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## The Youth In New Zealand

Dear Brethren:

We here in New Zealand send you our love and greetings in Jesus lovely Name!

Here are some testimonies from the young people of our church plus a few photos. I have passed out all the Y.Q.N. throughout New Zealand to the other churches so you could be hearing from other young people of New Zealand.

They are already looking forward to the next issue. So please send it as soon as it is printed. Thank you!

May the Lord richly bless you as you serve Him in this way.

Yours because of Jesus,  
Bro. Greg Alford,  
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Fellow Young People,  
Greetings in the Name of Jesus. It has certainly been an encouragement to see young people motivated enough and concerned enough to put out a newspaper for young people. Congratulations!

I would like to share my testimony in the hope that it would encourage and draw young people closer to the Lord.

To start at the beginning, I was brought up in a Christian home for which I thank God. At the age of 12, I was baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ, but at the age of 15 I turned my back on God and went my own way. You see, I had the heavy teaching and I had all the head knowledge but I didn't have the heart knowledge of what Jesus had really done for me. For the next 5 years, I went through a time of total rebellion against God and particularly against the Message of the hour. One day, I met a girl in the street that I had known from school. This girl I had known had been a punk (black leather mini-skirts, boots, orange hair, chains, the works!) since school. We struck up a conversation and I said how neat and smart she looked (blouse and dress). She replied, "I'm a Christian." You could have knocked me over with a feather!! She invited me to church and I accepted; if God could do something for her, well, maybe He could do something for me, I thought.

I came to know two

wonderful Pentecostal Christian brothers through that meeting. One of them especially has been a great source of strength and encouragement to me since that first meeting and I praise God for brothers that have such a burden for lost souls as he has. Young people, the moment you lose that burden for lost souls is the moment you start dying spiritually, so if you don't feel that burden, get on your knees and ask God for that desire to reach lost souls.

Well, from that first meeting a strong friendship developed and repeated invitations to go to church with them were accepted. One Sunday night, an evangelist came to preach. Well, from the very start of the meeting my heart started racing and I knew that this was "D-Day", this was it, decision time. It was now I had to live my life fully for Jesus Christ, or never. God was giving me the life or death decision. Immediately after the meeting, one of the brothers turned to me and said "I've been reading in Acts how Paul prayed and layed hands on certain Christian brethren and they received the Holy Spirit. You can have this tonight. Do you want it?"

Yes, I wanted it. I wanted it with my whole heart. The three of us climbed into the car and headed up to a hill overlooking the town. There we knelt and prayed. Time, lost, its meaning and after hours had gone by, I got desperate and told God I wasn't going to leave the place until I knew I'd been filled with His Spirit. God knew I was serious for an overwhelming wave of joy hit me and I think I would have blown the roof off any building had I been inside for the shouting of praise that came.

Well, I wasn't going to let my opportunity for a blessing to slip by with the presence of God so real. I wanted the gift of tongues, so we got down to some more praying and again I got desperate. After some time I was all prayed out. I couldn't say anything else so I waited on my knees and the next thing I knew, I was on my back speaking so hard and fast in tongues that my breath came in gasps. Praise God, it was like an unstoppable torrent. Hallelujah!!!

Young people, if you want an experience with God and you want it seriously enough, you watch Him move in your life because He surely will.

Three years have passed since that time. I have found a little Outreach church that lives up to what it says and for me the icing on the cake is that God has been gracious enough to send a prophet in this last age to bring us right back to the Word of God, I have seen this little church grow through one reason only and that reason is because it lives Mark 16:15-20. I fellowship at Gospel Way Outreach. Please pray for the work going on here.

Your brother in the Lord,

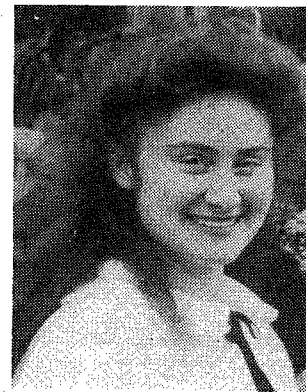
Andrew Toulson  
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life.

I came to a place in my late high-school years where I decided I didn't want to be a Christian. I wanted to live my life, do what I wanted to do, not be pushed into going to church or to listen to tapes which I found not at all understandable. I was completely bored with the whole lot of it all.

Just to show rebellion against my parents and God, the first thing I did was cut my hair and wear make-up. It's amazing how quickly you get accepted into Satan's world, and so from then on I just drifted away, farther and farther from God.

My teachers were all disappointed in me. My grades went down and my attitude went from bad to worse. Then I started to get into parties, smoking, and rock music. By that time, I'm sure Mum and Dad must have been praying real hard because (Praise the Lord!) by His



Grace Frandi

just didn't have the true Word of God. I could see it in the congregation. To me, they were no different than the world. I knew there had to be a difference. I knew that living God's way, there has to be that change on the outside as well as the inside. I, myself, hadn't found that yet deep down I was looking for it.

So we shifted down. I hadn't realized that many of the young girls were going through the same thing. I believe we all really knew deep down that we were missing something. (Mums and Dads, keep praying for your kids, won't you!)

Well, to keep my parents happy, I would sometimes go to the Sunday services. They actually weren't that bad. I loved seeing the young people. That was one thing I really missed up North. "You know your fellowship with brothers and sisters in the Lord is really important in your walk and I pray that we all really appreciate each other."

It was one Sunday morning out at a small country church that God started to speak to my heart. That morning, I had never felt such conviction. I believe the Lord also spoke to my heart through a word of tongues that came out that morning. But still I held back and all that week I couldn't stop thinking about it.

So I went along the next Sunday service and I knew the Lord was speaking to me again. Before I knew it, I was up at the front, crying my heart out to God, letting my burden go, and my, I don't think I had felt so wonderful in all my life! I really met my Lord for the first time. From then on He's just led me. Praise God! And boy, I've had many trials, but I believe it's only through them that we grow and build character. Amen!

There's one thing I'd

like to say to those who have never drifted away from this Message. May God richly bless you for your stand for Him, because you know that's a wonderful testimony in itself!

