivers. When the humus was used up, the topsoil could no longer resist erosion. It disappeared into the rivers. With the drastically reduced quantity and quality of food the civilization declined and finally disappeared. The same happened later in Greece. Again in the Roman Empire, which, at the time of the birth of Christ, had to go across the Mediterranean to obtain its grain.

All these developments, of course, took a long time. In Greece it probably took three to four hundred years. In North Africa it took less, because by that time the Romans had introduced one-crop agriculture, growing the same crop year after year on the same land without letting it rest. The agricultural land was thus in process of death for a much shorter time than, for instance, in China, Persia and Greece.

Our Land Today

The problem has developed very similarly, but very much faster, in America! We have seen it in the Middle West where for many years we have had seri-

ous dust storms. Such dust storms are possible only after the soil has lost its humus, because it’s the humus which holds the soil particles together in larger aggregates so that they don’t blow away.

When the quantity of the humus is inadequate to hold the soil, what little is left of organic matter blows away, leaving nothing but the dead sand and rock. The land after that is completely useless for agricultural production, and the rehabilitation of it is no simple problem.

For example, the Sahara desert did not extend nearly so far north even 500 years ago as it does now. Today the Sahara in many places extends right to the Mediterranean. Whereas, in the times of the Romans, the coastline along the Mediterranean was very fertile, it is now fertile only in small isolated areas and then only with irrigation.

The moving up north of the desert has also changed the climate so that there is now hardly any precipitation. This was not the case when it was still fertile land that could cause the vapors from the Mediterranean to condense and bring some rain. Land in many other places has been affected similarly by drastic soil abuse.

In California you have large areas that were very fertile as late as 15 to 20 years ago but which are now no longer productive, in spite of the adequate irrigation, much like in the Euphrates-Tigris valley.

This is, in few words, the sad state of the soil fertility in large parts of the world today. We HAVE MUCH LESS ARABLE LAND TODAY THAN WE HAVE EVER BEFORE HAD IN HISTORICAL TIMES. And it now has to do for a much larger population!

Before we go further, let me explain what living soil is, and why good soil must have humus.

What Living Soil Is Like

Decaying organic matter is called humus. The greatest proportion of fertile soil is rock material—inorganic material—so that only a very small proportion of fertile soil is humus. Even very fertile soil may well contain as little as

Good soil covered with plush grasses or crops prevents grasshopper damage illustrated here. Insects attack weak plants—but weak plants would not exist if soil were alive and rich with plant nutriments. Notice that grasshoppers have eaten away at the stalks! Commercial chemicals have created plants that externally appear healthy, but they are internally weak, lacking in proper food value. Insects can taste the difference! Healthy plants by nature repel insects! Weak plants attract insects. Insects were made to choose, by instinct, weak plants for their food. They find that plants which are healthy and good for man are too strong for them—are, in a sense, toxic to insects.
5% humus in the top six inches. The rest is inorganic mineral matter.

Many soils can be enormously productive if this humus is maintained in these proportions, and if this humus consists of well-decomposed organic matter. Unfortunately, the humus wears out—or is consumed—by cropping. If you take from the land more than you put back, what you remove is part of the quantity of humus.

New mineral nutrient matter is constantly being made available. In fertile soil it is manufactured, you might say, by means of microbial activities and the various effects of the weather. Rock is ground in many ways by nature and can then be decomposed by microbial activities. That is the reason why humus contains mineral nutrients of all kinds.

There is seldom any shortage of nutrient minerals in fertile soil because those minerals are constantly liberated by the soil microbes and incorporated in their cell tissues. In that form they are not water-soluble and thus cannot be leached out by the rain as is done with man-made chemical fertilizers.

But they can be utilized by the plants that are growing in the soil. This involves breakdown and using up of soil microorganisms and humus and is the reason why humus has to be renewed. If agriculture is not intensive—if, for instance, it is based upon letting the land rest once every three or four years in countries of temperate climate, then there is a very good chance that the soil can maintain fair productivity. That has been the case in some parts of the world, especially in the northern half of Europe. They still have some land with a fair amount of natural fertility.

Chemicals Not the Solution

What can be done to correct this situation is of course the big problem. There is a great deal of difference in opinions. There are still some people who believe that with more and better chemicals we can restore our soil. There are even those who think that by new methods of growing—producing more or less synthetic food—we can solve the problem. But there are others of us who believe this to be wishful thinking.

You have probably heard of hydroponics, a method of growing plants in a water solution of the major plant nutrient elements. No doubt one can grow plants that way—I have grown some myself—but there are some very significant consequences. The plants will, for instance, not produce seeds capable of germination. They are also extremely frail and spoil quickly.

The nutritional value is, however, where the changes are the most fatal, as the plants contain practically no protein! While you will find nitrogen in them, it has not combined to build up proteins but remains in the form of nitrate or, still worse, nitrite.

Our bodies can’t produce protein from these simple elements. We must have the proteins more or less ready made for us as all we can do is to modify them to suit our particular requirements. The same holds true of our animals since only plants and microbes can build proteins.

If plants are grown in a manner that they lack in protein, as hydroponically grown plants do, then there isn’t much use in growing them! Other ideas have been proposed for producing food. Growing fungi or algae would seem both logical and sensible until you begin to scrutinize what it implies. I have considerable experience from large-scale manufacture of fungi which may help to throw light on the problem. Let me tell you the background.

Substitute Nutrients Tried

As you probably all know, paper mills have a very objectionable waste that pollutes rivers and spoils the water for fishing and bathing. It has long been considered to be a useless waste product, but it isn’t so at all!

An old Swedish friend of mine conceived, many years ago, the idea of manufacturing baker’s yeast from this very serious polluting agent. After some experiments a factory was built in Finland—it was a great success—whereupon I built two similar factories in Canada.

This paper mill waste, usually referred to as sulphite liquor, is a much worse polluting agent even than sewage, although the latter is probably the one that we are most generally disturbed by, since now most of our rivers are polluted by it. I am making this introduction to show you that “waste products” is really not the proper name. They should better be called “by-products” because they are seldom useless...
and become objectionable waste products only when we fail to use them properly.

In producing fungi—or baker's yeast—to bake bread, we were not involved with its nutritional value. All we were concerned about was to produce a yeast that would raise bread, which is largely a function of generating carbon dioxide and digestible. We were, therefore, not concerned about how the protein was built up in the yeast cells.

In modern yeast manufacturing methods one uses cheap chemicals for most of the nutrients instead of the more expensive organic materials like malt or grain, from which yeast was originally made in bygone days. In other words, one substitutes inexpensive chemicals for expensive organic materials! This has a very drastic effect on the fungi.

One effect is that they become weak and lose much of their virility and resistance to infections, so that a yeast factory has to be conducted under sterile conditions much like an operating room in a hospital. There must be no wild yeast or other microbes in the air, because if any such microbes—especially wild yeast which has been produced naturally and therefore is very virile—should get into a mash of synthetically fed yeast, they would quickly devour the whole batch!

Another very significant point is that after a number of generations the chemically grown yeast fungi lose their powers of reproduction. The yeast is then no longer usable as seed and one has to start with a fresh culture of naturally grown yeast every two or three weeks.

The above is particularly significant from the point of view of plant nutrition, as we know that exactly the same thing occurs in modern agriculture in respect to corn. Few farmers today can use their own grain as seed. They have to buy special seed because their own grain, if grown many years on poor, chemically fertilized soil, won't germinate. This may be looked upon by many as comparatively unimportant. But it is of basic importance for understanding what we produce as food and what man has been accustomed to existing on for so many thousands of years cannot suddenly be changed without serious consequences to man's health.

By not giving back to the soil the by-products of life, like our city wastes, and by soil not deriving any benefit from the "droppings" of tractors and other machinery, there is a new situation in modern agriculture which necessitates a drastic change in point of view.

We have to find some way of returning our organic by-products—not waste products—to the land. In our urbanized civilization, with the greater part of the population living in cities and only a very small part on the land, it is becoming simply a question of "to be or not to be."

Composting an Ancient Solution

In manuscripts from the 8th and 9th centuries, we find descriptions of the methods they used to convert their by-products into soil. They had seen that organic matter would disappear if it was put in the soil and they took the hint from that and developed it in a very efficient and a very systematic way.

In densely populated countries they could not well afford to conduct the process of by-product conversion on the crop land. Thus they always built their compost piles away from the productive fields and not until the compost was ready did they put it on the land. This was quicker and more efficient than our ways.

When our farmers do have a fair supply of manure, it is put directly on the land to let it slowly decompose there. Naturally that is a good method, too, but if productive land is short in supply, it is well to prepare the fertilizer away from the field and not put it on the land until it has been fully converted into humus, and thus is immediately available to plant life.

It is to be noted that as long as the ancient agriculturist used his "wastes" in the described manner, as was done in China, Persia and Babylonia over long periods, his soil would not lose, but increase, in fertility. It was usually as a result of prosperity gained through wars, conquest and commerce that neglect of the soil and its "law of return" developed and the land gave out.

Coming back now to this fermentation process whereby organic waste materials are converted into humus by soil microbial activities: Pasteur was first to teach us what was going on in those old compost piles. Today, we know better how to process garbage and sewage and how to inoculate with the right kind of soil microbes for the best utilization of these materials to produce a high-grade natural compost or humus that looks and smells like very fertile topsoil.

It will be startling to many to learn that this process can now be completed in less days than it formerly took months. It can be done on a very large industrial scale to suit any size of community. Costly-to-dispose-of city refuse and sewage now causing serious air and water pollution can thus be the means of rehabilitating our abused soil!

I shall stop here to have the rest of the time for questions. Through such questions we'll probably get in on other helpful aspects of this problem.

[Following are some of the questions Mr. Eweson answered during the latter portion of his lecture—Editor.]

Questions Answered

QUESTION: "How are you planning on educating the people about the need for soil improvement?"

ANSWER: "Well, look what I'm doing now!! You are going to do the same thing, I hope. This is a slow process and if I were impatient, I would probably have succumbed from disappointment by now."

ANSWER: "How can you tell when you are 'pushing' the soil or overworking it?"

ANSWER: The yields go down and the pests increase.

QUESTION: "You mentioned a while ago that the key to a healthy nation is a healthy soil. Does this explain modern degenerative diseases?"

ANSWER: You may be surprised to hear that the death rate from degenerative diseases—cardiac and liver trouble, cancer and mental deficiencies—is alarmingly high in this country and that no nation in Western Europe has as high a rate. But you do enjoy an exceedingly low death rate for infants, so that when the death rates for all causes

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And now—the biggest leap ahead—The WORLD TOMORROW heard in every state! Once again the impact of Christ's Message more than doubled!

INSTALLMENT 43

THE YEAR 1942 was by far our biggest year of progress so far.

In April that year we went on the air in Hollywood, in addition to the stations in Eugene, Portland, and Seattle.

It was also in that year, only about two weeks after starting on station KMTR (now KLAC) with the weekly Sunday program, that daily broadcasting was started for the first time. All through May, June and July The WORLD TOMORROW went on the air Monday through Saturday at 5:30 p.m., in addition to the 9:30 Sunday morning program.

Planning Expansion

The response to this daily broadcasting was an eye-opener to me. The effectiveness appeared to be more than seven times that of the once-a-week program. Response was immediate. And even though no request for contributions ever was made, voluntary contributions were sufficient, from the very first week, to pay the multiplied expense.

But after the three Sunday afternoon evangelistic meetings held at the large Biltmore Theatre in downtown Los Angeles, the last three Sundays of July, it was necessary to return to Eugene, Oregon.

At that juncture I had to drop off the daily week-night broadcasting. Recording facilities in Eugene were not adequate to carry on a seven-programs-per-week schedule from our home office in Eugene. Yet I had learned by this experience the tremendous POWER and impact of daily broadcasting.

Back home in Eugene, after almost four months in Hollywood, our Co-Worker list had grown to at least double. In other words, twice as many or more were now Co-Workers with me, supporting God's Work regularly with their tithes and offerings.

Although I was unable, because of lack of facilities, to continue the daily broadcasting at the time, it was most gratifying to be able to now make a big expansion in other directions.

Our readers will remember, as related in the January, 1962, number, that super-power station WHO, Des Moines, had offered me time. On our trip to Des Moines and Chicago, the summer of 1941, this tremendous opportunity had opened.

Station WHO was, at the time, probably the very MOST valuable single radio station we could have hoped to use. It was a 50,000-watt top-ranking station. It was one of only eight, of all radio stations in America, that still had an absolutely exclusive channel. There were many high-prestige stations from New York to Los Angeles termed "cleared-channel" stations. These were all non-directional, beaming out in all directions, yet all but eight had smaller stations, even at great distances, on the same channels. Station WHO had a tremendous signal. Located near the center of the United States, it could be heard at that time in every state.

No station has such vast coverage today. The FCC has licensed several times as many stations operating on the air today. These tend to cut in on one another, so that none of the giant major stations enjoys the tremendous coverage that WHO had then.

Of course, in 1941, this giant WHO was still completely beyond our reach. But by early August 1942, with our income doubled, and with the very low rate offered by the manager of WHO, I felt ready to take this leap.

