

Part 7

Faith Alive Through--

LIFTING UP JESUS' NAME

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The Faith Alive Revival at Los Lunas, New Mexico with Jack and Billie Havens was over on Friday night. We left for our home in Kansas on Saturday morning. As we crossed the New Mexico-Texas State line headed east, we were looking and praying for gas. It must have been the orange color of the service station sign in Vega, Texas that caught my eye. Supposing it was a Phillips 66 Station, we stopped. The kind of station was important as we had some funds at home in the bank but only \$3 cash and a Phillips 66 card with us. I filled the tank and handed the lady my 66 card.

"We don't accept these here," she said.

"What kind of station is this?" I inquired.

"Why, Gulf of course," she replied.

"Do you accept checks?" I asked.

The lady replied, "Sometimes we accept local checks. Who do you know?"

Many years before I had worked as a bank teller, so I knew what she meant by "Who do you know?" Without thinking I spoke what came into my mind, "I KNOW JESUS."

The lady responded, "Do You? I know Him, too. That's good enough reference for me. Make out your check."

I did and we went on our way rejoicing! The n-a-m-e of Jesus made the difference!

"And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."
Colossians 3:17

I learned to let the NAME OF JESUS bless me by following Paul's three guide points. (Colossians 3:17)

1. "In the NAME of Jesus";
2. Do deeds!
3. Speak Words!

I - In the Name of Jesus!

N-A-M-E-S make a difference.

The famous banker, Baron Von Rothschild, was visited by a young businessman seeking a loan. He had

come highly recommended, but the shrewd Rothschild saw that the application didn't warrant the loan. Turned down, the young man was crestfallen. His hopes were shattered.

The Baron's heart went out to him. He rose from his chair and escorted him through the outer offices taking him personally to the front door of the building. There he put his arm about him and consoled him with..."**You are going out of here with something better than the money you wanted and it hasn't cost you a cent.**"

Of course, the young man saw only failure in his visit to the banker. He had no idea what the wiley Rothschild meant by his remark -- until the next day!

Cards from industrial leaders began to arrive. Businessman dropped by to see him. Offers were extended to him. The money world was interested in someone who appeared to enjoy the confidence of the mighty Rothschild. Scores of businessmen had seen the Baron's arm around the young man. The name of Rothschild rubbed off. So that's what was worth more than money -- that powerful name!(1)

The Lord opened my eyes to see that "NAMES" signify **personhood, power and purpose.**

"In the NAME of Jesus" signifies three things:

- A. Personhood
- B. Power
- C. Purpose

A NAME signifies **PERSONHOOD.**

As far back as recorded history reaches, it has been the practice of civilized people to give their offspring at least one n-a-m-e.

God was not content for long to simply refer to His first child-of-earth as merely "male" and "female", a "man" or a "living being." (Genesis 1:27; 2:7). Adam's name appears in the Holy Record as though God has been using it all

along--"*Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them.*" (Genesis 2:19). And before this chapter ends, man is addressed as "Adam" six times in four verses.

I note that in our society, as soon as a father or mother announces they are the parents of a new born, two questions will follow immediately, usually in this order--#1. Is it a boy or a girl? #2. What is its' NAME? A n-a-m-e signifies personhood--body, soul, spirit--a being that can think, feel and will.

That a NAME signifies a PERSON is indicated by our daily response to names.

We say---*

*"Who is calling?"

*"Tell Mr. Jones that I called."

*"WHO said such and such?"

The "NAME" in Colossians 3:17 is enhanced far beyond the earthly plane when Paul says; "*in the NAME of the LORD JESUS.*" In our humanism we are apt to ponder--Is just a name enough to bring heaven's power down to earth? We will not be the first to raise such a thought. Moses pondered this very question. Exodus 3:13,14 records it as follows:

Then Moses said to God,

"Indeed when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What is His name?' What shall I say to them?" And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

I trust you remember that Moses wasn't totally convinced about the use of GOD'S NAME. Before Moses would go to deliver Israel out of Egypt in GOD'S NAME, he had to have a spokesman, Aaron, and two signs--the leprous hand made whole and the shepherd staff turned into a serpent. (Exodus 7).

The NAME OF JESUS makes the difference in bringing Heaven's power to earth's needs!

It was Jesus' name that caused great controversy in the first century world. Matthew announces the stage setting when he quotes the word of an announcing angel--*"And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His People from their sins."* (1:21) The storm gets under way when Herod hears that JESUS has been born a "King" in Judea. Throughout the Gospels the expression "thy Name" and "my Name" are expressions that indicate or incite ACTION!

The Pharisees and Sadducees intended to bring the controversy to an end with the crucifixion. The Gaithers in one of their songs have the Jewish Leaders at the Crucifixion of Christ saying--*"There, that takes care of that!"* But, **IT DIDN'T!** It only moved God's Mighty Plan of the Ages forward for a weary world in waiting!

Peter carries the banner of the Cross on Pentecost when he speaks these words:

"And it shall come to pass that whoever calls upon the NAME OF THE LORD will be saved." (Acts 2:21)

The banner of JESUS' NAME flies high from the old rugged Cross as Peter invites men and women to enter The Way through the door of Jesus as he says--

"Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made that same Jesus, whom you have crucified, both Lord and Christ.....Repent, and let everyone of you be baptized IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:36,38)

The storm increases as Peter heals the lame man *"in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth."* (Acts 3:6) The storm rages around the NAME OF JESUS as Acts 4 records the arrest of Peter and John. The Jewish Council charges them NOT to speak or teach in JESUS' NAME. (4:18) Peter responds by saying--*"... we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard."* (Vs.20)

The remainder of the book of Acts and Christianity across the centuries is HIS STORY through HIS FOLLOWERS in HIS NAME!

A "NAME" signifies a person with POWER.

Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them,....."If we this day are judged for a good deed done to the helpless man, by what means he has been made well, let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by HIM this man stands here before you whole." (Acts 4:8-10)

"And she shall bring forth a son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from Their sins." (Matthew 1:21)

Every child born into this world is given a NAME and that NAME comes to be identified with the person. That is, John Doe is known by his personality, exercise of power with or over others as a leader or tyrant and his purpose in life.

The expression - "*in the Name of the Lord Jesus*" was borrowed from the Greek commercial world. It signified that an act could be performed by the AUTHORITY of another person even though that person was absent. Our closest approximation in English is --**power of attorney**.

