Stewardship of Possessions

ILLUSTRATED SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By Alfred J. Buescher

Scripture—I Timothy 6.

Paul advises Christians to be content with few worldly satisfactions. These are secondary to God's spiritual satisfactions.—I Timothy 6:6-8.

Those who possess and pursue riches can be greatly tempted for the love of money is avarice and the root of all evil.—I Timothy 6:11-14.

As Christians, we must turn from worldly riches and pursue the virtues which come from indwelling of the Holy Spirit.—I Timothy 6:11-14.

Christians should use their wealth in good works, thus laying up treasures in heaven.—I Timothy 6:15-19.

MEMORY VERSE:—"Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy."—I Timbthy 6:17.

DEVOTION TO GOD

First Condition Of Satisfaction

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By R. H. RAMSEY

TODAY'S lesson opens in the middle of a paragraph, the beginning of which is a rebuke of those contentious individuals who think that by living a life of pretended godliness they would gain financial rewards. This leads the apostle to a great statement about the necessity for Christians to be content with such things as they have.

Paul does not mean to imply that Christians should possess nothing more than food and clothing, and he does not repudiate wealth as such. He insists only that when the great needs of food, clothing and shelter are met, we should have a grateful, contented heart regarding earthly desires. Earthly satisfactions, however, are secondary to spiritual satisfaction; and since man is only satisfied in God, devotion to Him is the first condition of true satisfaction.

The apostle follows up this matter of possessions with a reminder that those who possess and pursue riches run the danger of falling into great temptations, a snare from which the captive cannot easily extricate himself.

In I Timothy 6:10 we find the often misquoted passage; "For the love of money is the root of all evil"; Note how carefully Paul states this fact. Money, in itself, is not the root of evil, but the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Love of money rears its ugly head in unrighteousness, the taking of unfair advantage, idolatry and selfishness.

Armed with these virtues, Timothy should, as Paul himself has done, fight the good fight against the enemies of the faith and remain strong in the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ in the great battle for the Gospel and the souls of men; to utilize every available weapon, the most powerful of which is the redemption and eternal life.

In a general way, this charge to Timothy embraces every basic aspect of Christian conduct, with Paul emphasizing his so often did in his letters, he digresses to a parenthetical paragraph. Verses 11 to 14 exhort Timothy to flee from such things as a hunger for gold, envy and wrangling, because he is a man of God — as every Christian is—and has a great responsibility to the church.

This turning his back on the love of money and all it involves however, is not enough. He is to follow after the great virtues which come from the indwelling of the Holy Spirit; righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience and meekness.

There is no vice more damning to noble, tender feelings than avarice. It is capable of extinguishing all mercy, all pity, all natural affection. Once avarice takes hold, its deathly grip is never relaxed. The selfish man cannot love, show pity or shame, be generous or humble. In a crisis he will sacrifice even himself on the altar of his god: gold. No god ever exacted such undivided, ever increasing devotion from his worshipers.

Paul is not finished with his discourse on money, but, as he Christ's faithfulness in witnessing before Pilate, and looking to the future, second coming of the Lord Jesus. Paul closes the charge with a doxology stressing the transcendency of God, and ascribing to Him all honor, esteem and adoration.

Now, Paul returns to the subject of money, telling Timothy what he should say to those in his church who possess wealth. They should not be high - minded over their riches for they are only of the present world and are so uncertain that they cannot be depended upon.

God alone, who provides all things necessary for body and soul, is their only hope for all time and eternity. God does not wish them to give up their wealth entirely, but to use it for good works, for thus they will lay up treasures in heaven and provide a good foundation for Christ to build their lives to come upon. With such approval for his earthly good works, the believer will then enter into the fullest enjoyment of that life which alone is life indeed.

You can read many things in the human face. It is often the mirror of our emotions. It is sometimes the reflection of our character.

But almost never does the face reveal the *needs* of the human *soul*. Like some artificial mask it can look satisfied when the soul is starving. It can look calm when the soul is troubled. It can look content when the soul is restless and yearning.

How then can we *read* our soul's needs?

We can read them in the Bible. And in the centuries of man's universal reaching for God. In the prayers that a hundred million lips have framed. In the hymns and psalms that generations have echoed.

