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Seniors Present "HOW SHALL WE ESCAPE"



The Class of '69 presented their drama at the Youth Fellowship Banquet at the U.P.C. National Conference in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on October 26.

Matthieu Ory, Grand Inquisitor of France, (played by Gary Reed) demands the death penalty for Servetus.



"He is the soul of the world, yea, more than the soul....I would call Him more than the splendor of glory, for Paul speaks of the Lord of Glory crucified..."

Taken from "The Hunted Heretic" by Roland H. Bainton

Servetus was the only man in history to be burned in effigy by the Catholics and burned in actuality by the Protestants, for denying the trinity. L. to R: R. Sparks, S. Drury, P. Kepler, G. Hallmark, L. Chambers, J. McPhaill, L. Bird, D. Lee, G. Reed.



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DESERT ROSES

Rev. S. G. Norris
President



Isaiah 35:1 "The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose." Roses do not grow in a desert, nor are God's ways limited to natural circumstances. This prophecy will literally be fulfilled during the millennial period of one thousand years of peace, but God seems to take delight now in allowing beautiful things much like roses to blossom in so-called desert places, provided He can find a little faith in our hearts.

Moses and the Midian Desert

Moses might have had in mind that his slaying of the Egyptian who abused one of the Israelites, could have sparked a revolt against Pharaoh. Perhaps he felt that at least his fellow Hebrews would have rallied to his leadership. However, not many "roses" bloom through strife or man-made power. Moses fled from Egypt to Midian and "sat down by a well" in a lonesome land among strange people. Life must have never looked so bleak. After forty years in the luxury of Pharaoh's court and now alone in the desert! Multiple days of sameness. The constant bleating of the sheep trying to find a little grass and a sip of water in a barren country.....hot sands and sagebrush.....days following empty nights. Of all places on earth, the desert would seem to be the most hopeless. But the God he served was capable of making the "desert to blossom as the rose." Moses' faithful and patient footsteps were easily obliterated by the next day's winds, but God did not forget! "And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of the bush...and the bush was not consumed." From that time on the desert became a conservatory of blossoming promises of God! "Put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground." "Gotell Pharaoh, let my people go." "I am that I am." Say to the children of Israel I AM hath sent me unto you!"

His Only Weapon - Religion!

"Tell Pharaoh, let my people go." Yes, but by what means? The Hebrews had been in bondage four hundred years. They had no army. They were not aggressive. How could the twelve tribes be welded together? How could a revolt be started? And what about their welfare if they did flee Egypt? Then above all, how could they cross the Red Sea? These were "desert questions" but God made roses to grow out of an unlikely situation. Moses had one great weapon - religion One true and living God! Moses walked out of the desert fearlessly into the court of the strongest empire on earth. His "desert-faith" produced miracle after miracle until Egypt was on her knees begging Israel to leave. His "God of roses" did not fail him at the Red Sea. The waters parted, a "dry-land bridge" appeared and Israel was free! All this happened because Moses found God in a desert! You and I can do the same. Most of our answers come out of dry places and most infrequently from well-watered gardens.

The Miracle of the Desert - Mt. Sinai!

Some of the greatest promises God has ever given man came from the desert of Mt. Sinai. On that bleak mountain God showed Moses a replica of the Tabernacle. The law was given there, the priesthood, the manna from heaven, the water from the rock, the cloud stretched over the camp by day and turned into a fearful protective pillar of fire by night! These and many more marvelous promises came from the desert. God does not have to wait for the Millennium to make roses bloom for you. He is still the God of Midian and Mt. Sinai. These were barren hot, difficult places, but the Lord is quite a "Gardener" and knows how to make "roses" grow. Keep looking up. The Lord knows your path. Your footprints apparently are making little progress, but God marks down every prayer, every tear, every song, every little bit of faith. He knows your Pharaohs and Red Seas. He shall cause you to rejoice and your desert to "blossom as the rose."

"The First 22 Minutes Were Great"

By Dr. Reuben Gronitzka
President, Direction, Inc.

