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∴ The Value of a College Education ∴

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Our young men and women should be encouraged to rest in nothing short of a college education. They should understand that God requires of them, not only all that they are, but all that they may become through growth and development as stewards of the grace of God.

Under the old dispensation Malachi, the last of the prophets in an arraignment of the Jews of his time said, "If ye offer the blind for a sacrifice, is it not evil? and if ye offer the lame and the sick, is it not evil? offer it now to thy governor; will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person? saith the Lord of hosts." Mal. 1:8. This is the test,—offer it now to thy governor, will he be pleased with thee? The young people of the world in order to fill positions of responsibility and trust spend years in study and research, and shall young people who have devoted their lives to God do less? If earthly interests demand such extended preparation, should not the interests of the kingdom of God demand still greater? Will the Lord be pleased if He is offered that which an earthly ruler would not accept?

We seek therefore to impress upon young men and women not only the personal benefits to be derived from a college education, great as they may be, but also the obligation resting upon them to make the best possible preparation for the great work to which God has called them. If a physician must spend much time in preparation before being considered competent to minister to the bodies of men how much more those who are preparing to minister to immortal souls destined to spend an eternity in heavenly bliss or outer darkness? We desire to offer the following for the serious consideration of those who feel called to the various lines of Christian activity.

Personal Benefits

The college period is one of self-discovery and is full of significance to every young man or young woman. It is the time when the horizons lift and the vision is enlarged,—when new fields of usefulness come into view, when the widened horizon gives proper prospective and distance sets things in their proper relations. It is during this period that the student forms a proper standard of judgment, both as to the relative value of the many interests which clamor for recognition and of his own peculiar fitness or lack of fitness for certain undertakings. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do with thy might" may better be rendered "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do with thy might,—do that." Much of the

dissatisfaction of life is due to the fact that people have not found their work,—that which calls out into activity, their whole being.

The Christian college provides for the symmetrical development of the whole person, spiritual, moral, mental and physical. A well-balanced college curriculum awakens new powers and discovers new fields of thought to the earnest student. Every subject is valuable,—literature, the classics, science, mathematics, history and philosophy,—all these to him who knows God, are but sources of communion with Him and from communion comes strength. "The people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits." As knowledge increases and the horizons widen, the truly Christian student sinks into greater humility as he perceives himself but a speck in the infinitudes about him, and with this realization of his own insufficiency comes the sufficiency of God.

The college not only awakens a student to a knowledge of his powers, but its discipline puts him in possession of himself. With powers awakened and disciplined, with a proper symmetry of character and a just estimate of the values of life, there is more of the person to think, to feel and to will. In the supreme tests of life when moments are of infinite worth, the man who has so disciplined himself that he can bring to the situation his clearest thinking, his deepest feeling and his highest volition, is the man of the hour,—one who is able to lead the people to new conquests or voice public sentiment in great sorrows or exigencies. Should we not better appreciate the demands which are upon us when those who are best educated continually affirm that their preparation is altogether inadequate?

The college course, earnestly pursued, gives the student an appreciation of the hard work necessary to success. He soon comes to realize that it is not by "sudden flight" but by nights of patient, plodding toil that the great heights are to be reached and kept. It begins to dawn upon him that he should not look for an "afflatus" or a short and easy method,—rather that he should adopt the method of the great Dr. Johnson, who when asked how he could best receive the inspiration for producing a great work replied, "Sit down doggedly, sir; sit down doggedly." With this insight into the history which lies back of the truly great, he gives up the vain hope of easy success and settles down to "develop his genius by hard work."

The college not only gives a love for knowledge but also a love for good books. Like the saintly Fletcher, the student views his books as his truest friends and most constant companions, and this love for them he carries into his work, using them like the bee does the flower, extracting the sweetness with which to build up his own life and satisfy the needs of others. Many fail, especially in the ministry because they lack freshness and sweetness. Many might succeed, would they but learn to study,—the habit of prolonged and close attention to a subject until it is understood both in itself and in its relation to other subjects.

Objections Considered

We desire also to encourage those who have hesitated before what they consider a great undertaking. Perhaps the most serious obstacles in the way of securing a college education are the following,—at least these are the objections which are most often put forward.

First, the limited amount of time. The student often feels that the "limited amount of time" which he has at his disposal demands a briefer course than that outlined in the regular work of the college. In many instances this is a valid objection. For young people of proper school age it is never valid, but grows rather out of a failure to properly appreciate the preparation necessary to meet the demands of life. Perhaps no single utterance of the sainted Dr. Bresee was more often repeated to the student body than this,—"Were I a young man, called to the ministry and knew that I had but ten years in which to live and preach, I would take five years for preparation and with the added skill, would be enabled to accomplish more in the remaining five, than in the entire period without that preparation."

