

## Church Forum

How may one surely recognize the will of God?

Dr. F. B. Meyer says: "This question was answered for me once, in a very dark night we were entering Holyhead harbor. I asked the captain how he went about finding the narrow entrance to the harbor at night. He said to me, 'See yonder three lights? When these are in line, I am in the right channel. So it is with the will of God. When the Word of God, the impulse of the Holy Spirit in my heart, and the outward circumstances are in harmony, then I am convinced that I am acting in accordance with the will of God.'"

### Lesson Prayer

Lesson prayer: "We are grateful that when a slave to sin and selfishness, in Christ we have been delivered and given a real freedom, a freedom to give expression to every Christian duty, a freedom that lifts the soul above the bickerings and dissensions of this world. Grant that every step we take may be in the walk with Christ."

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# COME TO CHURCH

## Creamed Comments On The Sunday School Lesson

Creamed Comments on the Sunday School Lesson, Paul Champions Freedom and Brotherhood, Acts 15:1-35; Galatians 5:13-18, for Sunday, November 3.

The transition from Judaism to Christianity means changes in loyalties; emphasis on salvation by rites and ceremonies was to be transferred to simple faith in Christ. Paul had to champion this new emphasis which was sanctioned by the Jerusalem church.

V.23. "The apostles and elders and brethren send greeting unto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia." True Christian fellowship has in it greetings and good will and wishing well.

V.24. "Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, Ye must be circumcised, and keep the law; to whom we gave no such commandment." Profound religious indoctrination produces prejudice if the spirit of Christ does not rule. We must be aware of those who subvert the gospel truths.

V.25. "It seemed good to us, being assembled with one accord, to send chosen men unto you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul." The question under consideration in the Jerusalem conference required time and open and friendly discussion; but it was by the way of harmony that the conference proceeded and reached a unanimous agreement.

V.26. "Men that have hazarded their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus." Those who have endured hardships and persecutions for their Christian faith make the best Christian ambassadors. Living a true Christian life is not always easy; but it pays in the end, for such are highly esteemed and trustworthy characters to whom Christian service is given.

V.27. "We have sent therefore Judas and Silas, who shall also tell you the same things by mouth." Letters and Christian witnesses make undisputed testimony that ought to convince any open minds.

V.28. "For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon

you no greater burden than these necessary things." Note that they made themselves co-operators with the Holy Ghost so that they could claim divine guidance. But it is understood that there are certain requirements in the Christian life that must be accepted which to some may seem like burdens. What these requirements were are indicated in verse 29.

V.13. "For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another." True Christian liberty is a freedom from all the burdensome rites and ceremonies of the Mosaic law; but this liberty is not to be used as a license to do as one pleases. For one may use freedom for an occasion of the flesh and work selfishness and sins as enumerated in verses 19-21.

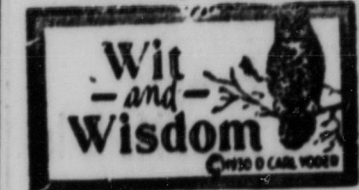
V.14. "For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." The Old Testament law of rites and ceremonies is superseded by the New Testament law of love.

V.15. "But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed by one another." Lives that are not under the control of the Christian spirit are likely to indulge in disputes. True love produces tolerance.

V.16. "This I say, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh." To be fully engaged in expressing the Christian spirit eliminates evil; a life well lived does not lose its energy in fighting evils so much as to make prominent the better way of living.

V.17. "For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary the one to the other; so that ye can do the things that ye would." When one's time and energy is taken by mental and moral combats, there is left less time for positive living.

V.18. "But if ye led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law," keeping close company with God by his Spirit releases one from the bondage of the law.



Hard to Get By

A fellow has to be a contortionist to get by these days. First he has to keep his back to the wall and his ear to the ground. Then he must put his shoulder to the wheel, his nose to the grindstone, keep a level head and have both feet on the ground.

### Book Review

Uneasy Money is a sane presentation of our economic problems. It advocates efficiency and shows how plans must be made to operate where it really counts—in the actually selling price of goods and services. The author calls for a cut in food prices, an element in subsistence cost that determines part of the price of everything else.

A man who loses his temper is like a man with a convulsive fit; stronger while the fit is on, weaker when it is over.

### Discussion Questions Sunday School Lesson

Discussion Questions on the Sunday School Lesson, Paul Champions Freedom and Brotherhood for Sunday, November 3.

1. What were the great changes in the transition from the Old Testament way of living to the New Testament?

2. What are the changes to be expected in a Christian convert?

3. What are the best ways of fighting evils?

4. What is the best way to proceed when having trouble with another?

5. In what way does the freedom of a Christian differ from the freedom of one not a Christian?

Clericus says: "Freedom is not the right to do whatever one wants to do. Freedom in its true sense means freedom from selfishness and sin which keeps us from doing the things we ought to do. Duty is not destroyed by liberty. Christianity causes freedom to do every thing that is right."