Your sister in Christ,  
Grace Frandi

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Greetings in the Lovely Name of Jesus Christ.

This is my testimony of how the Lord got me into nursing. I pray it may be a little blessing to you.

I started my job as a Nurses Aid in 1980 at the age of 16. My job consisted of making cups of tea, doing messages around the hospital, taking specimens to the laboratories, helping the nurses with lifting patients, and generally being the person who cleaned up after the nurses. I worked as a Nurses Aid for 4-1/2 years and during this time I had applied 2 times to get accepted for nursing. Both times, I was told that I hadn't been accepted. I decided that I would give it one more try and if they told me that I hadn't been accepted I would take it that the Lord didn't want me to be a nurse.

This time when I applied, I was told that I had to sit an entrance exam and if I passed I was then given an interview. I passed the exam and got an interview and about 3-4 months later I got a letter telling me that I had missed out and to reapply the next year.

In the mean time, we got really short of staff at work and the nurses started giving me patients to shower. It started out being only 1 or 2 patients but ended up being 2 four bedded rooms that were my responsibility. I also had to make sure that my own jobs were done. The staffing shortage improved and once again I was only responsible for my own jobs.

I got very bored with my work because it was repetitious and very unstimulating. I started looking and applying for a few jobs but it seemed that every time I tried opening a door, the Lord would close it.

About 5 months passed and one morning in the mail a letter arrived. It told me that I had been accepted for nursing. I was on cloud nine. I had a medical examination and 6 weeks later I started my training as an Enrolled

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Dear Friends:

I just pray that the Lord will just guide me with words to say that will speak to your hearts as you read my testimony.

Like a lot of the young people in the Message for this age, I was raised up in a Christian home. I knew what was right and wrong, and really I don't think I found the way of a Christian up-bringing hard, but neither was it a reality to me. I was all what my parents believed, what I had known all my

Grace, He kept me from going any farther. Then I heard we were going to shift to Christchurch I didn't know whether that was good or not. Deep inside I was scared. I knew that if I stayed, I would get so deep into sin with no way of stopping it. I didn't really want that. I remember there were times I would cry myself to sleep. I didn't want to be the person I was, but I couldn't find it at any denominational churches. The few that I had been to

# The Youth Quake News

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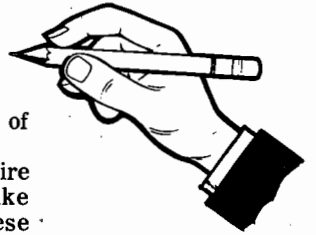
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## A Letter From The Editor



Greetings in Jesus Christ. Our prayer is that God is moving and working in each of your lives. I'm glad I can proclaim that He is just as real as He's ever been, living in His bride!

Around the world God is doing great and wonderful things. We can also look and find a few things that are negative but I'm not interested in sharing those things. I'm only interested in sharing the good things. Not the defeats. The victories. The Gospel (the true Gospel) means the Good News. The gospel that is tampered with by man is not good. It only brings confusion and defeat, but the true pure Word brings unity and victory.

Proverbs 25:25 says "As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country." This has

been the reason for this small newspaper, to publish the good things God is doing in the lives of young people so that others can be inspired.

Recently while ministering to our local believers, I asked the saints a question and I wish to ask it here in this letter also. How can a believer know Jesus Christ and never testify of Him? How can God be living in and blessing a man's life and he not share with others what is taking place? I don't believe he can. I don't believe you can know Jesus Christ and be silent. It's like fire shut up in your bones. You have to testify of His goodness. That testimony can be an awesome strength and encouragement to other believers. It also can lead

some soul to the truth of this age.

This has been the entire goal of "Youth Quake News", to take these testimonies of young people, put them into print, and get them out to others so they can hear, and be encouraged. This is our only desire. We are not trying to follow the traits of a denomination. We are not making a publication that is exclusive to the body of Jesus Christ. This paper and these testimonies are to all that will hear.

These testimonies of how this end-time message has changed the lives of these young people is to anyone who reads them and to encourage, especially a young man or young lady. And this, by God's grace, is what it has done in the past few years. It is only

a tool to communicate these testimonies to others. We feel also that the reports of camps are a blessing, especially to those who can't make it to all of them. I pray that you see the burden and desire on our hearts.

In this issue are mostly testimonies of the youth in New Zealand. May God bless them for sending them. Below is a map to identify the countries the Y.Q.N. is reaching to. Till we meet on the other side, may God bless and keep each one of you in His Hand.

The Editor

J. Paul LaFontaine

## A Letter From Edmonton Youth

Dear Youth: Greetings in the precious Name of Jesus Christ.

The youth of End Time Message Tabernacle would like to express how much we appreciate receiving the Youth Quake News. It is a real blessing and an encouragement for us to hear testimonies of what the Lord is still doing in the hearts of other young people. I pray that each one will continue to press the battle and always keep your eyes upon Him. He is bound to take you through.

We have been suppor-

ting the printing of the Youth Quake News for the last two years. We feel we are doing only a small part of a great work the Lord has blessed you with in Wallaceburg. Whatever we can do to help in the continuance of publishing the Youth Quake News, our prayers and support are behind you 100%.

May God bless you all as you continue to cling to the Old Rugged Cross!

In Christ,  
The Youth of End Time  
Message Tabernacle  
Edmonton, Alberta  
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## MEET THE YOUTH



Our "Meet The Youth" this time is the youth group of End-Time Message Tabernacle, Edmonton, Alberta. Many young people were missing for this picture taking so there are more than seen here.

First of all we want to

thank these young people for supporting the Y.Q.N. more than any other youth group. We want them to know their encouragement is greatly appreciated!

The youth in Edmonton get together regularly for youth services in their

church. Bro. Harold Hildebrandt, the pastor, usually speaks at these meetings. Occasionally a visiting minister will speak for them as well. The services are conducted by some of the young men. We thank the Lord for the testimony of

Christ that these young people hold. God is truly working in their lives and we pray God will continue to do so.

So if you ever are headed to Edmonton, let them know. They would love to fellowship with you!