Secondly, the desire to earn money. The "money-earning power" or the "bread and butter" test of an education is one which every young person must face. The glitter of gold has lured many a young person away from college to a circumscribed life and a hard lot for the remainder of their days. No severer test of true worth was ever made than this, "Take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? For after these things do the Gentiles seek." It is the fruit of the materialistic education of the day and the essence of worldliness. True worth will seek the spiritual things of the kingdom of God.

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Lastly, the lack of financial support. The most commonly urged objection is the lack of financial support. This is no excuse at all. God who calls to the work, calls also to its preparation and will provide for every need. The lessons of faith and obedience must be learned somewhere, and if not learned during the college period, will likely never be learned. An educator of note, and of wide experience in dealing with young people, not long ago said, there not a young person who cannot make his way through practically any college or university in this country if he but make the attempt. The hesitancy comes in making the attempt,—after this there is greater assurance. And if there should prove to be many difficulties, and such there will be, the tact and perseverance necessary to succeed in college, will form one of the most important elements of success in after life.

THE COLLEGE OF LIFE

Life has been defined as animation or an absurdity. College authorities everywhere recognize this fact and take steps to provide an outlet for this pent up energy which is present in all healthy students. In practically all of the public institutions of higher learning, and in most of the denominational or church schools, this outlet is present in the form of organized athletics. While organized athletics are tabooed at the Northwest Nazarene College, physical exercise of the proper sort is in no way disparaged, but rather encouraged. The greatest outlet, however, for the exuberant spirits of the students is found, at the Northwest Nazarene College, in the spiritual life of the school. Jesus said, "I am come that ye might have life and that ye might have it more abundantly." Genuine salvation from sin brings real life and here, where deep spirituality is one of the predominating factors of college life, the brutalizing football games has been replaced by the lively prayer-meeting, and the unearthly "Rah! Rah!! Rah!!! Zip! Boom! Bah!" of worldly schools and colleges by the hearty singing of the Nazarene chorus, "Hallelujah, Amen, Hallelujah, Amen! Here also, the pranks and tricks usually performed among students have given away to holy hilarity and to the shouts of victory from redeemed souls. Instead of the dance with its attendant evils we have the "dance for joy before the Lord." Here is life of the right kind and plenty of it. We extend to you this invitation, "Come on," for here you will find an outlet for your surplus energy and a place where it can be used to the glory of God.

IRA L. SHANKS.

"The past should not be a tombstone, but a garden,—a place in which we bury so that the buried may bloom. We should make the graves of things not a residuum but a retort and an alembic,—get essences from all things, and realize every day the fable of the philosopher's stone,—Christ turns everything he touches into gold."

"To occupy one's self with trifles weans from the habit of work more effectually than idleness. Perfect skill comes of talent, study and exercise; and the study and exercise must continue through the whole course of life. To cease to learn is to lose freshness and the power to interest."

COLLEGE EDUCATION AND HOLINESS

One of the great problems that confronts the holiness movement of today is the relationship between knowledge and true piety, between education and holiness. There are three main views concerning this relationship.

Some, in their just endeavor to place the proper emphasis on holiness totally ignore education. Indeed a few even hold that a college education is antagonistic to true piety. Such a view is inadequate and wrong and when carried out, invariably results in God's work being crippled.

On the other hand a far greater danger presents itself in the opposite extreme. We find some who in their attempt to place education in its proper setting exalt knowledge to first place instead of grace. This is entirely wrong, and when carried out, destroys faith and results in rationalism, deadness and worldliness. Although the former attitude toward this problem puts a premium on ignorance; it at least gives due place and credit to the Holy Ghost, while the latter attitude defies knowledge and depreciates the Holy Ghost. Ignorance in itself is not a bar to salvation. Where then is the danger? Why does skepticism and lack of spirituality seem so closely associated with advanced education? I think a proper explanation may be found in the manner in which knowledge is approached. When education is given first place in the heart, it becomes disastrous to faith. This often happens to students who fail to secure a glowing experience of full salvation. When reliance is placed in knowledge, perfect trust in God is impossible. The modern pulpits are filled with men who depend on their knowledge rather than the power of God. A great writer says, "First shoot round corners and you may not despair in converting by a syllogism." Learning can never take the place of fire and the Holy Ghost. A college education is indeed worthless as far as divine things are concerned, unless it is anointed with the fire of the Holy Ghost and used for God's glory in the salvation of souls. In all our intellectual development we must keep God and spirituality at the front.

