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"... For the young of the flock..." Jeremiah 31:12

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# Obedience

A WONDERFUL THING!

The Nike company recently came out with a saying "Just Do It". I don't know what they are implying by that. It probably isn't good, being the worldly owned company that it is. I wonder how much Nike's sales have boosted from those 3 little words "Just Do It", probably a lot.

I must admit sometimes I feel like using it for a sermon. Just do it. It seems some people need every little detail of God's word explained to them before they yield or agree with it. It's not that we shouldn't understand, but some people go overboard checking God out. It seems like a lack of trust or more importantly, lack of a sheep like nature, surrendered completely to

the Great Shepherd. There would be a lot less frustration in peoples lives if when they hear God's word they simply do it. Just surrender and let God do the rest.

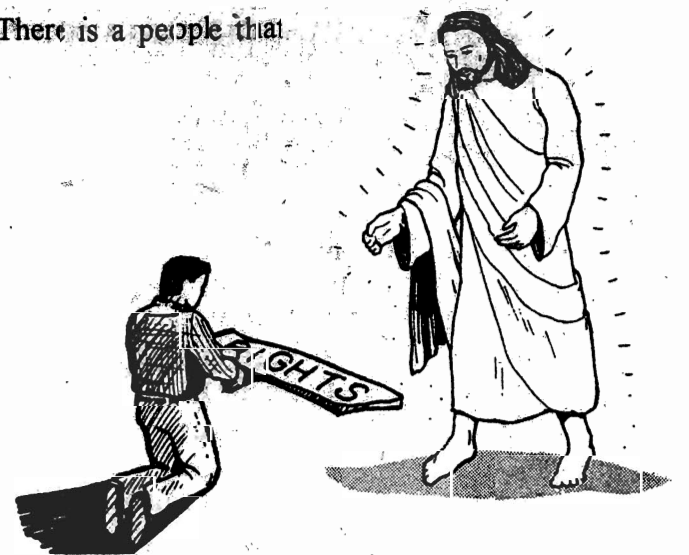
Obedience to God is a key to the door of blessings for his children. Obey is not a bad word, its good. It yields spiritual fruit. I take a stand with the prophet of this hour and the Bride of Christ to give obedience a good name again. The children of the Lord can testify whenever they lay down their rights to obey God. They end up blessed. Every time.

Our father Abraham found this to be true; in fact God told him even his seed after him would be blessed because of him obeying. Genesis 22:18

*"And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice."* Obedience to God even affects our future, in a good way.

are called to live and obey the message sent to us today. Are you one of them? I hope you are. Just obey God. Obedience is a wonderful thing. Y.Q.N.

There is a people that



Full obedience to the whole Word of God will entitle you to the token. Full obedience—not the part of it, as far as your denomination goes—but all of it. Full obedience to the Word, which is Christ, brings you into Christ.

Now, what if you was just all in, but your feet hanging out? What if you was all in, with hands hanging out? Most all of us in, but the heart hanging out? The heart is in the world, yet, see. But we don't do that. Full, complete obedience puts you and the Word, one. You believe it every bit, and all of it is in you, and you watch it working through you.

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# ▶ EDITORIAL

Praise the Lord friends. What a great day to be a Christian and living in the light of His presence. Are you reading the news? Tribulation time is very soon. Dark times surrounds us, but the future is bright for His sons and daughters. We're really close to a meeting in the air. Did you ever think about this? The rapture will be one big eternal youth camp. We'll all be about the same age. Glory to God! Young person I hope to see you there.

We have dealt a little on the subject of obedience in this "Youth Quake". I pray it will be a blessing. Being honest, there are many things the devil has done (even within the church) to make people afraid of being obedient.

When authority is abused by men void of the Spirit of God, people wonder what to obey. Let me encourage you friends. There is a solid truth that's been restored to us today; there is nothing to be afraid of when we obey that. The message is nothing—less than Jesus being revealed to US. When you obey that, you are obeying Him. When you obey Him, great is your reward.

Our issue this time is smaller than last time we are very busy with plans for a youth meeting Dec. 24-29. Also my wedding is planned in Dec. God has blessed me with a wonderful and Godly girl for a wife. Please remember us in your prayers.

Our next issue of "Youth Quake" will be an anniversary issue. We will



have reached 10 years of publishing this paper for the young people. This issue should be out in the spring of 1994, unless of course our Lord calls us home first.

As I close I again want to say 'thank you' for your kind letters and support to print the paper. It's very much appreciated. If you want to share your testimony, please send it in, we'll try to print it. May God Keep you all. Yours and His, Bro. Paul LaFontaine



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We believe that William Branham was the very fulfillment of Malachi's prophecy and the Message that he brought contains something for all people, including the "young of the flock," Jeremiah 31:12. More information is available about this endtime Message of Brother Branham, which may be obtained from the publisher of this paper. We trust that the articles and information presented will be a great blessing to all the young and old members of His flock.

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## Letters to Youth Quake

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Hi Quake News

Just a short note to express our deep appreciation for this magazine for young people. It has answered many questions, and has dissolved many doubts from our hearts. Since we have been in the message we have never had any literature for young people nor knew there was any.

As I have said, I am writing a short note to express my, and our appreciation. But if I continue to write it will become a long note of appreciation, so we all say with all our hearts thank you. Thank you for all your time and effort in meeting the needs of the young people by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

God Bless You All  
Sister Pauline

Greetings Youth Quake News,

God bless you all for the tremendous work that has been given to you by our Lord Jesus, ministering to our young people that God has called to walk in this endtime light in this final age.

This is the first time that I am seeing this paper. I have found it to be a tremendous blessing even though I am a grandmother of 14. Thirteen of them were born along this pilgrim journey. Five of them are baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

I have begun to pray for this work, for I wish that I had such counselors in my time, even to be advised as a parent. God has surely given to this generation all that is needed for them to

overcome.

Even parents will be happy to receive this issue, for there are scriptural answers to every question that is asked by young people and we believe in the five fold ministry ordained around the world by God. May God continue to bless you all in your labor of love towards our young people is my prayer.

Yours in Christ Jesus,  
Sis. Phyllis Joseph  
West Palm Beach, FL

With warm greetings in the most precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ that He is always guiding us in all our needs. If you ask here about our worshipping to our God, we are all continuing to praise His holy name. Thank you very

much for sending me your Youth Quake News. I'm very happy that day when I received it last October 15. When I'm reading the Youth Quake, it makes my heart bless and it makes my faith strong. Young people all over were very happy when I gave it to them, even the adults really love to read it.

May the Lord richly bless you all, and I will always pray for all of you that God will always give strength to all the staff, especially to you Bro. Paul LaFontaine. I hope that Youth Quake News never stops publishing and sharing the blessed Word of God. Thank you so much and pray the Lord will guide you all in so many ways!

Yours in Christ,  
Sis. Jonah  
Phillippines

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

At the present time Youth Quake is only able to provide the newspaper, the Courtship booklet and the Bible Reading Guides, we cannot provide any other materials such as tapes, books, etc.... Please write to Voice of God or another source for these items.