Our readers will remember that my Uncle, Frank Armstrong of Des Moines, leading advertising man of Iowa, had used his influence with the manager of WHO in my behalf. Mr. Mailand had explained that the owner of the station, Col. B. J. Palmer of the famous Palmer Chiropractic Institute at Davenport, reserved one half hour, 11 to 11:30, on one Sunday night each month, for a personal talk of his own. Because this time not only was very late, but unavailable once each month, it had not been sold. Mr. Mailand had offered me the remaining Sunday nights at this hour, at a remarkably low rate for such a powerful station—a little over $60 per broadcast.

And so, in August, 1942, by dropping the six nights a week on KMTR, I felt we were ready to walk through the mighty door God had opened on station WHO.

Our Own Network

We returned to Eugene around July 31st or August 1st from Hollywood. Before going to Des Moines, I decided to reinforce our radio coverage of the Pacific Northwest. Station KGA, Spokane, had offered us time at the early Sunday morning time of 8 a.m. In Seattle station KRSC had moved us to the earlier time of 8 a.m. from the better time of 8:30. Once again I employed the old Postal Telegraph lines for a Network broadcast between Seattle and Spokane. We called it the Liberty Network.

I overlooked mentioning that, before leaving Hollywood, I had arranged to release the program Sunday mornings over station KFMB, San Diego. At that time the old KMTR signal was so strong in San Diego, more than 100 miles distant, that KFMB was able to pick the program out of the air and rebroadcast it at the same hour, 9:30 a.m.

And so now, with coverage on the
Pacific Coast over stations in San Diego, Hollywood, Eugene, Portland, Seattle and Spokane, I took the train to Des Moines, Iowa. This 11 p.m. Sunday night time was still open.

And now NATIONAL!

On Sunday night, August 30, 1942, for the first time in my life I was speaking, from the studios of WHO, to a nationwide audience! I have before me, now, the script of that program.

It was just like the program today, except that we were then in the very midst of World War II.

The announcer’s voice, recorded—and I think it was the voice of famous Network announcer Art Gilmore, as it is today, heard in all parts of the nation, was saying:

"THE WORLD TOMORROW! At this same time every Sunday, Herbert W. Armstrong analyzes today's world news, with the prophecies of THE WORLD TOMORROW!"

And then, for the first time heard nationally:

"GREETINGS, Friends! We enter the fourth year of this war next Tuesday. We entered the ninth week of the supreme CRISIS of the war today! In all probability the ultimate outcome is being determined right now on the Russian front!"

And then followed an outline of Hitler’s "Thousand-Year-Plan" for world rule by German Nazis. On this very first program heard nationally the coming UNITED STATES OF EUROPE was proclaimed. By that time it was already becoming apparent to me that Hitler would be defeated, and that this resurrected ROMAN EMPIRE would precipitate a third and final World War, at a later time after another recess between wars. But for more than 28 years now, I have been proclaiming that prophesied event over the air.

Then, in that first nation-wide program, GOD’S THOUSAND-YEAR-Plan was explained from the Bible—the coming Millennium! Hitler’s Plan was indeed a satanic and clever counterfeit, aimed at producing diametric opposite results. Where Christ’s millennial rule shall bring freedom and happiness, Hitler’s would have produced slavery. Where Christ’s reign shall give eternal life to multitudes, Hitler’s would have brought torturous DEATH to enslaved millions.

12-Page Plain Truth

Before going to Des Moines to begin the broadcasting over WHO, I had written and turned over to the printers in Eugene the articles for the August-September issue of THE PLAIN TRUTH. We were now up to 12 pages, although it still was coming out bi-monthly.

The leading article in that number revealed the amazing Japanese Plan for conquering the United States. It was based on a Japanese "Mein KAMPF," called the Tanaka Memorial. This Plan had been in process of development for three hundred years—growing out of an ancient document dated May 18, 1592. The great national hero of Japan, Hideyoshi, had set forth in this document the great national Plan for world Empire and setting the Mikado on the throne to rule the world.

This had been a Japanese national dream for three centuries. Then on July 25th, 1927, Baron Tanaka, then Premier, presented "The Tanaka Memorial" as a definite blueprint for world conquest to the Mikado. This led directly to the bombing of Pearl Harbor December 7, 1941. It was based on the religious conviction that the Mikado is the direct descendant of the Mother of Heaven. Being, therefore, the SON of Heaven, the Emperor had to be established on the throne of the world to show that he is GOD. Thus even the Japanese attack had vital significance as another counterfeit of CHRIST’S GOSPEL of the Kingdom of God—and of Jesus Christ as the true SON of GOD, who is to RULE THE WORLD!

An article captioned: "The WAR, at the moment" said this:

"We entered the supreme CRISIS of this war the first of July. It came with the launching of Hitler’s supreme gamble for the Russian Caucasus. . . . The situation is this: We do not have to WIN the war this year, but Hitler does! United States power is mounting fast. It is only a matter of perhaps ten to twelve more weeks until this nation shall be able to hurl such crushing power against the Axis that, with this power steadily increasing, the ultimate outcome will be assured, with victory for the Democracies. . . . It might, even then, take us until 1945 to end it, but the outcome would be pre-determined. . . . From now on Axis power cannot increase, while Allied power will . . . ."

"And so it is a RACE AGAINST TIME. . . . The Germans, to win, must win before we get set with the power we shall have by approximately November 1st. They must knock Russia out of the war. They must take Suez and drive the British out of the Mediterranean and the Near East. They must be ready to turn west, against the British Isles, without fear of attack from behind, free to hurl their WHOLE POWER against Britain in one supreme final victory, before we can launch the much-talked-of offensive against Hitler’s Europe. . . . Hitler staked everything on his death-gambie that he could knock out Russia before the Allies can open the second European front."

There, in summary, was the analysis of the war as of August, 1942, as reported in THE PLAIN TRUTH. Looking back in retrospect, the analysis was accurate. Hitler did take too big a gamble. United States might did turn the ride before the end of that year. And it did take until 1945, just as predicted, to END it!

Now POWERFUL Pressures

The Work of God was now really beginning to "go places!" The Message for which Jesus Christ was crucified—the Message the world has rejected ever since—was for the first time being heard in every state in the Union!

But if God now was granting us to grow in power, He also allowed the persecution, opposition, and pressures aimed at STOPPING God’s Work to increase in power. Never before had we felt any truly MAJOR-power opposition. But now we did.

Along about the end of January, 1943, I received notice of cancellation from radio station WHO. I was in Hollywood at the time, broadcasting daily again for a few weeks on KMTR.

Consternation seized me. To be thrown off WHO at this stage might prove fatal to the whole work. Even though the charge they made for time was exceedingly low for such a station—because of my uncle’s local influence,
I had been given a local rate—and a religious rate at that, which was, as I remember, just half of the local commercial rate—but it seemed very large to us at the time. After five months we had spent quite a sum of money, for us at that time, as an investment in WHO broadcasting. We had not been on long enough, as yet, with only three programs a month, to have established a financial support from new Co-Workers hearing the program on WHO. Remember, we made no request, even indirectly, for financial support over the air. Nor was there any in the free literature we sent to listeners.

The WHO broadcast, our most costly so far, was being supported by Pacific coast Co-Workers. It was not paying its own way—yet.

Immediately I obtained train reservations for Des Moines. Then I wrote out a letter addressed to WHO listeners who had written me in response to the program. In the letter I told our listeners what had happened, and asked them, if they wanted The World Tomorrow program to continue on the station, to write the station and tell them how they felt. Then I dictated the letter to my secretary in Eugene by long-distance telephone, and asked her to mimeograph it and mail immediately to the entire WHO mailing list.

Tremendous Response

That list had mounted and multiplied into many thousands. By this time we had received letters from all 48 states.

I remember one WHO broadcast in particular. I had recorded it at the Studio & Artists recording studios at Columbia Square, Hollywood, on a Thursday night. I had been overworked, losing sleep, and was tired. I was not up to usual broadcasting form that night. I knew it, and felt very badly about it. I tried, but for a half hour of speaking into the microphone it just seemed the usual spontaneous enthusiasm, drive, and energy wasn't there.

"Mr. Armstrong," said the owner of the recording studio after I finished, "you ought to remember that WHO is a very important station. You ought to take it more seriously. This broadcast we just recorded was not good

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THE BIBLE ANSWERS

Short Questions

I have been taking my boys to school and escorting them home again to keep gangs of hoodlums from beating them up. My neighbors tell me this will make sissies of them, and that I should let the boys shift for themselves. What should I do?

Give your children every possible opportunity to make decisions for themselves; and teach them to think quickly so they can learn to avoid strife by out-thinking other boys. Provide only the bare minimum of protection in dangerous streets.

Teach the boys also that they should strive to become strong and healthy. Have them eat a well-balanced diet of wholesome, nourishing food for the development of strong bodies and minds. Make sure they get sufficient sleep and as much strenuous exercise as needed.

Good body-building exercises are wrestling, tumbling, swimming, calisthenics, and track work. If they can excel in some form of clean sport, that accomplishment will diminish their troubles at school because everybody likes a champion.

The path to championship will also develop in them characteristics which will help them to become staunch, persevering, dynamic Christians after they are mature.

In Proverbs 22:6 we are commanded to train our children in the way they should live when they are mature. We are also commanded to 'Do violence to no man' (Luke 3:14). God requires, then, that you teach your sons not to become involved in fights.

They should do nothing more than to put up a guard to ward off a blow, or take other protective action that will harm no one.

In Deuteronomy 6:4-9 we are commanded to diligently teach God's way to our children—day-in and day-out—to keep them and ourselves constantly aware of the benefits of God's right way of life. Teach your children to be alert,

dynamic, to influence others by their example—to be respected by others, not to be sissies.

Do not just stop at teaching your sons to be peacemakers. Teach them the reason for God's way—that we are to love all men, even those who hate us.

Remind them that Christ, our perfect example, suffered abuse without fighting back (1 Pet. 2:21-23), even though He was so strong and healthy that He certainly was physically able to put up a good fight. He showed his manhood by keeping self-control, not losing his temper, by the amount of abuse He was able to take, not by the amount of violence He could do.

Does Exodus 34:28 mean that Moses, not God, wrote the Ten Commandments?

This verse is often misunderstood. Notice what this verse says: "... And he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the ten commandments." Some have assumed the word "he" in this verse refers to Moses—that Moses wrote the Ten Commandments on the tables of stone.

This assumption is absolutely untrue!

Notice Exodus 24:12. God told Moses: "Come up to me into the mount ... and I will give thee tables of stone ... and commandments which I have written." God "gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God" (Ex. 31:18). In Exodus 32:16 we read: "the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of GOD, graven upon the tables." Moses broke these first tables of stone (Verse 19). Then God commanded Moses: "Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first: and I will write upon these tables the words that were in the first tables, which thou

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GERMANY'S DESTINY?

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Prussian by birth, Gehlen was forced by tradition to be a professional soldier. He was only a junior officer in 1939 in a Panzer division invading Poland. But in 1940 he rose to the rank of Colonel, because—as we are told now—the expanding Nazi military juggernaut needed experienced officers (he really hated the Nazis, hated killing and intrigue, torture and death—but since the military juggernaut needed experienced officers, and he was indeed an experienced officer, he felt that it was his duty to serve in Hitler’s Blitzkrieg!)

Through the years on the Eastern front, Herr Gehlen built an espionage and counter-espionage organization which included 5,000 men behind the Russian line and another 5,000 throughout Europe! In 1944, when most of the German General Staff realized the war was over, Gehlen suggested to Hitler that they pull back their forces on the Eastern front. Rebuked by Hitler, he was sent back to the Eastern front, with only one thought in mind—to prepare for his and Germany’s defeat—and survival!

He informed his agents to go underground and await his call. Then he took all of his maps and files, his intelligence reports and buried them in a cave in Southern Germany. He surrendered to the advancing American Army with dignity, was “de-nazified” by 1945 and in the summer of 1947 Allen Dulles offered Reinhard Gehlen a job, asking him to set up an espionage system to be paid for by the United States. To this request Gehlen gave a qualified yes. He agreed to work for the United States but DEMANDED not to be asked to "work against the German interest!"

Then, with American dollars backing him to the tune of more than six million dollars a year, Herr Gehlen signaled to his underground cohorts—"Resurrection in Frankfurt!"

During the following years the information furnished by his staff—so familiar with the Russians, having served on the Russian front during the war—became the BACKBONE OF AMERICAN WAR PLANS!

In 1956 it was Gehlen who knew that there would be a revolt in Hungary, who promised the patriots arms, but the CIA never came through with his promise! Gehlen did all right—it was just another job that the CIA bungled!

Proof was also obtained by Gehlen that Dr. Otto John, leader of a rival intelligence service also paid for by the CIA, was really a double agent working for the Communists!

Now respectable, de-nazified, oriented with the West—Reinhard Gehlen is the CIA’s trusted intelligence man in Western Europe! It does not seem to occur to our “intelligence” office that this Gehlen may be, as he discovered Dr. Otto John to be, a double agent also! We trust him even though he demanded never to be asked to work against the German interest!