Furthermore, there are two ways in which knowledge is approached and interpreted. For example,—some great natural or mental law has been discovered and formulated. One student sees in that law the explanation and cause of the result which follows that law's action. In other words he defies the law and leaves God out. Another student approaching the same law sees more than the law itself; he sees the Divine Personality; he sees God back of the law. The first student defied the law itself, endeavored to explain away God and became skeptical. The second student recognized God working in and through the law and his faith and reverence in God were increased.

The correct relationship between college education and holiness is attained when we make Christian experience and holiness our ultimate aim; and when truth and knowledge is approached under the illuminating light of the Holy Ghost. John in his gospel says, "For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ." John 1:17. He did not say truth and grace came through Jesus Christ. It was never intended that truth and knowledge should be placed first, and become a means of receiving grace. A pathetic proof of this has taken place in Japan recently. Nikko, one of the favorite spots of worship, is noted for its numerous shrines, and thousands have worshipped

there in their search for God. Above Nikko are the Falls of Kegon—six hundred feet in height. Some years ago a post-graduate student of the Imperial University of Japan threw himself into the river and went over the falls. He left a letter saying that he was going to the next world to search for God, about whom he had studied, but was satisfied that God could not be found through truth and knowledge. During the eight years following, two hundred and fifty-eight other students pursued the same course of study for the same purpose. God's plan is grace first, then truth approached through grace. The Psalmist caught this idea when he said, "Open Thou mine eyes that I may behold wondrous things out of thy lay." (Ps. 119: 18). History becomes a blessing rather than a curse when we recognize in it the providential hand of God.

Truths gathered from the study of science, psychology and philosophy may increase our faith and be used to God's glory when we recognize that God is the power back of the laws, that controls life and the universe. We do not believe a college education is opposed to holiness; our aim is a good education acquired under the guidance of the Holy Ghost and used for God's glory in spreading scriptural holiness.

To my mind, Christ's baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire is essential in connection with a college education, for without this baptism education in itself is valueless in God's work. Christ is the spirit of truth and the revealer of truth. Furthermore an enthusiastic Christian experience is a help rather than a hinderance in intellectual development.

God is marvellously blessing Northwest Nazarene College. During this semester souls have been saved and sanctified wholly; and the fire continues to fall. Praise His name forever!

OLIVER GAULT.

EVOLUTION IN A NUT SHELL

(Written by N. B. Herrell)

Once I was a protoplast, helpless, pale and thin. Then a ploywog you see, beginning to begin. Then a frog with tail tucked in, as warty as could be. Then a long tailed monkey, sir, up in a banyan tree. Presto came another change, from monkey unto man, thank goodness for old nature, and her well perfected plan. Now, I am no longer sir, up in a banyan tree, but I am minister, ordaind a big D. D.

Two monkeys sitting in a tree, looked on this man so queer. One spoke inquiringly, and said: How many monks are here? He counted, "ONE, TWO, THREE." Then he said: "OUT GOES HE!" Pointing to the big D. D. This monkey-man with a graceful bow, addressed those monkeys and this is how:—

(With expression)

Parent monkeys hear my reply,
As you are now so once was I;
As I am now soon you shall be,
Prepare for life and follow me.
Yes, follow me.

"The prayer of a righteous man availeth much." By the power of his prayer he has quenched the violence of fire; shut the mouths of lions; escaped the edge of the sword; expelled demons; expanded the gates of heaven; stayed the sun in its course and obtained promises. Prayer is a treasure undiminished and the fountain of a thousand blessings.

"The little Jordan cuts a deeper channel in thought, than the mighty Amazon with all its waters."

HOW A COLLEGE EDUCATION HELPS THE PASTOR

Usually the first thing that comes to the young man or woman after they have been saved from a life of sin, and received a call from God to preach the Gospel, or go as a missionary, is: "How shall I prepare for this calling?" Everyone that is called of God realizes that if they have not already received a good education, they must prepare in some way to make themselves more efficient for life's work.

Every young person starting to school to prepare for God's work, should have in mind the course they are intending to take. Many think they will take a two years course and then go out prepared to preach the Gospel. Then another will start with a larger vision and say they are going through high school, and then take some Bible work, thinking they have had good preparation. Again there is the student who comes to school with a vision large enough to see that it will require the four years work in a college education to enable him to fulfill his calling.

The writer entered college after having been converted some three years, and having received a call to preach the Gospel. I thought it was not necessary to go to school to prepare for the ministry. All I thought necessary was to open the mouth and the Lord would fill it. He did! With air! Upon first entering school I thought that a short course would enable me to sway the masses and move the world towards God. After a few months in school, and the careful observation that those who had made a success for God, were usually college students. I decided to complete both the academic and college courses.