## "Youth Quake News"

Countries Of The World To Which The Youth Quake News Reaches:

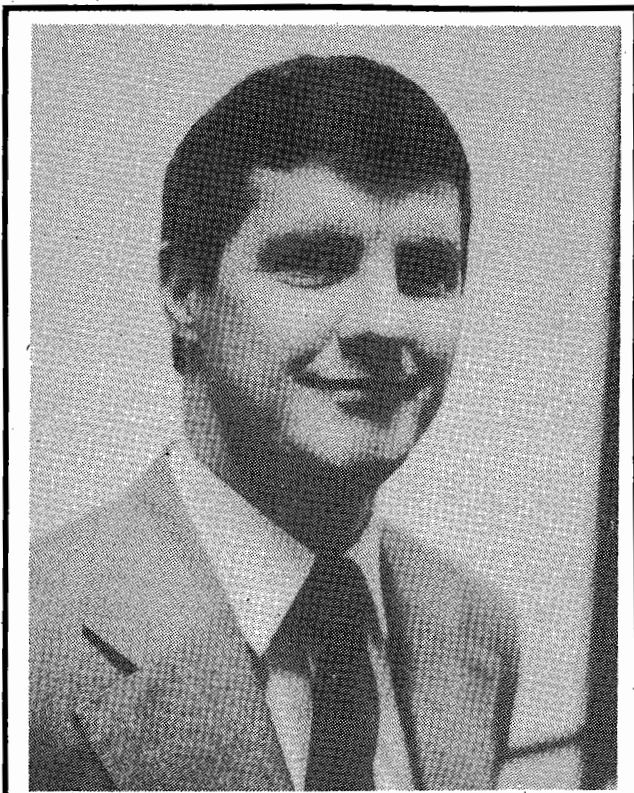
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# Parson To Person



Bro. Martin Warner  
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

ners. My parents were Catholic by faith and still are. My father was more religiously inclined than my mother. He always wanted one of us five boys to become a Catholic priest. I was aware of this desire and purposed in my heart as a small boy to grow up to be a priest. I felt by doing that, I could help them get into Heaven.

I attended a Catholic Convent School. In catechism classes, I excelled above my classmates when asked any question about the Catholic faith or the Bible. One day in grade 2, our parish priest came to class to ask us questions. Guess who answered most of the questions? Right! He was quite impressed with me. During the season of lent, which is a time when Catholics give up something for their faith to consecrate themselves (which I usually found quite easy), mass was held every night during that time. I would attend just about every night and could say word for word what the priest would say, "vain repetitions". I would say the Twelve Stations of the Cross, saying an Our Father and Hail Mary before each one. My friends would skip church but I always felt so guilty that I couldn't. I had a desire to know God and that church was the only God I knew.

As I grew older and became a teenager, I

began to replace my desire for God, that thirst, for other things. I began to be influenced by friends that drank and stole, and would later take drugs. Partying on weekends became a normal lifestyle and soon it became a necessity, even during the week. Soft drugs turned into harder drugs, but it was alcohol that dominated my life because both my parents were heavy drinkers. Drinking brought much sorrow, shame, and trouble to my life. Twice I was charged with underage drinking and possession of alcohol, while on probation for minor theft. I vividly remember the feeling as I stood before the judge to be sentenced. However, because my marks were so good in trade-school, he let me off. Pardon-ed-what a feeling! But it didn't stop there. After graduating from trade-school, my drinking became worse and trouble seemed to follow me everywhere. I began to feel drinking was the only way to escape the tremendous pressure which I felt on my life and couldn't understand. Finally, I left my job and my parents without saying "Good-bye". I didn't know why. I just wanted to escape the pressure I felt back home in Nova Scotia.

While on a train to Edmonton, I drank all the way for 3 days and had very little to eat. When I

arrived, I went to a night-club called "Lucifers". Finally exhausted, I went back to my room at the WMCA and collapsed. That night, I fell into a deep trance, what alcoholics call the DT's. The harder I tried to get out, the deeper I went into that pit. It was like I could feel the darkness. There was a smell of something rotten all around me. People would appear before me naked and then decay right in front of me. Finally, I saw myself on a spittle turning over like a pig with an intense fire below me. My bed was soaked with sweat. I was in torment. I began to cry out in desperation but no one could hear me. I felt a tremendous pain in my heart and thought I was dying. I don't know if I was but it was very real.

At first, I cried out for Mom and Dad to help me, but they couldn't come and wake me from this nightmare and I wasn't their little boy no more. I was reaping what I had sown. Finally, I cried out deep in my soul to God. "Please help me God! I'll change my life, I'll be a good person!" When the deep called to the deep, praise be to God, there was a deep to respond! Although that pit which I was in was deep, "His hand was not shortened that He could not save neither was His ear heavy that it could not hear." (Isaiah 59:1) Waking the next morning was a relief

although I was very sick and weak.

Then Jesus came and knocked on my door. I opened the door and there stood a young man clean cut and very good-looking. He asked me if I could help him as he needed a place to stay and put his belongings. I felt I was the one needing help but I let him stay. He asked me if I believed in God and I said "Yes!". He asked me if I would like to go to church with him and I said "Yes!". Bro. Harold Hildebrandt was preaching that morning. By the end of the service I had my first revelation. I was a sinner and needed to be saved! That evening I was baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and 2 weeks later was sealed by the Holy Ghost of promise (Acts 2:38).

The rest of my story has been "joy unspeakable and full of glory". I won't write any more but I would like to say that the desire I had at the age of 5, to be a priest, has come to pass. He has "made us kings and priests unto God and his Father." (Rev. 1:6). I know it will take Jesus Christ to save my family but now I have the Token and know how to apply it. Without the Token, you are still as lost as I was.

God bless you all!  
Bro. Martin Warner

Greetings in the Name of Jesus Christ.

I would like to give this testimony for the glory of Jesus Christ. It's a privilege to share this testimony with you, the youth of this Message. Before I begin, I would like to refer to a Scripture that is dear to my heart, when I think of my deliverance and conversion. It is found in Isaiah 51:1.

"Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the Lord: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged."