In 1962 Reinhard Gehlen is one of the greatest heroes in the West’s fight against Communism—in 1942 Reinhard Gehlen was one of Hitler’s greatest heroes in the fight against Communism!

Germany De-Nazified?

Where have all the millions who supported the Hitler regime gone? Where are the millions of party members? Where are the hundreds of thousands of teachers who filled the minds of youth with Nazi ideology? Where are all the lawyers and judges, the policemen, the doctors who were the intelligentsia of the Nazi regime? Where are all the SS men who performed the cruelties of the more than 300 concentration camps and annihilated six million Jews?

Thousands of the SS and Hitler’s top generals of the Wehrmacht are in today’s Bundeswehr—Germany’s modern army. The judges and policemen of Hitler’s time are on the bench and in the streets. The doctors and teachers of Hitler’s time are practicing their profession even more lucratively now in the healthy economy of Euromart! The party hacks, “old fighters,” party members, and the general public enthusiastically sing “Deutschland Ueber Alles” in public rallies numbering from a few hundred to half a million EVERY WEEKEND in dozens of provincial German towns at reunions of one or another of the Panzer divisions, the SS formation, the Marine Bunt or the Afrika Korps!

At a rally of 500 in 1958, in the city of Munich, former SS Colonel Julius Zuchbold addressed his old Nazi cronies with this summation of the present German situation: "We do not intend to go to sleep. We will stay alert and exploit all rights and privileges which the democratic system offers to us. Yet we will be a power WHENEVER WE DECIDE TO BECOME A POWER!" (The New Germany and the Old Nazis by T. H. Tetens, page 80.)

Just as Gehlen’s intelligence agents were asked to go underground and later brought out apparently serve the West, every other phase of German activity has followed the same pattern! The Krupps and the Flicks are back in German industry, the Hermann Abs and Robert Pfeifermenges are back in German banking, Dr. Hans Globke, one of Hitler’s chief assistants, is the right-
hand man of Dr. Adenauer in the present German government!

The situation is summed up by Mr. William L. Shirer—author of The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich—said in an address in Seattle on April 12, 1961, "The vast majority (in a poll taken in Germany) said that Nazism was a GOOD IDEA, only badly carried out. Their comment was that, 'It lost the war for us.' The memory of Hitler is far from bad and far from dead."

**German Destiny**

The emphasis of German propaganda today is to deny the war guilt "theory"—as they prefer to call it—to play down the atrocities of the Nazi regime, and to remind the Western world that it was Germany who foresaw the Russian threat, and was defending Europe from being engulfed in Communism! They are succeeding in convincing us that they are the true defenders of the West against Communist aggression.

Looking at it from the German point of view, "You Americans made a bad mistake when you declared war on us," said Corporal Franz Minnich, forgoing they again against Communist aggression. of view, "You Americans made a bad mistake when you declared war on us, 'The United States. 'You should have marched with us against Russia. Germany would not be divided today, and you would be safe too."

(Saturday Evening Post, August 20, 1960.)

An active and organized German underground working in close concert with the Bonn government is fast taking the initiative from the hands of the Americans—who have ceased to use initiative at all since the Korean war—and is moving with that initiative toward the goal that they have envisioned historically as the destiny of the German people! As long ago as January 1960 Dr. Adenauer on a state visit to Italy told the Pope, "I believe that God has given the German people in these calamitous times a special task. We are the GUARDIANS OF THE WEST against any mighty force which would descend upon our lines from the East."

De Gaulle, the only strong man in all of France, sees what seems to be hidden from American eyes in the behind-the-scenes activities of post-war Germany. "But it is not West Germany so much as the West Germans that must be tied to the West. If the West Germans lose hope in the ultimate reunification of Germany through Western efforts, they sooner or later will seek reunification by a deal with Russia!" (U. S. News and World Report, October 9, 1961). A Germany, sick of a weak and insipid, conciliatory strategy, led by the United States, is to the point where she must take matters into HER OWN HANDS, and fulfill her role of destiny and history.

The U. S. News and World Report of Oct. 9, 1961 also said "Intelligence sources report that five major papers prepared for the Soviet High Command stress the point that, with care on Russia's part and American mistakes, West Germany can be won over to the Soviet side. Stress was on the view that there can be a basis for accommodation."

**History's Lesson**

The Father of Modern Germany, Prince von Bismarck, even before the beginning of this century, demanded of his Foreign Office on the Wilhelmstrasse to always remember his cardinal rule—"Always keep the lines open to Petrograd"—The Russian capital of his day.

In 1922 Germany completed the infamous Rapallo Treaty, making its Eastern border with Russia safe.

Again in 1939, Hitler concluded his non-aggression pact with the Russians—still considered by the German people to be the wisest move that Hitler ever made. Hitler was not the first to do so. Every conqueror in Europe, including Napoleon and Hitler, had a working agreement with the Russians during the period of his success. One of the main turning points in the downfall of all these conquerors from Napoleon to Hitler was a breaking of this Russian agreement—a premature attack to the East, a bad winter and consequent defeat!

**Where Will Germany Go Now?**

The present leader of West Germany, Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, according to a UPI release of August 16, 1961, promised the Soviet Ambassador Andrei Smirnov that he would do nothing over the Berlin crisis that would worsen Bonn-Moscow relations, while the federal press office said that Smirnov "informed the Chancellor of the next plans of the Soviet government in the field of foreign affairs, and of the possible ways in which present relations between the Soviet Union and the Federal Re-

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German Air Force markings identify the needle-nosed F-104G super Starfighter, the 1,500-mile-an-hour jet fighter scheduled to be one of the chief aerial defenders of West Europe. Plane is now being manufactured in quantity in Europe for German Air Force.

West German naval cadets carry out a gun drill aboard the training corvette Eider on a Baltic cruise. The new West German Navy, starting from scratch, now boasts 10,000 officers and men.

German tanks train in Isles. Here German on range at Camp Cheshire.

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Today German military into NATO—but who tomorrow? Only Bible answer—revealed in article.
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West Germany's first submarine since World War II was launched October 21, 1961 at Kiel. Named the "U-One," the submarine is 144 feet long, 15 feet wide and has eight torpedo tubes. Speed is military secret. A West German navy guard of honor stands on quay at left.

Officers and enlisted men of West Germany's new Luftwaffe study complexities of the F84F jet fighter engine during a technical training course at the U.S. Air Force base at Kaufbeuren in southern Germany.

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public could develop!"

"There have been frequent hints in the Adenauer press that the Chancellor was pursuing a 'tremendously bold plan' of first consolidating a United Europe and then turning to the East to make a deal with Moscow! The Chancellor is stubborn but he is a realist... he follows the correct thesis of doing two things at the same time: namely to increase our strength by cooperation with the West, and not neglecting the other, to come to an agreement with the East." (The New Germany and the Old Nazis, T. H. Tetens, p. 248).

In 1955, when Dr. Adenauer had asked for his own invitation to Moscow and returned, he praised the Soviet Union as "an immense power that has to be accepted as a reality," and referred to its leaders saying, "Bulgarian and Khrushchev are men whose words I fully trust!"

More Than United Europe

"Fascism in Europe is about to be reborn in respectable business attire, and the Treaty of Rome will finally be implemented to its fullest extent... the dream of a Holy Roman Empire returning to power to dominate and direct the so-called forces of Christian mankind of the Western world is not dead, but still stalks through the antechambers of every national capital of continental Western Europe... in the determination of the leaders in the Common Market nations to restore the Holy Roman Empire with all that that means!" (Northwest Technocrat, Vol. XXV, No. 205.)

United within the ancient boundaries of the Holy Roman Empire; united by the common spiritual bond of universal Catholicism; united in a burgeoning and booming industrial economy that dominates today's world; united geographically in the most productive and industrial complex of all the earth—at least TEN NATIONS OF MODERN EUROPE WILL MARCH ONTO THE SCENE OF WORLD HISTORY AS THE GREATEST SINGLE HUMAN FORCE EVER SEEN BY MAN!

This United Europe will form a non-aggression pact or political alignment of some sort with the Soviet East. This United Europe will then consolidate its gains, flex its muscles and again attack the Russians in the East.

This United Europe will be destroyed—but this time it will not be by a Russian winter, or by combined allied might—but by the ANGELIC ARMIES OF A RETURNING CHRIST COMING TO RESTORE PEACE AND ORDER AND TO RULE THIS EARTH WITH AN IRON ROD!

Bible Prophecy Reveals Future

"There is a God in Heaven that reveals secrets, and makes known... what shall be in the latter days!" (Dan. 2:28). Khrushchev and his minions in the Soviet circle are planning and intriguing to conquer this world! They would like very much to know how it will all turn out! A European Nazi underground is also plotting and planning for world domination—they too would like to know how it will all come out!

The pages of your Bible reveal the thrilling outcome!

God, speaking to modern-day Israel (the United States and Great Britain and the Democracies of Northwest Europe—if you do not understand the modern identity of Israel, write immediately for Mr. Armstrong's booklet, "The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy")—God says, 'Hearken unto me O house of Jacob, and all the remnant of the house of Israel, which are borne by me from the belly, which are carried from the womb... Remember this, and show yourselves men: bring it again to mind O you transgressors. Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else: I am God, and there is none like me, declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times: the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand and I will do all my pleasure: calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man that executes my counsel from a far country: yea, I have spoken it, I will also bring it to PASS; I have purposed it, I will also do it!" (Isa. 46:3, 8-11.)

God, in His high heaven, is bringing to pass the prophecies He made thousands of years ago regarding the nations that are struggling on the earth today! He has not gone far off somewhere, disinterested in human affairs, and only contemplating the Eternal thoughts of what is good and looking down on "His children," the blessed and benign, long white-haired old man as most picture God—stuck away in the corner of religion! But the Living Creator, the one that became Jesus Christ, the Son of God the Father, is vitally interested in today's nations—in Israel, the United States and Great Britain; in Germany at the head of a United Europe; and in the Soviet Empire! The true God of creation sits on the circle of the earth, intervening from time to time as He needs to, to bring to pass these prophecies He declared would be fulfilled in this end time!

God Works Directly With His People

Since the time of the exodus from
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States and a Soviet Empire! Anciently, God used the nation of Israel to punish the inhabitants of the land of Canaan for their sins! The whole nation of Israel became a SWORD in the hand of God to bring His vengeance and execution upon the sons of men who had sinned against Him! Then, the same nation that He used to execute His judgment, rebelled against His rule and went contrary to His ways. They have gone contrary to His ways for thousands of years despite His blessings and despite His warnings! Now, at the close of man's time of trial on this earth, God solemnly warns His people Israel that He is going to punish them, and execute judgment upon them.

As God of the entire universe—a Being to whom all the nations of this earth are but dust on a balance, and a drop of water in a bucket—God is able at any time to use any nation for any purpose that He wishes!

If you were God, and the nation of Israel had rebelled against you, and you wished to punish them for that rebellion—and you were going to use another nation as a rod in your hand to punish them—what nation would you pick?

What nation would be best equipped to deal the crushing blow, that would grind us under its heel in cruel oppression until we turned our hearts to God and asked Him to forgive us for our sins, and asked Him to save us?

The nation God picked was Germany!

Just as the modern nations of the United States and Great Britain are referred to in the Bible as Israel, so the modern nation of Germany is referred to as ancient Assyria! (Please write for our article “Germany in Prophecy,” explaining Assyria's modern identity.)

"A Assyrian, the rod of MINE anger, and the staff in their hand is MINE indignation. I WILL SEND HIM against an hypocritical nation, and against the people of my wrath (rebellious Israel) will I give him a charge (command), to take the spoil, and to take the prey, and to tread them down like the mire of the streets" (Isa. 10:5, 6).

Yes, God is going to take the nation of Germany at the head of a United Europe into his hand as a club to punish the nations of Israel for their rebellion against Him! "Howbeit he meaneth not so, neither does his heart think so; but it is in his heart to destroy and cut off nations not a few" (vs. 7)

Germany, those living in Germany, even the German government, may not yet know that they are going to join in a treaty with the Russians to destroy the United States and bring it to its knees—it is not in his "heart" to think so, but on the other hand it is in his "heart" to destroy—the very characteristic of the Assyrian, the modern German, is a harsh, cruel, iron dedication to militarism and destruction! This is just the kind of nation God needs to use as a rod in His hand to punish His people.

Does this then mean that the Germans at the head of a United Europe do not have a spiritual mission to perform? Does this mean that they are right in claiming to be the "Defenders of the West" and the champions of Christianiy? No!