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# Parson To Person

I was born in Durban, South Africa into a very staunch Hindu family. My mother was a spiritualist and we had a temple in our backyard. My father was a businessman having owned a clothing factory in the outskirts of Durban. He died when I was just nine years old. His death at the tender age of 44 took all of us by surprise. He did not make any provision for the continuation of his business interests, probably because we were so young and also because he did not expect to die. Being in partnership with another man we were done in and were suddenly left in dire straits. My mother and an older brother worked to support us.

When I was just about eight years old I became aware of God and I had a deep desire to know Him in a very personal way. I prayed daily in my Mother's temple and did all the rituals that she had taught me. However whenever my mother went into a trance I was filled with fear. Her whole countenance would change and she would pierce her tongue and cheeks with needles without a drop of blood being shed. During the month of August she would have what we called "Porridge Prayers". The ceremony always struck terror into my

**...Whenever I would read the Gospels, particularly the part of the crucifixion I would weep uncontrollably.**

heart. My mother would go into a very deep trance and she would take a rooster, bite off it's neck and drink the blood. This prayer would begin in the morning and would end just before supper.

In my teen years I began to question some of these rituals. I did not disbelieve, but I was looking for explanations. I fervently believed that Hinduism was the only true religion. I believed that if I ever found God I would find Him through the Hindu Faith.

My life was what we call "abnormal" today. Up to the age of about 21 I did not have a girl friend and I did not involve myself in what I felt were trivialities. In my heart there was a burning desire to know God. When I was about 14 years old I read a book called "Line upon Line" I do not know who the author was unfortunately I lost the book. It was about the Life and ministry of Elijah the Prophet. When I would read the book, a strange feeling would come over me and I would just cry. I could not understand it. I was determined to find God. I entered an Ashram(Hindu Shrine) and sought the help of Guru. I studied the Vedas (The Hindu Holy Books) for about 5 to 6 years. My hunger for God was noticed by my Guru and before long I was teaching the Religion to adults on Wednesday nights and to children on Sundays.

In my heart I declared a spiritual war against Christianity, because I felt that the Christians were converting Hindus to their religion, I decided that if the Hindus were properly taught they would not seek another religion. By this time I had commanded the respect of my community, both young and old. My mother was very proud of me.

However, during my stay at the Ashram we had



**Bro. Stephen Francis**  
New Castle, South Africa

to study the Bible to see the "Aryan - Semitic Differences" This was one of the courses in our study. We were to study Judaism, Islam and Christianity. I bought a Bible and I began to read it. My task was to find the errors and contradictions in the Bible. But something strange was happening to me; whenever I would read the gospels, particularly the part of the crucifixion I would weep uncontrollably. Something else was also happening; suddenly I found that I had not found the peace I was searching for, and I became aware of the hypocrisy in my organization. I enjoyed studying and accumulating knowledge through the Vedas. Hinduism is based on five major principles i.e. Evolution, God(Brahm), The Soul (Atma), the law of Karma (cause and effect), and Reincarnation. Even though I liked what I was doing, I realized that I still did not know God. My whole world exploded in my face and I became a disillusioned recluse. I left the Ashram and went back home.

I still believed that Hinduism had the answers I was looking for. Through being disillusioned I became

a drug user and started wasting my life away. My mother became very concerned and she regularly prayed for me. I remember one particular instance when I was really desperate, I went to my mother and cried for help. She went into a trance and told me that someone had "tricked me with witchcraft" and she gave me an antidote, which was a mixture of castor oil, ashes and some leaves. Needless to say, I became worse. I would use drugs until I could not stand.

One night, about 2 a.m., my mind was as clear as crystal and I began to cry and ask God for help. I cannot recall the exact words, but it was like "God, whoever you are, help me and show yourself to me." I closed my eyes and fell into a deep sleep. The next day the craving left me and I did not desire drugs anymore, although I still smoked cigarettes. After about a week I felt the old craving coming back. It was about this time that I went to an old fashioned Pentecostal Church in Durban. It was the first time that I had darkened the doorway of a church, but I did not feel like a stranger. For the first time in my life I had seen people

## **Announcements**

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who seemed to enjoy their religion, I felt compelled to go again and again. One day they had a testimony meeting and I had heard the testimonies of people who claimed to have been drug addicts, alcoholics, gangsters, and the like. Within myself I thought these people were lying. I thought that it was impossible for God to make Himself known to these people and bypass me, because I sought Him from the age of eight. Eventually I was able to see that these people had what I desired and one day I went up for prayer and by faith accepted Christ into my heart.

About two weeks after that the Pastor asked me to testify at their anniversary service which was being held on March 20th, 1973.

I sought to find God's will in my life. I joined an Evangelistic group headed by one of the most famous Evangelists in South Africa. I played the drums for his group called "Miracle Sounds", suddenly I found that old disillusionment coming over me again. I could not accept the way they begged for money. This was not my idea of faith. I soon left them and went back to the old Pentecostal church where I was converted. However, here too I found that things were not the way it should be. By this time I had married my wife, Jennifer. In 1974 we had a daughter and in December of that year we decided to move to Newcastle, which was 350km. away from Durban. We did not know where we were going, as we knew nobody in Newcastle. I was an outcast from my family. I had no job, no money, no furniture, no car; in fact we had nothing except our clothing.

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# I MUST BE DREAMING!

## Fiction But Real!

### Part I

"Gifty", called mum from the balcony, "finish up with the kitchen because by five o'clock we'll be leaving for church".

"Okay mum", answered Gifty, though she knew very well that she wasn't thinking of going to church; not when Suzy was celebrating her birthday party and she, Gifty, was going to be the M.C.!! In short, far from thinking of going to church, Gifty was thinking of going to Annette's house to borrow her "leggings" for the party.

After ironing her "big top" T-shirt and cleaning her suede shoes, she went to mum to get permission to run to Annette's

"Mum, there's a geography test-book that I want to get from Annette for my assignment this evening. Please let me run down and get it".

"O.K. dear. Run along and don't be late", answered mum, not knowing that Gifty was telling her a lie.

After spending about two hours with Annette learning the latest "O.P.P." dancing steps, she then decided to go home.

When she got home, she told another lie and feeling that she was really smart, went into the bathroom to take her bath.

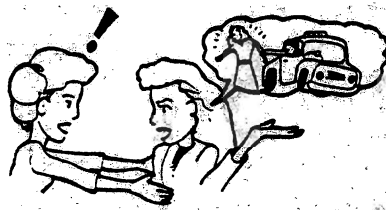
Well, when it was time for service the family left without Gifty because she was still in her room. Mum dropped a \$10.00 note for her to pay her way to church with.

As soon as the car engine died away at the end of the drive, Gifty started practicing the dancing steps and at seven o'clock, when her folks were in church, she left for Suzy's party!!

By 9:30 pm, when everybody had come back from church, Gifty was still not back from the party. As her mum was just going to sleep by 12:00 midnight, there was a knock on the door.

When she opened the door, to her shock and amazement, there stood Gifty looking very worn out, with her bible in one hand and her pair of shoes in the other.

