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SONG OF THE BRIDGE-BUILDERS

On sure foundations
Build we God's new nations;
Strong and clear
Tells each year
Of new-bridged relations.
As land reaches to land
On a world front will we stand
And build together
What none shall sever,
Bridges from man to man
The whole round earth to span!

Out beyond our knowing
Are those bridges going
Spanning need,
Hate and greed –
Far-flung highways growing
The call rings clear and plain
“Work as one with but one aim
 And build together
What none shall sever,
Bridges from man to man
The whole round earth to span!”

Now for our decision
Waits the greater vision.
All we have
Lord, we give;
Grant us thy commission!
Thy strength we claim day by day
Thy command gladly obey,
To build together
What none shall sever Bridges from man to man
The whole round earth to span!

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Write down your guidance, and thus fix your fugitive thoughts. This is important; it gives you a chance to check guidance with others. When God speaks to you stop everything to listen. This is the essential of your Quiet Time. Guidance is incidental... It (just ?) comes.

2. FAITH. So ahead on faith, not feelings. Emotions fr(_?) And not the root of your faith. It may or it may not come. Jesus continually puts the emphasis on faith. We often say or think, don't feel like this or that. God often asks us to do something don't feel like, just as He asked Moses and the Prophets. If you have given your life to God, trust Him and go ahead with that.

We must keep before us the maximum perspective of our task as Christians. (John 15:13-17) As conditions are now, there is (always ?) a riot or a revival ahead. It will help in dealing with person(s) to feel that there are the same obstacles everywhere, but also (the) same spiritual fellowship. How does a relationship with people develop which may become redemptive? You must be willing to lay down alongside another's perhaps for years.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES.

1. A GERNERAL EXPERIENCE OF God is the first essential, the beginning. We can't give away what we haven't got. We must have genuine contact with God in our present experience. Not an experience of the past, but an experience in the present ---- a genuine.
2. When we have that, witnessing to it is natural, just as we(are) to share a beautiful sunset. We must be in such close touch with God that the whole sharing is guided. The person with a genuine experience of God and with not technique will make f(ewer) mistakes than one with lots of technique, and no sense of G(oing) Under guidance, you are almost a spectator of what is happe(ning). Your sharing is not strained, it is not tense.
3. We must clearly see and understand our own experience, and (clear)ly articulate it , so as to be ready to know what to say, or (to) use parts of it, when the need comes to share with others i(n) order to help them.
4. Act only on prayer and under guidance. Prayer is real, and prepares the way for the people.
5. Share with people- don't preach, don't argue. Don't tal(k) u(p) nor down to people. Talk to them, and share in terms of their own experiences, speak on their level.
6. Proceed with imagination and real faith- expect things to (hap)pen. If you EXPECT things to happen; they Do happen. This is based on FAITH OF GOD, not on our own strength. A negative (att)itude toward ourselves or others cuts off God's power; it is evidence of lack of faith in His power. If you go into a s(itua)tion admitting defeat, of course you lose.

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SPIRITUAL DIAGNOSIS

People reveal themselves and their problems by:

1. SILENCE. A sudden silence indicates that you have touched some real problem.
2. TALKATIVENESS. Sometimes they filibuster so that you know they would not talk so much unless there was something they didn't want to say.
3. NERVOUSNESS. That goes back to some unsundered, unshared thing in their lives. Nervousness generally comes from an inner conflict. Watch the hands. You will be able to see that this person is hopelessly divided inside; a divided personality.
4. CRITICISM. In order not only to answer criticism, but to meet the needs of others we must acquire the knowledge, first, that what the Groups teach is Biblical: second, of what psychology teaches. It is sometimes difficult to answer criticism, because it has to do not only with our own mistakes, but with things beyond our control Dr. Grenstead says this is due to the principle of "projection".

Much criticism is second-hand gossip. The way to meet it is to say, "Come and see."

Criticism of SHARING: Some people say that sharing is dangerous. A prominent psychologist says, "Anything that has to do with human life is dangerous, but danger of not sharing is much more serious than sharing." Repression, not being willing to get things out in the open, is the greater danger. You know that when a person criticizes sharing there is something he doesn't want to share.

When people persistently criticize, ask them, "What's wrong with you?" years of clinical experience are back of this principle.

It is important not to be worried by criticism, but laugh at it and treat it lightly.

Sometimes psychopathic people with only a casual connection with the group make mistakes for which the Group is blamed. The Group is in touch with leading psychiatrists and is working with this all the time. It may be necessary to turn a person of this type over to some one more experienced in dealing with such problems. We must not be concerned or upset when we meet a rumor of this kind. A group like this has enemies. We have often thanked God for some of the enemies which the group has. Remember what was said about the early Christians – "They were universally hated for their abominable practices and their hatred of the human race" – just the opposite of the truth. Don't get a martyr's complex, but rejoice.

You can count on people who stay with you in a movement like this, because they stay with you for God's sake, and not for popularity's sakes.

THE FIVE C'S

1. Confidence.

We need to make friends with people first. Get a person to talk about his interests. Revere what other people revere; don't stifle the truth they have, but lead them on from that. (Example: the atheist who finally said he believed in helping people; - and excellent beginning point.) Make points of contact through reading. Paul was all things to all men. Jesus was popular with the common people, with outright sinners, and with intellectual leaders like Nicodemus. Learn to feel at home with all sorts of people. Learn to intrigue people with stories of individual lives that have been changed. Tell a business man how a business man has been changed, and how he finds it working in his business.

2. Confession.

Don't be shocked at any confession. It is hypocritical for you yourself have at least thought of doing something similar. A man may share many problems, but not his deepest one. You must share deeply with him, UNDER GUIDANCE; you may be guided to share your deepest sin, and this will clear the way for him to share his. The time will come when he will begin to tell you things about himself that he doesn't tell to others.

Why are people so afraid to face their deepest problems? Because they think there is no answer. When they learn there is one, they will believe it can work out for them, and then they will be really honest about themselves. When we fail to share, people think their sin is unique, but sharing lifts a tremendous load.

It is absolutely necessary to face people with the moral test. Fundamentally, sin is independence toward God, living without God. Seeing one's self as God sees one, brings hatred out of sin.

3. Conviction.

Try to bring a person to a decision to "surrender as much of himself as he knows to as much of God as he knows." Stay with him until he makes a decision and says it aloud.

4. Conversion.

This is the turning to God, the decision, the surrender.

5. Continuance.

Stay with the newly surrendered person until he grows up and becomes a life-changer. Laugh him out of his growing pains. When he becomes a life-changer, we need not fear for him, because other people's needs will drive him back on God.

HOW TO INTERVIEW

Jesus' talk with the Samaritan woman at the well, (John 4).

Jesus was exhausted, but the woman's need challenged him. We may be suddenly confronted with someone's need when we are tired.

"Give me to drink." The natural approach. Jesus guided the conversation naturally where He wanted it. After He had aroused her curiosity, she asks, "Where do you get this living water?"

Don't be too serious with people; intrigue them, play with them if they want to play; learn how to talk about things they are interested in – fishes to fisherman, water to the woman drawing water.

"Will become a spring of water" – a positive statement. We must be positive about what we know from our own experience works.

"How can I get it?" – the crux of the interview.

"Go call your husband" – Jesus goes straight to her sin.

WINNING OTHERS

In the early stages, win confidence. Think of meeting the other person's real needs. If you have a sense that something in him is not shared, it will block progress in meeting his real needs. It is like building a house and leaving huge boulders under it; you can't build a spiritual life for another without clearing the foundations. Many people go into tirades about sin in the national life but refuse to deal with it in their own life. Challenges them as to how much they really care about sick situations.

The challenge to the churches is their ability to change lives.

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- GUIDANCE. (a) What are the conditions of receiving God's guidance?
(b) How does it come?
(c) How can we proceed?

Guidance is the principle of the Bible, its very structure. "God spoke" to Moses, to the prophets, to the Apostles. Paul was constantly guided by the Holy Spirit. Jesus was in constant touch with the Father. The Acts of the Apostles is called the Book of the Holy Spirit. The Bible is **GUIDANCE WRITTEN DOWN.**

Modern theologians rule these things out of the Bible, because they don't realize that they still happen, (Ps. 73 and 139). These things are in the background of the human race. The constitution was written under Guidance. Hymn writers throughout the ages have realized guidance. The Holy Spirit is the teacher "He will guide you into all the truth."

- (a) What are the conditions of receiving God's guidance?

We must be in such relationship with God that He can guide us; He will not force Himself on us. The Son of God are those who are guided by the Spirit of God. If we are wholly surrendered we can absolutely count on guidance. Constant renewal of consecration is necessary. Surrender is not an attitude attained; it is an attitude maintained. The major condition is being absolutely willing and looking for God's direction in all things. We cannot receive guidance if we hold back an area, a habit, a plan. We must be alert to His direction in Everything; little things, as well as big ones such as career and marriage.

- (b) How does guidance come?

Granted we are living so we can receive guidance, it comes to us in all the ways of human understanding. It could come in no other way. If God spoke in any other way we wouldn't understand it at all. Don't expect guidance in abnormal ways. Guidance is normal.

Specifically, guidance comes through intelligent knowledge of the Bible, through CONSCIENCE, through CIRCUMSTANCE. But some of us must surrender our conscience, because we are over conscientious; we always feel we must do the difficult or uncomfortable thing. God speaks through circumstance, but He may guide us to overcome circumstance. Guidance comes through reason, and through common sense. Guidance is not a substitute for what you should do yourself. GUIDANCE IS THINKING PLUS GOD.