God's Destiny for Germany

Despite the fact that it is God who will use Germany to destroy America, Germany must be destroyed as well for HER rebellion against God—"I will punish the fruit of the stout heart of the king of Assyria, and the glory of his high looks. For he saith, by the
strength of my hand I have done it, and by my wisdom; for I am prudent!" (Isa. 10:12,13)

The leaders of a United Europe, when they succeed against the United States, will begin to think their prudent planning, their wise ideas and their powerful might have made them successful! They will not realize that they have only been used as a base tool of destruction in the hand of the Almighty God! "Shall the axe boast that it has only been used as a base tool of destruction in the hand of the Almighty God? 'Shall the axe boast that it has only been used as a base tool of destruction in the hand of the Almighty God?' (Isa. 10:15). God explains here that despite the fact that He has used Assyria to punish Israel, Assyria is also rebellious against His law and government, His way, and since it will magnify itself against the very God of creation, as Dan. 11:36 and 37 explain, GOD WILL HAVE TO PUNISH IT FOR THIS!

So GOD says, 'The Lord of hosts has sworn, saying, Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass: and as I have purposed, so shall it stand: That I will break Assyria in my land, and upon my mountains TREAD HIM UNDER FOOT: then shall his yoke depart from off them, and his burden depart from off their (the Israelites) shoulders' (Isa. 14: 24, 25). Just shortly before Jesus Christ Himself intervenes in this world's affairs, He will take another nation as a punishing club in His hands and punish the proud Assyrians, the modern Germans at the head of the United States of Europe. 'Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them, which shall not regard silver; and as for gold they shall not delight in it (Here the Communist system is described, which does not believe in capitalism and exercises only a lust for power) Their bows also shall dash the young men to pieces; and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; their eye shall not spare children. And Babylon (the modern resurrected and revived Roman Empire, dominated by a fascist Germany), the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldees' excellency, shall be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah!' (Isa. 13:17-19.)

God warns us, "Put not your trust in Princes, nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help! His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish. Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose HOPE IS IN THE LORD HIS GOD: which made heaven and earth, the sea and all that therein is!" (Psalm 146:3-6.)

Who Can You Trust?

It must be very evident to the minds of thinking men today that you CANNOT TRUST the Communists nor Communism! God is going to BURY this system! (Ezek. 38,39). In God's eyes, the thriving, bustling Commonwealth of Europe is a system in which man should not put his trust either! God will bring an end to this also! Since God himself has pronounced a curse on modern Israel, and is going to hand us over to the Assyrians, it is evident that we CANNOT TRUST in the American way of life either!

Nothing is left outside these three great systems and powers on earth, under man, except Anarchy!

MAN'S ONLY HOPE LIES IN TURNING TO HIS CREATOR GOD!

'At what instant shall I speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to pluck up, and to pull down, and to destroy it; If that nation, against whom I have pronounced, TURN FROM THEIR EVIL, I will repent of the evil that I thought to do unto them . . . Behold, I frame evil against YOU, and devise a device against YOU: return ye now EVERY ONE from his evil way and make your ways and your doings good!' (Jer. 18:7,8,11)

The case of America and Great Britain is hopeless!

Nothing can save them from the hand of punishment from their God! The hope of the German, and a United Europe is equally hopeless, they are deceived and vainly puffed up in their own eyes—they will not repent and turn to God! Certainly the hope of the Communist is most hopeless of all! How can he turn to God who denies His existence?

YOUR only hope as an individual is to turn to God—to the Living Creator who is working out events here below on this earth—who is very concerned about YOU, who promises you safety from these horrible times to come! Heed the warning given by Jeremiah!

The only way to escape these sure prophecies of God is by REPENTANCE—nationally or individually!

What our READERS SAY

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opened to broadcast to the British Isles every night. See our radio log, pages 6-7.

Husband Now the Boss

"Dear Mr. Armstrong:

"I listen to your son on radio. He makes everything so plain and easy to understand. In January I was listening to him teach about the woman being obedient to the husband—how a marriage should be giving 100% instead of 50-50% as I always had heard. Our family gets along better now since I have quit trying to be boss and let my husband be the head of the house as God intended."

Woman from Texas.

Editor's Comment: Many are finding how truly happy a marriage can be. If your marriage isn't happy there is a reason! Write for Mr. Armstrong's article "How to Have a Happy Marriage" immediately and find out why—and what you need to do about it.

Happy Family Again

"Thank God for your program! Now the Bible is a part of our daily lives. A couple of months ago we were a very unhappy family. My husband and I didn't get along well and his business wasn't going well. Now all that has changed, and we are happy again!"

Couple from Cleveland, Ohio.

A Friend In Deed

"I have received a copy of your PLAIN TRUTH, sent me upon request of a friend of mine. I am very thankful to my friend, also to you for the magazine. It is so interesting. I started to look through it, then began to read and didn't lay it down until I had read every word in it."

Woman from Columbus, Ohio.
How To Teach Your Children Right Habits!

Human beings are creatures of HABIT! But habits must be TAUGHT! Read HOW you can begin teaching your children to AUTOMATICALLY do the right thing!

by Garner Ted Armstrong

"I DON'T WANT to, Mommy!" wails the tearful tot of three years when Mommy has said, "Go to bed now!" Of course he doesn't want to—because he's not in the HABIT of going to bed when told!

How many times each day, and over how many different circumstances is this the picture in YOUR home?

Do your children have the habit of obedience? Do they respond IMMEDIATELY when you tell them to do something? Do they have the habit of coming when called, of closing the door after them, picking up their clothes, answering you immediately, being clean and neat? Chances are—they don't!

How Habits Are Acquired

BAD habits are acquired after only one or two experiences! Remember, it's the pleasurable experience that is most oft repeated. A little baby LIKES the sound of his spoon hitting the floor, and seeing his mother or father pick it up for him. He LIKES the excitement when he dumps his cereal bowl, or spills his milk, and sees the flurry of motion and sound around him.

Naturally, unless he is firmly taught NOT to do these things, he will REPEAT them until they become HABIT! How many children have you known who are habitually noisy, unkempt, rude and disobedient? Perhaps dozens! How many have you known who were habitually quiet, polite, neat and orderly, and always obeyed cheerfully every parental command? If you've known ANY—you have seen a rarity!

Never forget children are creatures of HABIT! In the last installment of this series, we saw HOW TO PUNISH your children in love, and how to really get results! Now, in this number, let's understand WHAT are some of the results we want, and how to USE loving punishment and correction, together with the kind, patient teaching, to achieve them.

When you, as an adult, say "How do you do?" or "Thank you!" to another person, it is purely automatic. It is not a carefully thought-out procedure, reasoned out in your mind, and arrived at after careful analytical consideration! So with your work, your play, your driving. A truly good driver is actually unconscious of particular manipulations of the clutch, the gearshift (if any, today) the brake and the wheel. He functions as a driver automatically.

There are hundreds of things you will do automatically. Why? Because you have learned the habit of doing them. They are not carefully thought-out actions, but automatic reflexes as a result of certain stimuli to the nervous system!

When a baby is born, it knows absolutely NOTHING! It is not, as the horse, cow or dog, a creature of instinct! It must be taught everything it is to know!

How, then, can you teach your children the correct habits of obedience, cleanliness, proper eating, good posture, orderliness, truthfulness, and respect?

Good Habits Are Acquired Gradually!

As I sit at my typewriter, typing this article for this issue of the PLAIN TRUTH Magazine, I am thinking in words, in concepts and thoughts! I am not conscious of each letter as I strike the keys. But it wasn't quite that easy back in high school, when I was learning to type! My fingers were stiff and clumsy, and I had to learn the placement of the keys. It's the same in any form of endeavor. But after weeks and months of practice, of experience, of patient REPETITION, you can LEARN a new talent, a new sport, or acquire a new ability!

And so it is with your children. The very first time your baby reaches out a chubby little hand to grasp a spoon, he may drop it several times, get it between his fingers, and in both hands, and try desperately to put it in his mouth. He will trade hands with it, bang it on his high chair tray, and throw it on the floor. It is only after weeks and months of patient TEACHING that a child will gradually learn to hold the spoon correctly, eliminating all the unnecessary movements and actions, and finally solving the complicated process of all the muscular movements involved in simply holding a spoon!

This is learned through trial and error. Obviously, the parent should place the spoon in the right hand, and show the child how to hold it correctly, helping him along until he is able to do it for himself. The first time a baby drops a spoon, the parent should merely say "No" and pick it up, placing it back in his hand. The second time, REPEAT the command, and spat the back of the hand sharply. It won't bruise or injure—but in a very SHORT time, you will have a very small child who will NOT EVER, unless it is a pure accident on a very rare instance, just as any adult will do, drop his silverware on the floor! But remember the principles of the last article! Be perseverant, be instantaneous, be consistent, and be SURE!

Practice Makes Perfect

Some habits are learned almost instantaneously, because they give a pleasant reward to the child. Other habits, and usually the most necessary ones, take a little longer.
For example, the child of three to four years of age may have great difficulty lacing his own shoes—tying them in horrifying knots, or hardly tying them at all. However, at the age of five or six he may be tying them smoothly and with seemingly no effort. This is as a result of literally hundreds of experiences with tying and untying his own shoes. It is the constant practice which has made him finally efficient in tying his shoes.

If we want a child to hold his spoon correctly, tie his shoes correctly, walk, stand or sit correctly, should not this same desire project itself into all phases of life? Your child can be taught to practice right habits.

It is practice, in the right habits, which will bring about perfection. Thus, teaching a child to open or close a door softly and correctly several times in a few minutes will begin to instill in him the right habit of always opening and closing the door correctly. Teaching him to go to the bathroom to wash his hands and face prior to eating as a very young child will instill in him such a habit of doing this that it will carry over into all of his adult life!

You may have heard it said that children coming from a large family are usually more generous as adults. Why is this? Simply because they were forced through environmental circumstances to learn to share as a very young child. They had to share their toys, bedroom, dinner table, games and, oftentimes, even clothing.

Habits From Satisfaction

The more pleasurable an experience, the quicker the child will form a habit of repeating the experience. Thus, the tiny baby, when accidentally finding its own thumb, begins to suck. This thumb-sucking brings about a feeling of solace and comfort which is immediately pleasurable to the child. Only one or two times, and a fulfilled habit of thumb-sucking is acquired! But this is a bad habit, and should be broken as early as possible.

Some modern child psychologists advocate allowing a child to suck his thumb up until ages of five and six or even seven! However, acquiring the proper type of nighttime covering, and dealing with the problem firmly and diligently during the daytime will soon break the child of this undesirable habit—which could, contrary to some popular opinion, cause slight damage to the gums and even protruding front teeth! By using a zipper-type sheet at night, where the child’s hands are not allowed to come in contact with his mouth, this bad habit is soon broken.

Obviously, since a child learns much more rapidly if the experience can be made pleasurable, the problem arises as to how to make the desirable habits more pleasurable.

"Only when some success is attained does the child have a feeling of satisfaction. A few words of praise given now and then for his somewhat bungling attempts will often do more toward helping a child acquire a desirable habit than any amount of unfavorable comments. To point out a child’s mistakes rather than his successes, in other words, is to set up in his mind an unpleasant association with the desired act. The wise parent who wishes his child to learn to lace his shoes will compliment him, even though he occasionally misses a hole or falls short of the adult standard" (p. 86, Childcare and Training, Faegre and Anderson).

Parents who show only disgust at the mistakes of their children, are presenting a very difficult barrier to the formation of right habits.

These are so many and so varied that only a few representative ones may be given here. However, if the principles outlined in this series are applied in individual cases, there are many hundreds of right habits which may be acquired without too great difficulty. And, whatever the difficulty—the results are well worth it!

Personal Cleanliness

Perhaps some mothers make a "fetish" out of personal cleanliness, always to be seen chasing their child about with a damp washcloth, and always horrified if they become the slightest bit dirty. This is an extreme; but nevertheless, personal cleanliness should be early instilled in the child as a habit! Obviously, this can only be done, if the parent, in the beginning, keeps the child meticulously clean at all times.

It is certainly unattractive and disgusting to see a child whose nose is always running, whose face and hands are always grimy, whose hair is never combed, and whose clothes are in a disorderly state.

Jesus said "Ye shall know them by their fruits" Our children are our fruits!—and you may be sure that where an unclean child is seen, there is an unclean parent responsible for it.

If children are always made to clean up immediately upon coming into the house after play, if they always are made to wash and comb prior to each meal, if the first thing they do upon arising is to wash, comb their hair and brush their teeth, they will learn the habit of personal cleanliness very early. Later, in the early school years, when it becomes a matter of personal self-discipline, you will find you have a child who is acutely aware of personal hygiene and cleanliness.

**Teach Your Child to Eat What Is Set Before Him**

Prepare balanced meals, and give your child only what you feel he will be able to eat! Then, always be sure, unless there is some extreme case such as sickness, that your child eats everything that is set before him.

Frequently, parents who express disgust at a certain vegetable in the presence of their children find their children form a "dislike" for that particular vegetable. Remember, your child learns by association! He learns by your example! As already outlined, spanking may be used to teach the child to eat all that is set before him, or deprivation of a reward, such as letting the child go without his dessert, will sometimes gain the desired results. Nature will not let the child starve! Sometimes, mothers feel a child who is made to go without a meal, will "starve to death!" This is simply untrue—and even spinach will acquire a peculiarly interesting taste if the child gets really hungry!