"What has happened to you?" Mum almost shouts. By now the whole household was awake.



"Mummy, a taxi driver wanted to kidnap me but God helped me and I escaped his grip and ran away". Again, Gifty had told another lie. By now, she thought she was really smart forgetting that the truth always finds itself out. Well, everybody finally went to bed, thanking God that Gifty was back home.

### Part II

The following morning, Gifty woke up by six o'clock and started thinking of all the fun she had at the party. She was still thinking of Paul, when her eyes fell on the bedside lamp/alarm clock; it was already nine o'clock and mum had not called her up for morning devotion! Well, she jumped down from bed and went to check what was happening.

To her shocking surprise, the house was dead silent except for the ticking of the clock in the living room. She rushed into mum's room and found it empty. She called out "Mum!" but there's no answer. Then she screams "Dad, Mum, Junior, Mene, Eli, Pab!! WHERE ARE YOU ALL?" but still there was no answer. Her eyes fell on Juniors aquarium and she noticed that E.T., the gold fish had gone too.

It then struck her like a thunder bolt, "BANG!! the rapture had taken place!!" All the scriptures that she had read from the Bible, all the messages that Bro. David, the pastor, had preached, all the sermon books of Bro. Branham's message that she had read and all her mum's n dads' advice came flooding into her mind.

She tried to ring up the deacon's house but no one picked up the phone; she rang the pastor's house, but no one picked the phone up.

Gifty sinks down to the floor and starts weeping but what is the use of tears now???

Friends you may not tell lies and play pranks like Gifty, but what of the films you still watch?, what of the worldly friends you still keep? How about the social drink you take once in awhile, and the sister you sit to gossip about? What of the book you took from the library without permission? What of the dirty habit you still stick around with? The list is innumerable; but what if you woke up one day and found out that it's all over and you've been left behind?

Well, let's keep our hearts on the Lord, striving on to perfection and I believe the Lord will see us through.

Written by Hannah Eyoma from Nigeria

## Watered Down Gospel?

General William Booth, the great founder and leader of the Salvation Army, once prophesied that the day would come when we would have:

- (1) religion without the Holy Spirit
- (2) Christianity without Christ.
- (3) forgiveness without repentance.
- (4) salvation without regeneration and
- (5) heaven without hell.

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# LIFE OF OBEDIENCE



by Pastor Barry Coffey

Soloman said "Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of thine eye." (Proverbs 7:2)

There is no substitute for obedience to God and His commandments. They are our life and our hope and our source of strength. Those who are wise obey the laws of God and of Kings. The simple truth of the matter is stated by Solomon and many others: If you rebel against God, the law, or your parents you'll find yourself in trouble. If your heart is filled with rebellion, the rod of correction will

**We must be careful to obey the guidelines laid down in scriptures when it comes to our feelings.**

drive it out of you. The way of the rebellious is a hard and difficult route. don't just listen to His Words--be obedient! The other side of the coin is also true. God blesses those who are obedient and gives to them life and happiness. Obedience means life and rebellion means death. Let's briefly talk about some of these principles right where we're living today:

**Finances:** Much is said in Scripture about money and honesty. It is important for all of us to follow the principles of tithing and offerings laid down in Scripture, Malachi 3:7-15; Deut. 12:5-10. Jesus lays

down a very important principle about obedience in money matters in Luke 16:10 when he speaks of the unjust steward and his business: "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much."

**Parents:** The quality and the quantity of life is at stake here! The commandment to "Honor thy father and mother" is the first and only commandment with promise "...that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth." (Eph. 6:1-3)

We cannot stress this important area of obedience enough for young people. The whole mindset of the people in Laodicea is to enforce your own rights, to be concerned about yourself first. The Scripture teaches (Rom. 1:28-32 and 2 Tim. 3:1-5) that people would be "disobedient to parents" which is what happens when families depart from God's ordained plan for families. There will be times in life when you really should have your parents advice, even after marriage. This commandment of obedience and respect to parents is an inter-generational promise, one that carries over from one generation to the next. Godly parents are a valuable and precious resource!

**Anger:** All of us express or feel angry from time to time. It may surprise you

about some of the things God has to say about anger. Anger without a cause is never appropriate (Matt. 5:22) as well as anger against righteous things (Matt. 2:16). But Jesus displayed anger when He entered His Father's temple and saw the buying and selling going on there (Matt. 21:12-13). Here it was directed against evil. Paul in Eph. 4:26 admonishes us: "Be ye angry and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:" We must be careful to obey the guidelines laid down in Scriptures when it comes to our feelings. There must be a just cause for anger and we must learn to express it against the wrong action without hurting or wounding someone. Uncontrolled anger is as wrong an action as the action that makes you angry!

**Forgiveness:** Obedience to the laws of forgiveness are very clear. In Matthew 18, Jesus gave us some instruction concerning our attitudes in the future Church. The Church is a small community of people who profess to live by the same rule, the same Word. we interact and sometimes offend (or trespass against) one another. Thus, we need to obey the laws of forgiveness. Not only forgiving someone "seventy times seven" times in a

day (Matt. 18:22), but we also must forgive someone from our hearts in order to be forgiven by our Heavenly Father (Matt 18:35).

**Laws of the Land:** "Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake..." 1 Peter 2:13. Hunting limits, speed limits, taxes, Etc. We must obey, unless the laws command us to sin against God's Word. By so doing, Peter says in verse 15 that with well doing we may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men. Give no occasion for the enemies of God to raise an accusation against your lawlessness. We are a law-abiding people.

**...If you are hard against worldly things you will find yourself growing soft and tender toward the things of God.**

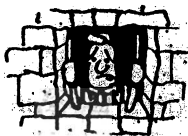
**School:** Teachers and principals are included as those in authority. Daniel and the three Hebrew children were not the "fearsome Four" in their schools, even though they were being taught the ways and sciences of the Chaldeans by non-believers. They were submissive until it came to violating God's Word, then they appealed to God and used wisdom, which He graciously supplied to them. Always consider that when you obey

your teachers, you will stand out in your class and thereby authenticate your testimony as a real Christian!

**Attitudes:** What an important topic this is. It is one thing to go along with all the rules in life, but it is another thing entirely to go along with a cheerful and respectful attitude. Solomon says that a bad attitude actually rots away your life and a cheerful heart does good like medicine. A good attitude can sustain you through any difficulty, but the sour attitude will spoil your hope. (Proverbs 14:30, 15:11-15; 17:22; 18:14; 27:7) Life is not always pleasant and cheerful. However a good attitude toward life will create the kind of atmosphere that God can come into and people love to be around.