God alone fully understands the needs of a human soul. He who created us knows what is essential for His creatures. And when we come to His House, trying to understand these deep spiritual needs . . . all the while He is supplying them, satisfying the hungers of the soul.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Genesis 4:1-7	I Samuel 16:6-13	Psalms 42:1-11	John 6:25-34	John 6:35-51	I Corinthians 5:1-10	James 1:16-21

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Leisure Time Great Challenge To Man

By CARDINAL McGUIGAN

The use of "leisure time" has become one of the great problems and challenges of modern man.

Many people are now familiar with the oft-quoted story of a St. Louis merchant named Daniel Nugent who in 1960 sold his prosperous department store for more money than anyone could possibly spend in one lifetime.

He did not do this as a tired old man. He was merely a young man, 27 to be specific, grown tired of a life of commerce and management. He retired to a peaceful hilltop in Santa Barbara, California.

ADMIRED BEAUTY

There it is reported, he spent his time admiring beauties of nature, reading anything and everything that struck his fancy and disposing of his wealth in various benevolent causes.

Several social philosophers questioned Mr. Nugent's reward at the end of his life. They wanted to learn if he thought human beings could successfully adjust to living with quite a bit of free time on their hands.

'Gentlemen," he replied, "I myself have not been gainfully employed for some 45 years, and I assure you that there are not enough hours in the day."

LEISURE

With the help of his money and unusual endowments in intelligence and staying power, Daniel Nugent mastered a condition that sociologists, psychiatrists, philosophers and theologians agree the rest of us poor mortals aren't doing too well with at present and are likely to do worse within the future.

The condition can be called idleness, or unoccupied time, but now travels under the fashionable name of "leisure."

As part of their evidence for asserting North Americans are making somewhat less than desirable use of their free time, the specialists point to the rising crime rates in those parts of our communities where idleness is high.

They also point out that the nation wastes itself when left to its own resources when we consider that it is estimated the average family spends five hours a day in front of the television sets.

One economist has predicted the moment will come before 1975 when two per cent of the population will produce all the goods and services the rest of the population needs.

Increasing opportunities for leisure certainly are inevitable. The fallout from automation is descending impartially on white collar workers as well as skilled and unskilled workers.

Certainly, there are no excuses for not pondering the consequences of a projected enforced idleness or leisure time.

Speeches Reflect Experience

By BERNARD DALY

VATICAN CITY (CP)—Speeches by anadian bishops during the Vatican council's discussion of the role of lay members of the Roman Catholic Church have reflected some distinctive Canadian experience in this area.

They also indicated there is agreement that activities of the laity should be regarded as an integral part of the church's work.

Bishop Remi De Roo of Victoria said the apostolic commitment of the laity in the temporal sphere, aimed at promoting human welfare and transforming the world, is "not a mere superficial or humanitarian endeavor, but touches the very roots of God's redemptive plan."

And speeches by four other Canadian bishops reinforced the suggestion that a "more dynamic approach" is needed toward the work of the layman.

The discussion took place in St. Peter's Basilica and represented a first for the Catholic church. The laity has never before been the direct subject of a document to be considered by an ecumenical council.

But the unusually high Canadian interest in the matter was not surprising. Canada has a long record of involvement by Catholic laymen in the ordinary life of the country, and the church has a variety of institutions and movements aiming at stimulating activity among laymen.

MUST WORK TOGETHER

After hearing Bishop De Roo emphasize the idea that the lay Christian's work may be "an apostolic commitment," Bishop P. E. Charbonneau of Hull, Que., dealt with some practical consequences of this.

The clergy must not only engage in dialogue with the laity but must work in close communion with them, Bishop Charbonneau said. "Priests and the laity are the one church of God, doing the same work according to different modes of action."

Bishop Alexander Carter of North Bay, Ont., took up much the same point, urging that the council itself, in its documents about the laity, avoid adopting what he called a clerical style.

"We are trying to get dialogue," he said, "but talk only to ourselves."

Discussing the views held by some Canadian lay Catholics, Bishop William E. Power of Antigonish, N.S., referred to the work of such active groups as the Young Catholic Workers, whose aim had been to move otherwise indifferent young people to take an interest in public affairs.

Many graduates of these movements now are among the leaders in such fields as education, communications and government, Bishop Power said.