**Teach Your Child to COME When He Is Called**

Never, at any age, is there an excuse for children to run away from their parents, or to disobey when told to come
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"Come here, dear" ... either stands still described already who, when "asked co become like rhe "ave rage " IS-momher 22, Child Behavior, should be accompanied, then, by placing co daddy!" "Come co mama!" or, simply. In this fashion, as already outlined, the words "Come!" or "Come to daddy!" are commonly used, as already explained, the child learns by association that coming in your direction is the result of hearing the command "Come!" Later, as he increases in ability to walk, try calling him even if he is walking in the opposite direction. At first, when he doesn't immediately turn around and come to you, go to him, pick him up and turn him around, then back away and repeat the command—holding out your hands. You will find the careful repetition of this practice will soon instill the habit of coming when called in your child.

If the child begins to think it is all a game, and laughingly runs in the other direction, what shall you do? Most parents would probably "hate like everything" to punish their child at this juncture, because they would simply reason to themselves "but he thinks I'm just playing!"

That's just it! How is he ever going to find out you are NOT playing—if you don't teach him?

In the fashion already outlined, give the command "come here!" If the child runs in the other direction—run to him, spank him by a few firm swats, enough to be felt. Don't just mildly surprise the child! Place him squarely in his tracks, facing in the same direction in which he was going. Retire to the same position in which you were when you made the original command. Repeat the command. This time, the chances are, he will come to you when called. If he does not, repeat the same procedure again—and again—and again—UNTIL the child has thoroughly understood what is required of him, and has begun to come at your call, regardless of the direction in which he is headed, regardless of what he is doing, regardless of how far away he may be.

Perhaps this sounds quite unnecessary to some—but it is exceedingly remarkable to note the scores of parents with little children today who couldn't get their children to come to them when they called if their very lives depended upon it! Seeing children run from their parents in supermarkets, on the streets, in their homes, or anywhere, for that matter, is so common today that one wonders whether the modern world has forgotten that learning to come when called is one of the first things they teach their dogs!

Teach Your Child to LISTEN to Your Instructions

Sounds simple? But it isn't! Again, NO child will EVER listen to his parents unless he is TAUGHT to listen! The parent who constantly says "Did you hear me?" or, "Did you understand?" or, "Pay attention to mama!" is the parent who has never learned to teach the child to LISTEN.

First grade teachers could form a veritable army of witnesses to tell surprised parents how FEW children have EVER learned to listen to instructions! It is another of the beginning principles in childrearing.

It is truly amazing what a few sharp spankings will accomplish to improve a child's hearing! If your child does not seem to hear you when you call, or his mind wanders when you are instructing him, or he pays no attention to you—the following measures should be applied: Speak only once. Speak sufficiently audibly so that you are sure your child (if he has normal hearing, which we are assuming, since we are dealing with the "average" case) can hear you. In this way, you will be assured at the outset his lack of attentiveness is not due to a fault on your part. If he doesn't hear you, simply go to him and apply a sharp, but comparatively mild, spanking!

Explain to the child he did not listen to you—and tell him to be more attentive next time!

Apply the proper methods of positive teaching, followed by swift, never-failing and loving punishment for infractions! In this manner, you will break the bad habit of not listening to parental instructions and admonitions, and instill the good habit of always listening attentively to the parent. In this fashion, whether your child is playing, or engaged in some pursuit which calls for his undivided attention, he will, nevertheless, always, "have one ear tuned" to the voice of his parent!

This is another point at which many parents fail—simply because they are never sure their child really could have heard them! Use wisdom! If your child is outdoors, and banging on a tin pan or playing noisily with toys, the chances are you should not even attempt to call loudly from in the house, unless there is an open window very near the child's play area. Rather, you should go to a place where the child can see as well as hear—and then call your child or give whatever instructions or teaching you wish.

I know of a case where a parent was finding herself calling repeatedly for her son. He had a back-yard "project" involving his pets, and was invariably "busy" and "occupied" with them. He apparently didn't hear the calls of his parents. He was reminded to listen carefully, and sternly admonished. Next time, he still didn't come. He was firmly spanked for it! The next day, he came to the door several times when his mother hadn't called, saying "Mom, did you call me?" Does this illustrate the point? Always be sure any normal child couldn't help but hear, and THEN, if the child does not respond, apply the lesson until he does learn to respond.

Teach Your Child How to Answer His Parents

Remember, one of the greatest lessons any of us can learn is a deep inner sense of respect for authority! One of the attributes of those whom God says are rebellious toward authority is that they "despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities!" (Jude 8). Not only do many children "speak evil of dignities" today,
but millions are allowed to “sass” their parents, to talk back, to say “Yeah!” or “Naw!” to parental questions or commands! God says:

“Children, obey your parents in the Lord: For this is right.

“Honor thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise;

“That it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest live long on the earth.” (Eph. 6:1-3).

We should show honor and respect toward God by addressing Him as ‘Our Father.’ We are told to “stand in awe of Him!” and to approach Him with dignity and respect, calling upon Him by the use of the titles of His Office! We are to call upon Jesus as “LORD!” Lord simply means, translated: “Master,” “Boss” or “Ruler!”

In like fashion, children should be taught to look up to the office and authority of their parents! Just as we are to love Almighty God with our whole heart, our mind, our very being, and yet show respect—so will the child who truly loves his parents be able to experience an even fuller love if he is also taught a deep inner sense of respect toward his parents. This may be evidenced in the manner in which the child answers the parents.

It is neither “old-fashioned” nor wrong to teach children to say “Yes, sir!” or “Yes, ma’am!” to their parents. Teaching the child to say “Yes, father” or “Yes, mother” may sound, perhaps, a little too laborious and lengthy—and the same purposes may be achieved by a simple “Yes, sir” or “No, ma’am.” My child invariably answers me with a “Yes, sir” or a “No, sir” and, in looking back, I can recall having to apply a very mild spanking on only one occasion in his entire life to instill in him this habit. It was simply a matter of the positive teaching. He was taught how to answer.

You should begin at a very early age, when a child is first learning to put together simple phrases—learning to talk. When asking a child a question, such as “Did you have a good time today?”, if the child says “y-e-e-es”—then you should say: “Say, ‘Yes, sir!’” and have your child repeat this a few times. As a result of diligent teaching in each instance, within just a very few days, or, at the most, a few weeks—you will have instilled in your child a habit which will last through the remainder of his natural life! At age four, or five, my boy was answering “Yes, sir” on almost every occasion. However, I began to notice frequent slips, and that he would begin to drop off the “sir” on occasion. I said: “Mark, you should always say ‘Yes, sir,’ or ‘No, sir,’ when you talk to your daddy, or ‘Yes, ma’am’ or ‘No, ma’am’ when you talk to your mother. You have been slipping up on this lately—and forgetting. I’m calling this to your attention—now—to tell you about it as a reminder—so you won’t slip up on it in the future. If you do, then I will have to give you a spanking to help you remember—do you understand?” “Yes, sir!” answered my son.

However, true to form, he did forget within a few hours, or days—I don’t remember now. At any rate, true to my promise, I did spank him for it! I don’t believe I swatted him more than four or five times. He tearfully apologized, and I put my arms around him and loved him, telling him I was giving him the spanking merely to help him remember—and that he sometimes needed this help as a part of his positive teaching—so he wouldn’t forget! He now has a deeply engrained habit which I doubt anyone could break—a right habit of showing respect, not only toward his father and mother—but toward all adults!

Teach Your Child to Perform Certain Definite Tasks

At a very early age, children may be taught to put up their own toys, fold and hang up clothing, help make their beds, clean up after themselves in the bathroom, or do other simple tasks about the house or yard. This is not with the aim of acquiring cheap labor about the home—far from it! It is with the goal in mind of teaching your child one of the most important lessons of life, which, simply stated, is this: TO DO WHAT HE IS TOLD TO DO—WHEN HE IS TOLD TO DO IT!

By constantly teaching your child to perform certain tasks about the home, you are instilling several habits within him at once. The habit of obedience; of neatness; of cleanliness; of listening to parental instruction; of answering correctly; and that of performing definite tasks are all involved in this procedure.

At first, you will need to “spill out” exactly what is expected of the child. For example: With your child, bend over and pick up one of his toys. Hand it to him, and then, take him by the hand, show him the proper place for the toy. After you have done this a few times, then you may have him pick it up and carry it to its proper place unaided. After a few times, giving simple instructions all the while, you will find that your child is able to pick up an object from one part of the house, and, progressively, going through several rooms, pull open the right drawer and put it in its proper place.

There are two different kinds of “good housekeepers!” The one type is a wonderful worker, accomplishing monumental tasks in a short period of time, and, by 10 or 11 o’clock in the morning always seems to have a spotless home! The other kind seems to breeze through her work with consummate ease—never struggling too hard, never doing such monumental tasks, and yet always keeping a neat and spotlessly clean home. What are the differences between the two? The one probably has ill trained and unclean children—and is living in a family which never puts anything away after it is used. The other simply never allows the house to become dirty in the first place! Her children are following the good examples and careful teaching of the parents—they’re putting things away in their proper places.

As your child gets to the age where he can understand more than one simple instruction at a time, begin to link together two or even three simple instructions. For example, say, “Johnny, pick up these toys and take them to your room—and put them away in their proper place. Then, bring daddy his slippers from his closet.” Be slow and definite in your instructions. In this fashion, going to his room, and then relating the putting away of one or two objects with the obtaining of another, you have begun to teach your

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REBELS CHALLENGE GOD'S GOVERNMENT

The rebels who had escaped the Amalekite ambush were a pitiful sight indeed.

"You who have been spared," Moses told them, "should thank God that He chose some to be able to return here so that the rest of us can be reminded what can happen to people who don't have God's protection. Otherwise, you would now be captives or dead."

As was common with the Egyptians and not uncommon with the Israelites, there was much weeping and wailing and loud expressions of sorrow and regret the rest of the night. A part of the people seemed to be getting a picture of how bleak and uncertain their lives would be without God's guidance and protection.

The cloud and the pillar of fire were not removed, because it wasn't God's intention to entirely forsake Israel. (Deuteronomy 1:31-33 and Nehemiah 9:19-21.)

It was a case of the Israelites breaking their agreement with God, which meant that God was no longer bound to give them the help, guidance and protection that He had promised to give if they would obey Him.
From then on for nearly forty years God decided the movements of Israel by such things as the lack of abundance of water, the presence or absence of grass for their animals, the state of health of the people and many other factors.

They camped at Hor-hagidgad only long enough to lick their wounds and then continued southward through several more stopping places to a spot called Jotbathah. (Numbers 33:32-33.) From there they moved on south to Ebronah, and from Ebronah they journeyed once again back into the desert area west of the northern tip of the Gulf of Aqaba and northeast of Mt. Sinai. This was the area where, on their way north from Mt. Sinai, so many of them had complained so harshly against God. (Numbers 11:1-3.) They had said that they would rather die there than go on. This was the place where a great part of them would eventually die.

**Sabbath Broken Again**

Fall had arrived, and the nights in the desert were becoming colder. Campfire material was rather scarce. For some, the collecting of fuel was fast becoming a full-time job. The people had to go farther and farther out from the camps to obtain it if they stayed in one spot very many days.

One Sabbath a man was seen spending the day busily gathering dried sticks and branches far outside the camps. Most Israelites respected the Fourth Commandment and feared to labor on the Sabbath. Thinking that perhaps the man wasn’t aware that it was the seventh day of the week, a few people went out to warn him.

"I don’t care what day it is!" the man growled, hardly looking at them. "I worked all week getting food for my family and animals. There wasn’t time to gather fuel, and so I have to do it now. If God wants me to get all my work done before the end of the week, He’ll have to add more days to it. Meanwhile, I’m not going to just sit in my tent and twiddle my thumbs just because some fancifully robed priest says it’s wrong to support my family on the Sabbath!"

This matter was reported back to
camp. Before long two officers went out to talk to the man.

"You are an evil example to others," the officers told him. "People who see you freely laboring all Sabbath without instant punishment might try to do likewise. Then they would receive the punishment you will eventually receive."

The fuel gatherer glowered at the officers and swung his load of sticks from one shoulder to the other.

"Why should I be punished for trying to keep my family warm?" he snapped. "I can decide what is best for me and mine without any meddling from you or God!"

This arrogant display of rebellion brought on a hasty arrest by the officers, but it was no small task to take the man back to camp. He struggled and fought and cursed all the way.

When Moses was told of the matter, he wasn't certain just what should be done. Many Israelites had secretly wished the Sabbath were just another work day. But none of them so far had outwardly shown such strong feeling against God and authority as this man had shown.

Moses knew that this matter would quickly become known by all the people. He also realized that if they found that one could succeed in being so defiant about breaking the Sabbath without quick and heavy punishment, numberless Israelites might attempt the same thing.

This was a problem Moses had to take to God. As usual, God quickly made clear to Moses what was to be done.

Next morning, acting on orders from Moses, officers led the offender back into the desert. A huge crowd silently followed, constantly enlarged by a flow of grim-faced people who had heard what was going on. Acting on instructions from Moses, they stripped the offender of his outer clothes, then stoned him to death. (Numbers 15:32-36.)