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**St. Mary's Church**  
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6:00 Low Mass  
7:30 Low Mass  
9:00 Children's Mass  
10:15 High Mass  
2:30 to 3:30 Holy Hour, Sunday Afternoon.  
Communion Sunday for St. Agnes Sodality.

**Bethany Evangelical United Brethren Church**  
F. H. Willard, Minister  
Sunday school 9:15 a.m. Merritt J. Alger, supt.  
Morning worship 10:10 a.m. "Applying the Gospel to Ourselves."  
Youth fellowship 6:15 p.m.  
Evening service 7:00 p.m. Sermon: "Unconscious Gains and Losses."  
Midweek service Wednesday 7:00 p.m.  
The administrative council will meet on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.  
District women's missionary society rally, Thursday. Sessions at 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Rev. C. C. Talbot and Mrs. M. O. Herman are the speakers.  
Choir rehearsal Wednesday 8:00 p.m.

**Church of God**  
Cleveland St.  
Dwight R. McCurdy  
Bernice A. McCurdy, pastors  
Building Fund Sunday  
9:30 a.m. morning worship, sermon "Choose Ye Christ."  
10:30 a.m. Sunday school, Glenn Smith and Emery A. Hawkins, superintendents.  
7:30 p.m. evangelistic service, sermon by Rev. Thelda F. Quinn, of New Albany, Ind.  
7:30 p.m. Wednesday, mid-week prayer meeting.  
7:30 p.m. Thursday, youth fellowship, at Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Mitchell.  
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**Zion Lutheran Church**  
Monroe and Eleventh Sts.  
Paul W. Schultz, pastor  
Sunday school and Bible class, 9:00 a.m.  
Divine services, 10:00 a.m.  
The Lutheran hour, 11:30 a.m.  
Circuit meeting, Trinity, 2:00 p.m.  
Church choir, Monday, 8:00 p.m.  
Adult class, postponed.  
Saturday catechism school, 8:45 a.m.

**Nuttman Ave. U. B. Church**  
C. N. Van Gundy, pastor  
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.  
Morning worship, 10:30 a.m.  
C. E. 6:30 p.m.  
Evening worship, 7:30 p.m.  
Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 p.m.  
Bible study 8:30 p.m.

**Decatur Missionary Church**  
Lyle F. Steiner, pastor  
9:30 a.m., Sunday school.  
10:30 a.m., morning worship.  
No evening service.

We invite you to come and worship God with us in spirit and in truth.  
We are dismissing our evening service to attend the first in a series of messages on foundation truths in Protestantism, of what is evangelical Christianity. This service will be held at the First Missionary church, South Wayne and Rudisill Blvd., Fort Wayne, at 7:30 p.m. Dr. L. H. Zetner, pastor of the Toledo Gospel Tabernacle will speak on "One or many mediators."  
7:30 p.m. Wednesday, prayer meeting.  
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**First Presbyterian Church**  
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World Order Sunday  
9:30 a.m. church school, Kenneth Ranyon, general superintendent.

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dent. Mrs. W. A. Lower, superintendent of children's department.  
10:30 a.m. morning worship. Sermon: "The Spirit of the Lord." Mrs. David Downs will be in charge of the Toddler's Room.  
6:15 p.m. Westminster youth fellowship. Worship led by Carl Beehler. Topic: "Dating and Making Friends" recreation.

Wednesday, 4:15 p.m. Westminster choir.  
7:30 p.m. mid-week worship. Topic: "The Thessalonians." The Bible book of the month comprises both I and II Thessalonians.

Thursday, 8:00 p.m. Adult choir. 7:30 p.m. "God of Creation." Sound motion picture of the marvels of Creation shown in color. No admission charge. Zion Evangelical and Reformed Church.

Friday, 8:00 p.m. parent's study club. Meets in the manse. Study book: "Opening the Door for God" by Herman J. Sweet.

**First Methodist Church**  
Merrill O. Lester, Minister  
Lowell J. Smith, General Supt.  
Mr. Willard McBride, supt. of adults; Mrs. Robert Mills, supt. of the intermediate dept.; Mrs. D. Burdette Custer, supt. of beginners.  
Church school at 9:30 o'clock. Classes and competent teachers for all. Very spirited and helpful discussions take place in the adult classes.

Mrs. G. L. Brayton with her assistants conduct the Junior church. Mrs. Brayton is a most capable leader. Children are well cared for and taught while parents are in the public worship service.  
There will be no evening service.  
The sermon subject Sunday morning will be, "The Task Golden." This is a service seeking to honor our leaders of church progress through the ages. We have a great indebtedness to the daring lives of our exponents of Christian truth.

**First Baptist Church**  
Carey R. Moser, pastor  
9:25 a.m. Sunday school. C. E. Bell, supt. You are welcome to enjoy the blessings of God's Word with the many others in our growing school.

10:30 a.m. morning worship. The Lord's Supper will be observed. Let us prepare ourselves for this service by a strict obedience to Him. Our choir will render special music and the pastor will bring the message.

