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Witness Is Not Worthless

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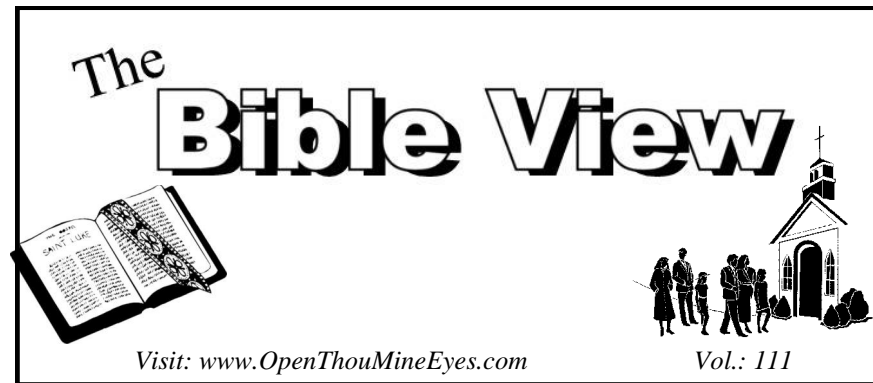
John Wesley was once stopped by a man who demanded his money or his life. Wesley, after giving him the money said, "Let me speak one word to you; the time may come when you will regret the course of life in which you are now engaged. Remember

this, 'and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin'."

No more was said, and they parted. Many years later, as Wesley was going out of a church where he had been preaching, a stranger introduced himself, and asked Wesley if he remembered

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It'll Never Grow!

By Bill Brinkworth



"A sassafras tree. Oh, thank you. I have always wanted one," I thanked my friends for the gift.

When I got home, I found the perfect spot for it, a nice sunny spot in the corner of my yard. I removed all the weeds in the area of its new home, and dug the hole for it deep and wide. After placing the young plant in the hole, I fertilized and watered it well.

Every day for weeks, I faithfully watered it. After several weeks, I noticed that the leaves were losing their greenness. Slowly, one leaf after another got yellow and fell off. This is usually an indication that the plant is not doing well; so I sprinkled on more fertilizer. The remedy did nothing to stop the plant from further decline. It was not long until the little tree was nothing more than naked twigs. I tried everything I knew to keep it alive, but still it died.

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Bible Promises for The Lonely

☺ "When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee." *Isaiah 43:2*

☺ "The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want." *Psalms 23:1*

☺ "When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD will take me up." *Psalms 27:10*

☺ "The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth." *Psalms 145:18*

☺ "Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him." *John 14:23*

☺ "Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will

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In removing the dead plant from its grave, I found the reason for its demise. When it was in its original pot, the soil appeared to be rich and thick, but I found that was just a cover, because the roots were embedded totally in white sand. Nothing would grow in that poor soil. There was no nourishment. No wonder it died.

Many people are in a similar spiritual environment. On the outside they seem to be in the right spiritual places. They act right and may even do right. Perhaps they even go to church for awhile, or help in a ministry. However, something is missing in their lives. They run on their own energy, not help or direction from above. After they run out of their own steam, they return to the condition they were originally in – or worse.

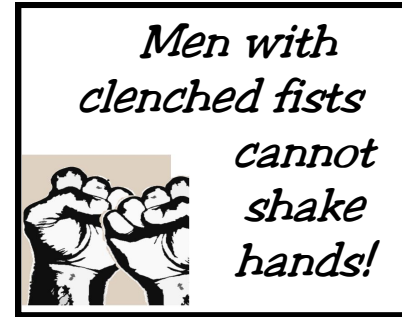
They were not rooted well, and did not get enough spiritual nourishment. It was evident they were weakening. Their prayer life declined; as did their Bible reading. They ran out of their good intentions and started missing church. Soon, no one saw them in church anymore. They stopped living the right kind of life.

Why? In many cases, it was good works they were trying to perform; sometimes it was just acting “religious.” That kind of acting does not last long. People

like that are often referred to when people mention “hypocrites.” They were trying to change the outside, and never allowed God to alter the inside. People can act holy, but they can never be holy unless there is a real change in their heart.

We are all sinners. (“*For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;*” Romans 3:23). You can put on your best clothes, brush your teeth, and comb your hair, but you are still a dirty sinner. The true dirt is on the inside. You will always lean towards being sinful, because of the sin nature you were born with. The only way to really change is to change that inside or spiritual nature. To be truly changed, one needs the new birth the Bible speaks of: “... *Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.*” (John 3:3) The first time you were born, it was with a lost sinful nature. If we realize we are sinners, we need to believe that Jesus, God’s only son, took our punishment. When he died on the cross, it was for our sins that he died. “*But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.*” (Romans 5:8)

If we believe that His blood, that was shed on Calvary, covers ALL our sin and that Jesus rose



from the grave, Jesus can be our saviour from hell. “*That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.*” (Romans 10:9) Being saved is when we become spiritually alive. It is then we become children of God. “*For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.:*” Galatians 3:26. The second birth is the only way to be a member of God’s family! It is the start of spiritual growth. Our spirit is then made new. We are a different creature. Then the changes will be permanent, because they were made on the inside by God. When the inside is changed (reborn), the outside will show signs of the change.

You will grow spiritually if your “roots” are getting the proper nourishment. In what spiritual soil are your roots planted? Being in the family of God is the only place to get spiritual food to grow and face the trials and testings of this world.

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never leave thee, nor forsake thee.” Hebrews 13:5

- ☺ “*For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.*” Romans 14:7-8
- ☺ “*Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.*” James 4:8

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being robbed. The preacher said he remembered.

“I was the man,” said the stranger, “and that single verse you quoted on that occasion was the means that had started me in the practice of attending the house of God and of giving attention to His Word, now that I am a Christian.”

“*So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.*”

Isaiah 55:11



The sum of the whole matter is this: If our civilization is to survive materially, it must be redeemed spiritually. -Woodrow Wilson