The apostle Paul explains in Romans 13:1-7 that God ordained that criminals be punished. God takes no pleasure in seeing wicked men die (Ezekiel 33:11), but He knows that lawbreakers are better dead than left around to harm others or lead others to do evil. God in His mercy sees that evil men are better off punished than left alive making themselves and others miserable and unhappy.

Discontentment Grows Again

Not long after the Israelites left Kadesh, another wretched event took place that resulted in another great disaster. This situation developed because a state of envy existed in the minds of some of the people who wanted to be priests or who wanted cer-
tain of their friends to be priests and leaders instead of Levi's family.

Foremost among such men was a man named Korah, one of Levi's great grandsons and a first cousin to Moses and Aaron. He strongly felt that he should have been chosen for a high office. In fact, he had the idea that he should be in Moses position as head of Israel. He was joined in this ill attitude by three Reubenites, Dathan, Abiram and On. They were of the opinion that Moses was favoring his family too much, and was not properly distributing the offices of authority. These men thought all the congregation should have a voice in government. (Numbers 16:1-3.)

For a long time these men had been seething with discontent and planning how they could move in to take over the priesthood for themselves. This scheme against Moses was the same as scheming against God (Numbers 26:9), but these men were desperate for power. Gradually they managed to persuade high-ranking Israelites that their cause was right. Eventually two hundred and fifty Israelite leaders agreed to join these influential, smooth-talking schemers in the hope that all would move into higher rank with greater power and more income.

One morning when Israel was camping at a stopping place on the way southward, all these ambitious men gathered before Moses' tent. With Korah, their best speaker and worst schemer, leading them, they came to demand of Moses that some changes be made in the priesthood. When Moses was told that a crowd of high-ranking men had come to demand some changes in government, he wasn't surprised. He had sensed for weeks that this kind of trouble was brewing. Now, as he came out of his tent he expected to see only a handful of men. He was rather startled to see more than two hundred and fifty, and he was considerably upset to recognize so many trusted men of high rank among those who now stood before him with unfriendly expressions. (Numbers 16:2.)

"Why are you here?" Moses asked.

Korah Wants More Authority

"We are here because we believe you are taking on too much power for one man," Korah answered. "You and your priests act as though you are holier than any of the rest of us. If we are God's chosen people, then all of us are holy. That means that all of us have equal rights in matters of government. However, you use your authority to put men who are your friends in the best positions in government. (Verse 3.) We demand that you yield some of those offices to the congregation so we can choose our own officials." Korah, being a good speaker, knew he could be elected to a high office if the people were allowed to choose their own leaders.

What Korah really was after was complete control of all Israel. Leaders of
nations have always been the objects of envy by greedy men. Seizing leadership has always been a selfish, bloody game, with the greatest losers generally turning out to be the citizens. Even Israel, God’s chosen nation, wasn’t free of this kind of ambitious trouble-makers.

Moses was shocked by this blunt demand from Korah. He could see that the men weren’t just bluffing. It was plain that they were willing to go to extremes to gain what they had set out to do. Setting armed soldiers on them would only mean bloodshed. Besides, most of the Israelites would sympathize with victims of the soldiers, since they were popular, well-known leaders, and the situation would become worse.

Without even going back into the privacy of his tent, Moses knelt forward with his head to the ground and asked God for help. A few of those assembled became uncomfortable as they stood in the presence of a humble man calling on his Creator for aid. They included On, one of the Reubenites. He wanted no more of the matter, and slipped out of the scene. Other onlookers merely smiled at what they considered an attempt by Moses to gain their sympathy by appearing pitifully pious.

“This is no time for a show, Moses!” Korah called out. “Stand up and explain why at least some of us shouldn’t be priests in place of some of those who are now in service merely because it was your whim to put them there.” Korah, a Levite, already had a high office, but he wanted an even higher office—the priesthood that was given to Aaron. (Verses 8-11.)

Moses slowly came to his feet. Those who watched him couldn’t know that God had just inspired him to know what to say. Ignoring Korah, Moses addressed Dathan and Abiram.

Moses Tries to Save Rebels

“Before you carry this matter further, let us discuss it in my tent,” Moses said, thus giving them an opportunity to separate from Korah.

“There is no reason to talk with you,” Dathan and Abiram replied. “We refuse to listen to your excuses for leading us from the good land of Egypt and into a desert where we are to die. Your only aim has plainly been to control the people, no matter what becomes of them.” (Verses 12-14.)

These untruthful charges upset Moses. He was tempted to summon soldiers to slay every rebel before him. But he knew this was not according to God’s plan of dealing with them, and he controlled himself.

“You have started something you will have trouble finishing,” Moses declared to Korah in a voice that reached the whole crowd. “Your belief that just anyone can be in the priesthood without being ordained by God is not a true one. However, if all
of you insist on trying to force your way into such offices, every one of you should be here tomorrow morning with incense and with a censer filled with hot coals. Aaron and his sons will also be here with their censers. God will make it known which ones he will choose as priests and their helpers.” (Verses 4-7.)

Korah smiled when he heard this. He lacked respect for God, and he felt that he had pulled Moses into giving in to the extent that he and his followers could gain a foothold in wresting power from Moses.

Rebels Challenge Moses

Next morning the crowd of two hundred and fifty, plus Korah, Dathan and Abiram, appeared before the tabernacle. Every man carried a censer filled with hot coals to show his readiness to go at once into priestly service. Korah had spread the word throughout the camps that he was going to challenge Moses, and that there would be a showdown to free the people from what was wrongfully referred to as Moses’ unfair leadership. As a result, a growing crowd of curious people built up behind Korah’s men.

Moses came out to face Korah. With him were Aaron and Aaron’s sons, all of whom held censers with hot coals. The elders of Israel were also present.

There were minutes of strained silence. God hadn’t told Moses what to do beyond asking the men to show up with censers. Moses didn’t know what would happen next, but he was certain that God would somehow make it very clear which group would be in power from then on.

Suddenly there was a brilliant flash from the tabernacle, followed by a second and a third. It was plain to most that God was in the tabernacle. (Verse 19.) Some of them drew back, fearful of what might happen. Even a part of Korah’s followers appeared to be ready to leave, but Korah told them to stand firm. Korah had become so rebellious that he actually doubted that God would hinder him and his men from gaining leadership of Israel, and the blinding display of light from within the tabernacle didn’t move him from his ambition.

Realizing that God wanted to give them some message, Moses and Aaron stepped
away from the others and approached the tabernacle.

"Remove yourselves and the priests and elders from these people who face you," God commanded in a voice that only the two men could hear. "I want you at a safe distance because I intend to wipe all the others out of existence!" (Verses 20-21.)

Moses shuddered at this alarming remark from God. The Creator had threatened to do the same thing before, but Moses had begged him not to, and God answered Moses' prayer. There was nothing to do now but again ask God to spare the people. Moses and Aaron bowed down in fervent prayer.

"Look at him!" Korah exclaimed to those about him. "He's trying again to gain the sympathy of the people by appearing pious!"

On the contrary, Moses wasn't concerned at that moment what the people thought. He was concerned for their lives, and he pleaded with God not to be angry with many people because of the evil deeds of a few. (Verse 22.)

God Spares the People

"I shall do this much," God said. "I shall spare the congregation if you can succeed in getting the people back to their homes and away from the tents where Korah, Dathan and Abiram live. Any who go near the homes of those three men will risk losing their lives."

Encouraged by this merciful statement from God, Moses sent his officers out to warn the crowd to break up and return to their tents, and not to go near the tents of Korah, Abiram and Dathan. Slowly and unwillingly the people sauntered away.

"You said that God would choose His priests if we would assemble with censers," Korah called out to Moses. "You have only proved to the people that you are not a man of your word, because nothing has happened. Tomorrow we shall return. The people will think this matter over, and tomorrow they will be ready to back us up in what should be done about your authority."

"You should remember this in the meantime," Moses replied. "If you live till tomorrow, then you can know that I will not continue to be the leader of the Israelites."

This strange remark was ignored by Korah, Dathan and Abiram, who returned to their respective homes, which were close together on the south side of the Tabernacle. (Numbers 2:10 and 3:29.) Korah felt that he had made another successful step, and that it would be only a matter of a day or two before the mass of Israelites would swing over to his side. As for his two hundred and fifty followers, they also left and went back to their various camps.

Later, Moses and Aaron and the elders went to make certain that people were
not congregated around the homes of the three main offenders. They found their residences free of visitors, which was as God wanted it to be. Moses then warned them that because they persisted in a scheme to take over the government, God would cause the ground to open up and swallow them. (Verses 23-30.)

Dathan and Abiram came out of their tents, along with their wives and children, to hear what more Moses had to say.

"Now he's trying to threaten us with an earthquake," Dathan scornfully shouted to Abiram. "Can you think of anything more fantastic?"

"I'll believe it only when it happens—and maybe not even then," Abiram shouted back with a grin.

Too Late to Repent!

"We have given these men fair warning," Moses said to those with him. "Perhaps God would spare them if they would repent, but since they refuse to repent, it's obviously too late now. Let us leave here before something dreadful happens."

Almost as soon as their backs were turned there was a growing rumble from within the Earth. The ground trembled, then heaved upward directly between the tents of Abiram and Dathan and the tent of Korah, which was close by in another camp!

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Historians confess:

"We were NOT seeking the whole truth!"

Much of what you were taught IS NOT TRUE! You just took it for granted—because you were told it was true! Read here what professionals admit about "facts" they teach.

by Herman L. Hoeh

What Historians Confess

In today’s society we are taught to accept whatever the "authorities" say or write. "They know," we are told! "They have the facts!"

But do they?

Here is what one famous historian—Hendrik Van Loon—dared confess in his book Story of Mankind, written for the layman: "We live under the shadow of a gigantic question mark. What are we? Where did we come from? Whither are we bound?" he asks.

And his answer: "We still know very little but we have reached the point where (with a fair degree of accuracy) we can guess at many things."

Guess at many things! It is these guesses that have masqueraded as facts—that we have been taught to assume as proven and true!

What you probably did not know is that historians and scientists know that they have been interpreting—guessing about—the facts they find. Here is what Professor Kelly acknowledged at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association on December 28, 1961 (and reported in the Feb. 5 issue of "U.S. News & World Report"):

"History is art as well as fact; everyone in this room knows that the facts do not automatically arrange themselves without the historian’s creative leap, which occurs in our craft as well as in the exact sciences . . ." (italics ours).

The tragedy is that most have leaped in the wrong direction!

But this is not all that Professor Kelly revealed. To his fellow professors he disclosed how he had been asked to use his historical knowledge to draw up the case for the NAACP which brought about the Supreme Court decision to order desegregation.

Here are his own words:

"The problem we faced was not the historian’s discovery of the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth; the problem instead was the formulation of an adequate gloss . . .

"It was not that we were engaged in formulating lies; there was nothing as crude and naïve as that. But we were using facts, emphasizing facts, bearing down on facts, sinking off facts, quietly ignoring facts and, above all, interpreting facts in a way to . . . get by . . ." the segregation issue (italics mine).

This candid admission of Dr. Alfred H. Kelly strikes at the heart of the problem! Many times educators and ministers and writers of textbooks are confronted with the conflict between truth and the beliefs and ideas of the society around them. If they are to be accepted by the people, they must conform—by rejecting part of the truth!

Of course they use facts—but how they use those facts—which facts they use, which facts they ignore or reject and the interpretation they place on the facts—that is the crux of the problem!

Trapped in the vicious whirl of intellectual pressures like so many others, Dr. Kelly, professor of history at Wayne State University, admitted he was forced unwittingly to face the question of whether he would compromise his conscience in a legal case that was to come up before the United States Supreme Court. He reported to fellow historians on December 28, 1961, that he was asked to produce "a plausible historical argument that will justify . . ." a certain particular enactment concerning public schools. "I was facing," he continued, "the deadly opposition between my professional integrity as a historian and"—notice it!—"a contemporary question

You would be shocked to hear what scientists, historians, theological professors confess to each other about their own professions. We probably have assumed ever since we began school that historians and men of science know how man originated, why man is here and where man is going. Or at least they write as if they know.

But when pinned down, they privately confess they really do not know—they have been guessing!

Time to Think!

You probably never stopped to question whether the ideas you were taught are really true, have you? How many of you have ever considered WHY your children are being taught the things they do—and fewer still know how their ideas originated! You would be shocked if you knew! I was, when I heard it openly discussed a few weeks ago.

At the end of December each year many of the men and women who formulate our thinking assemble in conferences. These professional people—teachers, ministers, historians, scientists—belong to various Learned Societies whose function is to prepare new ideas to shape educational and religious instruction. I had again this year the opportunity to meet with four of these Learned Societies. What I heard shocked me.
of values, of ideals, of policy, or partisanship and of political objectives. I suppose if a man is without scruple," he noted as a concluding thought, "this matter will not bother him. But I am frank to say that it bothered me terribly...."

What a tragedy! A man forced to make a decision between historical truth and the whims, the false ideas, the political partisanship of society.

"Anything but Historical Truth!"