There are many young people that enter school with the idea that they will be efficient men and women after a year or two of training. How often they will find out that without a good training in college work they will come short of their own desires and God's also, and in many ways be crippled in their usefulness for God! No, I do not mean to say, don't go to school if you can not see your way through college. If you cannot see your way through college, at least take some training. I often think of what Dr. Bresee, has so fittingly said: "It takes only six weeks to grow a squash, but forty years to grow an oak." The person who takes only part of a school training and feels that he must be in the work, goes out and starts in his field of labor for the Lord. Of course he works to the best of his ability, but many questions, problems and perplexities come along which he has to meet and settle, and he is left in wonder and amazement as what to do because of inadequate training.

If there is a class of people who need good training it is the preachers and missionaries; the ones who are to teach and preach the riches of Jesus Christ. The boy or girl who does not finish his college course knows little, if any, of philosophy, psychology, sociology, logic or argumentation and other very essential subjects that he would receive in a college training. One who has not studied these may ask, why study all these subjects? Who would not much rather listen to a speaker who has his thought arranged in logical order? Who would not rather listen to a preacher, who can back his argument with the Word of God, and convince his hearers? Who would not rather listen to one who can think correctly, and reason logically? We acquire this drill and training in the college years of school life.

Many people wonder why the pastor fails. It is for lack of training along some of the

lines above mentioned. You may say, lack of judgment. Study and training brings one to the place of reasoning, choice, judgment, and correct decision on questions, that without experience and training he knows very little about. The four years in college give the pastor an education that would otherwise require many years of reading and experience to accomplish.

God is calling for people who are thoroughly prepared to go into His field of labor, for people who know how to rightly divide the word of truth, for people who have learned the art of studying problems out for themselves, and for people who have finished a thorough course with the fire of God on their souls. May the coming pastors, above all have the fire, and then get knowledge in the Holy Ghost, and God will make them a great blessing to lost humanity.

Prov. 4:5, 6 7. "Get wisdom, get understanding: forget it not; neither decline from the words of my mouth. Forsake her not, and she shall preserve thee; love her, and she shall keep thee. Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom; and with all thy getting get understanding."

J. S. M.

WHY I CAME TO A HOLINESS SCHOOL

A short time after I had been truly converted, the desire came back with renewed force that I might get a college education. All my educational training before this had been obtained in a public high school and state normal; but I had often entertained fair dreams of sometime going to some eastern college.

When God came into my life, old things passed away! and behold, all things became new. I longed to be in holiness meetings, associate with holiness people and consequently I began to study school catalogues and wanted to go to holiness school. After many hard battles fought on my knees before God, some things were settled for time and eternity. My anticipation turned to realization and I soon found myself starting for a holiness school some sixteen hundred miles away, although I had access to one of the larger state universities within an hour's ride from the place where I was living. Why this unnecessary expense? I knew that the state universities were attacking the very foundations of the Christian religion and undermining the faith of the students who attended them. It is a common occurrence for young men and women reared in Christian homes to go off to a college or a university with the brightest prospects and return sceptics. After having been well versed in certain evolution theories and higher criticism, they may have a stock of cold intellectualism but are infidels at heart. Many have been wrecked on the reefs of doubt and scepticism. Thank God, that such was not my fate!

Men and women are blindly following false doctrines, because the true spiritual light is not brought to them. Many regret this when only too late. We as young people desire to secure our education under Christian influences and instruction that we may be able to cope successfully with the unbelief and false doctrines that are so widespread around us.

I think the main reason for my coming to a holiness college was that the spiritual as well as the mental side of my nature could be developed; because a holiness college is a place where not only high standards of spirituality are aimed at but deepest spirituality and highest culture go hand in hand; where our motto is "Holiness unto the Lord" and God has the pre-eminence in the class room as well as in the

chapel or church services. I enjoy the atmosphere around a school where the Holy Ghost is invited as the leader and guide in our daily life, and where a wholly sanctified life is not a future attainment, but, thank God is a present reality and we may really obtain and keep this blessed experience.

It is a great privilege indeed to be associated with the godly men and women we find studying in these schools. Many are called to different fields of labor, and, even here God wonderfully uses them in the salvation of souls. I am willing to do without the finer buildings and am glad to put up with the meagre equipment for I know that sacrifice and endurance help make us better students and Christians as will be able to endure hardness as good soldiers of Jesus Christ.

HILMA M. SHERN.

"IF"

If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;
If you can trust yourself when all men
doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting, too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too
wise.

If you can dream, and not make dreams
your master;
If you can think, and not make thoughts
your aim;
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
And treat those two imposters just the
same;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've
spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to,
broken,
And stoop and build them up with worn-
out tools.