A "power of attorney" is dependent on two things:

#1-The resources of the one giving the power of attorney.

That is, for me to draw up a power of attorney to handle a one million dollar trust when I only have one thousand dollars would be empty and meaningless.

JESUS, however, has unlimited resources as the Scriptures state.

"And Jesus came and spoke to them saying, 'All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.'" (Matthew 28:18)

"And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in Glory by Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19)

"The earth is the Lord's, and all its fullness," (Psalm 24:1)

#2-A "power of attorney" is dependent upon:

***The WILL of the individual,**

***The LAWS of the State and**

***The KIND drawn up.**

*A general power of attorney does allow the payment of bills and other obligations.

*A general power of attorney will NOT allow the party using the power to change their will or cast a vote for them in a general election.

JESUS' "Power of Attorney" is contained in the New Testament. Our authority is as broad as the New Testament and yet limited according to the promises and commands of Jesus in the Scripture.

We are told to:

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19)

We are told NOT to:

Pass eternal judgment upon men. That alone belongs to the Father and His Son. (John 5:22; Acts 10:42; 17:31)

"In HIS NAME" is to us what a uniform is to a policeman. Whenever he wears it, his acts are authorized by the department. When he pounds on a door, he says, "**Open in the name of the Law!**"

His own name is never mentioned. In fact, he wouldn't dare try such a thing in his own name. No one would pay any attention to him if he did. He has authority only as he speaks in the NAME OF THE LAW!(2)

There is **MIGHTY POWER** in the **NAME OF JESUS!**

Paul tells us in Colossians 3:17 that *everything* we do in *word* and *deed* is to be done according to our Lord's power of attorney--"In HIS NAME."

Enjoying the blessings of HIS NAME does not rest upon our understanding some deep theology about the matter. Like

most of God's great truths, we are blessed when we enter into the Truth through practice.

The "N-A-M-E" signifies ALL the PERSON OF JESUS stands for.

In the THIRD place there is PURPOSE in a NAME.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Our youngest daughter's NAME is LISA. On her 27th birthday I gave her a NAME plaque that hangs on the wall near her favorite chair. It gives her NAME and its' meaning plus an appropriate Scripture. It reads--

L I S A

"Consecrated One"

**"The Lord is my portion, says my soul,
Therefore do I hope in Him." Lamentations 3:24**

1. "In the Name of Jesus" signifies:

- A. Personhood
- B. Power
- C. Purpose

Now this is a truism with every person. Every NAME has a MEANING. Every LIFE has a PURPOSE.

The complexity of the human as a being made in the image of God indicates there is a planned PURPOSE for such a creation. I often tell folk that when God was ready to make flowers--and there are over 5,000 species of wild flowers in the Rocky Mountain area of Colorado alone--He did not have a TG&Y store to walk down the aisle and get ideas. HIS ideas are all originals! And far, far, far beyond flowers is the intricacy and wonder of a human being! There are over five billion human beings in the world now, and Grit Magazine reports an estimate that as of 1971 there had been 12 to 14 additional billions on the earth since Adam. And no two of these have the same set of finger prints!

Jesus, as God's only begotten Son, was unique with a singular PURPOSE.

THE PURPOSE OF JESUS' LIFE IS REVEALED THROUGH THE "HIS NAME" STATEMENTS in SCRIPTURE--*

- *Saved from sin by **HIS NAME!** Matthew 1:21
 - *Receive a child in **HIS NAME!** Matthew 18:5
 - *Jesus among us in **HIS NAME!** Matthew 18:20
 - *Leave all in **HIS NAME!** - Great Reward! Matthew 19:29
 - *Devil cast out in **HIS NAME** Mark 9:38
 - *Miracles in **HIS NAME!** Mark 9:39
 - *Reward for a cup of water in **HIS NAME** Mark 9:41
 - *Ask and receive in **HIS NAME!** John 14:13
 - *Life in **HIS NAME!** John 20:31
 - *Justified in **HIS NAME!** I Corinthians 6:11
 - *Baptized in **HIS NAME!** Acts 2:38
 - *Saved in **HIS NAME!** Acts 2:21
 - *Healed in **HIS NAME!** Acts 3:6
 - *Anointed in **HIS NAME!** James 5:14
 - *Do deeds in **HIS NAME!** Colossians 3:17
 - *Speak words in **HIS NAME!** Colossians 3:17
 - *Depart from iniquity in **HIS NAME!** 2 Timothy 2:19
 - *We get a **NEW NAME - HIS NAME!** Revelation 3:12
 - ***NO OTHER NAME - HIS NAME!** Acts 4:12
- "Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow.....and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."*
- Philippians 2:9-11

The Apostle Paul tells us we can find our **PURPOSE** through "**JESUS' NAME**":

"And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." (Colossians 3:17)

"WHATEVER YOU DO IN WORD OR DEED" seems like an impossible asking. It's not and it does make a difference! As the Gaithers have expressed it in music--"*Jesus, Jesus, Jesus: There's just something about that Name!*"

II - In The Name Of Jesus DO DEEDS!

A. MEET NEEDS IN JESUS' NAME!

I learned in an intriguing way that the **NAME OF JESUS** does make a **DIFFERENCE!**

Minneola, Kansas is located twenty miles south of Dodge City at the cross roads of Highway #54 and #283. During the fourteen years of our ministry with the Christian Church there, we shared with a number of highway travelers. These folks traveling from somewhere to everywhere came in various forms of transportation--cars, trucks, a wagon, horseback, motorcycle or on foot. Some were shabbily dressed, others wore a coat and tie but they all spoke the same language--"WE NEED HELP PLEASE. We will return the money as soon as we arrive at our destination".

Needs of these travelers varied from a tank of gas, car repairs, a meal or night in the local hotel. The Elders had set up a \$25 per incident allowance fund for these travelers that I could expend without further permission.

Within reason we did what they asked. And not one of them ever did what they said--return the funds when they arrived at their destination.

In 1970, the congregation was studying a chapter per Sunday from the Gospel of Mark and I preached on the same chapter in the morning assembly. We came to Mark 9, Vss. 38-41:

And John answered Him, saying, "Teacher, we saw someone who does not follow us casting out demons in Your name, and we forbade him because he does not follow us." But Jesus said, "Do not forbid him, for no one who works a miracle in My name can soon afterward speak evil of Me. For he who is not against us is on our side. For whoever gives you a cup of water to drink in My name, because you belong to Christ, assuredly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."(3)

That Sunday evening as the Elders met prior to the Family Hour time, I posed this question: "Men, do you suppose Jesus meant what He said in our lesson Scripture this morning about giving even a cup of water in HIS NAME?"

