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"To the law and to the testimony; if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them" (Isa. 8:20).

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## The Call Is Great But The Surrender Is Greater

In this fast moving age we look at our youth and wonder about them. Everywhere young men and women are looking into the future. The question comes, "What is there for the youth of today?" In all the fields the positions are filled, and there are more awaiting positions than can be placed. Mothers and fathers wonder about the young people. What is to become of them?

This however, is no time for the church to become worried about young people in the church. They must have some thing to do — something to keep them active. If it isn't found in their church life they must find it elsewhere. Jesus gave a challenge to the young people of His day and that challenge is still thrown out today. The young people are the future hope of the church and should be trained so that they can take the place of the older ones when their tasks are at an end. The greatest need in our churches today is a revival in the hearts of the young people. Their lives need to be enriched by prayer and consecration and to become acquainted with the joys of a happy Christian life.

How many young people never enter a church at anytime! Shows dance halls, and night clubs occupy their time. Thus they drift on from day to day thinking they are having a wonderful time alas, to find in the end that they have made a failure of life. The key

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## The Unrest Of The World

In this time of strikes, strife and war, our thoughts and words naturally take on a militaristic sound. But we find that the Apostle Paul left instructions for us as Christians expressed in military terms, when he said: Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness

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### BECAUSE YOU PRAYED

"Because you prayed for me  
I found the strength I needed for my task  
The courage I had lacked before, the faith to see  
Beyond my narrow world; new joy for pain  
I found, and zeal  
To press on forward, strong of heart again—  
Because you prayed.

Because you prayed today  
I found it was not hard to face the dawn,  
But yesterday, and shoulder it, and dare  
To smile a bit  
And find a blessing I'd not dreamed was there—  
Because you prayed.

Because you prayed for me  
Tonight, I seemed to reach and find your hand  
Close by as I had known it would be,  
And somehow toil and turmoil needs must cease:  
It was as though  
God to our hearts had softly whispered,  
'peace'  
Because YOU prayed."

—From "The Dreamer"  
By Ruth M. Gibbs

### BIBLE QUESTIONS

1. What prophet accused men of buying the poor for a pair of shoes?
2. In what prophecy is the birthplace of the Messiah named?
3. Who called on the mountains to act as witnesses in a controversy?
4. What psalm is considered by some commentators to foretell the events of the Crucifixion?
5. When did a multitude of men lose their lives because of curiosity?
6. Of which three cities was it truly prophesied that one should become a bare rock, another a den, and the last a wilderness?
7. Who heard a voice sounding from out of a whirlwind?
8. Whose war-horses were swifter than leopards and fiercer than the evening wolves?
9. What two leaders in Israel were blinded by their enemies?
10. Who lost his health, wealth, and children but found God?
11. What men sat together seven days and seven nights without speaking a word?
12. Who was the first foreign missionary mentioned in the Bible?

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## The First Baptist Pulpit

### "The Race Of Life"

"Wherefore, seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God." (Heb. 12:1,2)

I want to go back to my college days in order to present the picture which underlies the text that I have read to you. Can you imagine an athletic field, with its stadium all about you, as you stand in the center of that athletic field? Can you imagine the

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## What The Cross Means To The World

The world has many symbols but none so glorious as the cross. The cross is the golden symbol of salvation and it is only through the cross that we can come face to face with Him who on Calvary's cross gave His life for a sin-cursed world. The cross of Christ has been the inspiration of all ages. Every country and every language gives us a new insight into the cross. In Christian literature the cross has always held the central place. In no type of writing has this been more true than in our hymns. The greatest of our hymn writers, when in the hour of despair or distress have turned in deep consecration and devotion toward the cross, and out of their hearts touched by the scene of the cross have come some of the greatest thoughts that could be brought to light. Let us look into some of the lives of our hymn writers who have written on the cross.

Elizabeth Cecelia Douglas Celephane did not expect to become a well known author for she wrote only two hymns, BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS, being one of them. She died when she was only thirty-eight. The hymn was written during the last year of her life, and undoubtedly it expresses the confidence and devotion of a young woman wracked by pain. To her young heart the cross had become a hiding place, a place of comfort in a world which seemed weary because of her sickness.

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## The Youth Of Our Church

"Myths of the past have lost their power,  
Time flying fast brings a new hour,  
Nations despairing need a new creed,  
Seeking an sharing youth, Youth must lead."

What a great poem this is for our young people, but in order for our youth of today to be able to lead properly, they must be made to see life as it really is, and then taught the only true way to face life with all its problems and perplexities—and that way is through

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