The people he had consulted had insisted that a Christian must develop those human qualities without which he would not be a mature adult. The desired qualities would include an acute sense of justice, civic spirit; constant concern for the promotion of human values and a spirit of service, initiative and responsibility.

Such Christians, Bishop Power said, would be "inserted into the realities of the world and mystery of Christ" and teamwork with others and in fraternal relations with the would know how to engage in hierarchy.

13 Life Companies Owned In U.S. Of Canada's 38

OTTAWA (CP)—Thirteen of the 38 Canadian life insurance companies have already fallen under foreign control, the Commons banking and finance committee was told here.

With another 13 companies mutualized, that leaves only 12 to be affected by Finance Minister Gordon's proposed legislation setting limits on the sale of company shares to non - residents.

The status of the Canadian life companies was outlined by the superintendent of insurance, Richard Humphrys, as the committee began detailed study of the bill.

Aim of the legislation is to prevent a Canadian company from selling more than 25 per cent of its shares to non-residents, or more than 10 per cent to any one non-resident or his associates.

Similar provisions are made for the federally - incorporated trust and mortgage loan companies. Mr. Gordon has said the same measure will be applied to banks in subsequent legislation.

Exempted from the bill are companies which already have more than 50 per cent of their shares in the hands of non-resident corporation or person. All 13 of the foreign-controlled Canadian life insurance companies are in that position.

Companies whose non - resident shareholdings exceed the proposed limits could not sell more shares to foreigners without the loss of voting rights.

STORM HITS ITALY

ROME (Reuters) — Floods caused landslides and blocked roads Monday following storms and three days of incessant rain in Italy, leaving a death toll of four. Falling tiles from a roof near Trapani in Sicily killed a 71-year-old man, two peasants were fatally injured by lightning near Salerno, South Italy, and an electrician was killed near Naples.

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ALL SAINTS DAY

8:30 a.m.—Celebration of Holy Communion
9:45 a.m.—SUNDAY SCHOOL: Junior, Senior & Bible Classes
11:00 a.m.—SUNDAY SCHOOL: Primary and Beginners Classes
CRIB NURSERY (in the rectory)
11:00 a.m.—CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION
Celebrant: The Rector
Assistant: The Rev'd Canon Sidney Davies of Halifax
7:00 p.m.—EVENING PRAYER & SERMON
Guest Preacher: The Rev'd. Canon S. Davies, B.A.
Subject: "WORLD MISSION"
(Members of the W.A. and youth groups are urged to attend)

Central Christian Church

219 Kent Street Charlottetown, P.E.I.

MORNING
10:00 a.m.—Bible School for all ages.
11:00 a.m.—Worship and Communion.
Anthem: "O Rest in the Lord" (Mendelssohn)
Message: "THE TASK OF THE CHURCH"
This service to be broadcast.

EVENING
7:00 p.m.—Special Service with film.
Speaker: Mr. S. Wellington, rep. of Protestant League of Canada.
Film title: "The Soul of Quebec"
Minister—Mr. William O. Weale
Organist—Mrs. Allison MacRae, A.R.C.M.
"We welcome your fellowship."

Charlottetown Bible Chapel

235 Cumberland St., at Longworth Ave

SERVICES: 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Speaker: JAMES A. STAHR, B.Sc., M.Th.

The Kirk of S. James

The Reverend T. H. B. Somers, M.A., S.T.M., Minister
Organist and Director of the Choirs
Christopher Gledhill, M.A., B.Mus., A.R.C.C.O.

9:45 a.m.—Church School and Minister's Bible Class
11:00 am.—Churchtime Nursery and Nursery School
11:00 a.m.—MORNING WORSHIP AND SERMON:
Sermon: Rev. Gerald G. Wyrwas, B.A., B.D.
Anthem: "Immortal Invisible"—Thiman)
7:00 p.m.—EVENING WORSHIP AND SEMINAR:
Sermon: Rev. Clayton C. Lewis
"O COME, LET US WORSHIP AND BOW DOWN; LET US KNEEL BEFORE THE LORD OUR MAKER".