George Ferguson responded by saying--"Preacher, as far as I know, Jesus always meant what He said. What do you have in mind?"

I pointed out the highway travelers that we had been help-

ing for seven years: I asked, "Should we give this assistance IN JESUS' NAME?"

One of the men raised this question: "The Scripture says 'because you belong to Christ' in verse 41. Should we help them if they are not Believers?"

Don Wyatt interjected, "Don't forget these words--'forget not to entertain strangers for thereby some have entertained Angels unaware.' "(4)

Since I was the one that greeted these travelers, listened to their stories, and offered assistance, it would be up to me HOW and in WHOSE NAME it was given. My decision was to do what Jesus said--share in HIS NAME!--(drink of water, gas, oil, repairs, food, lodging) IN HIS NAME.

It was a cold blustery Sunday in February that the entire congregation of Minneola (Kansas) Christian Church got to be a part of putting into practice this great truth of SHARING IN JESUS' NAME.

The essence of Matthew 18:20--"**For where two or three are gathered together IN MY NAME, there I am in the midst of them.**" was coined in these words on the church lawn sign:

WELCOME IN JESUS' NAME!

I'll share this from the news report in The Christian Messenger.

"Last Sunday as we sang 'There's a Christian Welcome Here' a forlorn looking family of four boys and two girls plus mother and father walked through the double swinging doors into our midst. Following the opening prayer, folk made room for the family to be seated on one of the pews.

Sharon Kennedy sang 'What Will You Do For Jesus?' and Howard Davis, missionary home from Japan spoke on 'inasmuch' from Jesus' words--'*...inasmuch as you have done it to the one of the least of these My brethren, you have done it to Me.*' Matthew 25:40

It was a great TEST! It was a grand OPPORTUNITY to share in JESUS' NAME!

The Spirit moved upon the spirits of the Brethren in many beautiful ways--**

**The ladies had prepared a bountiful basket dinner. Someone invited this family to eat with us. Someone else said, 'Let the strangers go first in line at the meal table.' (PRAISE GOD Read James 2:2-9)

**The family was unusual in that they did not ask for food, money or clothing. The man asked for work. While we ate, the congregation took up a love offering for the family. (WONDERFUL! Read James 2:14-17)

**Following dinner we invited them to the parsonage and as the Winter sun burned the afternoon away we extended the LIVING SON to strangers from the highway. Howard Davis and Marion Welsh gave haircuts. My wife, Imalee washed and dried clothes. Katy Johnson brought by clothing her sons had outgrown. Everyone received a bath. The phone rang and rang as folk invited the family members into their homes for supper. (MARVELOUS: Read Matthew 25:34-40)

**They attended the Sunday evening 'Family Hour' and were overnight guests in two homes.

**Monday morning they continued their journey from Illinois to Arizona to see a sick mother for the last time.

'Thank You, Mr. and Mrs. Woodward and family for passing our way. You put us to the test. We tried to pass that test by giving you our best IN JESUS NAME.' (PRAISE THE LORD! Read James 1:27 and Hebrews 13:2)"(5)

"And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."

(Colossians 3:17)

B. ASK IN JESUS' NAME and RECEIVE!

And whatever you ask in MY NAME, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. (John 14:13)

It was a mission story that I read which caught my attention and taught me a valuable lesson. The yellowed pages of that clipping still read like this:

God was pleased when Abraham trusted him, and God

was pleased when a Christian woman out in Africa asked Him for a strange gift.

You see, her baby was sick. The mother was a poor, ignorant woman who had become a Christian and knew that Jesus was her friend.

It was several months after she had asked Jesus to be her Saviour that her little child became sick. Everyone thought the baby was surely going to die. Ice was needed but in all that hot country, there were no refrigerators and no ice anywhere.

The Mission Doctor had taught her the truth of John 14:13--

And whatever you ask in MY NAME, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. (John 14:13)

"I am going to ask God to send ice," the mother said to the missionary.

"Oh no!" the missionary said sadly. "You can't expect Him to do that."

"Why not?" asked the simple-hearted believer. "He has all power, and He loves me. You told me so. I shall ask in His Name and I believe He will send it."

She did ask Him and God answered. Soon there came a great thunderstorm with rain and hail pelting down. Joyfully thanking God, the happy mother ran out into the storm with a large bowl and scooped it full of icy hailstones. Packed in ice the fever was reduced and the child lived!

God heard and answered her "impossible prayer of faith in Jesus' Name!"

Up to this point in my life I had prayed "IN JESUS' NAME" as a proper religious way of ending a prayer. I gave little attention to whether what was prayed was God's Will according to His Word and did NOT pray with simple absolute FAITH believing and acting after praying like GOD HAD HEARD.

In the Fall of 1973, the Ashland Christian Youth Camp Planning Committee selected me to be the Dean of the 1974

Senior High Camp. I agreed with the understanding that JESUS would be the Dean and I would assist IN HIS NAME. I spelled out a working agreement with the Lord--*

*****HE must call aside all the faculty** including teachers, counsellors, missionary, evangelist, pianist, song leader, life guard, cooks, etc.

*****I would PRAY** and schedule His servants.

*****He must bring the kids** to camp. High School sophomores, juniors, seniors and college youth are difficult to persuade to stop summer jobs during the first week in June and come to camp.

*****I would enlist kids to PRAY** and help to organize the ones the Lord brought there.

***The missionary offering, decisions, etc. would all be in **THE LORD'S HANDS**.

***I would ring the bell to change classes and make announcements.

I asked in THE LORD'S NAME and certainly expected to receive.

The rest is **HISstory!**

During the Fall, I wrote scores of high school and college youth, seeking to enlist them as a **MIGHTY BAND OF PRAYER WARRIORS**. I would write them two more times before June to make a **PRAISE THE LORD PRAYER REPORT** and invite more prayers in personnel posts not filled.

It was beautiful across the months as one by one individuals called me on the phone, wrote a note or stopped me at a Rally or on the street to say **I PLAN TO BE THERE! I WANT TO HELP JESUS! LET ME SERVE** as a _____!