God will guide us in many ways: through church; through Fellowship. The clearest guidance comes through a group, although we are not always willing to have another help us decide.

Guidance comes through direct intuitive thought. Just as we learn sometimes know what a close friend is thinking, so we can really learn to think Christ's thoughts. Normal thoughts. The important thing is that they come with a sense of urgency enough for action. Guidance is not all black and white. But the more you give out to others, the more you will seek it.

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(c) How can we proceed on guidance?

A. Get the Facts.

B. EXPECT to be guided. The there are no barriers between you and God, you do expect guidance, and you act on the highest thought you have. God covers our mistakes in a marvelous way.

We must not feel that there must be an overwhelming emotion. The basis of guidance is faith, not feeling, not analysis. Act on the simple thoughts, and more will come. So long as you keep on moving on the guidance you do get, you will get more. (Example of natives in a forest walking with lights on their feet: as long as they move forward, the lights shine on ahead; when they stop the light stops.)

C. Test your thoughts. It is possible to receive suggestions from your subconscious mind. Check your thoughts by the four standards of Christ; and by other guided persons. Each will have a part of the truth and thus make up the whole. Move forward as a phalanx.

Act on the highest conviction that you have. It is well that we do not know what will happen a year ahead. Christ told His disciples He had many things to tell them- "But you cannot hear it now."

Our course is guided by lighthouses. You may think you have been sent to a place for one reason, but when you are there you may find it is for another reason.

D. Trust God fully for results. Walk by faith, not by sight. The Cross looked like a failure. Your guidance may look like failure, and you may never know its consequences.

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1. Where am I on the defensive about myself?
2. Is love for Christ the dominate motive and drawing force and where is it not so?
3. What are the symptoms of let down or compromise in myself?
4. What raises conflict within me?
5. Are quiet times increasingly real?
6. Am I leading people to decisions that are specific?
7. Is there some relationship I am content to leave where it is?
8. Am I giving the right nurture to those changed?
9. Do I have real liberty in all my relationships?
10. Do I know how to play?
11. Do I have guided initiative?
12. Is my theology first hand?
13. How much better do I know my Bible this year than last?
14. Is my reading guided?
15. Do I know the facts about the world today?
16. Is my correspondence guided?
17. Where do I need help?

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We can in measure understand this from our own feelings today. Though I myself do not have the memory of having told a lie, I think myself innocent, yet when anyone else commits robbery—especially where such a responsible personage as a cabinet minister commits a crime, and that I must ask forgiveness of God for it. The Jesus who thought like that was truly the King of Truth.

The kingship of Truth becomes God-consciousness. One bears the fault of others on his own shoulders and asks forgiveness of God for them, as if they were his own. Jesus thought that unless he did that he would not qualify as a king.

Jesus was not merely an ordinary king. He was a king who, being a man, had God-consciousness, and being God, had human consciousness. A king cannot resign. A king has absolute responsibility. In this sense, Christ is King of the human race. He must undertake the responsibility for this task. Students and learned men who have never undertaken to bear the consequences of the failures of others find it impossible to grasp this. Such academic recluses, while continually talking in a censorious way about the faults of others, have not the slightest intention of undertaking to bear the consequences of those faults on their own shoulders.

This, then, was the secret of Jesus Christ. And this we can into our daily lives. And advancing one more step, taking the “Filling up of the measure of what is lacking in the suffering of Christ” as our responsibility, we must make the world’s sorrows our own. That is Christianity. The moment we ourselves are saved, we must set ourselves to saving others. The way Christ became the Atoning Lamb was by his hanging on the Cross and dying there. And Christianity means to save others. That is the way of the Cross, and the true was of Christ.

To love men to the uttermost—that is what Christ does. To that end, sin must be redeemed. Simply to be inactive and not to commit sin one’s self is not enough. Next door to a slum, and in it there are prostitutes and unemployed, living in the crowded housing of slum conditions. To turn blind eyes and deaf ears toward these—this is sin! Christ was fully conscious of such conditions, he thought as God does about them, he suffered profoundly in his soul about them, and so was put on the Cross and died.

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WHAT SHOULD COME INTO A WITNESS.

Conciseness.

Talking in pictures.

Get to some apex – the one thing you want to get across.

Humour- A light touch should come in.

Concrete instances rather than vague statements.

Paint pictures of the new life more forcibly than the old.

Relate your witness to one person in the crowd.

Learn to chisel your witness to different people.

Learn to hang it on any hook, and make it illustrate principle.

Ten suggestions for personal work.

1. Get a point of contact.
2. Diagnose the person's real difficulty.
3. Make the moral test.
4. Avoid argument.
5. Aim to conduct the interview yourself.
6. Adapt the truth to the hearer's need.
7. Bring the person face to face with Christ.
8. Show the way out of the special difficulty.
9. Bring the person finally to the point of decision and action.
10. Start the person on the new life with simple, concrete and definite suggestions, regarding Bible study, prayer, overcoming temptation and service for others.

Watch your thoughts.

Your thoughts can come from three sources.

1. Subconscious
2. The devil
3. God

Your job to be a good signal man and know the difference between red and green lights.

God's thoughts are-

1. Not in conflict with the bible.
2. Will stand the test of all four standards.
3. The test of circumstances.
4. The test of other guided people.
5. The test of action

If you have foolish thoughts, it is because you are foolish. God is never capricious. Persevere till God's thought becomes your thought.

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QUESTION OF THINKING

How can we do the maximum job that God will have us do? What the group stands for. What our message is. What our emphasis is. Our personal message. Team work. Loyalty to team. Loyalty to highest challenge in ourselves. Team leadership. Willingness to lead a team. Responsibility of a house party. Are we willing to deal drastically with our own lives, as well as with others? Some of us are afraid of losing the friendship of someone, instead of being unselfish and seeing just what Christ might do for them. How to avoid flunking. One reason-not having a pioneer spirit. Desire to shelter behind someone else.

Funk Holes.

Wanting to do things when other people are doing them. Wanting to do things in a team but not willing to do so at home. Being polite with bridge friends. Saying hard things to cover a difficulty. Not being honest- "I couldn't bear to hurt their feelings." I want them to have a good opinion of me. If I am going to be honest I have got to be willing to let that go. Unwillingness to use the word Christ. Talking about a house party without saying anything about your own personal defeats and how you faced up to Jesus Christ. Using the word "Group" instead of "Christ." Helping people instead of changing them, and sheltering behind the word "help". It is not enough. Have you changed the direction of a person's life?

The way to answer criticism.

The way to answer criticism is by an attitude of unflinching love for people.

This is nice for young people-tell them the story of some very elderly, over 80 years of age who has come into real power. "You are pretty far from the grave yourself." It was very nice for Samuel, but the message was for Eli. "I have been doing this for over forty years." What will we say? Where are they- your team- those people you have changed? Eric's challenge- "Fine here is a fellow that needs changing, sit right down." What about the matter of language? How do social problems arise? Answer- British Weekly. Answer- By dealing with sin in individual lives, because that is where they arise. If you met anyone with national prejudice- there are not points of view at the foot of the Cross. They say this work started in the United States- to say the Holy Spirit can only function in America is certainly limiting the Holy Spirit.

Why the Oxford Groups? When seven men went out from Oxford- about six Oxford men and one from Holland- went to South Africa to share the new victory of Christ, as a result of the work the South African Press called them the Oxford Group. Oxford should be proud that so many of her sons are on the family teams and not get defensive about it.

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1. Lack or surrender.
2. Preconceived ideas of what God will or will not have us do. There is a real difference sometimes between God's work and God's will. We may think we are doing his work, but are unwilling to do his will in all things.
3. Unwillingness to follow Guidance that has been received. No matter how hard the guided things seem to be, Obey. Obedience is one of the key words of the Christian Life. Refusal to obey blocks the channel, and prevents further word from God.
4. Inadequate Quiet Time. It takes time to charge a storage battery. "Wait patiently for him."
5. Inadequate sharing. We have not fully shared with some one else. Egoism or pride is one of the greatest of our enemies. Sharing with another under guidance roots it out.

8. LET ALL YOU READING BE GUIDED. What does God want me to read? A newly surrendered person is like a convalescent after an operation. He needs a carefully balanced diet of nourishing and easily assimilated food. Reading is an essential part of the Christian's diet. It is important that he read that which can be assimilated and will be nourishing. If you do not know what books to read see some one who is surrendered and who is mature in the Groups. Biographies or stories of changed lives are very helpful for the young Christian. "Life Changers" by Begbie; "Children of the Second Birth" Shoemaker; "New Lives for Old", Reynolds; "For Sinners only," Russell; "Twice Born Men," by Begbie; a story of the Salvation Army in London Slums; "Twice Born Ministers," Shoemaker; and others

Books like, "He that Cometh" Allen; "Conversions of The Church" Shoemaker, all of E. Stanley Jones' books are very good. Some have found Fosdick's little books, "The Meaning of Prayer, and "The Manhood of the Master" helpful. One should by all means read at least one book on the life of Christ a year for a while. More would be better. "The Life of Christ", Stalker; "Jesus of Nazareth," Barton; "The Jesus of History," Glover; "The Man Christ Jesus", Speer, all are good. See your ministers for others if you desire. But get those biographies of the Master which bring out his humanity. And Understanding of the Cross and its meaning for life is absolutely essential. The best popular interpretation I know is, "If I be Lifted Up", Shoemaker. It is a group of Lenten sermons. Christ ought to be as real to us as our nearest and best friend.

Of course the Bible ought to be the main Source Book of all. No day ought to pass without reading in it. Read until some passage comes that "hits" you. Then pause and meditate over its meaning for your life. Begin reading the Bible with the Book of the Acts and follow up with the Gospels and then the Epistle of Paul. Let "Revelation" alone for a while. The Psalms ought to also be read and the Prophets.