If you can make one heap of all your win-
nings
And risk it on one turn of pitch and toss,
And lose, and start again at your begin-
ning
And never breath a word about your loss;
If you can force your heart and nerve and
sinew
To serve your turn long after they are
gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in
you
Except the Will which says to them: "Hold
on."

If you can talk with crowds and keep your
virtue,
Or walk with kings—nor lose the common
touch;
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt
you;
If all men count with you, but none too
much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
Yours is the earth and everything that's in
it,
And, which is more, you'll be a man, my
son!

RUDYARD KIPLING.

You might as well tie roses upon dead bushes and call it raising flowers as to go around and talk about abiding service without the baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire.

Missionary Testimonials

MY MISSIONARY CALL

Ten years ago the Lord saved me in my native land, Armenia. After my conversion the Lord gave me a missionary call to my own people. I came to this country six years ago in order to escape for my life, because of the Turkish persecutions. When I came to America, my first desire was to go to a church and worship the Lord with the people who knew God. There was a great hunger in my heart for God and holiness, but I found so many different denominations, that I did not know to which I should belong. I prayed to the Lord that he would lead me to the place where I could have my spiritual hunger satisfied. Then I remembered the Lord had told me that I should go to the place where they preached Jesus and Him crucified.

The year after my arrival to America God led me to the Nazarene Church at Berkeley, California. There I found the saints of God and heard their testimonies of the saving power of Jesus and His grace. The joy of the Lord was abounding in the hearts of the people and the love of God shone on their faces. I became more and more hungry for this experience and said, "How I wish I could testify as these people do." There I saw that precious verse I John 1:7 on the wall back of the platform, "The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." Then I said this is the place where I ought to be.

One Sunday evening while I was kneeling at the altar and praying, the Lord sanctified me wholly. Then I sang with the people of God:

"I'm going through, Jesus, I'm going through,
I'll pay the price whatever others do,
I'll take the way with the Lord's despised few,
I'm going through, Jesus I'm going through."

From that time on I have been in the liberty of the Holy Spirit and shouting the victory. Although I have passed through many sorrows and trials, God's grace has been sufficient for me. Now I am studying in this school, and when my preparation is ended, I will return to Armenia and preach the unsearchable riches of Christ.

MOSES HAGOPIAN.

MY CALL TO THE MISSION FIELD

About eight years ago, during the chapel exercises in the Deets Pacific Bible College, I felt the call of God to be a missionary to the Japanese people. Obeying this call, I at once began my preparation for this great work for which I feel so unworthy.

My first plan was to take a short Bible course but I soon found that this would be inadequate preparation, so I changed my course and started with the academy work. I am now finishing my last year in the College of Liberal Arts. It is wonderful the way in which God has led me, and helped me in my preparation. And many times when hard things would come, and difficulties would arise, I began to wonder if God had really called me to His work, then I would think of President Wiley's statement to the students, "God who calls to His work, calls also to the preparation for that work." Every missionary, if possible,

should have at least a college education and a year or two of good Bible training, but above all a good case of salvation. I praise God because the old time fire is burning in my soul, and I feel the abiding presence of Jesus in my life just now.

MARION BENTON.

A COLLEGE ON FIRE!

Not only did "cloven tongues like as of fire sat upon each of them," that received the baptism with the Holy Ghost, purifying their hearts, on the day of Pentecost, but they were so energized by this fiery baptism and so completely oblivious to what the people would say or think that their actions were such, that the town people were confounded; some were amazed, some were in doubt, and others said, "these men are full of new wine." The emblem of fire which sat upon each of them, so far as we know, has not been repeated since the day of Pentecost, but this fiery baptism and its effect upon the believer's heart and soul has always been the same. It so affected Paul and Silas that the Thessalonians said of them, "these that have turned the world upside down have come hither also."

Like the apostles, we believe in the old time fire, and purpose to keep in such step with the Holy Ghost, that He can manifest Himself through us. It is not an unusual thing for a chapel service or a prayer-meeting to be turned into a holy march; a season of shouting, clapping of the hands, or singing of choruses. The evening worship in the dining room is always a place of blessing where the holy fire falls at times in such gushers that the sanctified are blest out of themselves and the unsaved and un sanctified are convicted until they begin to cry for mercy. The classes are often so accompanied with such burdens for the lost, on the part of some and conviction on the part of others that the study of the lesson would be out of the question, for we must pray until the fire falls. We are doing our best to keep this place so hot that carnal professors of religion will be undeceived, and that all sin will be ferreted out.

DAVID W. REYNOLDS.