Two weeks before camp all the personnel posts were filled except one. We had **NO** evangelist. We **PRAYED** and **WAITED ON THE LORD!** One week before Camp---still the same.

A Fifth Sunday Fellowship Convention of the churches was in progress.

Now, I ask you a question: Do you remember when God needed someone to deliver Israel from Goliath the giant? The likely one was not volunteering. God's man-of-the-hour, little David, was out herding his father's sheep.(6)

The Lord's m-i-s-s-i-n-g man for the 1974 Camp at Ashland, Kansas was also a small-of-stature fellow--CLYDE GOFF.

Again, remember that Jesse sent David with a lunch for his brothers who were in Israel's Army. Likewise, it was while we were eating the fellowship meal at this Fifth Sunday Convention that **Bro. Clyde Goff** leaned over and said to me,

"Do you have a preaching evangelist for Senior Camp yet?"

"No, Clyde, the LORD doesn't have an evangelist. You have signed-up to cook. Right?"

Clyde said, "Well, I didn't want to be too forward about the matter but the Lord indicated several weeks ago that I should volunteer to **PREACH THE EVENING MESSAGE**. But, I decided to cook and let someone else preach."

I said, "**GLORY TO GOD, CLYDE!** You're the Lord's Preacher for this hour!"

Now everything came together quickly. Before the day was over Clyde's mother, Lillian Goff, a long time Bible College cook, came around to say, "I'll cook". Al and Virginia Hickerson, Church elder and assistant manager at High Plains Journal came to say "We'll be there to assist in the kitchen and wherever needed."

Now, at last the LORD'S stage was set and it was almost curtain time for a week of camp that would ring the bells of Heaven as it met the needs of youth in Jesus' Name!

If notes had been kept, a short book could be written; but, statistics tell part of the **GLORY STORY!**--**

****Camp officially opened at 5 pm on Sunday afternoon in the Chapel with everyone kneeling to sing "Let Us Break Bread Together On Our Knees." And, HALLELUJAH Jesus became our loaf of bread all week long.**

****The Lord called aside 104 youth plus some 30 adult workers. An all time record!**

****The HOLY SPIRIT prompted 53 decisions at evening invitation time through the week!**

****No Mission giving goal was set beyond committing our treasure to THE LORD upon our knees. An all time high of \$504.82 was shared in the MISSION OFFERING for the Lord's Missionary--Jesse Yangmi from Thailand.**

Because we ASKED in JESUS' NAME and let THE LORD be in charge, we RECEIVED abundantly!

And whatever you ask in MY NAME, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. (John 14:13)

C. GO IN JESUS' NAME!

And He said to them, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; therefore pray the Lord of the harvest that He would send out laborers into His harvest." (Luke 10:2)

After these things the Lord appointed seventy others also, and sent them TWO BY TWO before His face into every city and place where He himself was about to go. (Luke 10:1)

Then Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As My Father has sent me, I ALSO SEND YOU." (John 20:21)

Therefore THOSE who were scattered WENT EVERYWHERE PREACHING THE WORD. (Acts 8:4)

The above Scriptures are in sharp contrast to the lack of witnessing today.

The free spirit of the sixties and seventies gave birth to the "Jesus Movement." This movement did not have a formal name until much later but it was made up of thousands of young people who wanted to get serious about Jesus in their lives. Their interests were characterized by at least six facets--*

- *1. LOVE was their battle cry.
- *2. They spoke freely of their Leader, JESUS!
- *3. Possessed an intense HUNGER for the WORD of GOD.
- *4. PRAYER circles often lasted one or two hours.
- *5. "Coffee Houses" were often the center of their counselling one another and confessing faults to one another--"rapping" they called it.

- *6. OBEDIENCE to the WORD marked much of what they did.
This came through in public baptisms in the ocean, lakes
and ponds making headlines in the news.

The institutional located churches were shook up by all these "strange happenings" as they were often dubbed.

At this time, the "Jesus Movement" was affecting religious thinking across the entire country in several ways. One manifestation was when individual Christians in located churches saw some reality to the "Jesus People," they caught some of the free spirit of the age by turning negative towards many religious methods and matters of opinion which made them appear to be on the "band wagon" so-to-speak.

I noted this in 1963 soon after moving from Indiana to Minneola, Kansas in reference to Evangelism. In response to winning the lost I heard people saying--#

- #1. The Bane Driscoll Decision Day campaigns for bringing in new members is too artificial.
- #2. The Salvation Army soap-box preaching on the street and handing out tracts is too showy.
- #3. Showing filmstrips such as the Jule Miller series in homes by appointment is too much like selling vacuum cleaners.
- #4. Or they would say "I don't agree with the 4 Spiritual Laws concept."
- #5. A plan dubbed the "5 Finger Plan" (Hear, Believe, Repent, Confess, be Baptized) is too legalistic.

When I inquired--WHAT PLAN DO YOU LIKE? They would grow silent, possibly saying, "Well, one person winning another is Biblical." But, when the matter was pressed, I discovered these people had NO plan of any kind.

So, in the Spring of 1964, I wrote twenty-five of our members a personal letter inviting them to a TOP-SECRET meeting of interested individuals to be held in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday morning immediately after the Morning Assembly. They were asked NOT to mention the letter or the appointment to anyone until after the special meeting.

I wrote and sent the letter in JESUS' NAME and so was not overly surprised when twenty-five stayed for the meeting.

Simply, I told them the Master needed fisherman. We would be meeting the following Wednesday for a light meal, followed by a simple lesson from Tidings "Two by Two" flip-over chart, prayer for assignments, selecting assignments, prayer again, going to people's homes **IN JESUS' NAME** to tell them we love them and please come and follow Jesus with us. After 90 minutes we would report back for the coffee and a time of reporting and rejoicing.

When Wednesday came I was elated when all twenty-five of those people came to do some fishing for Jesus.

IN JESUS' NAME we went forth every Wednesday evening once a month for many years. This accounts for the 426 souls brought to Christ during our labor at Minneola.

Every conversion is a miracle when we consider red-as-crimson sins turned to white-as-snow by the Blood of Jesus! Many were older men and women who simply said--No one ever asked me to accept Jesus before. So Clyde Shinogle at 74, Harold Downs at 60, Elmer Spahr at 80, Marcille Chilton Hale at 59, Herschel Davis at 64, Ernie Grimmett at 68, Lester Hull at 60, Dorothy Hale at 66 found their way into the Kingdom because we went forth in **JESUS' NAME**. Each of these entails a beautiful story of the power of **JESUS' NAME**!