**Dress:** The Lord made men and women different. Different emotionally, and in stature and form. He dressed them differently and asks us to respect those differences. People identify themselves by how they dress. They also reveal their attitudes. When we dress in conformity to God's Word (modest women's clothes for women and modest men's clothing for men) we identify ourselves with the Word for our day and not the spirit of the age. The last thing we should be trying to do is conform to the fashions and designs of our modern fashion scene. (Rom. 12:1-2) James 4:4 says "...whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God." If you are soft in your attitude towards the worldly things, you will be hard in your attitude toward God. But if you are hard against worldly things you will find yourself growing soft and tender toward the things of God. Cont. on page 8

**"Wedding Bells are Ringing"**  
Who is it? Find Answer on page 7



# REWARDS OF OBEDIENCE

by Bro. Elijah Gibbs

When most of us think of the word "obedience" we often paint a mental picture of someone who is forced to do things against his will; such as a slave laboring in a field or a prisoner in a jail cell, and it's hard for us to see how obedience could possibly be rewarding. But, upon studying the word obedience we find that it has primarily two meanings with two different results. The first one is willing obedience by faith which always ends in a rewarding way. The second is unwilling obedience by force which of course is not very rewarding at all. To give an example of this let's look at God's chosen people, Israel. When Israel was willingly obedient unto the LORD He delivered them with a mighty hand out of the cruel bondage of Egypt. But as soon as they stopped trusting in God they became subject to unwilling obedience by force in the wilderness for fourty years. Later, when they were ready to obey the leadership of the LORD again, He brought them into the promised land. So we can see by this Biblical illustration that it definitely pays to obey God with a willing and trusting heart.

Only willing obedience BY FAITH has rewards. If we are going to do the Lord

a service it must be according to His will and not ours. And there is only one way to know the will of the Lord, that is by faith. What is faith? It's a divine revelation of the will of God. You will never be able to fully obey the will of the Lord until He reveals it to you. Listen to the apostle Paul as he expresses this thought to the Romans, *"Now to Him that is able to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began, but now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, MADE KNOWN TO ALL NATIONS FOR THE OBEDIENCE OF FAITH"* (Rom. 16:25-26). Willing obedience can only come by faith, which is not only pleasing to God but is also absolutely rewarding.

Once the will of God has been revealed to us we must determine in our minds to stop at nothing until it has

been fulfilled. For only after total obedience to the expressed Word of the Lord will we receive the glorious promises of God. For example, let's look at Abraham. God promised

***"When you come to total obedience, then you can have possession"***

*W. M. Branham  
Jehovah Jireh*

Abraham that upon leaving his family and the city of Ur where he was brought up, He would lead him to a distant country and make him a great nation. Did Abraham leave his country? He sure did. But instead of letting God lead him to the land of promise, he followed his father and dwelt in the land of Haran. Jehovah could not fulfill His promise to Abraham because he had only partially obeyed God. Many of us are in this kind of a situation and it's no wonder we don't see the promises of God being made manifest in our lives.

We're not in the world. But we're not quite out of it either. Just remember, God is faithful and will keep His promise but only after we have fully and willingly obeyed.

Then we find Abraham moving to Canaan as the Lord was leading him. But, notice, God had told him to leave his family and be separated. Instead, Abraham, having not fully surrendered to God's will, brought his nephew, Lot, with him. Once again, the Lord held back His promise until Abraham totally obeyed the Word. So it is with some of us. We have left the world and come into the Message but have brought in with us a "little nephew". Perhaps our nephew has a different name than Abraham's did, such as: "soft rock", "country music", "Marvel comics", "slit skirts", etc... Whatever his name is, until we totally separate from him we will never receive the promise. But let's follow our father of faith by completely obeying our Lord, that we might possess the promise. For, **"we find when Abraham came to total obedience, he came to a place where everything was out of the way - his father died; Lot separated himself from Abraham - then god told Abraham, 'Rise and walk through the land. It's all yours!'"** (Jehovah Jireh, Aug. 3, 1960). No matter what promise God has made in His holy Word if we are completely obedient to him we will hear Him say, "it's all yours!" At another place in the

message quoted above Bro. Branham sums this up quite nicely by saying, "When you come to total obedience, then you can have possession."

Let's look at some of the rewarding promises God gives to His obedient children. The first and greatest of these is the Holy Ghost. The apostle Peter said in Acts 5:32, *"And we are His witnesses of these things; as is also THE HOLY GHOST, WHOM GOD HATH GIVEN TO THEM THAT OBEY HIM."* Now, this is not to say that the Holy Spirit is some kind of a payment that we earn by making ourselves obey God. For we know that the Spirit of God comes as a gift to His children and that all our righteousness is a filthy rags. Therefore, no amount of begging, screaming, pounding, stomping, or jumping will cause God to give you the Holy Ghost. Why? Because He doesn't require these things. What does He require? He only needs a pure heart, purged by obeying the Word. It's states in 1 Peter 1:22,23, *"...Ye have purified your souls in obeying the Truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren...being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible."* The prophet, when speaking about receiving the Holy Ghost said, **"Full obedience to the whole Word of God will entitle you to the Token."** (The Token, Sept. 1, 1963) So, we can see that being totally and willingly obedient by faith is most rewarding in that the Dove of the Holy Spirit will most assuredly find a resting place in our lamb-like hearts.

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And God could ever get a man and woman today, in this tabernacle, anywhere else, that'll pay no attention to what's going on around them, but submit themselves to the Lord, as an individual unit, God will lead the same man today, that He led then. He proves that He's with us. What we need today is a humble, submitted life. Submit yourself. Don't squeeze yourself back. Don't do nothing but lead straight with the Holy spirit. What the Spirit says do, do quickly. Don't say, "Well, I will wait and find out what this is, and that is." What the Holy Spirit says do, go do it.

What if I hadn't a went to Finland when the Holy Spirit called me over there? What if I hadn't want to the hospital yesterday, where that little baby was laying there dying, hadn't a went? It's, *"Obedience is better than sacrifice."* Do what the Holy Spirit says do. What we need tonight, is to let loose of all of our little old squeezey ideas, and let the Holy Spirit... You are taught here. You know what's right and wrong. "Everlasting Life" Jeff. IN

# POWER THROUGH OBEDIENCE

By Bro. Paul LaFontaine

The power of God is something we all desire more of. Besides outward battles, there's a greater warfare of spirits going on we don't even see. In fact, we can't begin to fight against them on our own, especially in 1993. That's why we need the strong hand of God to help us. We need the power of God.

The word power seems to be used in so many ways among Christian people. It's often misinterpreted into something just emotional. "I felt the power of God all over me" is what I've heard, or "I shouted under the power of God". Let me make it clear. If that person has contacted the real power of God, then their whole life has been changed from sin and habits as they walk with God at home as well as in church. I can see why they shout, but to lower the power of God to an emotion without a changed heart and life, I can't see that. The power of God means something much deeper than that. Before, I say anymore about power look how Bro. Branham explains it.

"Oh, you say, I went down there, and there's a lot of power. Brother the whole floor was dancing in the Spirit." And there's not enough faith to heal a toothache.

You call that power? That's not power. That's blessings. There's a lot of difference between blessings and power. God makes blessings on the righteous and unrighteous.

"All things in Christ" page 19 WP

Some people gets the wrong impression of

Could it be that being more obedient to God gives us more power of God to fight our enemies?

what the anointing is.....

"Why are people so tossed about" page 37 para. 294 SWP

The anointing is not emotion. The anointing is supreme power in control, knowing exactly what and how See?