Only weeks earlier he had been elected president of a sizeable corporation. He was skilled, experienced, a man of mature judgment. Now in a press interview he was asked: "What do you think of your new responsibility and honor?"

His reply is classic "THE FIRST 22 MINUTES WERE GREAT!"

The first 22 minutes were great - The Board of Directors' decision, the press clippings, congratulations of friends and the inner warmth of achievement after dedicated energies and years.

A triumph? Of course! Yet no time, really, to bask in the limelight of success.

HE ENJOYED ABOUT 22 MINUTES OF SUCH APPLAUSE, AND THEN FACED, AS ALL TOP EXECUTIVES MUST, GIANT SIZE QUESTION MARKS IN DECISION MAKING AND A STRANGE SENSE OF INCREASED ISOLATION IN AN EVEN LARGER WORLD OF INFLUENCE.

Former President Harry Truman had focused on this increased responsibility of a chief executive most sharply. "The Buck Stops Here", read the reminder on his desk.

In an NBC TV network show dealing with work on the level of executive responsibility, a large and poignant picture of the late President Kennedy was shown. He stood alone in his White House office, his back to the camera, hands in pockets, and looking out the window. The advisors had advised. The reports lay consumed on the desk. Now came the lonely decision. The Yes or No. Then live with that decision, defend it; hope and pray the decision is right, and like a ball player's hit (single, double or home run) add to the one's executive "batting average" to one's executive usefulness and worth - or strike out with an opposite effect.

DEMANDS TODAY ON TOP EXECUTIVES ARE SEEMINGLY IMPOSSIBLE.

Most certainly impossible if the skill of HUMAN management at its best is absent or limited.

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The chief executive of a billion dollar-a-year empire stood high in his office and looked out over that part of the corporation complex housing research units costing 43 million dollars a year to operate.

"I look at young men with the best of school, some experience, good personalities and say to myself that this man or that could some day be president or vice-president of this firm, or head of one of our many large divisions." Then he added,

BUT MOST WON'T MAKE IT FOR PURELY HUMAN REASONS, UNABLE TO MANAGE THEMSELVES WISELY, WARMLY OR MANAGE OTHERS."

Several years ago two top government officials, dependent upon each other, came to a parting of the ways. As quoted by a national magazine the one leaving said of the chief, "He has a problem in management, human management." The "chief" was in most respects a near genius. His abilities and achievements were legendary. His one weakness lay in a limited capacity to use well the skills and judgments of those on his immediate staff in a sensitive, trusting and respected way. Except for this exception he might have one day headed up his entire nation.

Skilled human management, the high ability to handle oneself, and to capture, encourage and use the top full-blown abilities of subordinates is too rare a management gem. It makes the difference between those who are just able and those who are supremely able, those high-quality people which our age with its unbelievable economic complexity demands. It is one thing to arrive at a position of applause and influence. It is quite another to be able to continue on with balance, healthy confidence, and remarkably good judgment when "the kitchen" gets too hot for almost any man.

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THE A. B. I. MARCH

IMPETUS

Impetus was given to the idea of a "march" on downtown St. Paul from the example of the "march" at the National U.P.C. conference at Atlantic City, New Jersey, this year.

PLANS

Planning for the "march" began about three weeks prior to its execution. After permission was granted for the undertaking by Brother Norris, the school president, a route for the march was picked in the downtown area of St. Paul. An assembly area and a performance area were chosen. The march route was to and from these two parks.

A visit was made to the police department to get their permission, advice and actual help. The police and the park department were very kind to us. We wrote a letter to the Park Commissioner, asking his permission for the use of the parks. Also, we informed the police of the time of the march (1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.).

SIGNS

With the concurrence of the "city fathers", the students who were artistically inclined, began to make the signs which were to be carried.

THEME: FOR GOD AND COUNTRY

The American Flag first

Sign #1 - We, the students of the Apostolic Bible Institute, still have faith in Jesus Christ.