One of my favorite stories of **JESUS' PREVAILING LOVE** is Bud and Gertrude Turner.

Month after month for seven years we had gone to their home to share a Scripture, offer a prayer, speak a word of invitation in **JESUS' NAME**. Our workers always went out **TWO-By-TWO**, one to pray and one to talk, just as Jesus sent the Seventy out. From the beginning we asked the workers to sum up the call in one or two words or sentences on a simple 3x5 record card. By 1971, we had been calling on the Turners some seven years and there were 4 or 5 cards giving the simple reports of calls made in their home.

On the night of November 16, 1971, we were out fishing for Jesus one more time. God would show us on this night that it was **HIS POWER, HIS WAY, HIS LOVE** and n-o-t our devices that wins the **VICTORY**! We always reminded ourselves to

never take these information cards in the house when calling. Leave them on the car seat was the rule. **Clyde Goff**, our Youth Minister and **Doug Wilson**, a senior in high school, were the team of two to call on the Turners.

Without a car they were walking around town calling on their assignments. This meant they were carrying the information cards in their hands. Having knocked on the door, Gertrude, invited them in and made them feel welcome. She always had. She always would.

Now Gertie had at least one problem. She was sure her neighbors talked about her and sometimes asked--"What are our neighbors saying about us?"

This visit by the Fishermen for Jesus started out wrong according to the rules.

Bold for Jesus, Doug Wilson, said: "Mrs. Turner would you like to know what people are saying about you?"

Faster than lightning strikes, she said--"Yes, Are they talking about me again? What are they saying now?"

Bro. Clyde Goff cringed; but, before he could stop what was about to happen, bold young Doug pulled the information cards out of his Bible.

Here is a sample of those report statements that Doug read to the Turners--*

"Here is what people are saying about you Mrs. Turner." as he started to read the notes callers had made over the previous seven years.

*11-18-64/Turners made us MOST WELCOME! They have high interest!...We told them that "God is love" and "He loves them." (I John 4:16)

*12-9-64/Gertie served us coffee and cookies...We invited them and reminded them that God loves the whole world including them. (John 3:16) Left some Bible tracts.

*1-20-65/Gertie fears her neighbors are talking about her...We remind her that "perfect love casts out fear." (I John 4:18) We ask them to receive Jesus. "No, not now. Someday" they say.

*10-11-67/Bud talks about his work on the Santa Fe Railroad. Can't come to church because he is always on call. "Someday"

he says. We remind him "Today is the day of salvation, now is the accepted time." (II Corinthians 6:2)

*1-11-68/"May we ask you a personal question?" "Yes," the Turners say. "Will you repent and be baptized for remission of sins according to Acts 2:38." No reply.

*9-10-69/Glad to see us again. There has been a death in the family. We express understanding and remind them that Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life. Have a prayer circle with them.

*4-9-70/Come more often they both insist..We tell them the "wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ." (Romans 6:23) Ask them if they plan to go to hell? They both respond by saying, "Oh no! Not that."

One by one Doug read those statements plus a lot more from the "Fisherman's Data Cards."

When I first heard of the incident, my inner thought was--throw in the towel, reel up the white flag of surrender. However, I was reminded that **GOD IS IN CHARGE**--two by two we had gone out in **JESUS' NAME!**

Keep in mind that God **CONVICTS** hearts by words--most often His Word. Note that many of the caller comments on the cards were Scriptures.

Therefore, there were shouts of joy when the next afternoon at 3 pm, seventy-five year old Bud and Gertie Turner were down at the church building being baptized in **JESUS' NAME!!**

"And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."

(Colossians 3:17)

D. A MINISTRY IN JESUS' NAME.

Since February of 1974, my wife, Imalee, and I have labored for the Lord in a special ministry seeking to be channels in bringing revival and renewal to hearts, homes and churches. "Faith Alive Days" is the name of this ministry. From the beginning we have had a working agreement with Jesus that as long as He opens doors of opportunity for teaching and preaching and supplies our needs, we will follow.

The Lord gave us a couple of years of on-the-field training

while still ministering with the Minneola (Kansas) Christian Church. For HE has always required us to PRACTICE THE WORD before PREACHING IT. Among many lessons HE taught us, was to ask or do projects in JESUS' NAME! Time after time He demonstrated that HIS NAME does made a *difference*.

Lessons we learned early on include-*

***1. ASK H-I-M, not men, FOR OUR NEEDS.**

Several years later we read of Hudson Taylor of the China Inland Mission following this same principle. Some of his words are:

"God is too wise to allow His purposes to be frustrated for lack of a little money; but money obtained in unspiritual ways is sure to hinder blessing.....God's work, done in God's way, will never lack God's supplies."(7)

So, over the last 14 years we have followed that policy. HE has supplied every tangible and intangible need including over three hundred thousand dollars. Many of these supplied needs are beautiful miracle stories.

***2. HE will o-p-e-n all the doors of opportunity.** An interesting side note is that on three occasions we made an attempt through some special publicity and direct letters to o-p-e-n some doors. Our efforts stand at "O."

Doors THE LORD has opened are--#

#542 opportunities to share His Word in preaching and teaching.

#Hundreds of counselling opportunities.

#13,453 first class letters of counsel and inspiration with tracts mailed IN HIS NAME.

#75,000 tracts-pamphlets of Christian truth distributed IN HIS NAME!

#Dozens of requests for sets of messages and classes on cassette tapes.

#100 editions of a publication called "The Lamplighter" published in HIS NAME!

#2,130 known decisions of baptism, membership and renewal made IN HIS NAME!

#Tens of thousands of miles traveled always IN HIS NAME!

Faith Alive Revival #8 was a meeting full of lessons emphasizing THE NAME OF JESUS!

Stan and Susan Stockton were the ministers along with the Song Leader, Mike Schoonover, all students at Manhattan (Kansas) Christian College.

The **NAME OF JESUS** made the difference between defeat and VICTORY. The weapon that won the battle time after time was **JESUS' NAME--****

****1. IN JESUS' NAME** we mailed the letters of information, inspiration and invitation to the members and prospects of the Vermillion (Kansas) Christian Church six days prior to the beginning of the Revival.