"Why are people so tossed about" page 37 para.296 SWP



That's pretty plain. Let's not be guilty of letting the power of God be something we think it is.

Acts 1:8 says, "but ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye

shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

This scripture lets us know that we need the Holy Ghost to have power in our lives. What did the power make them? Witnesses. A witness of Christ not only with word, but with a life.

A boldness came on the people after they were filled with the Holy Ghost. There was a potency in their lives that satan could not handle. That's the power of God. It seems that Jesus (full of God's power) never worried over casting a devil out. The devils were already afraid of the life of God in him, before he actually arrived, Christ was such an obedient, surrendered vessel, the power of God filled him.

Could it be that being more obedient to God gives us more power of God to fight our enemy? Could it be that simple? It seems like a long fast, or something greater would give us more power. Not so. Look at this from Enticing Spirits.

How do you let go? So many people are wondering today, say, "Well, Bro. Branham, how do you let go?" I know you heard a lot of theology on it, "let go." A lot of people just work up a sweat trying to "let go." Many people come around and say, "I'm going to go on a forty-day fast so I can do something." You don't need a forty-day fast! You need to let go of the world and all these devilish things, and take Gods Word in your heart.

You've got to be taught how to do that. You don't do it by jumping up and down, neither do you do it on a forty-day fast. You do it by a surrendered heart to Almighty God.

A surrendered heart is what God is looking for. An obedient heart brings a powerful walk with God.

Satan has programmed the minds of our age against the word obey. II Timothy 3:2 says that one attribute of this age is being disobedient to parents. There are new laws being formed now to

**The spirit of disobedience is on this whole generation. They disobey their parents, and they disobey the spiritual parent....God.**

secure rights of children. They can divorce their parents if they can't live with them. What a wicked thing, but its the spirit that works in all the children of this world, young and old. Eph. 5:6, "Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience." Col. 3:6, "For which things' sake the wrath God cometh on the children of disobedience."

The Spirit of disobedience is on this whole generation. They disobey their parents, and they disobey the spiritual parent...God. "Don't yield your heart and mind over anything", the world says. "Don't become brainwashed!" "You don't have to completely be

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Bro. Paul LaFontaine

from Toledo, Ohio and

Sis. Rebekah Wade

from Johnson City, Tennessee

were engaged on September 8th.

Please pray for them as they join together in marriage on December 10th, 1993 in Johnson City, Tennessee.



**Parson to Person**  
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I had a burning desire to work for God and with no thought for our physical well-being, I set out. We struggled for eight months, many times going to bed with nothing more than instant soup. We stayed in a little room 8' X 8'. My clothes hung on a piece of string and my wife's clothes were in boxes. Eventually, when we had the church going I got a job with an

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iron and steel company where I had worked in the accounts department. The Lord began to bless me and soon I had a company house, good furniture and enough money, even to buy a car. Things were beginning to look good for me and my family. In December 1975 we had a son. I was so thrilled because everything seemed to be going the way I wanted. Soon we affiliated to the Assemblies of God and I pastored the church while I worked.

Towards 1978 I began to feel depressed and I felt that there was more to what we already had. I contacted my superintendent and talked about a few things that I was unhappy about. He dismissed my complaints and insisted that I continue the way the organization had set out. In March 1979 we had our second son and not long afterwards, I resigned from the Assemblies of God. I sought the face of God for

leadership. Later that year Bro. Namy Naidoo from the Durban area moved to Newcastle for a few months to work in the local Post Office.

After hearing that he believed the Message, I thought I should keep as far from him as possible. I very discreetly obtained a few Message books and decided to study them together with my Bible and find all the "errors." This reminded me of my experience in the Ashram when I studied the Bible to find the errors and contradictions. When I read the books a sudden thrill came over me, because I realized that for the first time in my life I was reading something that really made sense. On the back of the books I saw Bro. Willie Retiet's address and I immediately wrote him and asked for as many books as possible. I cannot count the number of times I read the "Seven Seals" book; it was like rain on dry ground. My parched soul was soaking in the Word like a sponge. In November 1979 my wife and I were baptized in the Name of The Lord Jesus Christ. I began to preach the Message immediately because the nearest church to us was in Johannesburg, which is 300km. away.

In May of 1981 I felt the call of God to go into the ministry on a full time basis. We had a very small group and there was no way that they would be able to support me. But, I was not looking for support, because the Prophet said that if God called a man he would take care of him. Today we have a church of about 100 people locally and several others who had to move to other areas because of employment. We also have a little outreach work in Ladysmith about 100km south of Newcastle. Early this year we had our deacon Bro. Alan Reddy move to Ladysmith and he has now taken charge of the little church there.

I trust that this testimony would be a blessing to the believers and also to those who are searching. I would be able to write a book if I had to write all the incidents in my life as a Hindu and also in my brief sojourn in the Pentecostal move.

We have four children- one girl and three boys. Their names are Jacintha, Allistair, Liam, and Stephen. Please pray for us.

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## THE OLD VIOLIN

"Closing, I might say this. There was a...I read a story many years ago about an old violinist. And he had an old violin, and he was going to sell it. (You've heard the story many times.) And they wanted to sell it for a certain thing. And the auctioneer said, "Who'll give me so-and-so?" And I believe he was offered a few coins, maybe fifty cents or something. "Going once, going twice..."

Directly, a man raised up in the back: he said, "Just a minute." He walked up and got it. Let's think that he played this:

There is a fountain filled with blood  
Drawn from Immanuel's veins;  
When sinners plunge beneath that flood,  
Lose all their guilty stain

Then, when he laid it down, there wasn't a dry eye in the place. Then he said, "Who'll offer..."

One said, "Five thousand."

**Life of Obedience**  
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**Your Future:** God then expect Him to reveal more of our future to us. Solomon in his wisdom states: "I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment: That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures." (Prov. 8:20-21) There are immense and immediate benefits in serving the Lord. Commit your ways to Him and learn the spirit of obedience in everything you set your hand to do. He wants us to do now and

"Ten thousand."

It was priceless. Why? The old master of the violin had revealed its true quality. Oh, brother, sister, now, let the Master of this Word who wrote It, the great Holy Spirit, rosin up His bow with love and pull it across your heart.

There is a fountain filled with blood

Drawn from Immanuel's veins...

You'll see the full value and see the unveiled God come right in view, that He's just the same as He was when He fell on the day of Pentecost upon the people, when He kenos Himself, emptied right into them. That's right." ("The Mighty God Unveiled Before Us"; 6/29/64; pg. 29-30)

Two was battered and scarred, and the auctioneer

Thought it

To waste much time on the old violin, scarcely worth his while But held it up with a smile:

"What am I bidden, good folks," he cried,

"Who'll start the bidding for me?"

"A dollar, a dollar"; then,

"Two!" "Only Two?"

Two dollars, and who'll make it three?

Three dollars, once; three dollars, twice;

Going for three--" But no, From the room, far back, a gray-haired man

Came forward and picked up the bow;

Then, wiping the dust from the old violin,

And tightening the loose strings,

He played a melody pure and sweet

As caroling angel sings.

