

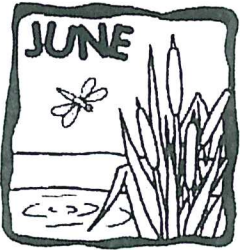
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Summer-Time Meditations

"My meditation of him shall be sweet: I will be glad in the LORD." - Psalm 104:34

"Most of us can find ourselves thinking of negative things or daydreaming aimlessly.

Our thinking will ultimately influence our emotions or feelings, and finally our actions.

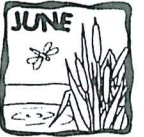
To gain control of our spiritual lives demands that we must first get control of our minds.

Meditation involves a deliberate attempt to keep our minds focused on a particular subject or thought.

In our text, the psalmist gives us some great advice on the content with which our minds should be absorbed – Christ. It is pleasant to meditate upon the Lord that we serve and ponder His infinite grace and mercy. Our meditation of Him will produce joy and peace in our hearts.

Meditating on Christ will not cause our problems to disappear, but we must remember there is Someone larger than our personal struggles." – Missionary Larry Neff,

Lighthouse Childrens' Homes, Kosciusko, Ms



Visible Evidence of the Invisible God

"One often hears the complaint
There's no justice in this world!"

*How do we recognize the
absence of a perfect justice
we have never observed?*

The well-known love chapter,
I Corinthians 13, confronts us
with a love so pure, so unselfish,
so beautiful, so wonderful that
it is beyond human capacity.

Yet we recognize that this is
love as it ought to be.

We innately know that
perfect justice, love, truth,
etc., exist, which are not
of earth – *proof* that man
was made in the moral and
spiritual image of God and
that the memory of that
from which he has fallen
is stamped indelibly on
his soul and spirit."

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"Equality Act" Passes the U.S. House

"After many years of persistent labor,
the supporters of the so-called
Equality Act saw the bill approved
by the U.S. House of Representatives on
Friday, May 17. The margin was 236-173.
If ever passed by the U.S. Congress and
signed by the President and approved
by the Supreme Court, the Equality Act
will single-handedly overthrow the
Constitution's guarantee of liberty
of religion and speech." - copied

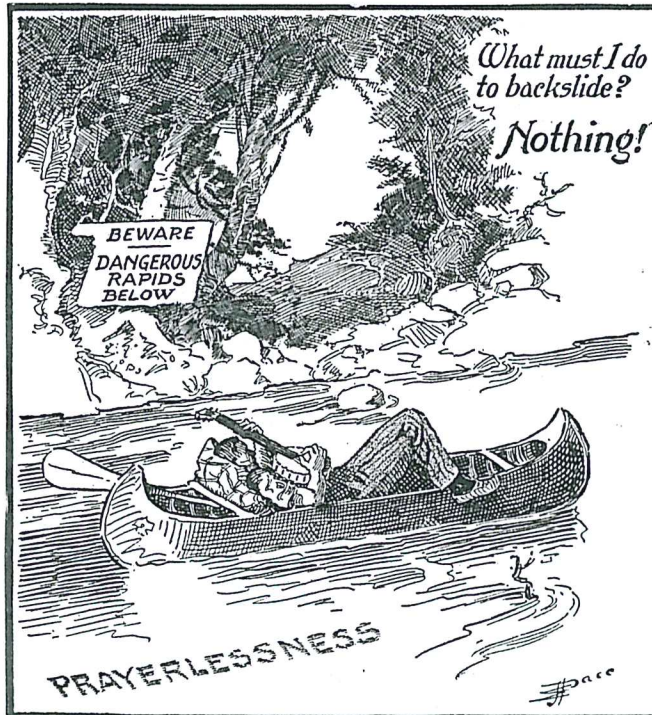
The **CONSTITUTION** is *not*
an instrument for Government
to restrain the people; it is an
instrument for the people to
restrain the Government."

- Patrick Henry

Medical History

"Until the mid-1800's in Europe
and America, hospitals routinely
used 'holders down' – burly guys
who pinned screaming patients
to the operating table to
keep them from moving."

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CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday Services, 10:30, 11:00 am & 7:00 pm

Wednesdays - Adult & Teen Bible Studies
& Kids' Bible Club - 7:00 pm

June 16, Fathers' Day Service

June 30, Patriotic (July 4) Services

Quotes

"He who will not fear God, will soon fear men."

**"Few people will take *personal responsibility*
until they have exhausted all opportunities
to blame someone else."**

*"He whom Satan wants to destroy,
he first makes angry."*

"To keep your teeth in good condition, see your
dentist twice a year and mind your own business."

"It's easy to be brave from a safe distance."

"You are no bigger than the things that annoy you."

"Serve or Stagnate!"



"ROCK MUSIC is enticing and transformational
because it brings the philosophy of self-centeredness,
rebellion to authority, and moral license."

**"(I)nstitutionalized sex education ...
is little more than sex encouragement."**

"In some churches, Bible truth
takes a back seat to attendance."

As Sir Walter Scott said ...
(about the Bible)

**"Within this awful volume lies
The mystery of mysteries.**

Happiest they of human race
To whom their God has given grace;
To read, to fear, to hope, to pray,
To lift the latch and force their way.
And better had they ne'er been born
Who read to doubt or read to scorn."

Einstein's creator

"Einstein acknowledged the
intricate design of the universe,
but he credited this to *mathematics*
rather than to a personal Creator.
That's an appealing idea, because
mathematics holds no one accountable
for sin. Even though *mathematics*
may express the design and function
of atoms and molecules and thus
of living cells, it could not have
brought either itself or the material
universe into existence.