Letters mailed **IN HIS NAME** means that after Imalee typed the letters and I signed them, we stuffed, stamped and sealed them. At this point we stopped and laid hands on the envelopes in prayer **IN JESUS' NAME**.

They were postmarked on March 3, 1975 at the Minneola, Kansas Post Office. Elwood Marshall, Postmaster, told me later that the letters were transferred to our sectional center at Dodge City and left there on a plane that evening. Just after take-off this mail plane crashed and burned. 98% of the mail was lost. Among the 2% that was saved were the Faith Alive letters.

I planned for these letters to arrive on Thursday or Friday prior to the beginning of the Revival. Singed around the edges from the fire, these letters arrived during the Revival from day to day just as a family needed a bit of encouragement or a special invitation to attend. **THE LORD'S DIVINE PLAN** worked very fine!

****2.** While we slept Sunday night, ten inches of snow fell on the town. We awoke Monday morning to find a March winter storm in progress on the outside while on the inside a storm of discouragement and pessimism was taking place. Some of the brethren proposed calling the meeting off. I reminded the folk that challenges of all kinds often bring out the old pioneer spirit in people.

I prayed that we press on IN JESUS' NAME! We did!

The Lord did a strange thing on Tuesday. Another storm was brewing as it started snowing and blowing. This went on until about mid afternoon. Long enough to cause cancellation of a community sports event. By 4:00 the sun was shining again and ushered in a beautiful winter evening for the Revival with no events conflicting.

****3.** Would JESUS' NAME be sufficient to warm cool hearts and bring them through the blowing snow? Only 21 came Sunday night. A phone call to Howard and Kay Messer, who lived sixty miles south of Vermillion in the Havensville-Soldier area, where there was NO snow, brought a whole caravan of cars. They had enjoyed Faith Alive Revivals there the year before and came to enjoy the spiritual feast and encourage the Brethren at Vermillion. A total of sixty attended on Tuesday night. Their coming struck a spark that sprang into a blaze of excitement and the meeting closed with 100 on Friday!

****4.** During the storm on Monday, Stan, Mike and I knelt on a cold basement floor in the church building and prayed. Stan, the minister, prayed--"Lord, on this cold winter day, guide us to just the right places as we visit in homes. Tell us just what to say IN JESUS' NAME."

We set out on foot on that bleak cold Monday morning. Since Stan only came up on the week-end to minister, he stopped at the local grocery store in this country town of 167 people to ask directions. The proprietor of many years told him to go out of the store to the corner, turn East and go two blocks, turn South 1/2 block and there on the East side of the street in the middle of the block would be the Jones' white frame house. Tramping through the snow, we followed the directions. When we came to the house someone had already shoveled a path through the deep snow. We walked up to the porch and knocked. A white-haired lady came to the door and Stan said--"You're not the right lady."

She said, "Well, I guess I am since I live here."

Stan replied, "What I mean is we're looking for Mrs. Jones. The man at the Grocery Store said she lived here."

The lady said, "Well she doesn't, but you're welcome to come in out of the cold." We did and the warm house felt good with the wood-burning fireplace a bonus. We took off our coats and the lady volunteered to fix us some hot chocolate. That sounded great and tasted even better.

There was an old white-haired man bent with the years of time sitting in front of the fireplace. He said, "Have a seat boys and warm your feet."

The weather needed little discussion and Mr. Curtis was a man of few words.

I asked him the usual question: "Mr. Curtis are you a Christian?"

"Nope," he replied.

"Have you ever thought about being a Christian?" Stan asked.

"Yep, I have," he said.

"In your thinking about it, Mr. Curtis, what have you decided?" I inquired.

"Probably should someday," he said slowly gazing into the fire.

"Mr. Curtis, please understand that I never attempt to rush people into these matters unless they are old enough," I continued. "You must have seen thirteen at least 50 years ago."

Mr. Curtis looked up with a bit of a smile and said, "You're not a very good guesser. I'm 86."

"Well now, God has been good to you Mr. Curtis, and you've saved the best He has to give you until last--the gift of eternal life in Jesus. Do you mind talking about these matters?" I asked.

"Guess not" he said.

Noting a large Bible open on the coffee table I asked if

we might read from it.

He agreed. So we read Acts 8:26-40. This Scripture in narrative form tells how to receive Jesus.

Mike Schoonover shared two or three other verses--John 3:16; Romans 6:23 and Acts 2:38.

"Do you believe in Jesus?" we asked.

Mr. Curtis replied, "Yes."

"I PRAISE GOD, Mr. Curtis, for you and that great confession of Truth! Have you thought about being baptized?"

"When?" he said. "I can't get out at night in this weather."

Stan, the preacher, and Mr. Curtis agreed on a place and time. So on Tuesday at 2 pm, FLOYD CURTIS was baptized in JESUS' NAME down at the church building!

Two interesting footnotes:

1. Two years later, Mr. Curtis passed from this world into that larger life beyond.
2. Did we get to the right house that day with the wrong directions or did God answer Stan's prayer of that morning--

"Guide us to just the right places and tell us what to say IN JESUS' NAME. Amen."

III - IN THE NAME OF JESUS SPEAK WORDS!

1. "In the Name of Jesus"
2. Do deeds!
3. Speak Words!

A. STAND UP! STAND UP! IN JESUS NAME!

"And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the NAME OF THE LORD will be saved."(8)

During the last century, a religious debate took place in a Boston Opera House between an atheist and a Christian. The atheist's last speech was a ringing challenge affirming that there is no God. He called on any person in the packed opera house to refute his affirmation by standing to their feet. No

one stood! There was a large grandfather clock on one wall which added to the embarrassing silence as it ticked the seconds away. One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight ticks of the old clock and the atheist beamed with an increasing smirk on his face. Finally up on the third balcony a little girl stood up and her faint voice was heard singing--"STAND-UP, STAND-UP FOR JESUS, YE SOLDIERS OF THE CROSS: LIFT HIGH HIS ROYAL BANNER, IT MUST NOT SUFFER LOSS..." As she came to the chorus many others on that upper balcony stood with her to sing. By the time they came to the last verse a news reporter said that it appeared everyone in the opera house, on all three balconies and the main floor, was standing and singing with a deafening roar--"STAND UP, STAND UP FOR JESUS, THE STRIFE WILL NOT BE LONG; THIS DAY THE NOISE OF BATTLE, THE NEXT THE VICTOR'S SONG..." The atheist bowed his head and walked from the platform in defeat.