In my beginning, I was born in sin, shaped in iniquity, and came into this world speaking lies. No matter how good a Christian home you were born in, we all came the same way, liars and sin-

## The Youth In New Zealand

### By His Stripes

Thank you all so much for making available to us in New Zealand the newspaper "Youth Quake". It's a real encouragement to all the young people and I hope this testimony will help someone.

I was 14 years old when my feet started giving me problems. When I walked or stood for long periods of time the pain would be so bad I would have to sit down. As time went on I couldn't walk or stand for more than 15 minutes

because of the pain.

When I was 15, and after a lot of prayer, I went to see a Podiatrist (foot specialist). He told me that I had "pes cavus" feet (claw feet) and talked about cutting the tendons in my toes so that they would be flat. He referred me to a surgeon who doubted whether cutting the tendons would work. The surgeon then sent me to an Orthopaedic Surgeon who said that all he could do is amputate my little toe because it is a very unusual shape and doesn't touch the ground when I walk and it is hard to buy comfortable shoes. I told him that no way would I have my toe amputated. That was the last time I saw a specialist about my feet.

Then I started to get desperate and I knew that the doctors couldn't do anything for my feet. I went forward for prayer at church and was anointed with oil. From then on the pain gradually left, which I really thank the Lord for because I got a full-time job when I was 16 and had to stand nearly all day.

I would sometimes have sore feet but I would claim my healing and the



Lydia Mounter

pain would soon go. About two weeks before we went to the Gisborne convention at Easter, my feet started getting very painful. I would claim my healing but the pain wouldn't go. The only relief I would get was when Mum or Dad massaged my feet. The last night of the convention, there was a healing line and I decided I had had enough of sore feet and that the Lord was going to heal me completely. There were a lot of people who went forward for prayer so by the time the brothers who were praying (Bro. Floyd Patterson, Bro. Brad Burgess, and Bro. Frank Dutton) got to me, my feet were so sore I

couldn't stand still. When the brothers got to me, I didn't tell them what was wrong with me, they just started praying. When they were praying for me, I felt the pain leaving my feet, starting from the

heel of my foot to the toe, and praise the Lord, I haven't had any pain since!

God bless you all.  
Lydia Mounter  
Christchurch  
New Zealand

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Nurse.

Later, I found out that over 500 people had applied for only 80 positions. I might add that prior to me being accepted for nursing, I had no qualifications and had passed my entrance exam by only a few marks. I was also a bit worried because I wanted to go to the 1986 Gisborne Convention in October. During our training, our annual leave is given to us when they decide they want us to have it. About February 1986, Gisborne Fellowship sent out a newsletter saying that they had decided to change the dates of the convention from October 1986 to April 1987 (Easter weekend). I was able to go because my training was over by then.

I have been a Qualified Enrolled Nurse for about 6 months. I praise and

thank the Lord for his continuous guidance in seeing me through many exams during my training and for undertaking and allowing me to be able to go to the Gisborne Convention.

I am reminded of the Scripture in Proverbs 3:5-6:

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding."

"In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."

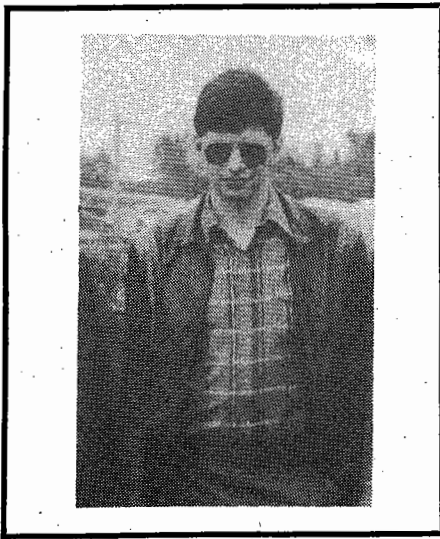
Christians, if you are looking for a job or wanting to change your job, seek Him because He will bring His perfect will to pass in your life as He did in mine.

Your friend in Christ,  
Lorraine McDonald  
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### Teen Commandments

1. Don't let your parents down:  
they brought you up.
2. Choose your companions with care;  
you become what they are.
3. Be master of your habits  
or they will master you.
4. Treasure your time:  
don't spend it; invest it.
5. Stand for something  
or you'll fall for anything.
6. Select only a date  
who would make a good mate.
7. See what you can do for others;  
not what they can do for you.
8. Guard your thoughts:  
what you think, you are.
9. Don't fill up on this world's crumbs;  
feed your soul on the Living Bread.
10. Give your all to Christ;  
He gave His all for you.

# Testimony of a Youth



**BRO. JOHN STAHL**

Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

You might not know me but I live in Cloverdale, British Columbia, Canada, and attend Cloverdale Bible Way. I thought maybe I could share my testimony with you of how I met the Lord Jesus Christ and how He changed my life.

I was born and raised on a Hutterite colony in Manitoba, Canada. Although I grew up in a religious environment, I was living deep in sin and the things of the world. I used to love it too. I remember the times I used to curse so much. At times, people thought I was crazy. When someone told me I should stop, I would just laugh at them. I did finally realize I was getting a bit carried away and should stop. It wasn't easy. I tried everything to stop but nothing worked. The problem I had with drinking was just unreal. I had a car which a friend had bought for me as I had no money as I spent it all on booze and cigarettes. It was over a year until I was able to make payments on it. I

was constantly broke and had nothing except whiskey and beer. I came home every night drunk.

One day, I cashed my income tax check and the first place I headed was to the liquor store. I bought a bottle of whiskey and went with some friends to watch a hockey game. All but one of them left and we proceeded to get drunk. My friend didn't have a car so he couldn't drive me home. He asked his boss for a car and his boss replied that if we were to go to church on Saturday with him, he would drive us home. I had a decision to make - either walk 7 miles through heavy bush in the dark of night or get a ride home and go to church. I accepted the ride. On Saturday, he picked me up for church. I liked it. God was there, but so was my pride and it would not let me accept the Lord. The next day, I went and once again enjoyed myself but I still did not accept Him as my Savior.

That same day I went to a prayer meeting. A group of people dedicated

me to the Lord. I really felt the presence of God all around me. I just felt great. His presence was so real that the next day I cleaned my room of all the worldly things which I had and burned everything! But the joy lasted for only two days. I once again fell into sin and darkness, much worse than before.