The music ceased, and the auctioneer,

With a voice that was quiet and low,

Said: "What am I bid for the old violin?"

And he held it up with the bow. "A thousand dollars, and who'll

make it two?

Two thousand! And who'll make it three?

Three thousand, once, three thousand, twice,

And going, and gone," said he. The people cheered, but some of them cried,

"We do not quite understand What changed its worth."

Swift came the reply:

"The touch of a master's hand."

And many a man with life out of tune,

And battered and scarred with sin,

Is auctioned cheap to the thoughtless crowd,

Much like the old violin. A "mess of pottage," a glass of wine;

A game- and he travels on. He is "going" once, and

"going" twice,

He's "going" and almost "gone."

But the Master comes, and the foolish crowd

Never can quite understand The worth of a soul and the

change that's wrought

By the touch of the Master's hand. Myra Brooks Welch





# What Jesus Learned

It's hard to believe that Jesus would have to learn anything. He was God, right? God knows everything, and the fullness of God was in Christ, right? It certainly was. Nevertheless the Bible states that while Jesus was in a mortal body on earth, he had to learn something. Here's what it was. Heb. 5:8 "Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;"

He learned obedience. Let's look closely at this. I think it's important 1st off to make sure we understand that Jesus was God, but he also was a man. Many times Jesus becomes a story to us. But he really lived on the earth. He ate, He drank, He slept when he was tired. He was a child, he was a teenager. He was flesh-n-blood like you and I are. He certainly had a purpose for coming to earth. He was to be the perfect sacrifice for our sin. Blood has life in it. But the life in a blood cell cannot spread unless it's broken, and that's exactly what he came for. The life of God was in Him and when it was broken it spread out to live in others. It's glorious. He did come to be the sacrifice, but before that he lived out an example for all of us. He was an example of a man that became obedient to the

will of his father. I believe it's important to understand just how God was in Christ. Then we can start to understand how He's living in us. It's the same spirit in you and me.

There are some wonderful scriptures that we must look at now. Maybe you've read them so much, but I pray they will be more real now. God became like us. Read them carefully. Heb. 2:9-18, Heb. 4:15, Heb. 5:5-9. Verse 7, there said "in the days of his flesh" That's what we're focusing on, He was a man. Jesus lived 33 years in a body on earth to live out an example to us.

During these years something was happening; a blending was going on, a blending of God and man. God was going to completely use the body of Jesus for His own will. Jesus over time began to learn this will. He knew even at 12 years old that he had a work to do. (Fathers business) but as he grew he learned just how much he would have to surrender to see the Word fulfilled. Luke 2: 52 says "And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man." As he grew, no doubt his mother and father would read the old testament or He would hear it quoted at the

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synagogue. He learned things like Isaiah 7:14; Isaiah 9:6-7, Isaiah 61:1-2. Jesus, as a boy began to see Himself in the scriptures. He saw what He was on earth for. How he must have rejoiced. One day though he heard another prophecy of himself in Isaiah. It too was wonderful but not as pleasant a picture. Isaiah 53:1-10, "he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter". Those were the words that were sobering. It became revelation to Jesus over time just what he was there for, to be a total sacrifice. He was going to have to lay down any rights while on earth. Then eventually lay down even his own life. It was glorious, but not easy.

Then one day Jesus heard another scripture in Psalms 40:6-8, He found what God was pleased with. His desire matched David's cry. "I delight to do thy will." I give in. Heb. 10:5 "Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me."

A body, that's what God needed. That's what Jesus gave.

Did you know that's still what God needs. Not that we have to physically die for him, but we need bodies to live for him. Romans 12:1, "I Beseech you therefore, brethren, by the

*mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." By 30 years old Jesus was no longer owned by Himself. He gave Himself freely and became obedient. Phil. 2:5-8, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." What a wonderful example God has left us.*

He smiled so much on that life totally surrendered to him. Jesus went to Calvary, but you know what? His whole life was Calvary. They didn't need to put 9 inch spikes through his hands and feet. His hands and feet were already bound. His whole vessel was yielded to God. In Gethsemane a man said "If it be possible let this cup pass from me." But then an obedient man said "Nevertheless, not my will but thine be done." Bro. Branham said things about His earthly life in "Is Your Life Worthy of the



Gospel?" p.36 & 40 W.P. "Let's look at Jesus just a minute. He was our example. He said so. "For I have given you an example, that you should do to others as I have done to you."

Now watch! When He came into the world, when there was more or as much unbelief in the world right then as there ever was, it didn't even slow Him up. He went right on preaching just the same and healing just the same. Never bothered Him. There was critics. The man was criticized from the time He was a baby until he died on the cross. Did it stop Him? No, sir! What was his goal? "Always do that which the Father has written--always do what's pleasing."

Look at Jesus! Talk about us humbling ourselves when God Himself became a baby, instead of coming in a little crib somewhere in a decent home, was borned out there over a manure pile in a stable amongst bawling calves. They wrapped Him in swaddling clothes was off the neck of a yoke of an ox. The poorest of the poorest, and yet the Creator of heavens and earth.

One cold rainy night, they said, "Master, we'll go home with You."

He said, "The foxes has holes, and the birds has nests, but I don't even have a place to lay my head." God, Jehovah humbled Himself and become a man, represented in sinful flesh to redeem you and me. Who are we then? He was our example." Is Your Life Worthy of the Gospel? pg. 36, para.157-161 W.P.

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**Rewards of Obedience**  
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Some other very valuable rewards of willful obedience are: Wisdom (Prov. 25:12); respect from friends, teachers, bosses (Eph. 6:5-8); confidence from parents, pastors; and God (Eph. 6:2-3; Heb. 13:17; Phil. 1:21); and future rewards (1 Cor. 9:17; 2 Tim. 4:7-8; Rev. 2,3). Let's look at just one of these rewards before we go on to our next thought.

Sometimes we wonder why we "can't get no respect?" But really we shouldn't wonder. Respect can't be demanded, can't be bought, can't be bribed, it must be earned. The best way to earn it is by showing a readiness and ability to be obedient to those in authority especially to the Lord Jesus Christ. In Col. 3:23-24 we are given the secret to gaining the respect of our employers. *"Whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as unto the Lord, and not unto men; knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance; for ye serve*

*the Lord Christ."* In other words, when your boss asks you to do something do it with all your might as unto the Lord. When you do you shall receive the reward of respect from your boss and fellow-workers as well as from the Lord when He says, *"Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."*

This not only applies at the workplace but also at school. By willingly doing what the teacher asks as well as serving the Lord with all your heart, mind and strength, you will grow in favor and respect with your teacher, fellow-students and with God. Whether it's Algebra, English, Social Studies, Football, Home Economics, or whatever it is, "give it all you've got." But remember, you do it as unto the Lord to glorify Him and not yourself. By putting Christ first in everything we do, think, and say we will automatically gain the respect of others. Let me share a story with you that

will serve to illustrate this point.