On another day, in another year, our daughter, Lisa, stood up for Jesus in an unusual way.

I mentioned in a previous chapter on "Praise" that Lisa does not talk and yet she understands much of what is said to her. One of the words we know she understands is "JESUS" as her face lights up with a big smile and when we sing the old song--"Jesus loves me this I know for the Bible tells me so,"--she beams with total approval. We had often wondered about Lisa's desire and need to accept Jesus as Saviour? Yet, with communication lines almost nil, we were perplexed how and if such a response could ever be.

Lisa travels with us in sharing the Faith Alive Revivals across the country from coast to coast and border to border. By 1979 she had sat through literally hundreds of invitation hymns. In October of that year we were sharing in the Glencoe, Oklahoma Church of Christ. On three different nights during this Revival, Lisa stood up during the singing of the invitation hymn when folk were being invited to make decisions for Jesus. On Friday night some of the folk said--"Is it possible when Lisa stands up during the Invitation Hymn that she

wants to receive Jesus?" Our answer was that it might be, but without communication lines it was next to impossible for us to know.

We decided to attempt communication with Lisa on the basis of actions. We talked to her on a child's level about Jesus and His love and plan, telling her that IF she ever wanted to receive Jesus as Saviour and Lord that she could STAND-UP during the singing of the invitation hymn and we would know that this would signify her desire to confess and accept Jesus.

Sunday after Sunday went by. Many invitations. No more standing up. Weeks grew into months. No response.

It was another October, a year later, we were at Wilroads Gardens Christian Church near Dodge City, Kansas with ministers, Jeff and Debbie Hiers. The Monday night singing led by Bro. Jack Heaston was a high point. Little did we know that even higher holy ground would appear when we sang the invitation hymn. I concluded the preaching message with the above story about the debate and we started to sing--"Stand-up, Stand-up for Jesus." On the second verse LISA STOOD UP! Instantly her mother, Imalee, recognized her response to our agreed signal. Stepping out of the way, Lisa slowly made her way into the aisle and down to the front. I offered words of--"God bless you, Lisa! This is a wonderful thing to receive Jesus! Please be seated," and I assisted her in sitting down. Now remember that the only communication line with Lisa was--STAND-UP if you want to receive Jesus. No sooner had I helped her sit down than she was back on her feet. Happy, smiling, peaceful that this was her moment of decision to say--JESUS I LOVE YOU! I WANT YOU!

One of Lisa's favorite Special Education Classes had been swimming (floating) in the water. So, baptizing her was no problem as she simply followed the example of Jesus.

There were sounds of weeping and rejoicing across the auditorium that night as Lisa demonstrated WHERE THERE IS A WILL, JESUS MAKES A WAY!

"And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the

Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."

(Colossians 3:17)

B. STOP in JESUS' NAME!

"Our help is IN THE NAME OF THE LORD, who made heaven and earth." (Psalm 124:8)

On our way to the Revival at Edison, Nebraska we had enjoyed warm hospitality on Tuesday night at the home of fellow ministers, Phil and Janet Ashley of Hill City.

Kansas winters begin most any time, but snow doesn't usually fly until December or January. So, the November skiff of snow and coat of ice on Highway #283, South of Norton, was unexpected.

It was high noon on Tuesday, November 19 as we pulled our Travel Trailer down the Main Street of WaKeeney. Suddenly, without provocation or warning, our Suburban and 26 foot trailer began to slide sideways on the ice. Imalee, in quick anguish, said--"HONEY! HONEY! HONEY!" Now honey will stick a lot of things but not 10,000 pounds of rubber and steel. We were meeting a car and the closer we came I saw the lady wince as we moved towards her vehicle at a sharp angle. Imalee closed her eyes and said out loud--"JESUS, BE IN CHARGE!" At that i-n-s-t-a-n-t and not a moment before or too soon, I might add, the slide STOPPED! and we proceeded forward down the middle of the street pulling ever so gradually back into our lane and PRAISING THE LORD at the same time!

Victories at the Revival with ministers, Fred and Marilyn Applegarth, may have been the reason the devil was trying to give us the slip.

"And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."

Colossians 3:17

C. RESIST THE DEVIL in JESUS' NAME!

"Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you." (James 4:7)

"And the seventy returned with joy, saying, 'Lord, even the demons are subject to us through Your name.'" (Luke 10:17)

Resisting the devil is not a passive matter but requires an active confronting the enemy with the WORD OF GOD and the NAME OF JESUS! See Matthew 4:10; 16:23; James 4:7; Revelation 12:9-11.

I have discovered the devil always has a 100% attendance record when we are seeking to win souls for Jesus. Therefore, it was no surprise when Larry Winger and I were out visiting during the Revival at Galva, Illinois to find the enemy present. That which often catches me off guard is the manner and ways in which the devil appears. I had never associated the devil with a ringing telephone until Wednesday afternoon of this Revival.

Remember Scripture identifies him with some unusual words--"roaring lion" I Peter 5:8; an "angel of light" II Corinthians 11:14; a "woman" Luke 13:16; a "man" Matthew 16:23, etc.

We had made an after school appointment to talk with Kurt Larson, a high school senior. Kurt invited us in and we talked for a few moments about his school activities and sports. Telling him that we understood he was interested in receiving Jesus, I suggested we all sit on the divan so we could look at the Scriptures. He agreed and we opened our Bibles to Romans 8:26ff. I read three verses and the phone rang. Being an athlete, Kurt jumped over the coffee table in front of us and ran to answer the phone. He returned with a puzzled look on his face and said, "They hung up just after I answered." Now, Larry read two verses and the phone rang. Kurt was up in a flash, over the table and out to the kitchen to answer the phone. He returned saying, "That's strange. They hung up just as I answered." I inquired: "Kurt, does this go on all the time?" "No," he said, "first time that I know of." He sat back down and I had him read Vss. 32-35 about Jesus. The phone rang again. Kurt went through the same motions--up, over and out to answer the phone. By this time, I saw what was happening--the devil was prompting some prankster to make phone calls. As is often the case, the practical joker probably had no idea what was taking place. While Kurt went for the

phone the third time, I confronted the devil in this situation with a quoted VERSE OF SCRIPTURE insisting in JESUS' NAME that the devil depart. Kurt returned more puzzled than ever. He sat down and we finished reading the Scripture. THE PHONE DIDN'T RING ANYMORE! Kurt received JESUS as Saviour and Lord and was baptized that evening. We PRAISED GOD!