One day, I was out picking rocks in the field with a tractor and rock-picker. When I returned at lunch, I found my aunt all red in the face from crying. She told me that her sister had gone away. She had accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior and as a result our religious organization had applied pressure and forced her to leave the colony. I couldn't believe it. Wasn't that what we believed in? Isn't it what they preached? These were the questions I asked myself. I returned to the field greatly troubled.

As I sat there in the tractor, things became worse. The devil began tormenting me. I found myself going crazy. I couldn't help myself. I finally turned on the radio to try and blow these thoughts away with rock'n'roll but it didn't work. I turned the dial and found some country music but this didn't help any either. I didn't know what to do. I had the music so loud I just about blew my eardrums. In a song on the radio, I caught the word "prayer". I threw the headset off and cried to God. Talk about a touch from God! He took away

all my torments, my troubles, and lifted my burdens from me. There I was crying just like a little baby. He took away all my sins and made me a new man! I felt so good, so light! In that tractor, I accepted Jesus Christ as my Savior, Hallelujah! I just cried and cried, I was so happy. I was just living in a different world. It was such a glorious feeling. Oh, the Love of God! Amen.

After a few weeks, the pressure from my family got to me and I just had to leave. I went 200 miles east to Winnipeg, Manitoba. I stayed there for two weeks and went to a Pentecostal church. The first time I went, I enjoyed it but the second time, God spoke to me in the church and said "This is not the right place there is something wrong here." Right then and there I began to worry. What am I going to do next week or next Sunday? But God had everything planned. I went to a friend's place and there I met a man by the name of Henry Waldner from British Columbia. We talked for nearly six hours about the things of God. I knew nothing about Bro. Branham or the Message of the hour. I was amazed at what they were telling me yet I couldn't deny it. I believed the Bible. He had it open in front of me and pointed these things out, so I had to believe it. I wanted more of it, so he offered me a ride to British Columbia, 1500 miles from home, at no cost whatsoever.

During the first service I attended in Cloverdale, someone was baptized. As soon as he was lowered into the water, the Holy Ghost came down and told me that this was the place where I was to be baptized. Three days later I was baptized and have been here ever since. He just keeps blessing me more and more. Amen!

I pray that this testimony may be a blessing to someone.

Remember to put Christ first and the rest will follow, amen!

May the Lord richly bless you!

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## EXCERPTS FROM LETTERS TO THE

# YOUTH QUAKE

NEWS

Leila Toms  
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I just read the Youth Quake News today and was impressed by your article "Spiritual Food To Feed On".

I'd like to commend you for the good content of your articles.

God Bless You,  
Sincerely,  
Leila Toms

Stephen Downs  
Blenheim, New Zealand

I greet you all in the most wonderful name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Just recently I had opportunity to read one of your publications from a sister who had recently arrived back from her stay in Canada. I must say that I was greatly uplifted by what I read. A lot of the testimonies of what the Lord had done in peoples lives were similar to my own. Also it gave me strength to know that I'm not the only one who has battles to go through. Hearing what the Lord has done for others, I know that He is able to do so for me. What a great Lord we serve.

...I pray that the Lord strengthens you in this work that you are doing, this good work, for it is. It travels wider than you think and helps the lives of many believers in daily walk with the Lord.

God Bless You All,  
Your Brother In Christ  
Stephen Downs

Dear Brothers and Sisters  
Greetings in the Precious Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. I've recently read the Spring '87 issue of "Youth Quake". It really is a blessing! ... Thank you for your efforts towards the testimony and praise of our Lord. May God continue to bless, lead and guide you in His Perfect Will is my prayer.

Your sister in Christ,  
Lori Konzelman

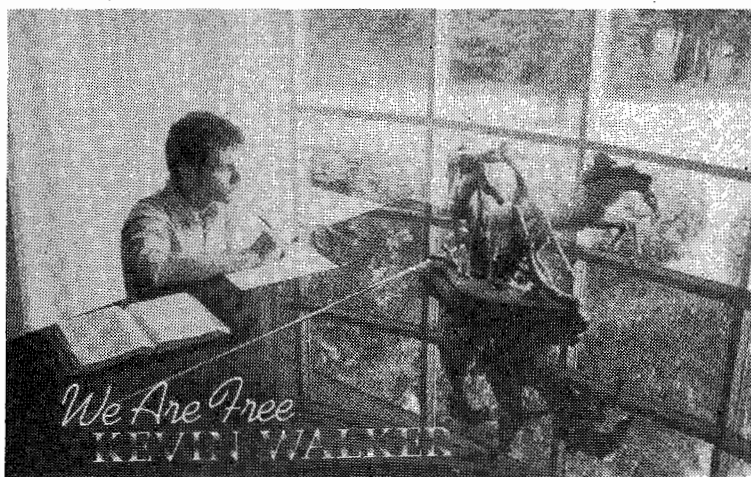
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# Temptation

By: Paul LaFontaine



A man once bought a new dog. In the process of training the dog, he decided one day to try something different. He put the dog in the corner of a room and he placed a big juicy steak in the middle of the floor. He then yelled "No!" to the dog. Of course, the temptation was too great and no yelling human being was going to rob that dog of the pleasure of sinking his teeth into that big piece of meat. After receiving harsh correction several times for not obeying, the dog learned to stay still. One thing the man observed though, the dog began keeping his eyes constantly on his master. That dog knew that if he looked at that steak long enough he'd give in to the temptation, but with his eyes on his master, he could overcome.

I'm sure you've already caught on to the type which I'm going to make to this story. When our eyes are stayed on the Master, no temptation can overtake us. I choose to write about temptation because: 1) the Word of God says much about it, and 2) the pull of temptations are greater today than in any other age. Especially strong on young people. Why? Because, Satan tends to take someone young, innocent, and vulnerable and lure them into a trap that could mess up their entire life. In the Bible, Satan is denoted in one place as being the tempter. That's exactly the way he works. He doesn't come right out and ask you to sin, he slowly lures you into it. He uses temptations. He did it the same way with Jesus in the wilderness and he works the same way today. Looking back in the Word, we can see how Satan worked then and that helps us identify him today.