Sign #2 - America, WE LOVE YOU

Sign #3 - STOP! (stop sign)
LOOK! (eye)
LISTEN! (ear)

Sign #4 - II Chronicles 7:14 "If my people which are called by my Name...

Sign #5 - Shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from...

Sign #6 - Their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and...

Sign #7 Will heal their lands ." Map of the U.S.A.

Sign #8 - Eagle Image plus ONE nation under ONE God

Sign #9- We still Love God and our Country

Sign #10 - Our Nation's Only Hope is God

Sign #11 - OBEY Acts 2:38

Sign #12 - One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism

Sign #13 - "It is time to return to God" plus map of the U.S.A. and clock

Sign #14 - GOD IS LOVE

Sign #14A - Put God back in our Government plus Capitol dome.

Sign #15 - You are in Good Hands with God

Sign #16 - Don't give up on Religion until you try the Pentecostal Experience.

Sign #17 - GOD IS ALIVE

Sign #18 - You must be born of the Water and Spirit

MARCH

A total of sixty-six marchers and three supervisors, all of whom were students, took part.

All marchers were instructed to look their best. We met in the school auditorium at 10:30 a.m. for an hour of briefing and prayer. 12:30 p.m. - Arrived at Smith Park, where we organized the group into two march units in order to have a cut-off point each time to get us through "stop and go" lights. The American flag was at the head of the procession. The students were lined up single file. A sign was placed in the hand of every third or fourth person, usually a boy. Those not carrying signs were interspersed with a Bible in the left hand (since we were going to walk on the sidewalk on the right side of the street). We marched single file in a straight line, holding the signs straight and even, while the three supervisors helped move the students across intersections. The police helped at some places. The entire group stretched out over the better part of two blocks.

After arriving at Rice Park we sang several continued on page eight

THE A. B.



A.B.I. students marched thru downtown St. Paul with banners and Bibles proclaiming their love for God and country.



Hundreds of tracts were distributed by A.B.I. students during the march.



MARCH



Marchers gathered in a park to sing and play Gospel and patriotic songs.

Contributed to St. Paulites march.





Beatrice Boss
Winnipeg, Manitoba
Third Year Student

THE RIGHT TO MINISTER

"What right has He to minister?" challenged the Pharisees. "He is from the tribe of Judah -- not Levi." True, the Pharisees, full of tradition, rightfully deduced this fact and their conclusions according to the law of the priesthood were justified. We, too, may question Jesus' right to minister.

Let us consider the Old Testament ministry. God instituted the Aaronic priesthood for three purposes: first, to maintain fellowship between Himself and a sinful nation; second, to accept Israel's gifts and sacrifices in the proper manner, and third, to convey God's gifts - mercy, salvation and blessing - to the people. God, by an act of free favor, committed the priesthood to one particular family, that of Aaron. (Exodus 28:1) They exemplified the sinless character of the human priesthood on the one hand, and symbolized a type of the perfect priesthood of Jesus Christ on the other. Also, they provided a contrast to the later insufficiency of the Levitical priesthood. Those neglectful priests failed to point to the future appearing of the perfect Mediator. Had they done this, they could have relegated Israel to its rightful place - a genuine kingdom of priests.

God emphasized the importance of the establishment of the Aaronic priesthood and its continuity, by ordering that a record of the families of priests be kept. A further proof of this record may be found in Ezra 2:62. The record was beneficial to those who came up out of Babylonian captivity, that they might know from whom they descended and to whom they were allied. A considerable number presumed that they were Levites but could not prove their pedigree. Zerubbabel challenged the priesthood through their geneology and if the register failed to reveal their names, their ministry was invalid.

It is no small wonder that the Sanhedrin inquired into the geneology of Jesus as a candidate for the ministry. Did the Pharisees have a right to question Jesus' authority? The answer is "Yes!" for Jesus could not trace His lineage from Aaron. He was from the tribe of Judah. However, Jesus disclosed that they were incompetent judges who "judged after the flesh" or according to geneology.