Mathematics possesses neither
energy, creative power nor intelli-
gence to cause anything to happen.
Furthermore, *mathematics* has no
formulas to express (*much less to*
explain) soul and spirit, thought and
emotion, justice and truth, right and
wrong, love, joy, sorrow and anger.
Einstein surely knew this, but even
the most brilliant minds can be
blinded by the proud passion
to escape accountability to
a personal God." - Dave Hunt

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**"For the LORD is our judge, the LORD is our lawgiver,
the LORD is our king; he will save us." - Isaiah 33:22**

Keeping the Kids

"One of the most important things that parents can do for their children is to help them develop a habit of daily Bible study. It is by the Word of God that the young person can cleanse his way in this wicked world (*Psalms 119:9*). It must get down into the heart and soul and thus permeate the individual's life, and this will not happen unless reading, study, memorization, and meditation become a daily practice.

We know that reading the Bible alone will not produce salvation and sanctification; it must be received and obeyed. But we also know that salvation and sanctification *will not* happen apart from the Word of God, because 'faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God' (*Romans 10:17*).

It is never vain to put the Word of God into the child's heart. Even though I wasn't saved when I was young and didn't take the Bible seriously, the teaching and preaching had a deep affect on me and after I was converted at age 23, much of it came back to me and I had a good head start in my Christian life.

(Again we quote from Pastor David Sorenson), The foundation for godly living is often missing in the lives of the children and youth of God's people. That foundation is a daily absorption of the Word of God. A young person from a Christian home can go to ... be faithful to Sunday School and church programs, and (end up) carnal, rebellious, and worldly. Or more frequently, they are just lukewarm and go with the flow, but there is not true spiritual conviction in their hearts. The reason is as simple as it is singular. They are not in the Word of God on a daily basis.

- for complete article, see *Way of Life Literature*:
'Keeping the Kids'

THIS & THAT

From HERE & THERE

Greek Philosopher

"The Greek philosopher Pliny the Elder, believed that the souls of the dead resided in beans." - copied

Electoral College

"The Electoral College was created by our founders to prevent a tyranny of the majority living in the big populous cities."

- Adriana Cohen

Lord & Saviour

"Jesus as 'Saviour' is not mentioned in the Book of Romans, but Jesus as 'Lord' is recorded over 40 times;

Jesus as 'Saviour' is mentioned only twice in the Book of Acts, while Jesus as 'Lord' is recorded over 100 times."

Baltimore & Heroin

"\$ 1 1/2 Million of heroin is sold in Baltimore, Maryland every day!" - copied

No Religion 'Religion'

"People who say they have no religion now consist of the largest group of people in the USA (if you divide 'Christian' groups into Catholic, Protestant, etc.). The NRs are more numerous."

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Typing

"The average person's left hand does 56% of the typing." - copied

HOLLYWOOD'S 'BIBLICAL' MOVIES

"For those who may agree but are a little tired on my crying out for discernment regarding 'biblical' movies, you have by apology ... I covet your prayers ... for the multiple millions of the lost who are being presented with a caricature of the biblical Son of God in yet another Hollywood translation of the Word of God. 'So what?!' some have asked. 'It gets people interested in Jesus and the Bible, and that's a good thing.' Is it?

Who is the 'Jesus' that is capturing their attention?

How close is the movie presentation to the biblical account? Does it make any difference? Jesus, the only begotten Son of God, who is the image of the invisible God and the One in whom dwells 'all the fullness of the Godhead bodily,'

is not someone who should be portrayed (counterfeited would be more accurate) by a fallen, finite being ... any such attempt will result in 'another Jesus', (*II Corinthians 11:4*) a false Christ.

According to the Bible, all Christians who have been truly born again have a personal, intimate relationship with Jesus Christ, and that relationship has ... developed and matured by one's getting to know Him through His Word, prayer, and through obedience to His teachings ... The result can only be a false Christ, and Jesus warned that a proliferation of such would characterize the days prior to His return (*Matthew 24:5*).

One of the amazing characteristics of visual media is the power of imagery.

Scenes that appear on the screen can remain with a viewer, popping into the mind occasionally over his or her lifetime. That can be spiritually devastating. I've heard that some believers who watched Mel Gibson's 'biblical' movie, 'The Passion of Christ', had great trouble dismissing the face of James Caviezel when their thoughts turned to Jesus, even while in prayer

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June 2019

Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Services 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Services 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Studies 7:00 p.m.



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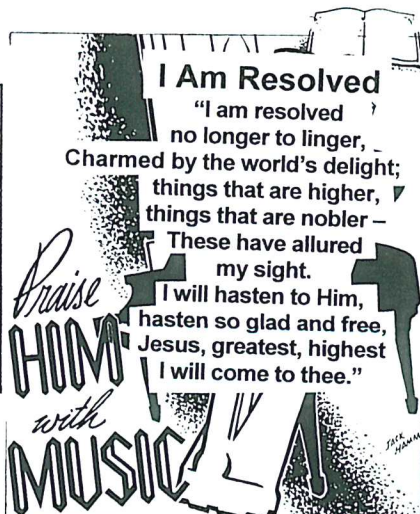
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"Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing ... in your heart to the Lord,"
- Ephesians 5:19



... as Dave Hunt and I left the theatre after reviewing Mel's movie, I remember Dave crying out to the Lord to remove the imagery of the counterfeit Christ that had just invaded his mind!

The incredible power of the medium of film resides in its capacity to impact emotions through imagery, acting, dialogue, and music. Tears can flow even in animated movies. People can have artificial 'life-changing' experiences based upon what they see on the screen, but the Word of God declares, 'the flesh profiteth nothing, (*John 6:63*). Discernment can easily take a back-seat to emotions that have been manipulated by compelling images. A movie-generated catharsis may affect a person experientially, but it cannot enrich him spiritually, nor can it save anyone who is lost." - copied,

- T. J. McMahon, "Berean Call"