Dave had gone to summer camp and there had dedicated his life to Christ. He came back to his studies a president of the senior class determined to put Christ first in everything.

The crucial test was not long in coming. On an issue that would have compromised his Christian testimony, he stood up at an assembly, faced the entire student body, and said, "If the school votes to go ahead with this, even though I am president of the senior class I'll have to go against it." Then he told them why.

Later that day the principal sent around a questionnaire, asking students their reaction to Dave's stand. What had happened to their respect for him? In the majority of cases, respect for him had increased. Respect is the reward of putting Christ first on the job, at school, in the home, or around the neighborhood. Wherever you go people will remember you for your willing obedience to the higher authorities, especially the Supreme Authority,

Jesus Christ.

Here are three ways you can begin developing obedience in your life. First: listen carefully and respectfully to all instructions, whether given by God, your parents, your pastor, your teacher, or your boss. Second: establish in your heart and mind to do all that has been asked of you to the best of your ability. And last: perform those things which are required of you in the allotted time, and with the expected results. By doing these three things your life in itself will become a rewarding experience.

Some other points to remember: Don't expect more out of yourself than you are capable of handling. Just do your best.

The Bible tells us, *"Whatsoever your hand findeth to do, do it with all your might."* It also says, *"do it as unto the Lord."*

You don't have to "whistle while you work," but be joyful.

Look for ways, whenever possible, to go beyond the call.

Also keep in mind, the goal of obedience is to

please the Lord, not to receive rewards. Rewards come to us as a byproduct of our willing obedience. So, therefore, because of our humble, willing submission to the revealed will of God we can expect the rewards of life, liberty, happiness, wisdom, respect, confidence from others and so much more, in this world and in the one to come.

However, if you are only a hearer of the Word and not an obedient doer of the Word, you may as well stop expecting these blessings. For we read in James 1:25, *"Whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgeful hearer, but a doer of the work, THIS MAN SHALL BE BLESSED IN HIS DEED."* And in conclusion, here's a quote from our beloved prophet in the Seals book, page 391, *"Obey the commanding of the Spirit that would follow the constitution of the Word for repented sinners. Follow It in every act. And the God of Heaven reward you for your stand for Him."* The Lord bless you.

Bro. Elijah Gibbs

# HONDURAS REPORT

By Bro. Paul LaFontaine

I would like to share something that the readers could make a matter of prayer. As many of you know, Bro. Elijah Gibbs and I took a trip into Honduras Central America in March of this year. God moved in such a way with the Youth that we had to promise to return. The Brothers shared their desire to have a special camp in Honduras for the Young people. This would be a 1st for a camp of this kind. Recently they have finalized the plans and we are excited about the

meeting. It is planned for April 4-9, 1994. They have rented a facility to hold quite a few young people. Young people from all over Central America have been invited. Most people in these countries are very poor. Rich in God's Word but poor in worldly goods. The young people will have to save for many months to be able to afford the fee to attend the camp. The fee for the week will be 250 Honduras funds which comes out to about \$40.00 U.S. funds.

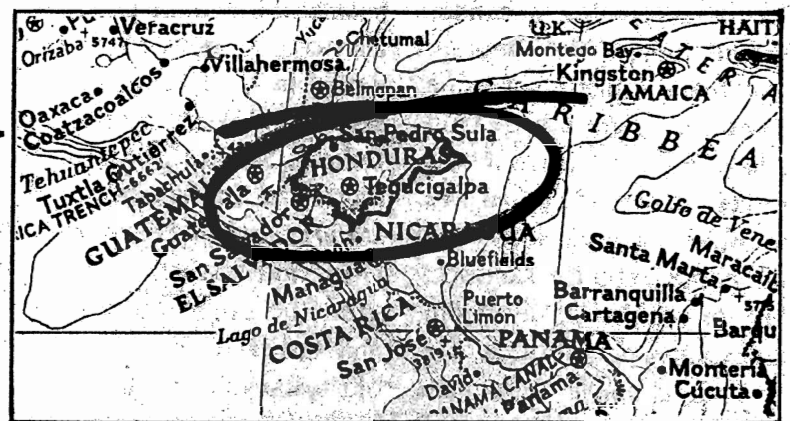
Our purpose in this letter is to offer to the saints here in The United States the

chance to pay a youth's way to the Honduras camp. Maybe you could pay the fee of more than 1. This would be a great help to many young people there. Youth quake will already be helping in this area as much as we can.

If you pray and feel to help in this area, please write us and let us know. Be specific as to where you desire the funds to go. We will make sure it is used just for that.

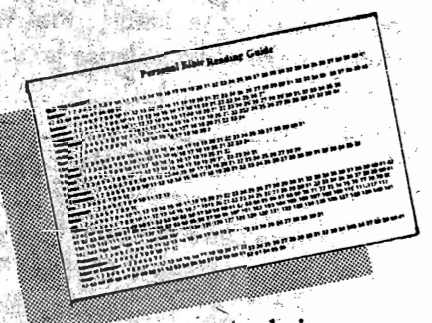
Please send your help in by March 15, 1994.

May God Bless you for your giving to the Honduras youth.



## Bible Reading Guide

Reading the Word of God is so important to our walk with the Lord. This simple little card to put in your Bible will help you read through the Bible in a consistent manner. You can mark off the chapters as you read them. Reading 3 chapters a day will help you read your Bible through in one year. We are offering this guide to those who make a contribution of any size toward the publication of Youth Quake News. We pray this will be a help to you. Y.Q.N.



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# SWITZERLAND

## R E P O R T

Greetings in the mighty name of our Lord Jesus.

Greetings all young people around the world. This is a short testimony of how the Lord richly blessed the Youth Conference in Switzerland. In France July 31-August 7. The Lord was placing his hand upon it from the start. The weather previously to July 31, was very heavy rain. Soon as the conference started it was 90 degrees all week.

Everyone that was there was greatly blessed from the Lord above, after all it was His precious Word. This is the only thing which is going to get us ready for the great day when he comes to take his Bride. Bro. Danny Williams spoke the Word and his precious wife Sis. Melody sang some beautiful songs. We surely all worshipped the Lord with praise & glory.

All young people partook i.e. different musicians & song leaders every night. There were saints from England,

Scotland, Holland, Belgium, Germany, Norway, Poland, Switzerland, Canada, Italy, France and Slevania. The language barrier was not a problem, we had fellowship all week, it was just a bit of heaven down here. There was one day out on Lake Geneva, over 130 of us singing & praising God all day through the train station past town. The atmosphere was magnificent. May I take this opportunity through Youth Quake News to thank everyone who was there! Especially Bro Franceis & Sis. Susan Lepieard from Lignerelle-Switzerland who gave up their home & time to organize this great event. I speak on behalf of everyone, thank you! Not forgetting a sister precious in the Lord; Sis. Doris Rohledar from Germany; without her asking Bro. Franceis it would have never taken place.

May the Lord inspire you to ask him again next year!

May God Bless each one!

Christian Love,

Darren Johnson

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obedient to anything." These statements are true for anything else except for yielding to God. We are to completely yield to him for a cleansing of our minds and hearts. There is a real true word of God to be fully obedient to. When you do it, it brings the power of God in your life.