9. LET FRIENDSHIPS AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHERS BE GUIDED. Quite often one cannot break with old associations entirely. In most cases it is not even desirable. God may want to use us as the means of changing those lives. When occasions arise which lead one into temptation evasion is not the right way to meet them. Rather have a "Quiet Time" if possible before meeting them and go with a prayer in your heart. Lean on God and not on yourself. Do not go back on your new experience. Be unafraid to challenge others by what you are. The world really wants what you have found.

10. UNITE WITH A FELLOWSHIP OF KINDRED SOULS. Group fellowship is most strengthening and supporting. You want to unite with those whose sole aim is to do the will of God and to be used of Him to change lives. If this fellowship is valued highly by those who have gone far, how much more you need it.

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WHAT DOES A REAL 100% SURRENDER MEAN?

1. Will
2. Thought life – day dreaming, thought habits and negative thinking. Claim a positive, creative quality of thought, putting self out of the picture and beginning to see step by step how to build up other people, really thinking through other individuals. All your army of evil thoughts must come into the grand army, out into the open, in order to acknowledge what God has to forgive in you.
3. Imagination is a sin when we use it secretly to build day dreams about things of which we are ashamed. God can use our imagination to give us visions.
4. Sub-conscious mind.
5. Time – all time this means 24 hour obedience.
6. Possessive, - things, home, money, security, friends, and environment.
7. Possessive relationships – husband, wife, children, and friends.
8. Emotion – anger, irritability, envy, jealousy, hurt feelings, self pity, sentimentality, which is enjoyment without responsibility wasting emotions – all desires that indulge the emotions. No future indulgence in an orgy of bad temper that makes you feel much better. No screwing up my resolutions and screwing down my pride. Hand over the whole thing to God and let him deal with it.
9. Pride- Of race, class consciousness, color consciousness, of place – being a first class snob, of grace – spiritual superiority, of culture, superficial attitude to life, creature comforts, taste, efficiency of achievement – I would rather do the job well myself than teach them how to become more efficient. More to the point, “I should be a success,” the finishing fever. A busy, buzzy Martha Dom. Pride of independence – indispensability complex; of opinions, of ignorance – too lazy to be well informed; of prejudice of inferiority, of conservatism of untidiness – too proud to dress well.
10. Fears – Of inefficiency , incompetence, failing powers of application and success, about our body and its functions. Our minds the way they work and the way they refuse to work, of infection , of serious illness, of a helpless and hopeless old age, of the loss of your husband’s love, interpreting and misinterpreting his every movement, dreading every slight variation from the habitual routine of domestic life as a possible bringer of ill, afraid of what your children may do or be, or say, surrounding your whole family with an attitude of discomfort and nagging distrust of facing death, and of your secret self, of discouragement and public speaking.
11. Self indulgence. Pet hobbies. Love of comfort. Self will. Difficult to co-operate with, taking my own way quietly. Self respect, self esteem, self justification, self righteousness – being unwilling to share, self centeredness, self projection, self display, love of popularity, jealousy of people doing a better job, dirty looks and brittle voices.
12. Laziness – mental lethargy.
13. Tongue – Times I am dishonest by speaking, by silence
14. Plans and all my rights.
15. Memory – all my past the only use of my past is to let God get a future out of it. Memory of past defeats. Can be a cause for present failures.

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The cost of surrender entails:

Discipline-

1. Liberty and leisure.
2. Thinking in terms of the Eternal.
3. Thinking positively in terms of relating this life to every area of our lives and the lives of those God brings us in touch with.
4. Willingness to maintain an antiseptic attitude with regard to personal situations while in the process of redemption.
5. To be willing to face up that I alone am responsible for my attitudes. Claim from God humility, patience, courage, faith and love. These are gifts. We cannot qualify for them.

Barriers to a full surrender.

1. Is there anything I won't give up?
2. Is there any apology I won't make?
3. Is there any defeat in my whole life, I refuse to count as sin?
4. Any person I don't like to meet?
5. Any restitution I won't make?
6. Is there any guidance I have had but refused to follow?
7. Is there anything I won't share? Let my surrender be wholesale.
8. Narrow vision, rigidity, staleness in you relationship with Christ.
9. Telling a lie.
10. If you are sore in yourself, do you work it off on somebody else?
11. Intellectual doubts arise out of an attitude of mind.
12. You can't ask forgiveness from someone you don't believe in
13. Ideas about self – holding on to my own judgment of things, people, common sense and reason.
14. "You can't use a fine needle to do rough darning." – Are you willing to take the amount of trouble to win others that Christ has taken to win you?
15. Each confession a fresh humiliation breaks down another barrier. You can get to the place where you have nothing left to defend that is release. You can go naked to God.

Quiet Time:

Let your waking thought be surrender, a 100% daily surrender. We do not go into the quiet time to get guidance but to realize a presence and the mighty love of God. God has a plan and He will speak if I am still enough to listen.

What thoughts do I expect? Am I ready to write them down and willing? It is not making my mind a blank but trusting God to use my mind, my thought life and my imagination.

1. First of all come comfortable thoughts of wrong relationships with family, friends, and people I work with.
2. Resentments to be faced and set right.
3. Restitution to be made, bills, letters, untidy desks, or house to be set straight.

Be willing to ask God where I am failing and to admit sin.

1. Am I nicer to live with?
2. Better to work with?
3. More efficient with my job?

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Christ's basic principle, which he expressed in saying that we must love even the very least of them, did not arise from his teaching, neither did it come from his practice. It grew out of the fact that he had entered into the consciousness of God. The consciousness of atonement, that is, the conscious sharing of the atoning purposes of God. Whoever would bear responsibility for others must have sympathies broad enough to include the failures, the human derelicts. He has not entered into the consciousness of God who looks at some mean fellow whom society counts worthless, and says, "Oh, that fellow he's hopeless; he's just a good-for-nothing!" the nearer to God we come, the more conscious we grow of our responsibility towards those worthless folk who are regarded as the very dirt under one's feet. If we ask why, it was that Christ always chose the worthless folk, it was because he possessed a one hundred percent consciousness of God; he shared to perfection in his own consciousness the redemptive purpose of God.

The communists tell us that all that is needed to set the world right is to destroy the bourgeoisie, because they have taken possession of a large percentage of the wealth of society. A capitalist who possesses property is guilty of a crime and the communists intend therefore to kill him. In this communists do not distinguish between men and property, though even in the eyes of the law there are differentiated. This disregard of the sacredness of human love hinges on lack of consciousness of atonement; they do not share the consciousness of God. Although they have grasped the communistic principles of the Soviet intellectually, yet in their practice they are still "American" (and capitalistic), as one of their own leaders has said. But the three - - - teaching, practice, and consciousness - - - must work side by side, as they did in Christ, and we must strive for a unity of these three aspects on our work.

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Even the Christian church of today misunderstands Christ here. The purpose of our having mystical experience is not that we may achieve our own personal satisfaction, but that we may succor the poor, help those who are in trouble, and educate the masses. If this were not Christ's teaching, we could not challenge the terrific power of this capitalistic civilization. If we are to allow this world to perish, we are not involved in any difficulties; but God loved this world enough to send his only Son. We are not to separate ourselves from the world; that is Buddhist teaching. We must keep on fighting until the very last slave, the last prostitute is saved.

In the seventh century the Christian church allowed idolatry to enter the church, and because of this mistake she was unable to withstand the onslaughts of Mohammedanism which began to invade the world. Because the church had permitted image worship to creep in, she had to bow before this low-grade, loveless religion, which is full of error. But Mohammedanism has no social consciousness, whereas the Old Testament makes the Hebrew race its center, and is full of love and service. The tragedy still remains that there are two hundred souls in this world today held captive by this religion whose foundation principle is conflict, simply because the Christian church was asleep.

Again in the nineteenth century, because this church had allowed itself to be absorbed in argument and theory, the masses threw it all aside, and turned eagerly to communism. If we had had the love of St. Francis, they would never have turned to communism in this way, but sad to say, Christianity became dogma and ceased to be ethics. Therefore communism sprang up, which is identical with Mohammedanism in its being based on violence. Mohammedanism is still strong in China, where its followers band together and live a strongly communistic life. The Marxists, again, have a materialistic dialectic which is similar to that taught in the Koran. The Christian church does not take note of this fact, and she does not change her ways and actually practice Christian love, and thus meet the needs of the proletarian masses, a wave of Marxism will sweep over the world, which will capture hundreds of millions of people, and Christianity will have to submit to oppression for hundreds of years.

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It may be that from the stand point of criminology, criminals are physiologically different from other men, and cannot become better men. But from Christ's standpoint, they can be saved. The reason that prayer-meetings have grown musty is because we have ceased to believe in the power of God which can save. We do not sincerely believe in prayer. We only pray for those things which we are obliged to pray for. We do not ask the Lord to save the one hundred and sixty thousand criminals who crowd the prisons; we do not ask God for the two million seven hundred thousand delinquent boys and girls that the problem of delinquency may be wiped out. We temporize by praying for trial things, regarding which it makes little difference whether we pray or not. Christ must enter more deeply into our experience, and we must pray with deep conviction. Is it not written that prayer is inevitably answered? Christ went through with his death upon the Cross courageously because he believed that salvation could be made complete. He was convinced of the moral efficacy of salvation. We must pray with faith, though others may think us superstitious.

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TALK ON LEADERSHIP BY JOHN WATT.

