

From Where We Stand . . .

What Is The Worth Of Confidence

What is the worth of confidence? How much is it worth to have confidence in your country, in your elected officials, in the producers and processors of the food you eat.

Immediately you will answer that it is of utmost importance to have faith that the country is strong and that she is right a good portion of the time. You will say that trust in elected officials is a necessity, or the officials should be replaced.

But have you ever had any thoughts about the producers and processors of the food you eat

Secretary of Agriculture, Orville Freeman, said recently in a speech in California, "On the plane, as I was traveling from New Orleans to Los Angeles, it occurred to me that those air passengers who ordered milk did so without the slightest concern as to whether it was put on the plane in New Orleans or at some other place.

"Whether it was produced in the South, West, North or East — they cared not I doubt if one passenger in the several dozen even read the brand name on the carton

"You might say that air passengers must have confidence in the air line that flies them and feeds them, but the fact is that this confidence extends to all American travelers. No matter how they travel or at what obscure crossroads they find themselves — they can and do buy dairy products without the slightest worry

"The housewife opening a bottle of milk or a package of cheese or butter anywhere assumes that the product will be wholesome, safe and of top quality. This is true even though no food is more perishable — and none is easier to contaminate."

It is true. Anywhere in the United States a housewife can pick up dairy products with confidence — a confidence built on a continuing supply of pure products in the past.

If the dairy industry is to continue to merit the confidence of the American housewife, it is up to each and every dairyman to help maintain that supply of pure products

We have said before, and we believe it bears repeating, health requirements have done more for the dairyman than any other one thing in building the confidence of consumers

It is true there are those dairymen who would produce milk of the highest quality even if they are not forced to, but there are always those others who would destroy the buyer's confidence by putting on the market a product of inferior quality.

If you, as a dairyman, would like to complain about health requirements, we believe you should complain that the health code is not inclusive enough, that it does not put stringent enough restrictions on milk moving from one area to another. We believe dairymen

are hurting no one but themselves when they complain that health laws are too strict

At least that's how it looks from where we stand

Stacks Of Letters

"I suppose you get loads of letters every week," she said "I read the editorials every week, and often think about writing a letter, but you probably get so many —"

We have heard this or a similar statement so often that we get the feeling there must be hundreds of frustrated letter writers around the county.

We do get letters, but not loads of them. We, as do most editors, wish we could hear from readers more often. One of the most common concerns among writers is, "Is anybody reading the stuff?"

Sometimes we begin to be concerned, but then we remember the many times we, too, had an urge to write an editor when we agreed or disagreed strongly with something in the paper. Usually we just put it off until the urge died, and forgot all about letter writing again until another editorial "got to us"

So when we remember that we are not so instant with the letters to other editors, we know why so few come across our desk

To you, we issue an invitation. Whenever you agree, or disagree with the theme of an editorial, or whenever you particularly like or dislike a news story, or whenever you think of something that could in any way improve the service of this newspaper to its readers, drop a line to the editor. We assure you, all letters are carefully read and gratefully received whether they contain a bouquet or a brickbat.

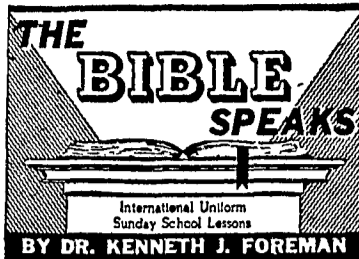
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BUTTERING UP THE IRISH

The average Irishman eats 45 lbs. of butter annually — the U.S. per capita use is down to 74 pounds. A recent Harvard University study of Irishmen indicated they weigh less, had one-half as many cases of high blood pressure, and lower cholesterol counts than blood brothers in Boston

SAFFLOWER NOT THAT GOOD

Some 60 cases of "safflower shortening" were seized by Food and Drug Administration in late August on charges of false health and diet claims. FDA charged the promotional literature falsely represented that the product is adequate and effective to prevent atherosclerosis, heart attacks, strokes; to control the blood cholesterol; to reduce body weight; to stay fit and active, and to improve health and vitality.



Bible Material: John 14:16-17, 25-26; 16:4-15; Acts 2, 4:7-10, 13; Romans 8:1-27.
Devotional Reading: Romans 8:14-27.

God Within

Lesson for October 28, 1962

SOMETIMES it looks as if the Church made it harder instead of easier to believe in God. The church talks about the Trinity, but we don't understand that.