After days and nights of hard labor, Dr. Kelly finished a lengthy document to be presented to the highest court of the land. "I am convinced now that this interpretation, which we hammered out with anything but historical truth as our objective, nonetheless contains an essential measure of historical truth."

He was now convinced by his own argument! That is exactly how every human mind works!

Thousands of educators, scientists, textbook writers and ministers have faced similar situations—and finally convinced themselves they were justified in believing what they had done. But even here they privately and inwardly still know that they hid their mind and conscience from the whole truth. They kept just enough facts to make an argument appear as truth—when it was only a half truth!

This world's entire educational system, its philosophy, its theological beliefs are all a strange mixture of a few facts woven over a mass of error to make that error appear true. There are generally two reasons why we believe half truths: 1) because we took them for granted without questioning, or 2) because we want to believe what we wish to! Educators call their theories "facts" and their hypotheses "self-evident" proofs. But that does not make them true.

In another meeting of educators and theologians in St. Louis, Missouri, the same problem confronted the speakers. How to justify their beliefs about Christ when they did not believe the facts recorded in the Bible about Him. Their answer was appalling.

Here were the great theologians and professors who teach the ministers what to believe—Of the historical Jesus they admittedly knew next to nothing. The gospel records they had quietly ignored, or interpreted to suit their denominational bias. How, then, asked the editor of the Journal of Biblical Literature and Exegesis, did we come to inherit so many differing beliefs about the "Christ of faith"?

His answer—It was all added over the centuries "rung by rung." It is only "myth."

"MYTH"? Yes, MYTH! That was his confession!

There was no other way for him to explain so many contradictory, non-Biblical beliefs held by each sect about the Christ of faith.

"Is it really true? you will ask," continued editor Enslin. "Of course it is!" These myths, he continued, that are taught in Sunday School, from the pulpit, in theological seminaries, "are true and perpetually lovely... Who would deny they are true?" And that was the only proof he cited to justify modern theology!

Why Not the TRUTH?

Isn't it time we faced the facts? Isn't it time we began to question whether the ideas we were taught are true, instead of blindly accepting myths?

In schools and colleges today young people are taught to accept what the authorities write. Evolution is taught as if it were fact. History is taught as if it were true. Religion is taught—if at all—as if it did not matter what you believe and do, just so long as it satisfies you. The Bible is usually assumed to be myth and without authority. Where it is discussed, passages are silently ignored or interpreted to justify cherished ideals people want to believe.

It is high time we recognized that most so-called authorities and learned men do not even know what truth is! Most of them refuse to admit that there is eternal truth. How, then, can they ever find it since they would not recognize it if they heard it? They have refused to retain God in their knowledge. They have rejected His Word and substituted in its place myths of their own invention!

You—and your children—are going to be judged on what you do with your mind and character. Are you going to fill your minds with myth, with hypotheses, with self-justification? Or are you going to admit it when you find you have been wrong and have the character to accept and do the truth when you find it in your Bible?

Short Questions

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brakes:” (Ex. 34:1).

Here God plainly said He would write them again.

Near the end of the 40 years in the wilderness, Moses rehearsed in the ears of the Israelites the things God had done for them. In speaking of the great works of God, Moses said: "These words the Lord spake unto all your assembly in the mount... And be (God) wrote them in two tablets of stone, and delivered them unto me" (Deut. 5:22). Those were the first tablets of stone, which Moses broke when he came down from the mount and saw the people reveling in idolatry. Moses then repeated to the Israelites in Deuteronomy 10:2,4 the fact that God wrote the Ten Commandments again.

God, not Moses, who wrote the Ten Commandments both times and gave them to all Israel. Those who claim that Moses wrote the Ten Commandments on the tablets of stone are denying the Word of God!

KEY to Health

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are combined—which are the more widely published figures—this country is still a little better off than others. The question is: will this situation develop in the future. Especially disturbing is the increase in mental diseases in America. I believe, and most physicians agree, that malnutrition is the basic cause for ALL disease! But malnutrition is not primarily inadequate quantity of food, but inadequate QUALITY!! In this country we need to be concerned solely with the latter.

Lack of space requires us to continue this Special Interview next month.
GERMAN RATIONALISM Exposed!

Listen! Here is amazing proof that the God-rejecting theories of Evolution, Nazism, and Communism were inspired by the German Rationalists—and the shocking undercover plot they are now perpetrating

by Lynn E. Torrance

GERMAN Rationalism has deceived the entire modern western world. This atheistic philosophy has wormed its way into modern science, education, and even into modern theology. Yet most educators and ministers do not know it!

It has filled the churches with doubting skepticism about the inspiration of the Bible, and even the very existence of God. It has led this present generation to "abandon religion as a basis of life, and put its confidence in science" (Denver Post, June 4, 1960). It has filled our schools with the permissive rheology. Yet most educators and ministers do not know it!

Some Northern Methodist University, to teach philosophy has caused such famous men as Dr. Schubert M. Ogden, associate professor of PHILOSOPHICAL theology at Southern Methodist University, to teach his students that "the belief that only in Jesus Christ can man find salvation is MYTHOLOGICAL."

What Is "Rationalism"?

Just what is German Rationalism?

Hahn, a German Rationalist, defined Rationalism as "that manner of thought by which the human reason is considered to be the only source and the only judge of all kinds of knowledge" (Hahn, De Rationalismo, 1827). In other words—whatever seems reasonable to you is right!

This implicit belief in human reason causes man to depend COMPLETELY upon himself.

The Rationalist exalts human reason and declares that only through reason can man find the answers to life. This thinking denies the existence of Divine Revelation and the Truth of God's Word. It even tries to do away with God Himself.

No wonder the German Rationalist Conrad Philip Henke, the Professor of THEOLOGY at the University of Helmstedt (1752-1809), taught his ministerial students that the inspiration of the Bible was superstition (Hagenbach, History of Doctrines, p. 377).

Rationalism is not modern. The ancient Greeks had it. The early Catholics accepted it from the Greeks, and the Protestant Reformers took it from the early Catholic writers. From the Protestant Reformers, the modern form of Rationalism stems.

Let's notice, now, the astounding development of ancient pagan rationalism into modern German Rationalism.

The Facts of History

One of the early Catholic Church philosophers was Clement of Alexandria, Egypt. He said that all Greek philosophy came from God to man (The Ante-Nicene Fathers, vol. 2, p. 308). He taught that "PHILOSOPHY was given to the Greeks as a school-master to bring the Greek mind . . . to Christ," and that Greek philosophy is now a kind of training to bring men into the church through reason (p. 305).

These early church leaders actually reasoned that to gain salvation one must study the PAGAN Greek philosophers (WHO THEMSELVES HAD REJECTED THE TRUE GOD)!

They rationalized that it would be "good" to substitute the worship of Hallowe'en, Christmas, and Easter. They reasoned that the holidays upon which the PAGANS worshipped SATAN would be "good" if they but CHANGED their NAMES and called them Christian—rather than PAGAN—which they really are.

Origen rationalized that Christ never really performed any divine miracles of healing. He said the miracles of Christ were not real, but were only symbolic or allegorical. He said the miracle of healing the blind only meant that the spiritually blind now saw; the miracle of healing the deaf only meant that the spiritually deaf now heard; the healing of the lame man that the heart of the former heathen now leapt like a deer (Hagenbach, p. 80).

Because these philosophical scholars were not performing any miracles of healing, they tried to RATIONALIZE that these supernatural, divine miracles never really happened.

Understand then, that these early "Church Fathers" DECIDED that they had the right to call whatever philosophical speculation, and whatever heathen rite that seemed good to them—the "truth of Jesus Christ."

The "Dark Ages"

This kind of religion became officially accepted when Constantine became sole emperor of the Roman Empire—in A.D. 323.

The heathen temples became the so-called "Christian churches."

In the "Dark Ages" which followed, the Roman religion became saturated with licentiousness, corruption, and debauchery.

The insolence and tyranny of church leaders, the crimes, ignorance, and moral depravity of priests and monks made men seek to reform this church—the church they thought was the True Church, the church Satan had palmed off as the True Church (Mosheim, p. 599).

The corruption and worldliness of this church of the Middle Ages forced men to accept as truth superstitious beliefs and observances that would have
horrified the apostles Peter and Paul! The people of Europe began to cry out for relief from the political and financial tyranny of Rome. Men like Wyclif, Huss, and Savanarola, who attempted to reform the church from within, were killed.

Revolt Against Authority

The principal cause of the Reformation was the obvious corruption of this pagan church. The Reformation was successful because by the time of Luther the power of the Pope and the Holy Roman Empire had declined, making it possible for nationalistic monarchs to oppose the power of the Pope of Rome.

Most of the princes and nobility of Protestant Europe backed the Reformation because they wanted to be free from the authority of the Church (Alzog, p. 202). The protestant revolt gave them what they considered a good excuse to plunder the monasteries and cathedrals of Europe in order to enrich themselves.

Martin Luther rebelled against doing the penance and the ritualistic “works” which the Catholic Church demanded. He became obsessed with the idea of getting around any need for obedience to these godless, pagan practices.

Then Martin Luther let Satan deceive him into adding a word to Romans 1:17. He read, “the just shall live by faith”—then rationalized that it would be good to add the word “ALONE.” Luther thought that the idea of being saved by faith ALONE freed him from the tyranny of the Catholic Church. He merely replaced the authority of the Catholic Church with his own authority.

Rationalism in Protestantism

The principle of Protestantism, the belief in freedom to decide for yourself what is truth, differs very little from the philosophy of Rationalism.

The Reformers tried to reject what they believed to be error and superstition in the Catholic Church. They espoused sets of doctrines which the people would like and accept.

These philosophical attempts to remodel doctrine, to reject the authority of the Catholic Church, to reject God’s Truth and invent their own truth laid the foundation for modern Rationalism.

Rationalism continued to develop, especially in Germany. German youths who studied theology were not taught to seek for Truth in the Scriptures. They were taught that to the “faculty” of reason belongs the privilege of deciding man’s religious faith and his moral duty. They were taught to study the writings of the founders of their church and to accept whatever truth seemed good to them.

Thus Rationalism continued to exalt human reason and declared it sufficient for all the necessities of life—the same old thing that Satan taught Adam and Eve, “You can decide for yourself what is good and what is evil; you can be as God” (Gen. 3:4, 5).

By palming off superstition as the Revelation of Jesus Christ, Satan in­stilled in thinking people a contempt for God and the Bible. There is a reason why Satan deceived his false church into teaching ridiculous superstitions which it claimed to be both scriptural and scientific truth. He knew that in the latter days, when knowledge increased, the men of science would be able to prove that these teachings of the Catholic Church—assumed by the public to be the teachings of Christ—were false.

He knew that when these scholars proved these Catholic teachings to be false, they would also assume the Scripture was not true either.

For example, Copernicus, in 1543, rediscovered that the earth revolved around the sun. Galileo and his telescope confirmed this fact.

But the Catholic Church had claimed as scriptural truth the teaching of the Egyptian monk, Cosmas Indicopleustes, that the sun, moon, and stars were all set in a canopy in the sky, and all revolved around the earth.

Pope Urban VIII in 1632 tortured Galileo until he “confessed” that he was wrong and the earth was flat, and the sun revolved around the earth (Schoel, Histoire de la Litterature Greecque, vol. vili, p. 37).

Men of learning found such ignorance revolting!

The discovery of America by Columbus and the voyage of Magellan (in 1519) around the world was a great shock to professing Christians who had been taught that it was the revelation of Jesus Christ and Scripture that the world was flat. An undercurrent of skepticism developed.

In the 17th and 18th centuries those thinkers who rejected Christian theology and the Bible were mainly influenced by the inconsistencies, contradictions, and absurd superstitions preached in the Middle Ages as the “Truth of God.”

Men of science soon made the teaching of the Catholic Saint, Isidore, look ridiculous. Isidore of Seville had given the church the doctrine that “bees are generated from decomposed veal, beetles from horseflesh, grasshoppers from mules, scorpions from crabs.” He gave “proof” the Biblical account that Nebuchadnezzar was changed into an animal for seven years (A. D. White, A History of the Warfare of Science with Theology, p. 55).

Men of learning naturally assumed that Redi, who discovered that life can come only from life, had disproved the Biblical account, when actually all he had disproved was the ignorant superstition of the Middle Ages. These new rationalists never really looked into the Bible for themselves!

Development of German Rationalism

Germany became the first nation in Europe to grant religious liberty. This fact made it possible for rationalism to develop in that nation before it could in any other.

“Religious liberty” began in Germany when the Thirty Years’ War was ended by the Peace of Westphalia in 1648. It was left to the ruler of each German state to impose upon his subjects whichever of the three religions, Catholic, Lutheran, and the Reformed Church of Calvin and Zwingli, he chose.

More religious liberty was granted in 1741 when Frederick the Great wrote that everyone should be allowed to get to heaven in his own way.

Then full religious liberty was granted in 1794 when the Prussian Territorial Code guaranteed the unrestricted liberty of conscience.