1. Training leadership.
2. Obstacles that prevented me.
3. The ideal leader

What we need leadership for – 10,000,000 men died to pave the way for democracy, and democracy has been going to the devil ever since. A need for loyalty to the response for leadership.

Three Motives for leadership:

1. Life changing.
2. Leadership and stewardship and
3. loyalty

Results:

1. Much better home.
2. Transformed church.
3. Transfigured home.

Pray for the raising up of leadership:

Leadership is

1. Always in the Old Testament, Endowed by God.
 - (a) With strength (Samson and Elijah)
 - (b) With wisdom and insight all Peter The prophets were men who spoke from God when moved by the Holy Spirit.
 - (c) The artistic capacity Ex. 35-30 & 34. Ateliah & Bezaleel Isaiah.
2. In the New Testament such divinely endowed folk are regarded as
 - (a) Taken out of captivity to sin
 - (b) Brought into captivity to Christ
 - (c) Given as a gift to men by the ascended Christ Eph. 4-8-11.

Obstacles to Leadership.

Self – Consciousness.

Pride – I like authority but not responsibility. The attitude that the art of life is one of judicious delegation.

Sloth – Sheer laziness and lassitude. Unwillingness to take personal trouble. Failure to judge character.

Superficiality leads to nowhere in the art of creative living.

Live imaginatively for people. Tastes and points of view unimportant. Love the thing that God commands.

Mental laziness.

Incomplete surrender. Every situation contains the possibility of disaster for me.

God the universal provider. The ally, the tame confederate.

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LEADERSHIP

Christ, the ideal leader.

1. Utter dependence on God. There can be no leader who is not himself controlled. If you sidestep the criticism of man, you sidestep the discipline of God.
2. Humility – Our Lord's supreme humility. He emptied himself. He had not a self that could come back at you with pride. He humbled himself, He was obedient unto death. An utter obedience which leaves the results in God's hands.

Discipline is the art of being a guided disciple.

Courageous and Self-sacrificing love:

- (a) Protective.
- (b) Corrective – “Get thee behind me Satan, for ye know now what manner of spirit, etc.”
- (c) Courageous – “Go tell that fox, etc.”

Eleanor Ford:

1. Spiritual poise – You must be antiseptic.
2. Ultimate responsibility.
3. Basis of victory as against the basis of surrender.

Looks don't count or age. It is an altitude of life. God can give you sheer release from self and freedom of the Holy Spirit.

Discipline of touch and voice and eye:

A weak streak of amiability in me is a cause for defeat. It means stewardship of talent and stewardship of contacts, that I must think twice as hard, twice as fast and ten times as accurately. The place where I am weakest God can make me strongest.

The strength of a man's decision is his willingness to be held to it. Stretched as God wants to be stretched – consistent living, discipline, not letting down, not retiring age, a life spent in action. The proportion – thinking and living for other people.

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2.

Have you a Christ that can rid you of your sins and send you on your way rejoicing.

No one can do for me what Jesus Christ has done for me. The Holy Spirit will give you the language. Yes, I am getting out of this what you are trying to get out of a cocktail glass, without having a headache the next day.

Behind every general need is a particular moral need, so that a general surrender will focus into one point.

What do you do when you pray?

O Lord manage me, for I cannot manage myself. That we are so in touch with the Holy Spirit that he can give us at that moment a message that is accurate and adequate. That is the release you want with people.

Your prayers should always be different and straight to the point.

We believe in television.

Are you prepared to graduate in prayer? "I will lead you and guided you in all truth, and bring all things to your remembrance." You will do three hours work in two hours if you live under guidance. Is your family worshipping on that basis? Have you a wireless out on which the whole family can tune in? "A spiritual aerial for every working home in England and the world." (Frank's message.)

Restitution.

In the matter of restitution, international retraction should be made by a positive, public statement equal in scope to the amount of damage done.

Relating personal experience

Aim to be storm centers for this now life. God calling out men and women to full responsibility. Where do the two gear in, that is, the personal to the community life? The answer is – groups with certain underlying principles.

Fellowship of love must exceed fellowship of hate and be just as demanding.

A soldier does not fight alone or en masses but through united team work. Moral: Nobody must let down. Nobody moves without checking.

Requirements for successful team work

No lone wolfing.

No room for an individual in a group.

Loyalty – You can't have an abstract loyalty. The testing and burning fire (at me ?) in the immediate group you are with.

No self-justification at another's expense.

Avoid being negative. Be positive.

No criticism. No slumping with tongue.

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Checking

Check plans. Staff headquarters – a place where all information comes in. It is impossible to launch a world revolution without headquarters.

Character of group.

Is a group meeting the same thing as a prayer meeting? What is the difference? Sharing, the individual morale. Up-to-date witness essential.

What should be the character of any group big or small?

1. Distinctive
2. Selective

If it isn't scrap it. Town ruined – inoculated with a mild form of the wrong kind of religion.

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3. Right kind of group:

1. Essential that people leading the group should get fresh vision, new articulation, straight from the Holy Spirit all the time.
2. That the axis of this group is the changed life. That the witness is related to the people there, i.e. – story of a doctor, a hospital, his city, the world.
3. This distinctive group must have team work through several people to get a united picture. This involves everyone in team sharing their guidance so that the complete picture is given by the Holy Spirit. Man runs the committee. God runs the group. God gives the blue print.
4. Distinctive and selective groups will have vital interviews afterwards. Therefore, see that your witness is intelligently correlated to the people present, and think through your team to have the right people there to witness.
5. Leader must know how to handle people and how to tactfully switch them off from their life history to the need of the moment.
6. The witness of newly changed lives. (Fresh fish for breakfast). Coach the people who have just made decisions. Draw the mouth on the real salient facts which will strike other people.

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SURRENDER

Release – surrender-conversion. William James defines it as “that process, gradual or sudden, by which a self divided, inferior, unhappy, and consciously wrong, becomes united, superior, happy, and consciously right.”

We usually have both sudden and gradual elements in our surrender.

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NOTES FROM THE OXFORD ENGLAND HOUSE PARTY

What makes us ineffective?

1. Trying to keep up appearances.
2. Pride in station of life.
3. Self pity – the most unnerving atmosphere in which one can live
4. Memory of unshared sins: undone restitutions: possessions: unfulfilled guidance: self consciousness: unwillingness to surrender something: unwillingness to check plans with someone else: resentments: sentimental relationships: undue solicitude to find God's will.

1. Learn to share deeply with other team members.
2. Everyday – up to date sharing.
3. Speak if guided, whether you want to or not.
4. Guided rest.
5. Not let indulgence come through imagination.
6. We must be all for Christ while dealing with people.
7. Willingness to say NO when necessary.
8. Always positive.
9. Cutting out all affinities.
10. Surrender to any division of the team in working.
11. Be God guided with whom to spend a vacation.
12. Keep up quality of life when tired.
13. Willing to share guidance with team tho' different from anyone else.
14. Put the team first.
15. To spend money only under guidance.
16. Cut out all moods, be willing to be playful, and make a fool of yourself before people.
17. Keep up with news and current affairs.
18. Pray during meetings, the only answer to wandering thoughts.
19. Discipline of the tongue:
 - No negative remarks.
 - No letting down with idle talk.
 - Every word from the platform guided
20. No looking back, regretting or wishing.
21. Be tidy at all times.

Better to die with Christ, if the world use us so, than to live with those who killed Him.

A cynic is a man who knows the price of everything and the value of nothing.

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Paderewski: If I go one day without practicing the piano I notice it in my playing: if I go two days my friends notice it: if I go three days the audience notice it.

(This is offered in requisite time)

Rev. Price: Creature comfort is a pagan idea taken into Christianity, (latent and poised?) to a religion by the cults.

SHARING

Why do we share?

1. Do we share to wreck our spite?
2. Do you share to satisfy a dislike?
3. Do you do it to hope they will see why you dislike them, or to restore fellowship?
4. Do you share to show others their faults?
5. To wrench out a confession?

Positive reasons why we should share.

1. As we live a spiritual life, sharing becomes natural.
2. There is no adequate presentation of Christ without sharing our own sins.
3. We share because common honesty demands it.
4. Maximum usefulness demands it. Begin with known, and go on with the unknown.
5. It's the answer to loneliness. As we take down walls, we begin to give ourselves to others.
6. Because it's the basis of spiritual teamwork.
The only answer to jealousy is to own up to it. Keep free of mental reservation and you begin to trust each other and become a spiritual powerhouse for the community.

Kinds of Sharing.

1. Sharing for cure.
2. Sharing for release (confession)
3. Sharing for action.
4. Sharing for witness.
5. Sharing to build up fellowship in a team.
6. As restitution and a basis of honest living.

Principles of Sharing.

1. All sharing must be under guidance.
2. You do not tell everybody everything every time but you are ready to tell anybody anything at any time under guidance.
3. There is nothing in our lives that we are not willing to share. It is a quality of willingness.
4. Never betray a confidence!
5. Never share anybody else's sin!

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6. Never involve another against his wishes!
7. No detailed confessions in public!
8. The extent of sharing in public should be co-extensive with the wrong done. If you have wronged a community, you must share in a community.
9. It is not enough to share the truth, but share truth in love. Eph. 4:5
10. Share specifically, uncomfortably so.
11. Sharing in love with out truth) sentimentality
Sharing truth without love) brutality

SHARING CONT'D

13. We can make sharing with God alone a loophole, it may be too general. It is more definite with a person.
14. Sharing is a matter of being free from our own problems in order to be used by God.
15. Share your life completely with one person at a time, so that there is nothing that you have not shared with someone at some time.