"I WILL GO IN HIS STRENGTH"

One quiet summer afternoon, as I was sitting alone with my Bible, the Lord began to talk to me so definitely, and along lines which had been giving me some concern for weeks. I had felt a call to the heathen land, but every time it came up before me I began to shrink and fill with fear, because I was so weak and helpless. But on this particular afternoon I was determined to settle the question and really know if it was the will of God. As I waited before Him I took up my Bible and when I opened it my eyes fell immediately upon these words: "I will go in the strength of the Lord God." Oh, such a relief! I said, "Yes, I can go in His strength, I need not depend upon my own." I looked farther in the chapter and I found that He would comfort me on every side. I cried for joy and promised the Lord that I would go anywhere He should lead.

Later He pointed out the field of labor, and I could fairly see those little black

faces over in India. They are on my heart. I know not why He has chosen me—but since it is His will I am praying that I may be an instrument in His hands and a channel for the sake of the unrepentant.

I am glad for a personal salvation and present victory.

RUTH DOANE.

A CALL TO LATIN AMERICA

When I reached the years of accountability I knew as definitely as I know now that God wanted me for a missionary. I did not want to be a missionary, but I desired worldly fame and honor. But the dear Lord through all my rebellion would not let me go. Wherever I was, I felt His tender wings calling me to give my heart to Him and submit to His will. I did not like missionary meetings because I knew I would be under conviction all the time while there; yet I could not keep away from them. At times I would be almost sick from my inward fight against yielding myself.

In my high school course I felt led to study Spanish. I had no idea why I should study Spanish as I did not intend to go where that language was spoken. But now I can see clearly that it was the leading of the Holy Spirit, though I was not right with God at that time. Bless God, there finally came a time when I was so sick of sin and rebellion that I yielded to Jesus and threw down my arms of rebellion. When the call was repeated, I thought at first my field was India but the dear Lord would not let me say India. After much prayer I saw it was to be South America. I am in college now preparing myself for the field that I may reach dying men and women with the story of Jesus.

IRA TRUE.

A CALL TO CHINA

How I praise God for this wonderful salvation, for the Holy Ghost who has come to abide in my heart. Glory be to God!

When I was only a child of seven years, God put the burden of China upon me, and asked me to carry the news of salvation to those people. I have never doubted my call from that day. Though for some time I struggled against the call, and tried to find pleasure in the world, this missionary work was constantly before me. I found no rest until I sought God and said a last yes to Him. I cannot express the peace and joy that filled my soul when I surrendered all to Him and let Him have His way in my life.

Last summer God marvellously opened the way for me to attend school in Nampa, where I am now preparing for the work that He has called me to do. I mean to go every step of the way with Jesus.

FLORENCE SOUTHWICK.

Love, joy and peace are inseparable. Where there is the love of God shed abroad in the heart by the Holy Ghost, there certainly will be peace and joy. If there is no fruit of the spirit manifest in the life, it is positive proof that the Holy Spirit has not been permitted to come into the heart and bring in the love of God.

MY MISSIONARY CALL

How I thank God for a real salvation that saves from sin and satisfies a human heart. Hallelujah! I was saved in October, 1910, at an old board altar in the Nazarene Tabernacle at Walla Walla, Washington. That was a great day to me. A love for God was put into my heart, and a desire to do his service. A few weeks later I sought the Holy Ghost and thought I received the blessing.

God soon began to talk to me about India. At first I thought I never could be a missionary. Thinking possibly the call would go away, I told no one, not even my mother, but fought the thing within myself for two years. I had entered high school soon after I was saved and through the encouragement of the teachers I became ambitious to be somebody. I was not willing to sacrifice my life for the salvation of the heathen. I realized then that I did not have the Holy Ghost in my heart, and was ashamed to take my stand. I went on professing however, having only the outward form of godliness. In April, 1915 under the preaching of Charles Stalker I saw myself as God saw me. I was miserable, and sick of sin. I cried for mercy and God took me back and restored to me the joy I had lost. The very next service found me at the altar for sanctification. I was not willing to answer the call for India, and the little brown faces pleading for help. I died out to myself and to what others thought of me and said the last yes to God's will. Glory be to Jesus forever! I have been having a real campmeeting in my soul ever since. I know I have a confidence toward God, that cannot be shaken. The vision of the lost and the call of God was never so real to me as it is now. Hallelujah!

BESSIE LITTLEJOHN.

MY CALL TO INDIA

When only a child I thought that some day I would be saved and do Christian work. I began to wonder what I could do. All at once the word missionary stood out in my mind. Then I wondered where, and India seemed to follow and I withdrew from the thought. It seemed so far from home. I never allowed myself to think of this any more; so it finally seemed to leave me.