As I said, we're living in an age of many strong temptations but I also want to say that there is a big difference in being tempted and in yielding to temptation. We're going to be tempted there's no doubt about that, but the minute you begin to look deeper into the temptation, you begin stepping out of the protection of God's Word, just as Eve did. Temptation can be looked at in two ways. You can look at a temptation as a test of your faith, or you can begin to look at a temptation long enough and it will begin to look like an opening to a wrong desire in your heart. The Word of God says in James 1:12:

"Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him."  
You see, blessed is the one that endures temptation. That's the true believer. He looks at it as a test and by God's overcoming power conquers it. But now look at verses 13-15.

he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man:"

"But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed."

"Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death."

I could never say it better than the Word of God. When you lust after that temptation the least little bit, eventually you'll sin. If you continue, you'll die spiritually and give in to every temptation, and that's exactly how the tempter likes it. Jesus said "Whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her has committed adultery already with her in his heart." See, not just looking because everywhere we look today there are temptations. But looking with lust. Looking more. Continuing on. Dwelling there until wrong thoughts are conceived in our minds and then our imaginations run rampant. That's when it becomes wrong in God's sight. Not just to see but to gaze.

I want to also look at the way in which Jesus was tempted by Satan. Not only the way He was tempted but how He overcame! In Matthew 4:1-9, we find the account.

First of all, if you'll read a few scriptures before Chapter 4 you'll see Jesus is baptized and the Spirit descended and lighted upon Him. After the Spirit came on Him, He was to be tempted, and let me add that it's after you have an experience with God that the temptations really begin. After you have the Holy Ghost the battle begins.

"Then was Jesus led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil."

Notice verse 1. Jesus was led of the Spirit to be tempted by Satan. How amazing, led by the Spirit to be tempted. We are also led to be tempted, but never more than we can bear, according to 1 Corinthians 10:13.

"And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred."

"And when the tempter came to him, he said, if thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread."

"But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."

The first temptation by Satan here is acute, nothing major. He didn't come right out and ask Jesus to bow down to him. It was just a small proposition and he even used God's own Word. Satan is so subtle at first. He can move in an area of your life where you never expected him to be. Just something simple, and sometimes you actually think you're doing the will of God. Sometimes we think the promotion we got at work is a blessing from God. It

may be, but it also may be a door to the next thing Satan has planned for us. That's just one example and of course there are many more.

"Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple," "And saith unto him, if thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone."

In these verses, Satan goes a little further. The temptation gets a bit greater. He brought Him higher. Bro. Branham said that the proposition was to make Jesus a show-off. To be lifted in pride. To flex His strength. To drop down and be lifted back by God's angels. We know He could have done it, but He didn't. He was our example, showing us that a servant of God is not a show-off. I wonder sometimes if Satan makes us think we're stronger spiritually than we really are. He lifts us up. He says "You can do that.

That's not going to hurt you spiritually. It won't bother you. You can come to this and go right back up again." It certainly sounds good but it's a temptation of the tempter. Look at the last temptation.

"Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;" "And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me."

Now Satan comes to the climax of his temptation. He comes to what he really wanted in the first place. He wanted Jesus to give his all, to worship and serve him, and he offered Him all the kingdoms of the world just to do it! You see how desperate Satan is to get us to serve him. He'll do or give anything. He offered Jesus "the works", so to speak, and he'll do the same with us. Don't be fooled. What he offers is extremely appealing to the naked eye. It looks good but he never shows the flip side of the coin. The temptation looks ap-

pealing but, he assured, you'll pay your end of the deal down the road somewhere.

I can't leave these scriptures without showing how Jesus overcame such strong pulls. You'll see in verses 4, 7, and 10 the ingredient for overcoming temptation - by the Word of God! Jesus didn't get frustrated. He didn't reason with Satan. He answered the tempter's temptations with the Word! If we try any other methods, we will truly fail to overcome. I was enlightened when I found this quote from the prophet. He said "You always defeat the enemy with the Word of God for your hour." I believe that with all my heart.

The Bible says that Jesus was tempted in all ways. That's hard to believe but it's true. Can you believe He was tempted with lust? How about fornication? There are many more. But, He overcame everything. Why? To show us that He has overcome by the Word and that has His and that so can his Bride that has his spirit inside

her. He overcame and so can we!

What helps a university student press on through all of the hard exams and struggles to obtain his or her degree? One main reason is the fact that others have made it through before. If others could make it through, so can I. You're not going through a temptation that no one hasn't overcome before. Satan doesn't really have anything new to offer. He just presents it in different and more subtle ways, that's all. That temptation you're seeing or feeling is not exclusive to you. Others before you, with the same Spirit of Christ, have overcome it. We must, as the dog did, keep our eyes on the Master, not on the temptation! Proverbs 4:25.

An overcomer through Christ,  
J. Paul LaFontaine

## YOUTH CAMP '87

Youth Camp '87 this past June was once again held in West Milton, Ohio. The seven days were filled with the hearing of God's Word, good fellowship, recreation of all sorts, and meeting new acquaintances from all parts of the world. But, most importantly seeing new, young, Christian hearts turning to the Lord and others renewing their faith.

The ministers included Bro. Frank Raimie from Phoenix, Arizona and Bro. Harold Hildebrandt from Edmonton, Canada. For the morning studies, Bro. Raimie taught us the importance of witnessing and how to be a witness for Jesus Christ. Bro.



Hildebrandt's ministry in the evenings, as always,

was a blessing and encouragement to all who

heard. These ministries combined challenged us young people to stand for the Lord and made us realize that we must feed daily on His Word in order to face and overcome the pressures of this world.

The special singing was also a tremendous blessing and this year we were fortunate enough to have an afternoon of short plays. These were performed by a group of young people, which provided us with many laughs and most importantly good strong principles.

All in all, Youth Camp '87 was a great success. On behalf of all the young people who attended, we deeply appreciate Bro. Mike Severt and all those who helped with this year's camp.

God bless you!

Y.Q.N.