Dangers of sharing:

1. Is it uncomfortable?
2. Is it dangerous to me, or my reputation, or to Christ?
3. The world is full of witness as to the dangers of not sharing, i.e., psychiatrists, ill health, nervous breakdowns, hospitals, bad theology, unbelief, spiritual, impotency, divorce, asylums, broken homes, and lonely lives. The only danger really is when people live a half-truth and begin to compromise.

Sharing in relationships to the Gospel.

1. Math. 3:6 Sins Confessed
2. Mark 1:5 “ “
3. Math 4:1-11 – Christ shares his temptations
4. James 5:16 Share “My life”. Not confess ye one another’s sins.
5. Acts 26 Paul’s defense before Agrippa.
6. 2nd Cor. 5:21 the inevitable sequence. Are we willing to become sinners in the eyes of our Friends that they may become righteous, putting the atonement into practice in life. “ Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.” so that your friends may see how to live.

Sharing.

1. It is essential to build my message in terms of sharing.
2. All sharing must be redemptive.
3. Being honest to God, self and other people.
4. “The quiet, unemotional life the group leads is the most healthy thing I know.” (Grenstead)
5. What is the atmosphere of a Christian community.
6. When we share we share Christ’s victory, not our own helpless defeat.
7. Sharing is a trust fund from God.
8. I share that particular part of my treasury that God tells to me.
9. We share to prove that no one’s problem is unique.
10. Sharing is an emphasis of a quality of life.
11. It is being honest even after it hurts.
12. It is giving your real self to another person.
13. How unnatural it is not to live a sharing life.
14. I start by rebelling against sharing, so talk it over with one other person.
15. Sins appear different under four eyes.
16. Sharing burns out the pride of self.
17. Sharing is not confined to Christian communities. You share whether (?).

SHARING CONT'D

The press shares divorce news, police news. The sins we repudiate as not our own Satan multiplies. I can see their sins and take no responsibility for them. (Reason for going to cinemas.)

Do we condemn, condone, or construct?

Aim at the press, conversion news, front-page news, and 4,000 people at Oxford paying ten shillings to get press news of the Ring.

Sharing in Team Work.

1. Sharing the only basis of Spiritual teamwork.
2. If we are to become compelling Christians today, we must sun and air all the petty things and mental reservations and let God's sunshine melt them.
3. Sharing builds fellowship.
4. Sharing builds a team.
5. A team reduces things to a common denominator.
6. It is a sin not to know each other's message.
7. When we are working together we must know each other's message.
8. Honest sharing issues in action.
9. We become a demonstration unit of the Kingdom of Heaven with a corporate message.
10. The only reason we don't share is because we do not see the possibility of victory.
11. Only as we are crucified with Christ we can share.
12. Crucifixion is open to the world so that anyone can see it was a public atonement.
13. Sharing is simple transparency. It is a sick world- the remedy rests on Christ himself, the healer of the world.

LITTLE SINS

1. Possessiveness-Holding on to what one has. A fear of not hating sin enough, self-justification, excusing one.
2. Moods and manners, giving way to feelings, temper, irritability, want of control.
3. Getting one's own back, evil for evil, self-opinionated.
4. Teaching others.
5. Forcing one's own opinion-unkind tongue, cutting answers, scandal, exaggeration, enlarging when speaking, looking down others.
6. Self-pity. Listen to others troubles, your own disappear.
7. Expecting consideration for problems. Live them down. Imagining slights not there.
8. Take suggestions-be prepared to learn.
9. Being selfish and seeming with friends.
10. Laziness in mornings and other times.
11. Branding certain races of people. (Eph 1:2:3)
12. Self-consciousness – conceit.
13. Being a bad loser – Rejoice when others win.
14. Being a bad second – all cannot be first.
15. Pretty dishonesties.
16. Borrowing and not returning.
17. Pilfering – ill will towards people. Try to understand them.
18. Asserting rights. Show kindness.
19. Liking people who like you and not liking people who don't appeal to you.
20. Variety.
21. Pride of race, face, place, and grace.
22. Christ can only remove them and replace with a new quality of life.
Read Romans 12
23. Lethargy- The devil's "No" to our getting up, making us unwilling to learn new things, unwilling to give our characters to God, unwillingness to be reborn.
24. Idolatry- Worshiping other things but God, other people, ourselves, such practices as we have found to work.
25. Judgment is a prerogative of God.
26. Phantasy – escaping the world in fantasy because we have missed the reality of life. Getting drunk on detective stories, cinemas, dances, art, music, or good works.
27. Timidities – Being shy, fear.
28. Self-pity – Wasting time over self when we ought to be taking full responsibility for the next trivial thing.
29. Self-congratulations. Pats on the back.
30. Self-dependence - Indispensability, self-importance, letting sin come between us and the work God intends us to do.
31. Drowsiness and slothfulness.
32. Lone wolfing – to live in isolation from other people is sin.

INTRODUCTION

The challenge of learning to live together as a group, a real fellowship, a team. Sin any of us is like dirt in the carburetor, fatal to the function of the whole.

We must learn to diagnose sin as a doctor does disease. The best way is to understand ourselves. Jesus went beyond a question to the reason for it; so must we learn to find sin behind so-called intellectual difficulties and excuses.

Paul speaks (Romans 3) of a wish toward good, but power to carry it out is lacking. A stronger power than his was needed. God provided the power through Christ, so that we could find a new kind of relationship with God. Christ gives the power, we appropriate it. It is not anything that we ourselves do; but it is the appropriation of a power that comes from God that saves us from sin and sets us free.

Think through your own experience, and write it, so that you can tell it if needed. What has Christ given you victory over?

A first decision is the beginning of the discovery that we can be set free from sin. We cannot take ourselves for granted. There are some definite barriers, which we must recognize. There is also growth, and each day we see more and more things that need to be surrendered. A small sense of sins means a small sense of Christ. The closer you get to Christ, the more sensitive you become to sin. The whiter the cloth, the more easily it is stained.

GOOD PEOPLE'S SINS

1. POSSESSIVENESS. Being possessive about our plans, unwilling to change them.
Being possessive about our family; wanting to make plans for them.
Our family life must be such a witness to the world that it needs no proclamation.
One of the necessities for leadership is that we be sensitive to what God's plan is not rigid in our own ideas and in interpreting what we think is God's plan, but looking continuously for what his real plan is, for ourselves, for our families, or for somebody else. The secret lies in always keeping one ear to the Holy Spirit.
2. IMPATIENCE. WITH people and circumstances.
3. INDISCIPLINE OF TONGUE. (James 3) Know how to listen. A negative remark may kill another's budding faith.
4. FEAR AND WORRY, are atheism. And we have not left that behind when we take up this way of life. To be willing to be a fool for Christ's (sake ?) is something different from being foolish.
Fear of poverty, illness, death, fear of people, fear of opinions.
5. INTOLERANCE. We must be free from intolerance toward classes, races, and points of view. If you feel you have to defend something, it is something in yourself. We don't have to defend a point of view. This way of living is not a point of view to be defended. It is a life to be (lived. ?)

GOOD PEOPLE'S SINS CONT'D

6. PRIDE OF INDEPENDENCE. A team of unified people working together. We have declared an open season on lone wolves. If any ember has been warmed, its best chance of staying warm is in being close to the other embers. Left by itself it dies. Our best work can be done in the group. God's will is the most clearly revealed in a group—a part to each making a complete picture.
7. PRIDE IN PLACE. The spirit of competition. The emphasis has to be on the work that God is doing. A sense of competition leads to self-pity and resentment. Resentment must go. One of the most challenging men on the team is always in the background until he is needed.
8. SLEF-INDULGENCE.
9. SEEKING AFFINITIES. Fellowship is not affinity. It is not based on the cliques or moods, but on a common experience of Christ. We cannot consider whether we do or do not like people. (Isaiah 6:1-9) Keep Divine Perspective in mind. Get a proper perspective of your own task. "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you." Complete abandonment of self to God. God has work he wants done, and our will can block it.

In a fellowship like this we got more and more of an idea of what sin in individuals who form the heard of the Group does, and how destructive and costly it is. If there is anything in us which blocks God's work, it matters to God. Sin isn't merely an inconvenience to us it is serious business.

Keep your marginal areas free from sin in your life. Marginal areas of discipline must be so clear that you don't come within a mile of temptation. What are your marginal areas? –tongue, imagination. Be watchful always.

John Wesley said, "Give me a hundred men who fear nothing but God and hate nothing but sin, and I will sweep the world."

STEWARDSHIP

It's no use trying to have religion in our lives and keeping it in one compartment. God must have ALL. Most of us go far enough to be miserable, but not far enough for fun, for complete release. We want guidance in some things, but not in others. But we must have no "keep off the grass" signs. That doesn't mean that we necessarily think continually of God, but that there are no areas that we are withholding from God.

We must practice stewardship over our Time, our Money and Possessions, and our Reputation.

Time

We plan the use of our time long ahead, block out large portions of it, and run it on the basis of our own direction. We leave God's direction out of the little things of life, and only use Him as an emergency aid—like the fire department—when we are in need.

But in this Fellowship we must be ready to change our plans at any time. A little thing may be important. It may make a difference whether we take a train or a bus. We can't block our time into office hours. It really has to be in God's hands, and we must be fluid about it, not rigid. Live life on a loose pulley; be limp in the hands of God. Be willing to follow a real sense of direction, be willing to change our plans when God asks us.

In connection with our stewardship of our time, remember Sherwood Day's "The Fellowship in Two phrases"—

"People are more important than things."

"God can guide."

Money and Possessions

Things may possess us. They possess us when we get possessions of them. Possessiveness cuts us off from people. Our homes should be places where people can feel at liberty to come for help and inspiration.