Over two years after I was saved I heard my first missionary lecture. It impressed me very much yet I never thought of my childhood experience. The following Sunday evening the Epworth League had their monthly missionary meeting. A young man, who is now in South America, led the meeting and told us of his call. He said the thing that gripped him was, "Why shouldn't he go?" When we knelt for prayer that question kept coming to me, "Why shouldn't I go?" I tried to tell the Lord how my plans were wrapped up in Mr. Frischknecht's, but the Lord seemed to say, "Well, we'll see." It never occurred to me that the Lord might call Mr. Frischknecht.

Several days later Mr. Frischknecht told me how the Lord had been talking to him about India, how he had stayed away from the lecture and from Epworth League, because he was afraid of the call, and how he had at last said yes to Jesus. Well, of course all I could say then was, "Yes, Lord, I'll go."

Glory! I do praise the Lord that he has honored me with a little place in His great vineyard.

MRS. ALFRED FRISCHKNECHT, Jr.
Cnnell, Wash.

"Earth's crammed with heaven,
And every common bush affire with God;
But only he who sees, takes off his shoes."

COLLEGE OF SPIRITUALITY

This is a day when there is an urgent call for young men and young women who are consecrated to God, who are spiritually as well as mentally equipped, to go out into the world to be a blessing to humanity. In the average school of today we find a very great lack along spiritual lines. Attention has been turned to athletics, clubs and societies, while the spiritual welfare of the student has been sadly neglected.

Our college is a college where first things are placed first. It is not only a place where an education may be acquired, where the mental powers only are trained and developed, but it is a place where this is done in an atmosphere that is deeply spiritual.

Spirituality and education go hand in hand. In this school the spiritual welfare of the student is considered and he is urged to "seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness." Thus far during the year God has graciously been with us. Real times of revival have come upon us in answer to prayer. Students have been saved and sanctified and the whole atmosphere has been one of deep piety and of loyalty to God. Undoubtedly, for its size, this has been the most spiritual college in the land. Here an extremely rare opportunity is offered, where a person can study in a place where God is honored. It is not the work of this school to educate people for the devil, but its work is to aid and instruct people to become established in the doctrines and experience of the Christian faith, and at the same time to maintain a high standard of educational work.

Great stress is laid upon a real Christian experience. The world needs people, who not only are thoroughly indoctrinated, but also have a real experience of salvation in their hearts, for this is the essential thing in life. Education will not save one; but after one is established in the Christian faith then to acquire an education in a spiritual atmosphere studying and mingling with other students who love the Lord, under a corps of godly instructors,—that is a blessed opportunity. Such is that offered by the Northwest Nazarene College.

L. M. WALKER.

RICHLAND MEETING

During the holidays a party of students from the college, including Ralph Hertenstein, Russel Mitchell, Miss Martha Hahn, Miss Frances Eaton and myself, went to Richland Oregon, to hold a meeting in the Methodist church at that place. Brother Hertenstein did the preaching in the demonstration of the Spirit and power. His messages were freighted with holy fire. The enemy was stirred, and put up a fight from the first; but God graciously blessed and gave souls. People who would not pay the price and go through with the Lord, opposed the meeting, and some of the church members were greatly annoyed at the noise made in praying; but nevertheless, the Lord blessed and gave about fifty seekers. To Him be the glory.

L. WALKER.

Only those who are baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire are safe. It takes only one little fox to spoil the vine. One sinful deed will open the way for another. One ungodly companion will introduce us to more. One little easy besetting sin will destroy the soul.

"Let the old tell what they have done,
the young what they are doing, and fools
what they intend to do."

CALLED BY THE HOLY GHOST

It was in the spring of 1912 in a missionary meeting at Pullman, Washington, that the Holy Spirit called me as a missionary to the "lands in waiting." I shall never forget that Sunday afternoon when I caught a vision of the open door, and a lost world plunging into a Christless eternity without salvation and without hope. Almost the last words of Jesus before He ascended into heaven were these: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." As I sat in that meeting that afternoon, these words seemed to stand out as letters of fire; and as God talked to me, the conviction came that, "all the world," meant for me the lands across the sea. The call had come and I said yes to the whole will of God, though it meant giving up the work for which I was then preparing. Shortly after this I attended the Nazarene University at Pasadena, California and it was while there that the Holy Ghost came into my heart to dwell. With His coming, there came a more intense longing to carry the message of salvation to the lands in heathen darkness. Thank God! The call has been getting clearer and clearer, and I am expecting to be able to begin work in India soon, the land to which God has called me. My only desire is to so live and be led by the blessed Holy Ghost, that when Jesus calls me to Himself, I can say with the Apostle Paul, "I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision."

IRA L. SHANKS.

MEETING AT ONTARIO

There is nothing we enjoy more than being in the front of the battle helping to win precious souls. Such an opportunity was given us this Christmas vacation at Ontario, Oregon. The meeting was held in an old opera house. People who had once attended dances there now came to hear the story of salvation. Brother Herrell, our District Superintendent, preached the Gospel to them clear and straight in the demonstration of the Holy Spirit. Brother Wiley, our President gave Bible readings in the afternoons, that were real helpful to all. How our hearts rejoice when we can have a feast from the Word of God. The last three sterneration in the ranks of the enemy when chester and some of our missionary students, and surely the Lord did give us a gracious time and widened our vision of the world. Seed was sown for a good harvest. The hall was filled with people nearly every night and souls were under conviction and hungry for salvation. Some came to the altar and prayed through to definite victory. Truly there was conservation in the ranks of the enemy when the Holy Spirit came upon us, and we shouted and sang the praises of God. Thank God for victory! We love the battle and the harder the fight the better we like it. Hallelujah!

BESSIE LITTLEJOHN.

What is the true wealth of a man? A man's true wealth is the good he does in this world. When he dies, men will ask what property he has left behind him, but angels will inquire, "What good deeds hast thou sent before thee?"

"A man with no sense of religious duty is he whom the Scriptures describe, in such terse but terrific language as living without God in the world. Such a man is out of his proper being, out of the circle of all his happiness, and away, far, far away from the purpose of his creation."

The Blood of Jesus Christ Cleanseth from all Sin. 1 John 1:7

Victory Campaign

\$5,000.00 FOR INDEBTEDNESS NEEDED AT ONCE.
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\$3,000.00 FOR TEMPORARY ENDOWMENT.

The Board of Directors have decided to institute a VICTORY CAMPAIGN to raise \$10,000.00 for Northwest Nazarene College to be applied as indicated above. Other educational districts are attempting to raise from \$50,000.00 to \$200,000.00. While the interests of the educational work are before the church, we are certain that the Northwest Educational District will cheerfully respond to the modest sum requested by its thriving institution,—NORTHWEST NAZARENE COLLEGE.

The Directors of Northwest Nazarene College have always avoided heavy indebtedness. The institution has been contented to be housed in cheap, plain buildings rather than to involve itself, and can, therefore, come before its constituency with confidence. Not a dollar of its funds have ever been misspent. Our rapid growth demands enlargement, and efficient service requires more conveniences.

NORTHWEST NAZARENE COLLEGE

Northwest Nazarene College is one of the educational institutions of the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene and has a mission to the entire northwest. Its territory comprises the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota and also Canada. Full college courses are offered. In addition there is an Academy, a Grammar School and special departments of Bible and Music. The college aims to prepare young men and women for efficient leadership in the various forms of Christian activity, both at home and abroad. It emphasizes, (1) Real Christian experience, (2) Thorough scholarship, (3) Development in initiative, cooperation, thoroughness, sympathy and faithfulness. Note the following:—

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THE URGENT NEEDS OF THE COLLEGE

It is the policy of the Board of Directors to avoid incurring indebtedness for buildings and improvements. Improvements are made only as money is received either in cash or subscriptions. God has blessed the institution in a remarkable manner. We have received about \$5,000.00 in cash, subscriptions, bonds and labor donations since September.

In the beginning of this work some indebtedness was necessarily incurred for buildings, furniture and classroom equipment,—without which the work could not have been continued. Our creditors have had confidence in us and have extended our credit from time to time. We now feel that the time has come when this indebtedness in part should be lifted and we are asking for \$5,000.00 to meet our pressing obligations.

We also need \$2,000.00 for much needed improvements. We have insufficient classrooms and we need added equipment. Our excellent faculty of sanctified men and women are devoted to this work and should be given an opportunity to render the most efficient service, which cannot be done in such cramped quarters.

THE TEMPORARY ENDOWMENT FUND

A permanent endowment of \$50,000.00 would yield at 6 per cent an income of \$3,000.00 per year. Fifty churches or individuals subscribing \$5.00 each per month for twelve months would yield the same amount of aid to the college. Each subscriber therefore, would in effect be endowing the college to the extent of \$1,000.00 on the temporary endowment plan.

The money received is applied on the deficit in operation expenses and faculty salaries. This annual deficit is due to the low rate of tuition charged in order to make it possible for young people to take advantage of the opportunities afforded by the college.

We are asking fifty churches and individuals to each take \$1,000.00 of this temporary endowment by subscribing the amount of \$5.00 per month for one year.

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OUR MASTER ONCE SAID, "THE CHILDREN OF THIS WORLD ARE IN THEIR GENERATION WISER THAN THE CHILDREN OF LIGHT." Luke 16:8.

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