To substantiate the right of Jesus' ministry, let us consider the law and the tabernacle plan. The entire divine institution portrayed eight

the approach of God's redeemed people to His presence. The Levites paralleled the modern day deacons in the manual duties, while the priests services were much like the ministers. Notice the difference between the ritual of the Levites and the priests, descendants of Aaron. The Levites were washed at the laver while the priests were washed and anointed. The anointing with oil was a symbol of the endowment of the Spirit of God for the duties for which a person was consecrated.

The washing and anointing foreshadowed Mary. Jesus, the embodiment of God, was born. (Hebrews 10:5) The Spirit, or anointing was in Jesus and flowed out from Him as He was God, the Source of anointing. (Col. 2:9) Jesus declared, "The words that I speak are Spirit and life." More fundamental preaching had never fallen on human ears!

Thus we conclude that through Jesus there was a change in the order of the priesthood. So, we today, although we cannot trace our descendance from Aaron, acquire the right to minister if our lives are enriched with the Holy Spirit, God's anointing.

THE A.B.I. MARCH

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patriotic and religious numbers, in the accompaniment of a small brass band plus a few accordions.

A T.V. reporter with a camera came and took several feet of film of our activities. The film was shown on T.V. that night. General complimentary comments came from that. (Note: The T.V. stations had been notified previously.)

On the return march, we stopped on the busiest street sidewalk and stood shoulder to shoulder on the curb facing the street while holding the signs.

Around us was a team of tract passers who not only passed tracts but witnessed to individuals who passed.

After getting back to school, we went to the auditorium and testified concerning the wonderful things God had done for us that day.

The following week, letters of appreciation were written to the police and park departments thanking them for their cooperation.

The Lord blessed the project abundantly.

James Turner
Jerry Burns

First 22 Minutes

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For such positions there will always be a greater demand than there is supply. And the demand will be filled only by men who every step on the ladder are unconsciously but purposely getting ready for whatever lies before them.

It costs to be at the top. In reality, such roles are not nearly so to be envied as commonly they are. We envy people for things, influence or power when we do not understand the price being paid.

Many times the real worth of every high position has been seriously questioned by such men. One of these, chatting in his more than comfortable executive suite, said of his role in heading up a vast industrial empire, "If you know anyone who wants a good description of hell, send him to me."

Dozens of great achievers have remembered the dozens of times they have gone home and said to their wives, "Let's junk all this, move and run a small orange grove or a two-pump filling station."

Fortunately, many others are of such caliber, courage and quality to fill the critically important slots at the top or near top-businessmen, industrialists, political figures, academic administrators and others.

One among many secrets of an outgoing achievement may lie in that illustrated in an informal seminar involving a number of top executives from several major corporations indicated in the same city. We met behind closed doors, ate together, swapped jokes and then with a brief introduction to the subject began to talk about living with and succeeding in a near-impossible job.

"HOW DO YOU MAKE IT, AN IMPOSSIBLY DEMANDING POSITION, HOME AND FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES, COMMUNITY DEMANDS AND INVOLVEMENTS, AND LIKELY AS WELL, NATIONAL OR EVEN INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS, AND WITH JUST 24 HOURS TO YOUR DAY?"

With each passing hour it became increasingly apparent to each man there was a remarkable mutuality in their situations. Each knew that his real goal did not lie in just a bigger paycheck. Bigger by far was the creative desire like an artist to paint a canvas, to accomplish, to serve. Each man there knew and discovered in far greater depths how others wrestled with the same demanding challenges.

Then one of the group addressed himself to another corporation chief and said, "What about you? How do you make it?"

"Not easy, but I found something that helps. I know I've had so many years of background of experience, of knowledge. I have an impossible job plus the responsibilities of my home, my wife, my children, my church and community and some others beyond. One day I simply said to myself,

"WORK AT IT, BELIEVE IN IT, PRAY AT IT, AND IF THE BEST I HAVE ISN'T GOOD ENOUGH, THIS COMPANY WILL HAVE TO GET ANOTHER PRESIDENT."

"I'll still make a living, still hold my head up, believe in myself and be me. I don't have to be president."