Some say that all wealth is evil, others say that material is the end of life. But putting Money in the middle of the picture is a compromise. We must put ALL THAT WE HAVE under God's direction—"Seek Ye first the Kingdom of God."

-He will show us how to handle these things.

STEWARDSHIP

Worry about money leads into all sorts of terrible mistakes, and into fear. This does not mean to be undisciplined about money. Money is sacred under God. Sometimes the control of our back account is the last thing we yield to God.

Some people share all of their wealth and there is the other extreme. Giving unguided may satisfy our charitable impulses, but it may do more harm than good. We let ourselves down when we put money in the collection plate and don't think about it at any other time. We let ourselves down when we think of terms of giving a tenth; the people of old time were told to give a tenth, but they knew that all their things belong to God. Give more wisely. Live more simply. Get rid of unnecessary things.

The group gives no directions about money. Do exactly as God guides.

We ought to know thoroughly the basis on which a movement like this operates. If we are living under God's direction and doing his will, the things we need to live on and by will be given. The Fellowship operates on the basis of FAITH AND PRAYER, the only answer to modern materialism. About 30 to 40 people in the Groups are being supported "on Faith"—that is, by gifts which come in spontaneously as need arises, from people who are helped by the Fellowship.

The Group team worked in South Africa for many weeks with out any worry about money, and its needs were met.

God's answer to materialism is a basis of Christian living that lifts above material things.

REPUTATION

Stop talking about the Group in the third person and begin using the first person. Meet the issue of identification with any group that presents the challenge of Christ to you. Nicodemus combined in himself legislative authority, social authority, educational authority; his approval would have helped Jesus, but Jesus wouldn't let him patronize Him; He put him on the same level with sinners, and Nicodemus didn't like that.

Gamaliel (ACTS 5) in a speech to the government body, says, "If this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to naught; but if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it." (If it is of God it can't die, and if it isn't of God you won't have to kill it.) Peter was the man they were talking about; he hadn't the education, background, etc., that Gamaliel had, but Peter was the man that began to change Jerusalem, and from that nucleus grew the Christian Church. There comes a point where the issue of identification becomes real. You will come to a point where you stop saying "those people" and begin to say "we!"

It is not possible to be loyal to Christ and disloyal to that who represent Christ to us. Stewardship of reputation comes in when we are willing to risk being unpopular with a certain group of person for the sake of standing for the issues that we see.

WHAT THE GROUP IS

An organized movement of life with in the churches, seeking to bring life to individuals. It is the church at work, the "red-hot" of the church. It is an organism, not an organization. We must be loyal to the any person or group that represents Christ to us. Christ constantly identified Himself with His disciples. If someone criticizes.

WHAT SURRENDER MEANS

Surrender is a complete handing over of our wills to God, a reckless abandon of ourselves, all that we have, all that we think, that we are, everything we hold dear, to God to do what he likes with, to maintain an attitude of willingness to accept in child-wants, and for those he brings us in touch with, and an absolute conviction that he has a place for the redemption of the world, that he is willing to show me how I individually have a part in it and where I fit in, on the condition that I become completely available to Him, empty of self a clean vessel for Him to pour through the dynamic power of the Holy Spirit.

God is willing to take my past spiritual experience and weld it in a new spiritual experience, God has spoken. The moment I hear and obey His voice and come to the place of complete surrender on every area of my life, is the moment of rebirth, reunion with Christ and a start on the great revival campaign. Rebirth, reunion, revival involves decision, discipline and dare.

The decision to give my life to Christ involves discipline to keep a quiet time as my first waking act, a willingness to write down the thoughts that come and obey them. God sounds a trumpet. His trumpet shall never sound defeat. Surrender involves the explosive experience of a Holy Ghost conversion, the explosive power of a new affection.

Surrender is a simple act of will. What do we surrender? Our life? When? At a certain definite moment. How? Oh God, manage me because I cannot manage myself.

God can make me willing in the day of His power. Joy comes in being committed right to the very end. Attempt great things of God, and see the daily victories of the living God. This involves and enterprises discipleship under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, running up our colors, and helping others to run up theirs.

It is because we have ignored sin in our presentation of the Gospel that the message of the Gospel has lost its sting and blasting power. Our first need is an emetic, not narcotic. This emetic is facing the barrier, that is, our specific sins which are keeping us from Christ and from this complete and utter giving of ourselves to Christ.

The real test of a surrendered life is that we are nice to live with. Surrender takes away shams and gives us real life. Complete surrender brings us to the point where the most trivial of incidents will witness to the love of God.

Am I so living with God that Christ is being breathed around? You cannot sublimate an instinct that you don't recognize. You can't surrender sin if you wont admit it.

A personal relationship with Jesus Christ depends on doing definite things.

Be willing to admit a tendency to see ourselves as passions and instincts. The issue is to run away or surrender. Surrender to Christ or criticize the group. The welling up of criticism is the externalization of more sin.

THE COST OF SURRENDER (?)NTAILS:

1. Discipline
2. Liberty and leisure.
3. Thinking in terms of the Eternal.
4. Thinking positively in terms of relating this life to every area of our lives and the lives of those God brings us in touch with.
5. Willingness to maintain an antiseptic attitude with regard to personal situations while in the process of redemption.
6. To be willing to face up that I alone am responsible for my attitudes. Claim from God, humility, patience, courage, faith, and love. These are gifts. We cannot qualify for them.

BARRIERS TO A FULL SURRENDER.

1. Is there anything I won't give up?
2. Is there any apology I won't make?
3. Is there any defeat in my whole life, I refuse to count as sin?
4. Any person I don't like to meet?
5. Any restitution I won't make?
6. Is there any guidance I have had but refuse to follow?
7. Is there anything I won't share? Let my surrender be wholesale.
8. Narrow vision, rigidity, a staleness in your relationship with Christ.
9. Telling a lie.
10. If you are sore in yourself, do you work it off on somebody else?
11. Intellectual doubts arise out of an attitude of mind.
12. You can't ask forgiveness from someone you don't believe in.
13. Ideas about self-holding on to any own judgment of things, people, common sense and reason.
14. "You can't use a fine needle to do rough darning." Are you willing to take the amount of trouble to win others that Christ has taken to win you?
15. Each confessions of fresh humiliation breaks down another barrier. You can get to the place where you have nothing left to defend that is release. You can go naked to God.

QUIET TIME

1. Let your waking thought be surrender, a 100% daily surrender.
2. We do not go into quiet time to get guidance but to realies a Presence and the mighty love of God. God has a plan and HE will speak if I am still enough to listen.
3. What thoughts do I expect? Am I ready to write them down and willing. It is not making my mind a blank but trusting God to use my mind, my though of life and imagination.
 - a. First of all come uncomfortable thought of wrong relationships with family, friends and people I work with.
 - b. Resentments to be faced and set right.
 - c. Restitution to be made, bills, letters, untidy desks, or house to be set straight.

Be willing to ask God where I am failing and to admit sin.

1. Am I nicer to live with?
- 2.
- 3.

4. Did I fail in loving somebody yesterday?
5. Did I compromise anywhere?
6. Did I avoid an opportunity to witness or hedge when the opportunity came?
7. Is there an apology I won't make?
8. Is there anything I won't give up?
9. Is there any guidance I have had and refuse to follow?

The next step is to make a daily pilgrimage to the Cross-with your burden, and to accept forgiveness from God. Then the further step of pain and release, and a new determination in the power of the Holy Spirit to go forward.

No guidance for direction comes until we have been willing to get correction guidance.

Until God has dealt with us fundamentally we can't be used. God's love won't let me go and won't let me off. It is not self-examination but God's examination. God's Holy Spirit is the finest operator in the world. I never knew anyone to take so much trouble with waste product as God. Catch a vision of the guided day, where there is no conflict, no catching up, no hurry, a life where we are not going to think things that other people cannot hear. Not to imitate the man who said there was only one thing he could not resist and that was temptation.

Claim victory, power, purpose, to become free of children of God; victory in the department of the mind, no slavery, no effort(self), no judging of guidance by results.

EFFECTIVE QUIET TIME

1. Objective God and obedience.
2. Attentive prayer and being willing to act immediately.
3. Stillness and surrender of all known sins.

RESULTS OF AN EFFECTIVE QUIET TIME

1. Overflowing life.
2. Attitude made clear.
3. Strength for everything.

No guidance in the world leaves you out of power and the presence of God.

AFTER SURRENDER:

The difference is that when you discover sin and problems in your own life, you know the answer, and you have the cure. There must be a focus of the issue when the mind is made up: then follows development. As we grow closer to Christ we keep seeing more sin, but we know the cure.

WHAT DOES A REALL 100% SURRENDER MEAN?