"And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."

Colossians 3:17

D. BE A FRIEND IN JESUS NAME!

"And whoever receives one little child like this IN MY NAME receives ME." (Matthew 18:5)

In short order the Lord gave me a never-to-be-forgotten lesson pointing up the fact that "JESUS' NAME" is a NAME of high POWER and PURPOSE!

Two young men knocked on my study door at the church building on Friday, March 12th. Their request for help was no different from dozens of others but they told a strange story.

They said:

"Our home is in California and we have been to Chicago looking for work. Finding only short term jobs we decided to return to our families in California. We caught a ride with a trucker outside of Chicago going to California. The Interstate would take us through Des Moines, Omaha, Denver and on to California. The driver told us we could sleep if we wanted to. Having been trying to catch a ride for 24 hours, we were tired, so we slept. Awaking, we saw mileage signs indicating we were approaching Springfield, Illinois and St. Louis. We asked him about California."

He replies--"Yes, I'm going to California but have decided to go through St. Louis and Kansas City."

"That seemed O.K. with us as we were just going along for the ride. When he left Interstate 70 at Kansas City heading for Wichita, Kansas, we questioned him again about the route."

"He assured us that we would get to California following

the route of the old Wagon Trains.”

The young man continued with his story--“When we got to Wichita and spent our last money for our breakfast and that of the driver, he was unhappy. Now this driver left the Interstate and turned off on a little two lane highway #54, we were apprehensive and questioned him again. He gave us a terse reply that if we didn’t like his route we could get out and walk. The farther west we came the country looked more and more deserted. So, when the driver stopped at a rest park over at Bloom, five miles east of here, we hid until he was gone and here we are. Could you put us up for the week-end as we have money that will arrive on Monday.”

MY NEW ANSWER: “Guys, we are not a welfare agency. You can seek emergency assistance at our County Seat town, Ashland, 32 miles southeast. We have a little assistance fund but if we assist you it will be **IN JESUS’ NAME** because we want to do what he said.” This naturally lead to the question--“Do You Know Jesus?”

A whole new door was o-p-e-n-e-d for evangelism. The older young man said--“I’m a Christian but my brother-in-law here isn’t.”

You can guess the answer: **We put them in a motel for the week-end and provided meals in JESUS’ NAME.**

At this time we were having a Revival at the church with Gospel Singers, Jim and Jody Pearson of Nebraska. We invited these “Two Highway Strangers” to share in the Revival. They came on Friday and Saturday night and again Sunday morning. Each invitation, I prayed this would be the moment Robert would say yes to Jesus. He didn’t. Sunday night came and we sang an extra verse of the invitation hymn but Robert did nothing.

I turned out the lights and was back in my Study for a few moments when there was a knock on the door. I announced--“Come on in.”

Robert rushed in saying--“Is it too late? Please don’t let it be too late for me!”

"Too late for what?" I inquired.

"Is it too late to receive Jesus and be baptized?"

"GLORY TO GOD NO, Robert! It's never too late as long as there is life and a willing heart!"

Calling a few of the brethren back to the church building we rejoiced in JESUS' NAME as Robert Debuschere, Jr. was buried with Christ in baptism.

Monday morning we bought two bus tickets and sent the "Two Strangers" on their way to Gardena, California.

I have often pondered--Did those young men get a bum steer from the truck driver? Was it just by chance that they happened to come down Highway 54? Did luck have them get off the truck at Bloom which is 5 miles northeast of Minneola?

The answer is **NO!** God works in mysterious ways His wonders to perform!

This marked the beginning for us of a whole new ministry to the Highway People. From the day that we began to meet needs "IN JESUS' NAME", we also began to lead people to receive Jesus as Saviour and Lord. And, the highway travelers that came to our door increased. I soon realized that the Lord was sending the travelers and we were to be a lighthouse along the Road of Life. Their thirst was quenched IN JESUS' NAME with both kinds of water that Jesus spoke of in John 4:10--the WATER FROM THE WELL as we met their physical needs and the WATER OF LIFE, Jesus and His Word.

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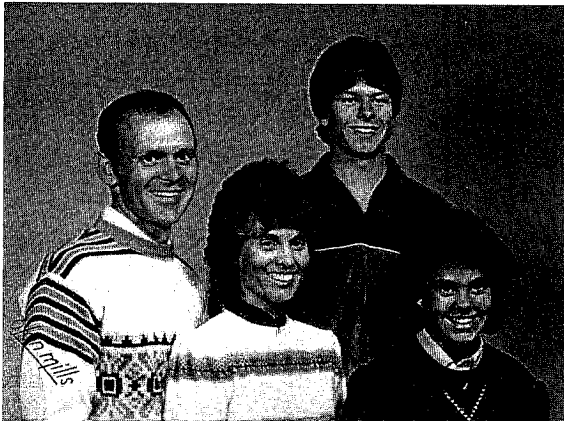
Forever may the reality of the blessed NAME OF JESUS be spoken from our lips and ring within our hearts as the songs say so well:

"All hail the pow'r of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all."(9)

"Take the NAME OF JESUS with you, Child of sorrow and of woe;
It will joy and comfort give you, Take it then, wher'er you go.
Precious Name, O how Sweet! Hope of earth and joy of
Heav'n."(10)

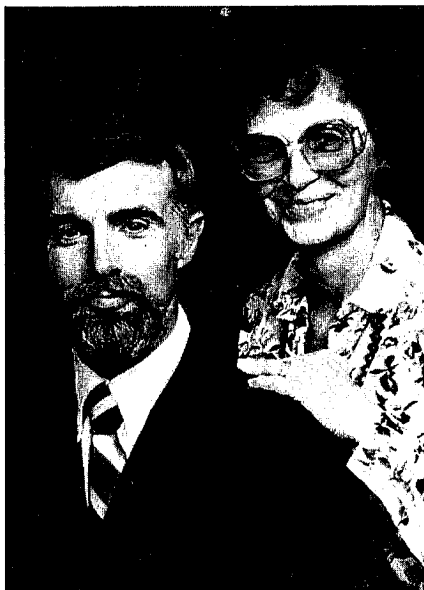
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