The human reason was then allowed full sway to attack what the Rationalists called Christian mythology.
The scholars deliberately tried to methodically undermine the authority of the Bible through historical criticism—thinking this would do away with the superstitions and corruption of the Catholic Church.

One of the first rationalists, Wolf, attempted to establish a system of natural religion based on the principle of reason—entirely apart from revelation. John David Michaelis (1716-1791) tried to explain the miracles of Christ in a natural manner (Hagenbach, History of Doctrines, p. 367).

John Solomon Semler (1725-1791), the Professor of Theology in the University of Halle, represented the Sacred Scriptures as being a local account of local events. He used the history of Catholic doctrines to show the changeableness of the doctrines of Christianity (Hagenbach, p. 368), and to claim these doctrines therefore could not be from God, who being perfect could never change!

John Frederic Gruner (1723-1782) proved that the doctrines of the Catholic Church never originated from the Apostolic Church, and that the doctrines of the Apostolic Christianity had been exchanged at a very early date for the Platonistic-oriental philosophy of the Alexandrian school (Hagenbach, History of Doctrines, p. 368).

Later archeologists and geologists blindly accepted the rebellious concepts of this period.

Conrad Philip Henke (1752-1809), the Professor of Theology at the University of Helmstedt, taught, but could not prove, that the belief in Christ and the inspiration of the Bible was superstition.

Emmanuel Kant tried to subject the human understanding to what he called "searching examination." He represented the existence of God and immortality as the concoction of human reason (Hagenbach, p. 378).

Schleiermacher even said, "Life to come ... as actually conceived, is the last enemy which speculative criticism has yet to encounter, and if possible to overcome" (Christliche Glaubenslebre, vol. II, last section).

The modern system of speculative philosophy, as we know it in the United States, first made its appearance in the University of Berlin when Fichte was the professor of philosophy (lived 1762-1814). Fichte's ideas were expanded by Hahn.

Hahn defined Rationalism as "that mode of thought by which the human reason is considered as the only source and the only judge of all kinds of knowledge."

Von Behlers loudly claimed that all the supernatural events performed by God contained in the Pentateuch are products of the imagination of unknown authors! But he had no proof!

Finally Eichborn and Michaelis tried to degrade the Bible to the rank of the other oriental religious books.

But how did German Rationalism worm its way into today's colleges and schools and churches? What are the new German Rationalists plotting today? And what are our own Ambassador Colleges doing about it?

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thought I did poor work was turned to real JOY!

Well, that was a record, never equaled before or since in my experience. Of course, today, in 1962, we do frequently receive more than 3,000 letters per DAY—we have been averaging over 100,000 per month these past two months—but that response is now coming from scores and scores of stations world-wide, and broadcasting DAILY. Nevertheless, that will give the reader some idea of the way the mailing list had grown from WHO broadcasts.

Many thousands of letters went out from Eugene to these listeners the same day I dictated the letter by telephone.

**Door Stays Open**

A few days later I arrived in Des Moines. The cancellation had come, not from Mr. Mailand, but from the Sales Manager. So I went first to his office. He stared at me.

"Are you the man who has been flooding this station with all these thousands of letters of protest against canceling your program?" he demanded—somewhat angrily, I thought.

"Why, I suppose so," I replied, rather startled. "Is that wrong?"

"WRONG? Why, man, don't you know that showering such a downpour of 'inspired' mail on any radio station is the very last way to influence the station? That kind of mail has no influence on us at all—but it is a mighty big NUISANCE!"

"Well I didn't realize that," I replied. "I thought you'd want to know how our program was being received by listeners. I surely didn't mean any offense."

"Well, let me tell you, Mr. Armstrong, I certainly learned that lesson! A while back we were appearing before the Federal Communications Commission in Washington. Before I went down there, we put out an appeal on the air for our listeners to write to the FCC. They did! And the officials of the FCC didn't like it."

"Well," I asked, "if I had to learn by experience, the same as you, and if you made the same mistake I did, then do you think you ought to blame me?"

Well, he had to laugh at that.

Nevertheless I found I was *really* on the spot—and in trouble. I had not met this sales manager before. Because my uncle had known the General Manager and arranged an appointment for me, I had transacted business with him. I saw immediately that this sales manager was a very able and competent man for that job—undoubtedly very valuable to the station. But he did not like our program. He didn't say why. And I rather guessed that he felt I had taken matters over his head in going to the general manager of the station. Further, he explained that very powerful pressure had been brought on him from New York against selling time commercially for religious programming.

We went into Mr. Mailand's office. I learned that Mr. Mailand *did* like the program, and sat up Sunday nights until 11:30 so he could hear it. He was on my side, but his sales manager, a very aggressive man, was insistent the program go off.

I then explained to the two men our own position—how we were a very small church in Eugene, Oregon, and how hundreds of people, mostly very poor people on the West coast, had made great sacrifice to finance our broadcasting on this powerful station heard nationally.

"Mr. Mailand," I said, "I signed a year's contract with you. All these Co-Workers have backed me in good faith. I signed the contract in good faith. I believed that you signed it also in good faith, and that when you opened the door of this great station to us, and signed a contract to keep it open for a year, that WE COULD RELY ON YOUR WORD BEING GOOD. All these Co-Workers have backed me in good faith."

"Well, Mr. Armstrong, of course we wouldn't. The way you put it, you make it mighty hard for me. Would you mind if Mr. B. (the Sales Manager) and I talk this over privately a few moments, to see what we can do?"

I was shown to a reception room outside. I was alone there. So immediately I closed the door, and knelt before a chair and appealed to the God of Heaven. He had opened this giant DOOR. He had said no man can shut doors He opens. I asked Him to intervene and save His work.

When I was called back to Mr. Mailand’s office, I was able to talk to him alone. He explained that he had opened that time and signed the contract in perfect good faith—that he liked our program and was himself one of our interested listeners—that he certainly didn’t want to do us any injury—but on the other hand, he didn’t want to lose a very able and valuable sales manager.

"Mr. Armstrong," he said, "if we compromise by letting you fill out your contract and complete the year, will that give you time enough to become thoroughly established, and possibly to get on other stations that will maintain your coverage?"

Well, of course, I could not be sure, but it certainly would be a lot better than stopping the broadcast right then.

"Well, if I leave *The World Tomorrow* on the station until the year’s contract is finished, will you agree to go off then?"

There was nothing else I could do—I certainly had no contract beyond that time. Reluctantly I had to agree to this—and actually it was a tremendous victory, after all.

**We Go on WOAI**

I have mentioned that there were, at that time, only eight stations in all America which enjoyed absolutely exclusive channels. One other, which by
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Teach Children Right Habits

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child how to accomplish certain definite series of tasks—how to follow parental instructions!

As he grows older, you may increase the instructions proportionately. Again, these may sound like simple principles—but there are literally vast horizons of parents who have never taken the time or the effort to teach their children how to respond to simple commands!

There are so many parents today who are not quite sure their children "understand" them that, perhaps, the following type of situation occurs all too frequently:

A small girl was being "brought up" or perhaps it would be better to say, was being allowed to grow up the "permissive" way—the way most modern child psychologists advocate.

Her family would be talking to guests, and she would appear, beating loudly on a tin pan. Her mother would imperiously smile and gently say, "Joan, dear, take your pan into the other room, darling, so we may talk...." Joan would shake her head and continue drumming.

Her mother would repeat the request, to which the child finally replied, "No!" (But isn't this exactly what the parent should have expected, according to the psychologists?) "I want to play here!"

Then followed a long discourse by mother, on the rights and desires of other people—how the "grownups" wanted to visit, and would she please be a "good girl" and leave the room?

To all this, Joan merely continued shaking her head and drumming.

Finally, the mother arose, and led the guests out on the patio, retreating in full flight, leaving little Joan in possession of the field, clearly the victor. The mother murmured, as she left the house, "I'm sorry, folks—but you know how it is—she's so little, and it's so difficult for her to understand. . . ."

HOW ABOUT IT? Is this the way you want your child to be?

You see, little Joan did really "understand"! She understood that she could get her own way—that she didn't have to obey her parents' suggestions, and that she could do just as she pleased. This parent, not quite sure the child was old enough to "understand" things on an adult level—and therefore to "reason out" what her logical course of action should be, was actively engaged in teaching her child a terrible habit of selfishness, lack of respect for her elders, and disobedience!

This is far from an uncommon situation—but is almost a rule in many homes today!

First, make sure your child underst

stands the simple, direct commands and admonitions you give—then make your child obey them by piloting him through the first few routines—and then having him accomplish the tasks on his own.

In this way, and in this way only, will your child begin to learn to automatically and habitually do the right thing! Next month, we'll continue with more examples of right habits you should teach your children!

Idiotic Modern PSYCHOLOGY

(Continued from page 12)

Break God's Laws, and they break YOU!

Jesus Christ came magnifying this great Law, as Isaiah prophesied. Getting to the spiritual principle, He said that for a man even to lust after a woman (though she may be unconscious of it and unparticipating) is to commit adultery in his heart. It defiles him. It cuts him off from God. The law works the same curse on the adulterous woman!

The greatest blessing that can come to man is to know God—to have contact and communion with God—to have God's Spirit within.

Here's how this works. Once the rebellion is put down—one has really repented, and accepted Christ, he becomes reconciled to God and then God impregnates him with His Holy Spirit. This is the life, the very divine nature, the love, faith, and power of God entering into man. But it is not static. It flows, like electricity through a light bulb. Two wires go into the electric light bulb. The current flows in a circuit. So with God's Spirit.

Man was made of matter—made to need God's Spirit flowing into and through him to energize him—yet made without this necessary Spirit. It can be received only as God's precious gift, upon utter submission to His will, repentance for having broken His Law. Jesus Christ paid the penalty in our stead, and when we then accept Him, the penalties of past sins are wiped out. Without God's Spirit people are restless, dissatisfied, empty. They don't know why. But they need a "food" they
are not getting—spiritual food. Nothing will satisfy until they receive it! They are, literally, not all there! God made Adam incomplete! He was physically complete—but he needed God’s Spirit. God offered it. The “tree of life” in the garden in Eden simply represented the Holy Spirit. But Adam rejected this spiritual food, and instead stole the poisonous material fruit.

You were born merely in the image of Adam (I Cor. 15:49, and then 42-54). You were born incomplete. Your Maker made you to need His Holy Spirit, and real happiness that fully satisfies can’t come otherwise. No human philosophy can impart this truly satisfying happiness. It leaves one empty.

Yes, the most important and necessary and needful thing in all this life is a living contact with God. The greatest penalty that can be inflicted on any person is to be cut off from God.

Take the ignorant head hunter. Of course, in his ignorant and pitiful society, it may seem right, in his ignorant human eyes, to murder other people and collect human heads. But God’s inexorable spiritual law brings retribution and curses on him, when he breaks this Law, whether he sees it or not!

This insane and ignorant platitude that “what is wrong for you may be right for me” is merely the false philosophy that ancient Israel degenerated into—of doing whatever is right in their own eyes.

God commanded them—as He commands you and me today—“Ye shall not do after all the things that we do here this day” (Moses is speaking of what God commands), “every man whatsoever is right in his own eyes” (Deut. 12:8).

Lesson of Living Experience

See the inevitable result—the curses this brings: “These Israelites did what was evil in the sight of the Eternal”—but of course right in their own eyes! Then they fell into the captivity of invading plunderers, or spoilers. They became unable to defend themselves from invading nations. “They were in a sore plight” (Judges 2:15, Moffatt translation).

They cried out to God to free them.

Then God had mercy. He raised up judges (Judges 2:16)—that is, generals, administrators, heroic leaders chosen by God. Remember Israel was a theocracy in those days. And these heroic leaders delivered the Israelites. They enjoyed freedom again.

But the Israelites refused to listen even to these human heroic leaders God had raised up to lead them to freedom. They went after pagan gods, bowed to their idols. They returned to doing what was right in their own eyes, but evil in God’s sight. Whenever these human leaders God chose for them died, they relapsed into evil ways (right in their sight) more than ever. Then the King of Mesopotamia invaded and conquered them, and they became his subjects for eight years (Judges 3:8).

In this sore plight, they cried out to God—promised obedience if He would only save them—just like people in desperation today! Then God raised up another champion leader from among them, to set them free once again. For 40 years they remained free, then this righteous leader died. Then “the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the Eternal” (verse 12). Then Eglon, king of Moab conquered them, and they became his slaves 18 years. Again they cried out to God for mercy, promising anything, for freedom. And so it went, round and round—doing what was right in their own sight, getting into trouble—then crying to God for help—gaining deliverance—then again doing what was evil in God’s sight, and bringing more punishment on themselves!

But it has never paid man or nation to do what is right in human eyes, but evil in God’s sight! Yet 6,000 years of human experience has failed to teach mankind this lesson!

Modern universities persist in teaching susceptible, naive youths that there are no eternal truths—that is, wrong for you is perfectly O.K. and right for me—if I want to do it!

“Every way of man is right in his own eyes” (Prov. 21:2). Also, (12:15), “The way of a fool is right in his own eyes.” Yes, “There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death” (Prov. 14:12 and repeated in 16:25).