1. Will
2. Thought of life – day dreaming, though habits and negative thinking. Claim a positive, creative quality of thought, putting self out of the picture and beginning to see step by step how to build up other people, really thinking through other individuals. All your army of evil thoughts must come into the grand army, out into the open, in order to acknowledge what God has to forgive in you.
3. IMAGINATION is a sin when we use it secretly to build daydreams about things of which we are ashamed. God can use our imagination to give us visions.
4. SUB-CONSCIOUS MIND.
5. Time- all time this means 24 hours obedience
6. POSSESSIONS – things, home, money, security, friends, and environment.
7. POSSESSIVE RELATIONSHIPS – husband, wife, children, friends.
8. EMOTION – anger, irritability, envy, jealousy, hurt feelings, self pity, sentimentality, which is enjoyable without responsibility- all desires, that indulge the emotions. No future indulgence in an orgy of bad temper that makes you feel better. No screwing up my resolutions and screwing down my pride. Hand over the whole thing to God and let him deal with it.
9. PRIDE – Of raves, class consciousness, color consciousness, of place being a first class snob, of grace-spiritual superiority, of culture superficial attitude to life, creature comforts, tastes, efficiency of achievement – I would rather do the job well myself than to teach them how to become more efficient. More to the point, "I should be a success," the finishing fever, a busy, buzy Martyrdom.
Pride of independence – indispensability complex; of opinions, of ignorance- too lazy to be well informed; of prejudice of inferiority , of conservation of untidiness – too proud to dress well.
10. FEARS - Of inefficiency, incompetence, failing powers of applications and success, about our body and its functions. Our minds the way they work and the way they refuse to work, of infection, of serious illness, of a helpless and hopeless old age, of the loss of your husbands love, interpreting and misinterpreting his every moment, dreading every slight variation from the habitual routine of domestic life as a possible bringer of ill, afraid of what your children may do or be, or say, surrounding your whole family with an attitude of discomfort and nagging distrust of facing death, and of your secret self, of discouragement and public speaking.
11. Self Indulgence. Pet hobbies, love of comfort. Self will. Difficult to co-operate with, taking my own way quietly. Self-respects, self esteem, self justification, self righteousness- being unwilling to share, self

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centeredness, self-projection, self-display, love of popularity, jealousy of people doing a better job, dirty looks and brittle voices.

12. Laziness- mental lethargy

13. Tongue Times I am Dishonest by speaking, by silence

14. Plans and all my rights.

15. Memory all my past the only use of my past is to let God get a future out of it. Memory of past defeats can be a cause for present failures.

AFTER (SURRENDER ?)

“Continue in the faith...and be not moved away from the hope of the Gospel.”

Colossians 1:23

“Never let your zeal flag; maintain the spiritual glow.” Romans 12:11 Moffat

One of the weaknesses of what may be termed the “Old Evangelism” of the mass type was the lack of continuance. It seemed to be taken for granted that a surrendered person would naturally be able to continue what he had begun and would henceforth know of himself what he reaches by the mass method did discover and take these steps, but it is safe to say that the majority fell by the wayside. The Oxford Group Movement believes strongly in Continuance. It further believes that every person (surrendered) needs careful nurture and help in life changing.

What is written below is in the nature of a checklist which should be used in quiet time or at any times which seem desirable. One should check himself constantly until he has felt he has out grown the need for such a list. When that point is reached he should make for himself or obtain from someone else a more advanced list, which may give him further challenge.

THESE ARE SOME SUGGESTED STEPS IN CONTINUANCE:

1. FACE THE PAST FOR WHAT IT REALLY WAS. Call it by its right name. Do not gloss over it. Look at it squarely. Doing this helps to see how great our deliverance is and helps us to be thankful to God and be glad. It gives added determination to our decision to surrender to God completely.
2. BURN ALL BRIDGES BEHIND YOU. Do not leave even so much as little foot bridge by which you may escape. Cut off all possibility of escape. It is now sink or swim. Dare all. Some speak of “driving in stakes” by which they mean, I think, that anchors need to be driven in to prevent slipping backward. It probably mean further that a stake can mark progress. A succession of stakes can be driven in by newly registered decision. But whether we speak of burning bridges behind us or of driving in stakes, we accomplish the inner condition, which these pictures describe by sharing with another individual or with a surrendered group or with both the fact of our recent surrender and decisions for Christ. Every time we register aloud the new attitude and change of heart absolute honesty another bridge is burned behind us and another stake is driven in to another and mark our progress.
3. WITNESS TO SOME FRIEND WHO HAS TO COME TO YOU.
Some one near you will notice the changes if you live up to your new determination. You will have an opportunity to witness to that person what your new experience has been. This is your chance. You will want to be guided as to whom to witness and what shall be witnessed. One thing you will not do, and that is, not to witness beyond your experience. Sam shoemaker in his little book, “One boy’s Influence” says, “There are two directions in which a man’s mind must be continually travelling if he was to be successful and useful as a Christian – one up towards God, the other is out towards men.” Then he goes on to tell this young man who is but recently surrendered lad that the only way to keep religion is to give it away, it will increase as you give it. Other (...bottom of page is cut off?????) strong for them, defeated, selfish, unhappy. Strikes deep, talk honestly about sin, aim at complete surrender and make others in turn winne(rs ?) for others.

4. PRACTICE DAILY SURRENDER. Discover, or rather, let God uncover in Quiet time, the unsundered areas which you may be holding back. You may be sure that there will many. One of the first of these areas is the unwillingness to share with another your new experiences. Surrender is not an act that is over once and for all. It is the continuous attitude of the new life. One must practice the feeling that everyday all of himself, every desire, ambition, emotion, need, - ALL- is God's. The thought is put sufficiently in this little question, "Not have I surrendered, but am I surrendered?"
5. DAILY QUIET TIME. This cannot be emphasized too much. Not a day should be missed. The early morning hours are best. It may be that more than one quiet time will be needed during the day. Whenever the need arises one should stop and pray and listen. The method of holding varies some with each individual. All include prayer and Bible reading and study and patient listening to God. If you have difficulty in getting help in quiet time and from it find strength and power to do God's will. How much more then a beginner needs it. In quiet we close the switch between us and God from which Power and Guidance comes. If that switch is not closed by you that Power and Guidance cannot come.
6. BE ALERT FOR SYMPTONS OF LETDOWN. This step is quite important for those symptoms will occur and we must be able to recognize them and know why they come. One of the first of these symptoms is a sudden disgust with "the whole business" and feeling that it is the "bunk". It is your own soul that is in a funk. Other symptoms of the letdown are:
No guidance seems to come in Quiet time, or what guidance does come is too vague; or the guidance received does not seem to work out rightly. Note the blocks to guidance below. Share with more mature surrendered person. Never give up. A child does not learn to walk in a day.

The feeling "What's the use" that comes when you failed or slipped in the face of the challenge or did not follow the guidance you received. You may be too confident in your own strength. Remember that you do not change your inner life. God changes it. He must be kept constantly in the center of life as He is seen in Christ. The answer to this feeling is prayer and new surrender. Lean on Christ, not yourself.

The feeling of revulsion after you have really shred in a meeting or with an individual your change. Sometimes people feel that they have "made a fool of themselves." This feeling of revulsion must be given up. Self is in the center of it and not Christ. This feeling is the grip of the old life seeking to hold you, or if you prefer, the Devil fighting to keep you for his own.

There are other symptoms. You must learn to know them and recognize them. Quickly and get into the right kind of action.

What to do in these moments is rather simple. Get down on one's knees and give up completely to Christ and His will for you, remembering that anything that pulls you down is your enemy while God is your best friend in the world. Recall that the new life is infinitely better than the old. If release does not come a new, go to some surrendered person and share the "let down". Have a quiet time and prayer together, and you will find releaser again.

7. BLOCKS TO GUIDANCE. If guidance does not come check yourself fearlessly and honest with the following:

1. Lack of surrender.
2. Preconceived ideas of what God will or will not have us do. There is a real difference sometimes between God's work and God's will. We may think we are doing his work but are unwilling to do his will in all things.
3. Unwillingness to follow Guidance that has been received. No matter how hard the guided things seem to be, OBEY. Obedience is one of the key words of the Christian Life. Refusal to obey blocks the channel, and prevents further word from God.
4. Inadequate Quiet Time. It takes time to charge a storage battery. "wait patiently for him."
5. Inadequate sharing. We have not fully shared with some one else. Egoism or pride is one of the greatest of our enemies. Sharing with another under guidance roots it o(ut ?)

8. LET ALL YOUR READING BE GUIDED What does God want me to read? A newly surrendered person is like a convalescent after an operation. He needs a carefully balanced diet or nourishing and easily assimilated food. Reading is an essential part of the Christian's diet. It is important that the person read that which can be assimilated and will be nourishing. If you do not know of books to read see some on who is surrendered and wh(o ?) is mature in the Groups. Biographies, or stories of changed lives are very helpful for the young Christians. "Life Changers" by Begbie; "Children of the Second Birth" Shoemaker; "New Lives for Old" by Amelia S. Reynolds; "For sinners Only" Russell; "Twice Born Men" by Begbie; story of the Salvation Army in London Slums; "Twice Born Ministers" Shoemaker and others.

Books like "He that cometh", Allen; "Conversion of the Church" Shoemaker. All of E. Stanley Jones' books are very good. some have found Fosdick's little books, "The Meaning of Prayer" and "The Manhood of the Master" helpful. One should by all means read at least one book on the life of Christ a year for a while. More would be better. "The Life of Christ" Stalker; "Jesus of Nazareth" Barton; "The Jesus of History" Glover; "The Man Christ Jesus" Speer; are all good. see your minister for others if you desire. But get those biographies of Master which brings out his humanity. An Understanding of the Cross and its

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meaning for life is absolutely essential. The best popular interpretation I know is, "If I Be Lifted Up" Shoemaker. It is a group of Lenten Sermons. Christ out to be as real to us as our nearest and best friend.

Of course the Bible ought to be the main Source Book of all. No day ought to pass without reading in it. Read until some passes come that hits you. Then pause and meditate over its meaning for your life. being reading the Bible with the Book of the Acts and follow up with the Gospels and then the Epistles of Paul. Let "Revelations" alone for a while. The Psalms ought also be read and the Prophets.

9. LET FRIENDS AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHERS BE GUIDED.

One should not abandon their old associations entirely. It (may be the ???) (could be the ???)

means of changing those lives. When occasions arise which lead one in temptation evasion is not the right way to meet them. Rather have a "Quiet Time" if possible before meeting them and go with a prayer in your heart. Lean on God and not on yourself. Do not go back on your new experience. Be unafraid to challenge others by what you are. The world really wants what you have found.