# ? ? ? Questions & Answers ? ?



**Q. Do your children have to have an experience to have a Holy Spirit? If the-if-if they see the end-time Message, do they have the Holy Spirit?**

**A. Every one must have an experience? Your children cannot go in on no other way but the same way you do. See? They've got to be born again. There's no grandchildren in the Kingdom of God; they're all children. They must have it, must have an experience with God to go**

**in, just the same as you.**

**Q. Is it possible for a Holy Ghost filled person to be driven by the-driven by the-to do minor things... influenced to do minor-minor things that he doesn't want to do?**

**A. Oh, yes! Yes sir! Yeah, a Holy Ghost filled person... You're right in the place then to be-to be drove by these things. You just put yourself up a target. When you're down there serving the devil, he just lets you slouch around anyway you want to, but you once take a**

**stand for Christ. You've got over on the other side then; He trains every gun right around on you. Every temptation, everything that could be thrown to you, then you got it. But what have you got? "Greater is He that's in you, than he that's in the world." See?**

**Now, you wasn't in no battle here, you was just slopping along. See? But now, you've-you've cleaned up; you've dressed up; you've shaved; you've combed your hair; you put on a**

**uniform; you've got a gun in your hand. "Let's go!" See? You're in battle, not to show off, but to fight, fight! Sure when the temptations rise, with the spirit-the shield of faith, buckle...?... and move on." See? That's right. Oh, put all the whole armor of God. Why do you put on a armor if you're not going to fight? All soldiers are dressed to fight, not to show off, walk out and say, "I'm So-and-so. Now, I'm a Christian. See who I am. I belong to so-and-so.**

**Hallelujah! I got the Holy Ghost the other night. Sure, nothing bothers me anymore. Huh uh! Oh, brother, I-I believe you better go back and try again. See?**

**Oh, I'm telling you, when as soon as you say you got the Holy Ghost; Satan's got every gun right on you, shooting you. Then you got the whole armor on, then take the shield of faith, the sword of the Spirit or the Word, and take the-buckle on the shod yourself with the Gospel, and take the old**

**middle piece here. the breastplate, and pull up the cinch on it, and tighten yourself up a little bit, and get ready for it, 'cause it's a-coming. Don't you worry. Yes, sir! You're going to have plenty of trouble. But remember, "Greater is He that's in you, than he that's in the world."**

## De Parables

**"Can you read, Bro. Dud?"**

**"No, Suh."**

**"Can you write, Bro. Dud?"**

**"No Suh, but my wife Alma can read, Suh."**

**"Well Bro. Dud, what do you know bout de Bible?"**

**"Oh me, I know all bout dat book from lid to lid... yes Suh, dats me."**

**"Well, Bro. Dud, jes what part of day book you like best?"**

**"Well Bro. Sims, I guess I likes de book of de parables de best, yes Suh, de book of de parables best."**

**"Well Bro. Dud, which of dem parables you like best?"**

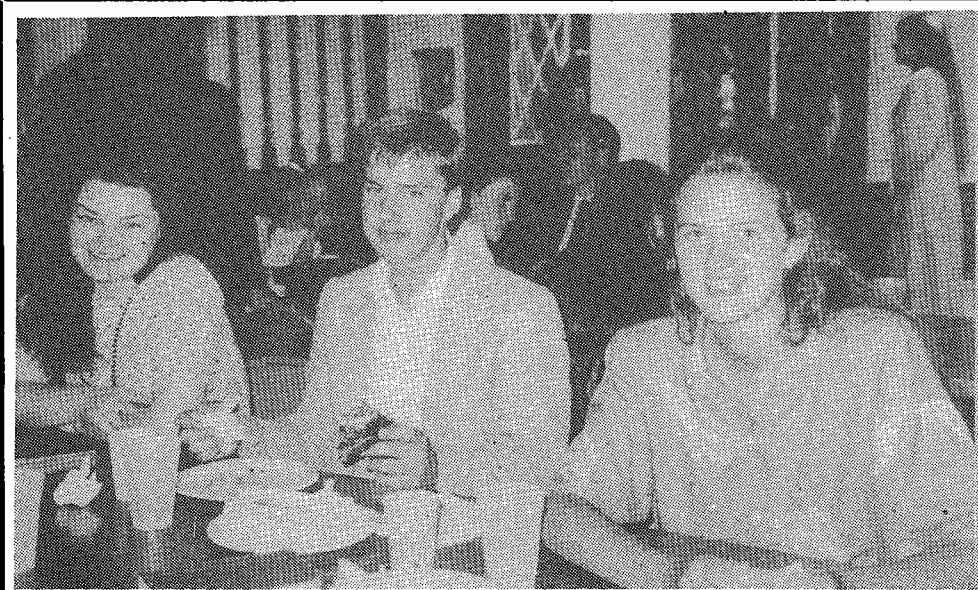
**"Oh dat one bout the good Samartan, dat de one I likes best."**

**"Well Bro. Dud, you tell me what you know bout dat good Samartan."**

**"Alright I shore do my best. One time dar was a man going from Jeresalim to Jerico and he felled among thieves and dey thornes growed up and chocked him and as he was stranded dare a choken long came de Queen of Sheba and she felled so sorry for dat man she give him a hunnered suits of clothes and a thousand talents of gold and as she was given away he jumped on de chariot and drove as fast as he can and he was driven down de road his hair caught in a tree and lef him hangen dar many days and many nites and de raven brung him food and water to drink and as he was a hangen dar fast asleep his wife Deliliah she camed along and cut off his hair and he felled on the stony ground and it begen to rain. And it rained forty days and forty nites and he hid himself in a cave and the brook dried up and he starts down de road and met a widow and she said come in and hab supper with me and he said, 'No Mam, I married a wife and I can't come in' but dat woman went out into de highways and de byways and compelled dat man to hab supper wid her, and after de supper he went on down de road and as he was goin down de street of Jerico he seed dat wicked Jezebel setten high as a winder still and she laffed at him and made him so mad he said 'Throw her down,' and dey throwed her down, and he said, 'Throw her down some more,' and dey throwed her down, sebenty times seben in one day. And de fragment dey picked up was twelve baskets full and now gennelmen, jest whose wife she gona be on judgment day??"**



**Bro. Sims and Bro. Dud  
Youth Camp '87**



## Report On Ann Arbor Camp 1987

The Ann Arbor Campmeeting '87 was a wonderful week of fellowship with the saints, and a time to listen to the preaching of God's Word as brought by His anointed servants.