It talks about the Holy Spirit, but that seems very hard to understand. On the contrary, the Church's teaching about the Holy Spirit (all the good of which we owe to the Bible Dr. Foreman in the first place) makes God much nearer than we would otherwise dare to think about Him. In fact, a definition of the Holy Spirit which many Christian teachers have expressed is just this: The Holy Spirit is God at work in the hearts of men. The Holy Spirit is God-within. You will never be any closer to God nor He to you, than you are to the Holy Spirit.

He will send . . . I will send . . .

Of course no reader will suppose that he can find out all there is to know about God, in one single column in a newspaper. God cannot be shut up in a million books, and of course not in a few lines of print. The Bible material for this week's study gives much more than we can deal with in so short a space. All we can do is to point out three truths, all of them from the teaching of Jesus. First of all is that apparent contradiction: Jesus tells His disciples first that the Father will send them the Holy Spirit, and then that He (Christ) will do so. We are intended to put these two truths together. The Holy Spirit comes from the Father and comes from the Son of God, from Jesus Christ. Now if you insist on puzzles, there are puzzles in that simple statement. But let's bypass the puzzles, and look at what is plain. The least this can mean is that the Holy Spirit is like the Father and like the Son, — we

might (using human terms of course) say that the Holy Spirit is in harmony with, and represents, both the Father and the Son, both the high God and our Lord Jesus. (One is no more and no less God than the other is.) Well, what is this? Another puzzle? No; this truth gives us a way to distinguish between alleged Spirits of God and the true Spirit. If the "Spirit" leads a man to do what is not Christ-like, then we may be sure that whatever he has in his heart, it is not the Spirit whom Christ has sent.

Truth and Conscience

Jesus furthermore calls the Holy Spirit the "Spirit of Truth." Some Christians understand this to mean that wherever men are moving in the direction of truth — any truth, scientific, economic, intellectual, religious — there the Holy Spirit is at work. Now of course, if God is a god of truth, his Spirit will never support a lie. And we may well believe that God is concerned with truth of every kind and in every aspect of life. But it is also true that the Holy Spirit is most especially concerned with truth about God and about his relation to the world and particularly to man. It is quite possible, it happens every day, that men who have no religion and do not believe in God at all, make scientific explorations and discoveries that are true and even valuable. But no one is likely to learn much about God who does not seek the help of the Holy Spirit. To put this another way, only God can introduce us to God.

What a normal human being wants, however, is not mere bare truth, he wants not only to know, he wants to do. This is particularly true in the Christian religion. Like its mother-religion of Judaism, Christianity has always been interested in action. Right living is quite as important as right thinking; the two cannot be separated. So the Holy Spirit is called the "Counselor." This is a better translation than "Comforter" or "Advocate" though it may include those other meanings. The word suggests that God-within is not a presence only, but a guiding presence. Put into simple language, this means that the more Godlike, the more Christlike, a person is, the more he will do what is right in the sight of God. We can't live with people without learning their ways; and we cannot live with God without learning — humbly but truly — more and more of His will.

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Now Is The Time . . .

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To Control Winter-Time Weeds

Modern weed control methods include the spraying in late fall or early winter for the control of such weeds as winter-cress, shepherd's purse, ground ivy, and chickweed. Most of these weeds are found in grass-legume stands and will choke out the legume and reduce the quality of the forage crop. MCP is recommended for the winter-cress after a killing frost, and either a dinitro spray or chloro IPC should be used on the others.

To Utilize Corn Silage

Many acres of corn have been made into silage this fall, the delay of a killing frost is permitting many additional acres of late-planted corn to reach silage stage, if not maturity. All livestock men should recognize the greater amount of feed nutrients from an acre of corn by making it into silage rather than by picking for grain. For either dairy or beef cattle feeding, corn silage has a definite place in an economical feeding program.

To Compost Those Leaves

All farmers and property owners can use a well-rotted compost pile each summer. Rather than burn the leaves or have them hauled away it is suggested that they be mixed with topsoil, lime, and a complete fertilizer this fall and allowed to rot down into a compost by next summer. This pile of organic matter is very useful for flower or vegetable gardens or around foundation shrubbery plantings.

To Get Farm Machinery Under Cover

When field work is completed this fall all pieces of machinery should be cleaned, greased, and put under cover against weather elements. Rust is one of the greatest enemies of farm machinery and reduces the life-span of usefulness. All farmers are urged to protect their investment by keeping their farm machinery dry at all times.

Sow Fresh Seeds

Sow columbine, pansy, poppy and delphinium while they are fresh. Reminds A. J. Giantagna, Penn State extension floriculturist. Use flats or sowed pans. Provide adequate drainage and fill with well-prepared garden soil.

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