10. Unite with a Fellowship of kindred souls. Group fellowship is most strengthening and supporting. You want to unite with those whose sole aim is to do the will of God and be use of Him to change lives. If this fellowship is valued highly by those who have gone far, how much more you need it.
11. DON'T TRY BUT TRUST. Any kind of goodness that you try to achieve with effort will be self-righteousness, which has self in the center. That is why it is repellent. "Not having mine own righteousness" is Paul's phrase. The only effort we need to put forth is that of daily surrender and daily contact with Christ. We find release not by our own efforts but by what Christ does for us and in us when we open every area of our lives to Him.
12. THIS QUALITY OF LIFE IS AN ADVENTURE NOT AN ARRIVAL We surrender to God form more to more and from more to maximum. E. Stanley Jones says "Christianity is an obtainment not an attainment and the more we obtain, the more we see there is to obtain. Maturity comes from fuller self renunciation and surrender and of it takes new experience to bring us farther along the way. The g(oal ?) is "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father in Heaven is Perfect." Check your life constantly by the four absolutes.

WORTH REMEMBERING:

"Some people expect God to guide them when the steering wheel is locked. They surrender with a string to it."

"A person can't ooze into the Kingdom of God."

"Even when a new ship goes to sea it gets barnacles."

"If I go one day with out practicing the piano, I notice it in my playing. If I go two days, my friends notice it. If I go three days the audience notices it." Paderewski (Compare with need for quiet time.)

"When you bury a sin don't visit the grave to often."

"If I have doubts I will not smear them on my neighbor. I will give light (?) and heat, but consumed my own smoke."

TEAM QUESTIONS

Disloyalty

- Is there anyone whom I dislike?
- Is there anyone whom I distrust?
- Is there anyone whom I disown?
- Is there anyone whom I disregard?
- Is there anyone whom I discuss?
- If so, why and what am I to do about it?
- Is there some person I would rather not meet and why?
- Do I need to be on a deeper sharing basis with anyone?
- Do I need any sense of jealous pride, irritation and desire for place?
- Do I choose my companions by affinity, like or dislikes, or by guidance?
- How much place do fear and apprehension hold in my life?
- What sort of happenings raise conflict in me and why?
- Where in life am I negative, or on the defensive?
- Is God pleased with my thought life?
- How close do I play to temptations?
- What do I do with my failures and mistakes?
- Do I really make all my decisions on guidance?
- Am I using my mind, talents, possessions, as God wants me to?
- How much guided control have I over my tongue?
- Am I constantly used to change people?
- Would my message and presentation have won my self?
- Is it winning my family?
- Is there anything in my life to hide and defend?
- What things in me makes the Holy Spirit unwilling to use me?

This little intimate family team should have six distinct aims.

1. For wholly surrendered people whose aim is fellowship and person development through up-to-date sharing.
2. News. (new steps in the victorious life and miracles that have happened during the week.)
3. To share a responsibility for each other that all are fit and constantly in action.
4. not to take in another for granted but to lovingly challenge each other on this matter of action, as only sin and lack of restitution, or unwillingness to act on some guidance we have had keeps members of a team out of action, and it is sin to let one another down on this point.
5. Plans on how to put raw recruits into action and to get vision for the next step in the development of the work, to think through under guidance as a team who is the next person to be won who would change a whole situation and to plan the right kind of luncheon party and tea party with

the right kind of people to meet that person and to spend enough time on winning their confidence before going any further in presentation of this new quality of life.

6. prayers of praise and short sentence intercession for difficult situations which may crop up with different people or different situations – no names need be mentioned. Always remember the Holy Spirit is the leader and dictator of this group. This group should meet without fail once a week, and two hours should be allowed for the necessary sharing for six or seven people.

Once a month collect all the people you have been working with during the month as a team into what I call a witness group. Here will be the opportunity for the new people to state decisions and for member to put across principles such as what a full surrender, sin, etc. always.

Have you a Christ that can rid of your sins and send you on your way rejoicing?

No one can do for me what Jesus Christ has done for me. Spirit will give you the language. Yes, I am getting out of this what you are trying to get out of a cocktail glass, without having a headache the next day.

Behind every general need is a particular moral need, so that a general surrender will focus into one point.

What do you do when you pray?

O Lord manage me for I cannot manage myself. That we are so in touch with the Holy Spirit that he can give us at that moment a message that is accurate and adequate. That is the release you want with people.

Your prayers should always be different and straight to the point.

We believe in television.

Are you prepared to graduate in prayers? "I will lead you and guide you in all truth, and bring all things to your remembrance." You will for three hours works in two hours if you live under guidance. Is your family worshipping on that basis? have you a wireless out on which the whole family can tune in? "A spiritual aerial for every working home in England and the world?"

(Frank's Message)

Restitution

In the matter of restitution, international retraction should be made by a positive, public statement equal to scope in the amount of damage done.

Relating person experience.

Aim to be storm centers for this new life. God calling out men and women to full responsibility. Where do the two gear in, that is, the personal to the community life? The answer is- groups with certain underlying principles.

Fellowship of love must exceed fellowship of hate and be just as demanding.

A soldier does not fight alone or en masse but through united teamwork.

Moral: Nobody must be let down. Nobody moves without checking.

Requirements for successful teamwork.

1. No lone-wolfing.
2. No room for an individual in a group.
3. Loyalty-You can't have an abstract loyalty. The testing and burning fire comes in the group you are with.
4. No self-justification.
5. Avoid being negative. Be positive.
6. No criticism. No slumming with tongue.

Checking.

Check plans. Staff headquarters – a place where all information comes in. it is impossible to launch a world revolution without headquarters.

Character of group.

Is a group meeting the same thing as a prayer meeting? What is the difference? Sharing, the individual morale. Up-to-date witness essentials. What should be the character of any group big or small?

1. Distinctive.
2. Selective.

If it isn't scrap it. Town ruined- inoculated with a mild form of the wrong.

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SURRENDERED

Release – surrender-conversion. William James defines it as “that process, gradual or sudden, by which a self divided, inferior, unhappy, and consciously wrong, becomes united, superior, happy, and consciously right.”

We usually have both sudden and gradual elements in our surrender.

NEEW OF SURRENDER. One thing that is wrong in our churches is that so many Christians are trying to continue something, which they never definitely began.

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INTRODUCTION

The challenge of learning to live together as a group, a real fellowship, a team. Sin any of us is like dirt in the carburetor, fatal, to the functioning of the whole.

We must learn to diagnose sin as a doctor does disease. The best way is to understand ourselves. Jesus went beyond a question to the reason for it; so must we learn to find sin behind so-called intellectual difficulties and excuses.

Paul speaks (Romans 8) of wish toward good, but power to carry it out is lacking. A stronger power than his was needed. God provided the power through Christ, so that we could find a new kind of relationship with God. Christ gives the power, we appropriate it. It is not anything that we ourselves do; but it is the appropriation of power that comes from that saves us from sin and sets us free.

Think through your own experiences, and write it, so that you can tell it if needed. What has Christ given you victory over?

A first decision is the beginning of the discovery that we can be set free from sin. We cannot take ourselves for granted there are some definite barriers, which we must recognize. There is also growth, and each day we see more and more things that need to be surrendered. A small sense of sin means a small sense of Christ. The closer you get to Christ, the more sensitive you become to sin. The whiter the cloth, the more easily it is stained.

GOOD PEOPLE'S SINS

1. POSSESSIVENESS. Being possessive about our plans, unwilling to change them.
Being possessive about our family; wanting to make plans for them.
Our family life must be such a witness to the world that it needs no proclamation.
One of the necessities for leadership is that we be sensitive to what God's plan, is not rigid in our own ideas and in interpreting what we think is God's plan, but looking continuously for what his real plan is, for ourselves, for our families, or for somebody else. The secret lies in always keeping one ear to the Holy Spirit.
2. IMPATIENCE. WITH people and circumstances.
3. INDISCIPLINE OF TONGUE. (James 3) Know how to listen. A negative remark may kill another's budding faith.
4. FEAR AND WORRY, are atheism. And we have not left that behind when we take up this way of life. To be willing to be a fool for Christ's sa(?) is something different from being foolish.
Fear of poverty, illness, death, fear of people, fear of opinions.

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5. INTOLERANCE. We must be free from intolerance toward classes, races, and points of view. If you feel you have to defend something, it is something in yourself. We don't have to defend a point of view. This(?)

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no use talking about God so long as we cling to our sin.

"I have no husband." Many will deny the truth. Jesus then told her the truth, and although she tried to change the subject by talking about where to worship, the truth had hit home, for she told her friend, "Come and see a man who told me all I ever did – can this be the Messiah?"

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Right kind of group:

1. Essential that people leading the group should get fresh vision, now articulation, and straight from the Holy Spirit all the time.
2. That the axis of this group is the changes life. That the witness is related to the people there, i.e.-story of a doctor, a hospital, his city, the world.
3. This distinctive group must have teamwork trough several people to get a united picture. This involves everyone in team sharing their guidance so that the Holy Spirit gives the complete picture. Man runs the committee. God runs the group. God gives the blue print.
4. Distinctive and selective groups will have vital interviews afterwards. Therefore, see that your witness is intelligently correlated to the people present, and think through your tem to have the right people there to witness.
5. Leader must know how to handle people and how to tactfully switch them off from their life history to the need of the moment.
6. The witness of newly changed lives. (Frosh fish for breakfast). Coach the people who have just made decisions. Draw them out on the real salient facts which will strike other people.