Then he added, "The day I was able to say that, I relaxed enough to do the best all-around job I've ever done."

To some, such words might have little meaning, yet to this group of top executives it came almost as a thunderclap secret, not only for survival, but for even higher quality leadership.

Every man must be bigger than his title and far stronger than either the applause or the challenge of a situation. More than "having to be president" he has to be of such quality that he knows what he himself is and has when "the 22 minutes" of an applause are over. For such quality men and women there will always be a market."

Dr. Gronitzka, head of Direction, Inc., a non-profit counseling and speaking service, also is a minister-at-large for the American Lutheran Church.

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Recent Visitors

Rev. Charles Watkins, Cleveland, Ohio, outstanding Gospel singer, sang God's praises Friday, December 4, to a packed auditorium at A.B.I. His own compositions, "I've Got A Long Way To Go To Be Like My Lord", and "Create in Me", were sung in a ballad style. On a few numbers he accompanied himself on the piano - a real musical treat!



Mrs. N. A. Urshan, Indianapolis, Ind., and son, Nathaniel, first year student, sang a beautiful duet at our musical feast. What an honor to have Sis. Urshan here singing for us for two evenings! Mrs. Urshan also gave an inspirational talk on "God's Will" to the A.B.I. girls.

ALUMNI NEWS

A.B.I. MISSIONARIES ON FURLOUGH

The James Burton family, Venezuela

Elsa Lund, Liberia, West Africa

The Robert Roh family, Denmark



Mrs. Ben DeMerchant, who returned on a brief emergency trip, thrilled us with an account of the work in Manaus, Brazil. She and her husband, A.B.I. graduates, are pioneering there. Thank God for dedicated people!

A.B.I. GRANDCHILDREN

Ira Gene Love, Jr. arrived October 29, 1968. He is the first son of Rev. and Mrs. Gene Love and has two sisters - Diana, age 6, and Debbie, age 4.



Ruth Mae, born August 28, 1968, is shown here with her parents, Dale and Dorothy Hodges. Rev. Hodges is a member of the A.B.I. faculty.



Rev. & Mrs. R. Eastman
and son

We enjoyed our visit at A.B.I. so much. We have also enjoyed Sis. Norris' book, "Shut the Door".

After we arrived at Butte we met a young couple with four children who had been praying for two years for a U.P.C. minister to establish a church here.

Bro. Eastman received a dream of a church building which later we were able to rent - God's ways are mysterious.

We feel that you are praying with us for this town.

Bro. and Sister Richard Eastman
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The Eastmans also report that Martha Perry is in Bakersfield, Calif., and that the Benny Curativos (Arlene Turner - '61) are in Upland, Calif.

CHURCH DEDICATION

Rev. Paul Leaman, member of the A.B.I. Class of 1949, became the pastor of the Apostolic Church in Detroit, Michigan, in July, 1960. Construction began on the new building in August, 1967, and the first service was held on May 12, 1968. The new building consists of a sanctuary, nursery, rest rooms, church office, pastor's study, evangelist apartment, and a large vestibule on the main floor. The basement of the new building has five classrooms and a kitchen and dining room. The former building will be divided and will have ten classrooms and a Sunday School office. A large blacktopped parking lot has been constructed at the rear of the church building. Brother Paul Leaman is presbyter of the Michigan District Campgrounds. We are indeed thankful for the Leaman family and are happy to see another beautiful church erected for the name of Jesus.

From the Michigan District News, November, 1968.

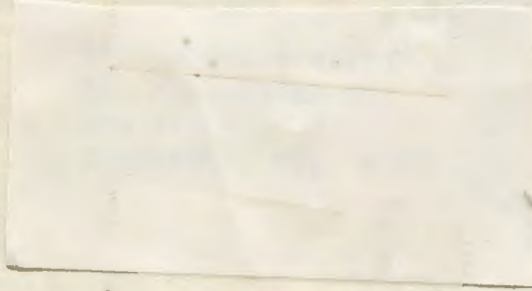


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