God's children were strengthened by the Word brought forth in each service and were able to leave with a greater assurance of God's truth in their hearts.

Bro. Erasmus from South Africa opened the services Monday night

with a dynamic message titled "Age of Deception". During the remainder of the week, Bro. Dan Williams, Bro. Peary Green, Bro. Tim Pruitt, Bro. Donny Reagan, and Bro. Harold Hildebrandt brought timely messages to the Bride of Christ. Various brothers spoke in the morning services and an added blessing was to hear from Bro. Samuel Johnson on Saturday morning. The youth received an added bonus this year with two ser-

vices held for them by Bro. Ray Erickson and Bro. Dan Williams. Saturday night, a special time of fellowship was held for the youth after the service.

This year's camp had probably the largest attendance ever. Many thanks to Bro. Johnson and the believers of Bible Tabernacle for their hard work and dedication so that we were all able to spend a glorious time around God's Word!

## Quaker Quotes

- 1) Example is not the main thing in influencing others, it is the only thing.
- 2) Courage is fear that has said its prayers.
- 3) The saints are the

- sinner who keep on trying.
- 4) If you want to get up - step down; If you want to be seen - get out of sight; If you want to be

- great - forget yourself.
- 5) "Procrastination is the thief of time" in this day and age, it could be the thief of eternal life.



# Report of Christian Youth Banquet

The "Christian Youth Banquet - 1987" was a memorable evening for over 100 young people from many parts of the U.S.A. and Canada. It took place in Ann Arbor, Michigan the evening of May 30, 1987. In addition to special singing from some of the young people, Bro. Dan Williams, from Natchitoches, Louisiana, spoke on the theme of the

Banquet - "Enduring Till The End". The Word was rich and the Lord moved in the hearts of all those present. After the message, the 1987 graduates were given special honor.

The purpose of the Banquet is to take the place of the world's "Senior Prom", and to give special honor not only to the graduates but

to our Lord Jesus Christ and to thank Him for His guidance in the lives of these young people!

A big thank-you to Bro. Mark and Sis. Lucille Johnson and the saints of Ann Arbor for all their effort to make it a special evening to remember. May God bless you all!

Y.Q.N.

"...but he that endureth to the end shall be saved." Matt. 10:22

"Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy." Jas. 5:11



Brother Daniel and Sister Melody Williams



## Spring

# YOUTH CAMP '87

The first time ever Youth Camp was held in the beautiful countryside of Louisiana. April saw the start of a "new and unique" Youth Camp that drew young people from all parts of the U.S.A. and Canada. New and unique, you ask? The camp was hosted by Bro. & Sis. Dan Williams and by Bro. & Sis. Tim Pruitt. If you've ever met these wonderful people, that "new and unique" will speak for it-

self!

Although the fellowship, the skits, and the food were enjoyed by all, the highlight of the camp was the morning and evening services. Bro. Williams, Bro. Pruitt, and Bro. John LaFontaine spoke during the week, and on Sunday morning (Easter) a special sunrise service was held to finish the meetings. Bro. Williams spoke on the "Reality of

the Resurrection". I'm sure that morning many lives were resurrected as young people surrendered their hearts to Jesus Christ!

To Bro. & Sis. Williams, Bro. & Sis. Pruitt, and to all of the saints who put in so much effort to make this camp a success, we want to say "Thank you" so very much! We know the benefits will be eternal.

### QUIET HANDS

Grace L. Hill

My hands were filled with many things,  
which I did precious hold.  
As any treasure of the king's,  
Silver, or gems, or gold.  
The Master came and touched my hands,  
the scars were in His own.  
And at His feet, my treasures sweet  
fell shattered one by one;  
I must have empty hands said He  
Wherewith to work My works through thee.

My hands were stained with marks of toil,  
Defiled with dust of earth  
And I my work did oft times soil,  
and render little worth.  
The Master came and touched my hands,  
And crimson were His own.  
And when amazed on mine I gazed;  
Lo, every stain was gone!  
I must have cleansed hands, said He  
Wherewith to work My works through thee.

My hands were growing feverish,  
and cumbered with much care,  
Trembling with haste and eagerness,  
Not folded oft in prayer.  
The Master came and touched my hands,  
with healing in His own.  
And calm and still to do His will,  
They grew, the fever gone.  
I must have quiet hands, said He  
Wherewith to work My works through thee.

My hands were strong in fancied strength,  
But not in Power Divine.  
And bold to make up tasks at length,  
That were not His, but mine.  
The Master came and touched my hands,  
And might was in His own;  
But mine, since then, have powerless been  
Save His were laid thereon.  
And it is only thus, said He,  
That I can work My works through thee.

## "Believe And Be Satisfied"

Everyone longs to give themselves to someone, to have a deep soul relationship with another, to be loved thoroughly and exclusively.

But God says, "No, Not until you, as a Christian, are satisfied, full-filled and content with being loved by Me alone, with giving yourself totally and unreservedly to Me, alone. Until you discover that only in Me is your satisfaction to be found, will you be capable of the perfect human relationship that I have planned for you. You must be united with Me, exclusive of anything or anyone else."

"I want you to stop planning and stop wishing and allow Me to give you the most thrilling plan existing, one that you can not imagine. I want you to have the best. Please allow Me to bring it to you. Just keep watching Me. Keep experiencing the satisfaction that I am.

Keep listening to the things I tell you. Just wait, that is all. Don't look around at the things others have and what I have given them. Don't look at what you want. Just keep looking to Me and you will never miss what I want to show you."

"You see, until you are ready, and until the one I have for you is ready (I am working even this moment to have you both ready at the same time), until you are both satisfied exclusively with Me, you won't be able to experience the love that exemplifies your relationship with Me; and this is the perfect and dear love. I want you to see with the flesh a picture of your relationship with Me, and enjoy materially and concretely the everlasting union of beauty, perfection and love that I offer you with Myself."

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