5:30 p.m. Baptist youth fellowship. An interesting service for young people of Jr. high and H. S. age. A welcome awaits you here.  
7:00 p.m. Evening service. This is always an informal and interesting service. If you have a talent to use for the Lord, we would enjoy having you help us. God singing by our men's choir, and brief message by the pastor. Every one welcome.

7:30 p.m. Wednesday, our mid-week hour of prayer. The pastor will give some interesting sidelights on his recent trip south and association with some of our southern Baptist friends.

**Church of the Nazarene,**  
North 7th and Marshall Streets  
J. T. Trueax, pastor  
Sunday school 9:30 a.m. Jesse Edgell superintendent. We have classes for every member of your family and urge you to bring them with you as you come. A kind invitation should be given to your neighbor to come with you.

Morning worship service 10:30 a.m. Mr. Kauffman, of Wellston, Mass., former Fuller Brush executive and outstanding layman will speak to the church on community evangelism. There will be special singing.

Junior church 6:30 p.m. This is a service especially designed for the junior children. Plan for yours to be present.

Young peoples meeting 6:30 p.m. Mr. Doyle Lytle president. An interesting spiritual program is planned on the subject of "The Disciple Ship of Love." We invite the young people to come and bring your friend with you.

Evening service 7:30 p.m. Good congregational singing and special singing. Mr. Kauffman will speak on the "Reaching your community for Christ" and the public is invited to hear his timely message.  
Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

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9:15 a.m., Sunday school, Curtis Hill, supt. Classes with separate rooms and capable teachers for all ages. Urge your friends, guests and neighbors to attend. All are welcome.

10:30 a.m., divine worship with sermon. Special observance of Reformation Sunday. Sermon subject: "The church of the reformation." Anthem and music by vestal choir and organist. Every Protestant of every age should be in some church this Sunday.

6:30 p.m., Christian Endeavor.  
7:30 p.m., evening service. The Rev. C. H. Abbott, D. D., will be the guest preacher at this service and will have for his theme "The blessedness of forgiveness." Honor God and honor yourself by being present for the evening service. Music by choir and organist. Public cordially invited.

7:00 p.m., Wednesday prayer.  
8:00 p.m., Wed. choir rehearsal.

**Zion Evangelical and Reformed**  
William C. Feller, Pastor  
Church school at 9:00 a.m. Edward Jaberg, superintendent.  
Worship service at 10:00 a.m. Sermon: "The soul's thirst and satisfaction." All persons who have no church responsibilities elsewhere are invited to attend the services of this church.

Regional youth fellowship conference at Magley Sunday afternoon and evening. Afternoon session begins at 3:30 p.m.  
Official board meeting on Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the church parlor.

Junior choir rehearsal on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.  
The Girls' Guild will meet at the parsonage on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday evening at 8 o'clock the ministerial association will sponsor the sound motion picture, "The God of creation" in this church.

Senior choir rehearsal on Friday at 7:00 p.m.

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**DO YOU KNOW?**  
True or False?  
1. The first five books of the Bible, often called the "Book of Moses," were really written by him.  
2. Adam and Eve had only two children—Cain and Abel.  
3. In the story of the flood, we are told that Noah took into the ark with him two animals of a kind.  
4. Of the three patriarchs, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, two visited Egypt.  
5. Each of the 12 tribes of Israel is named after one of the sons of Jacob.

**ANSWERS TO "DO YOU KNOW?"**  
1. False: That is not the view of modern scholars; nor does the

upon others; maturity to the that we are willing to let of be free, thus gaining freedom ourselves. We call maturity soul so that we may come into lowship with God which is to eternally or the immortal life.

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Bible state that Moses wrote the books.  
2. False: Gen. 5:4 speaks of and daughters.  
3. False: Of some animals took seven (Gen. 7:2).  
4. True: Abraham (Gen. 12:20), as well as Jacob, was Egypt in a time of famine.  
5. False: Ephraim and Manasse were not sons of Jacob.

The Quadrennial conference of ten International Council of Religious Education will be held at Des Moines, Ia. next July, at which 10,000 delegates are expected.

The first assembly of the World Council of Churches will be held in Holland during 1948. The assembly's central theme will be, "The Order of God and the Present Disorder of Man."

Fifty youth representatives from 18 countries have met at Geneva, Switzerland, to prepare for the World Christian Youth Conference to be held at Oslo, Norway, in 1947.

A timely remark is that of Bishop Oxman: "The American will not be duped by the stupid propaganda that would turn him from the task of establishing world law and order based on economic justice and racial brotherhood; nor will he be hypnotized by subtle propaganda that would inveigle him in the use of revolutionary methods to win his objectives."

The Soviet Commissar of Education said, recently, "I find that religion is like a nail; the harder you hit it, the deeper you drive it in." This is given as an explanation of Russia's change of treatment of religion in that country.

Nineteen ex-service men were United Presbyterian.

commissioned as officers in the Salvation Army from the "Challengers" session-class of 1946-In the four Training Colleges where cadets study for future leadership in the organization.

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