Do you remember when God spoke to Joshua about the battle of Jericho? The walls for the city were 18ft. thick. One at 12ft. and



another at 6ft. impossible for man to go through, but not impossible for God. God told Joshua to go about things this way: March one time daily around Jericho for six days. Then on the seventh day march seven times around it, let the rams horn blast and then let all the people shout. Some pretty detailed instructions, but they're even more detailed. Joshua 6:10 tells us that the people were not to utter a word from their mouths for all six days. Wow, if God required that today some people would need a seamstress to sew their mouths shut! You know the rest of the story. When they began shouting on the seventh day, the walls came down without any mans help. The power of God did it all. What did it? The people of God being fully obedient to all God said to do. Some people believe it was only the shout that brought the walls

down, but I believe it was more than the shout on the seventh day; it was the full seven days of total obedience to God. The shout had power behind it, because of the peoples obedience to God and his General, Joshua. Lets bring it close to our lives. Listen to this scripture. II Cor. 10:1-6 *Now I Paul myself beseech you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ, who in presence am base among you, but being absent am bold toward you.*

*But I beseech you, that I may not be bold when I am present with that confidence, wherewith I think to be bold against some, which think of us as if we walked according to the flesh.*

*For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:*

*(For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)*

*Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.*

Paul says that some people were saying that he was being too bold in his messages and that he just walked in the flesh

when he said them, but the word he was bringing was piercing the spiritual realm and pulling down strong holds. Notice the end of verse 5 tells us that we are to bring every thought to the obedience of Christ. If you took Paul's word as the word of God, and cast down reasoning and imagination, it would pull the walls of Jericho down in your life. What a blessing, to see this key to God's power. God has sent us another Prophet like Paul who has spoken the word of God. It was not distorted or unclear. It tells us how to live and walk as a Christian today. It's very specific. Some people still take things he said as just a mans personal opinion, but Praise God there are some who are obedient to every word. God is pleased with that. He'll stand for you if you stand for this message.

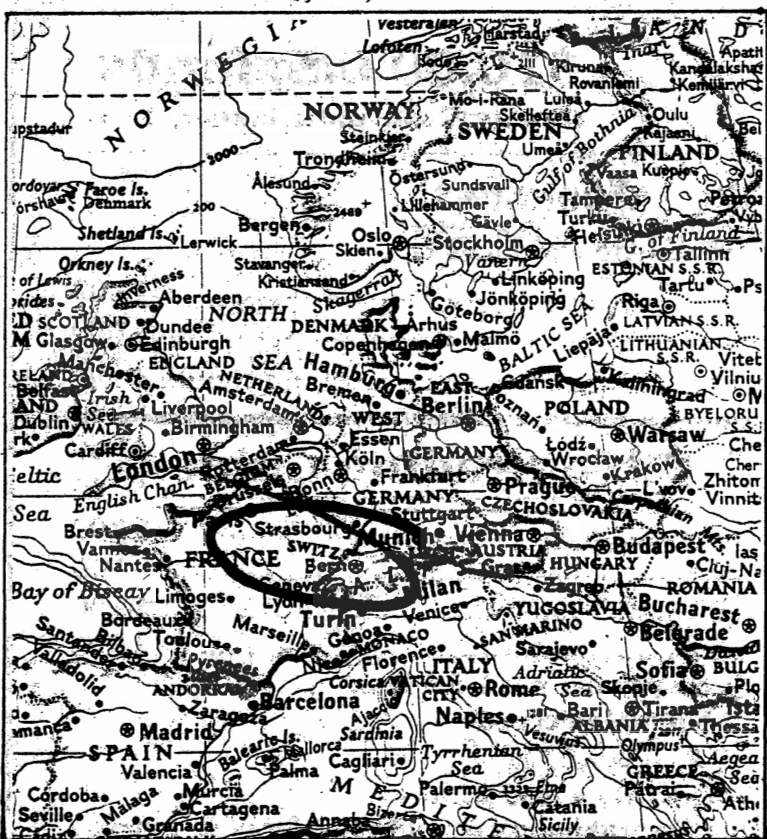
I'll leave this little scripture with you. It shows us that God's power will be with them that have an obedient heart.

II Chronicles 16:9, *"For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him."*

God Bless you,

Bro. Paul LaFontaine

**Now, we find out then he separated Himself. And God never did completely bless Abraham until he fully obeyed Him and separated himself. And God will never bless an individual or a church, or a congregation, or a denomination, until it fully surrenders itself in obedience to God.**  
"Jehova Jireh" Long Beach, CA



**What Jesus Learned**  
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"Oh, just remember, Jesus humbled Himself to death for you. He was not fussy. When they spit in his face, He didn't spit back. When they pulled his beard out, He didn't pull at theirs. When they slapped Him on one side of the face to the other one, He never slapped them; He prayed for them, walked on humbly. He was an example of humility.

He was full of faith. Why? He knowed his words couldn't fail. He so lived by the Word till He became the Word. Oh God, let me hold my both hands to God before this audience, let me live like that. Let this Word so become that me and this Word's the samething. Let my words be this Word. Let the meditation of my heart....Let Him be in my heart, on my mind.

Tie his commandments upon the post of my intelligence, tie them upon the post of my heart. Let me just see Him. When

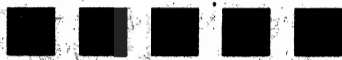
temptation rises, let me see Christ. When things goes wrong, let me just see Him." **Is Your Life Worthy of the Gospel?** pg. 40 para. 178-179

I'm praying that we all could leave this earth with the same testimony. That's all I want. I want to be like our example Jesus. We're so blessed, we also have another great example in Bro Branham's life. He learned obedience. He learned what pleased God.

To the young people. I want to conclude by this; if we're a child of God, He will teach us obedience to show us ourselves. It will be hard sometimes, but we'll learn to be obedient to God. There's an old song that says "God won't make us go against our will, but he just makes us willing to be.

Allow the Lord to work in your life. Don't be fussy.

Jesus wasn't. He just allowed himself to go through God's seminary. And the end result was a crown. God Bless You.



Now businessmen, what better investment could you make than that at the end-time, where we are? And even science itself now comes around and is with us, and tells us that it's right--midnight hour is fixing to strike. And what good's our big things going to do? What good's our great denominations and a million more, and so forth like this, and building like that, when eternal life is waiting out yonder? And we have the opportunity, and we are invited to receive this Christ--that God could take you and position you in His Word in such a place that when you speak the things that it's foresaw, and foretold, and so forth, could work right through you every time exactly right. Never fails, can't fail.

Oh, you say, "I've seen that tried."

Yes, I know. And you see it fail where there's impersonation. But when you see something genuine, it cannot fail, 'cause it's God. And God sets these things for an example that others might see. How does it come? By all-night fasting? That's good. All-night prayer meeting? That's still good, but obedience to the Word is where it comes--obeying the Word, see. All right. Now, it paid off by saving his life. "Investments" Phoenix, AZ

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