SPRING PARK UNITED CHURCH

Dunkirk & Kirkwood
Rev. Clayton C. Lewis, Minister
Organist: Mrs. Ren H. Atkinson
Director: Mr. Roy M. Smallman

9:30 a.m.—Sunday Church School
11:00 a.m.—Nursery
11:00 a.m.—"DARKNESS OR HOPE"
Solo: Mrs. Jack Rivett
—"Spirit of God" (W. H. Neidlinger)
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DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, Nov. 1: Romans 1: 1-17.
Monday, Nov. 2: I Corinthians 1: 1-17.
Tuesday, Nov. 3: I Corinthians 1:18-31.
Wednesday, Nov. 3: I Corinthians 2:1-16.
Thursday, Nov. 5: II Corinthians 3:1-18.
Friday, Nov. 6: II Corinthians 4: 1-18.
Saturday, Nov. 7: II Corinthians 5: 1-21.

FOREST FIRE PUT OUT

PEMBROKE, Ont. (CP)—A 30-man crew brought a forest fire under control Tuesday after the blaze had threatened the hamlet of Alice, about 10 miles southwest of this Ottawa valley community. The fire, which was discovered Monday afternoon, burned to within a half mile of the community before 20 men were brought in this morning to join the 10 sent out Monday to combat the flames.

PARK ROYAL UNITED CHURCH

13 Christie Drive, Parkdale
Rev. J. H. Fyfe, B.A., B.D., Minister
Mr. Leslie Hiscott,
Organist and Director of Choirs

9:45 a.m.—Young Adult Bible Class
9:45 a.m.—Junior, Intermediate & Senior Church School
11:00 a.m.—Nursery & Kindergarten Classes
11:00 a.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP
Sermon: FIVE LOAVES AND TWO FISHES
Anthem: "Holy, Holy, Holy"
—Tchackousky
11:15 a.m.—Primary Church School
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship
Sermon: AND THEY SHALL BE ONE FLESH
Soloist: Mr. Stephen MacLeod
Music by Men's Choir
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A WELCOME AWAITS YOU AT THE ARMY"

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Ministers: Rev. John G. E. Ball, B.A.
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9:30 a.m.—Bible classes, Intermediate and Junior Church School
11:00 a.m.—Primary and Kindergarten
11:00 a.m.—Nursery (under three) Basement Heartz Mem. Hall
11:00 a.m.—SEVEN DEADLY SINS—4—LUST
(Rev. John Ball)
Anthem: "Brother James' Air" (Arr. Jacob)
7:00 p.m.—RUN WITH PATIENCE
(Rev. Gerald G Wyrwas)
Choir: "Saviour, Breathe An Evening Blessing"
—Litany Melody
"A WELCOME AWAITS YOU AT TRINITY"

First Baptist Church

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Rev. Malcolm F. Harlow, B.A., B.D., Minister
Mrs. V. L. Dingwell, Organist and Choir Director

9:45 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m.—Stewardship Pledge Service
"KEEP ON IN FAITH"
The Children's Choir
7:00 p.m.—Sermon: "THE LORD'S SUPPER"
Ordinance of Lord's Supper
Communion Chair in memory of Mrs Gertrude Huggan
Anthem by Choir.
7:30 p.m.—Wednesday mid-week service
A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

St. Peter's Cathedral

Rochford Square
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Mrs. B. W. Patterson, Choir Director

NOV. 1—ALL SAINTS' DAY (Trinity XXIII)

8:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist
8:45 a.m.—Mattins
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School (11 a.m. infants)
11:00 a.m.—Choral Eucharist & Sermon
700 p.m.—Evensong & Vespers of the Dead
Visitors are most welcome at all services.

CALVARY TEMPLE

Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada
Upper Prince Street
Rev. C. K. Benn, Pastor
9:15 a.m.—Radio Broadcast, Summerside Station
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School, Missionary Day
11:00 a.m.—Communion Service, L. Perry
7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic Service, Pastor Speaking
"SEVEN TRUMPETS OF JUDGMENT IN TRIBULATION"
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9:45 a.m.—The Church School. Classes for all ages.
10:00 a.m.—Bible Class. 11:00 a.m. Nursery School
11:00 am.—DIVINE WORSHIP
Sermon: ANXIETY OR CONFIDENCE
Anthem: The Lord's Prayer—J. Lees
7:00 p.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP
Sermon: WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
Anthem: Father in High Heaven Dwelling
VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME