God bless you & greetings to all our Family teens! Here is your third "Hope of the Future", beginning with the story of teen David, formerly Jubilee. He used to wish he could have the things of the System, but when he did backslide to try them, he found that the System is not all fun & games like it's pictured in the movies! He shares his heartaches, battles & tribulations when alone on the Devil's territory, & how he was so thankful for the Lord's Love & Mercy in allowing him to return to the Family! GBY, David, we're so glad you made it back!

Next let's go to Southeast Asia, where you'll meet national teens who stayed at a Family Home for three days, & who, although they are still living in the System, all said, "We'd rather have Jesus!" than all the World has to offer!

The PI YES (Youth Education Seminar) is our next stopping place, with notes on the class, "Learning Yieldedness & Obedience". Don't miss this priceless privilege of reading here the personal lessons of many leaders who relate breaking experiences the Lord used to make them the useful vessels they are today! Are you being what Jesus wants you to be?---LHU all to yield & obey so we can fill the role He has for us to play!

Next in this issue, get ready to whip out your Bibles for a fascinating & strengthening Bible study about the foundations of our Family practices in God's Word!---"Consideration in Conversation!"---As Jesus said, "By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, because ye have love one to another."---Jn. 13:35

News Flash!--Auntie Sara Visits Teen Combos! Wow! Read teens' reactions to meeting Auntie Sara in person & how they enjoyed & learned from what she shared in her convicting, bottle-breaking & fun-filled presentations!

And last but not least is the list of "Good Videos for Teens!--Updated 1988."---Recommended for good, profitable "Teen Time" video viewing! PTL!

God bless you as you read, study & prayerfully apply these articles to your lives! We love you & we're counting on you! You are our Future, our Endtime Fighters, Heaven's Boys & Girls, an inspiration to us all! Keep on fighting the good fight for Jesus!

"I WANT TO MAKE UP FOR LOST TIME!"
Ex-prodgal Teen Tells You "The System's Not Really It!"

From David (formerly Jubilee), India Area
Hello, my name is David (formerly Jubilee), & I'm the eldest son of Happy & Meek (Kenaz & Hodiah). I'm 15 years old & grew up & spent most of my life in the Family. I was born in 1972 in Norfolk, Virginia & after that travelled to India, & around the World in the Family.

Sometimes when I was 10 & 11, I used to see System children, & I used to go through battles & trials when I would see that they had a lot of things. The Devil would really lie to me & make me wish I had them, too. I used to rebuke the Devil a lot, & win victories.

Then a little over a year ago I was in
Greece with my family & got a phone call about the Shove-Off Program, so I came to India. My parents were going to come to Calcutta for a couple of months later. I was staying in a Home here & learning lots & lots of lessons. I was really growing in the Spirit, but I was also going through some battles. I had been stealing various things when I was younger, I would shoplift candy, or magazines because I had read a magazine for the Word, I would read System magazines & listen to System music whenever I could. I went through real battles, & I would fight them, & get small victories, but I never had enough faith because I never stayed in the Word long enough to be able to spiritually fight these battles & keep my victories that the Lord gave me.

So one day, after my parents had come, I was out Postering & I saw some System magazines, & I just took them kind of in- 

I started getting into sports, & was a fairly good athlete, but inside I wasn't really happy. But I would just brush this aside & argue with the teacher on various points from what I'd learned in the Family. Even though I wasn't in the Family, & I tried to consider myself an atheist, I couldn't help but argue with the teacher on various points from what I'd learned in the Family. Even though I was trying to convince myself that I didn't believe it, at the same time I knew I did, & I couldn't help but stand up for it in front of the teacher.

During that time the Devil started telling me a lot of lies & the problem was I started listening. He kept saying the System was nice. I believed it because all that I ever saw of the System, as a teenager in the Family, was what I saw in the movies. And in movies they often make a very glamorous picture of it, & make it look real fun, & I didn't really care about studies, & I didn't really care about school. I just wanted to have fun, but without even trying, I was an honour student. (Ed: The good fruits of Family education!)

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I was a Catholic school that I went to, & in the religion classes I excelled. Even though I wasn't in the Family, & I tried to consider myself an atheist, I couldn't help but argue with the teacher on various points from what I'd learned in the Family. Even though I was trying to convince myself that I didn't believe it, at the same time I knew I did, & I couldn't help but stand up for it in front of the teacher.

So I really started crying out to the Lord. I was praying for about 7 or 8 hours before I even realised it. I was just crying & crying & praying & I was really desperate with the Lord, because I could see that I was so far astray now. I stayed up all night reading the various Letters that I had & listened to "The Helmet" over & over, & just talking to the Lord & praying. Then I got up & I wrote a letter to my parents & told them why I would like to join the Family again & serve the Lord.

After this it was about 7 or 8 in the morning because I had stayed up all night. I skipped school for the day & stayed back & got in trouble because I knew I really needed strength to continue there, because I would still probably be a couple of months there in the System, & I knew I really had to be full of the Word to be able to stand up to the devils that were around me. So I stayed in the Word & kept my Memory Book with me at all times.

Later on that afternoon, the Lord showed me that I should write to some of the other people in the Family & tell them, too. This was a real blessing, because the letter that I wrote to my parents did not arrive there for two months, & it was really necessary to continue fighting the battle, but one of the letters that I had written to another brother arrived within two weeks.

It had been two weeks since I'd written the letter & I had been carrying the Memory Book with me everywhere. Sometimes I would get different letters in the Word during school, & I didn't do any of my school work at the time. My parents phoned two weeks later, & they were obviously very excited to hear that I wanted to return again! I was really touched with what they were telling me. They would forgive me, & they weren't getting down on me about leaving or anything, because the Devil had really been lying to me & telling me that everyone was going to be really upset, & they might not even take me back because I had left. But when they called they were just really sweet & they gave me a lot of encouragement. They gave me a phone number of some other brethren in the States, so I called them & they were really sweet & encouraging too.

The words fell because of the fact that I hadn't been studying because I was spending all my time in the Word instead & I failed a bunch of different courses. So my grandmother was extremely upset, & she wanted to know what was wrong. So I told her that I was thinking about going back to serve the Lord again. She got upset & ar-

So I really started thinking about the Lord again, but I started thinking about it, & the Lord just really came through & I finally opened up my heart to Him. He just came in & it was so wonderful! I remembered that I'd brought a cassette tape of the Letter "The Helmet" (ML 1058) with me, so I put it on & I started listening to it. I listened to it over & over again, & really started getting concerned because of what it was saying about backsliders & what the Lord would do to them.

I started thinking about the Family & the Lord. But I would immediately try to close my mind off & not think about it, & I started going to sleep with the TV or radio on so that I wouldn't be able to think about this, because it was so confusing that I couldn't understand why the Lord kept trying to get me, when I was trying to fight Him so much.

I started getting into reading a lot of books on spirituality & things like this, & I started daydreaming a lot about the System, even though I wasn't in the Family. I wasn't really happy with the way my life was then in the System, I started daydreaming about my life as an adult in the System & what that would be like. It seemed to me that nothing really satisfied me there. I could never even make up my mind on what I wanted to do as a career. One week I would be thinking I would be a lawyer, & the next week I would be thinking I'd be a musician or an actor or something.

I was playing lead guitar for a band at school, & even though I hated heavy metal, I was playing it, but it was the "cool" thing among the kids there. I finally quit because I couldn't stand it. It was such confusion, & it was nothing but loud music. I've learned that they sang, they would openly worship the Devil, & they didn't consider myself an atheist, I still couldn't take that so I just quit.

I used to watch a lot of TV too, but I tried to keep it down to a minimum because I could see all of my friends were just empty, mindless, drug addicted, kids there. I finally quit because it was too much. I couldn't bear to watch it that much.

So finally my parents decided to let me go back to the System, & I went back to live with my grandmother in the USA, & I started going there. For the first month it seemed kind of exciting to me, & I was really trying new things. I was going to a private school, & I was kind of a troublemaker because I was an honour student without even trying, & I didn't really care about my studies.
pionships & everything, but I decided to quit.

The team that I was on went to the State Championships, but I decided to quit because now that I had decided to serve the Lord, I had gotten into a fight with a leader of the System. So I really started seeing once again who my friends really were, & who my Family was!

It really made me appreciate the Lord so much! All the time I had in the Word really made me appreciate that so much more, too.

It was actually the Lord that my grandmother decided to switch schools, because it took a couple months' transition to start telling my grandmother that I really did want to go back & serve the Lord. So she started getting really upset & when my father would try to call to her about it, she would just hang up on him. She wouldn't listen to him, but she wouldn't let me leave. She started getting my various uncles & aunts & cousins to sit down & talk to me & everything.

So finally my father & I agreed that the only way for me to be able to get out of the System was for me to go home & thank the Lord, he surprised her & just showed up at the door to get me. She freaked out, but after a few days she decided to let me go.

We got tickets a couple days later & I left! I came to India where I was before & saw the Family again. It was so encouraging for me because the Devil had really lied to me a lot, & said that once I got back to India I would be separated from everyone else & would be in my room for months, & not allowed to talk to anyone so they could obses me. And even after I'd decided to serve the Lord again, I'd still believe this, but the Lord really blessed my faith because I said that even if this was the case, I still wanted to serve the Lord. I still knew the Family was the right place.

But when I came it wasn't like that at all. Everyone was so loving, they were just so sweet that I was really excited & encouraged.

I wanted to take this chance to tell the other teens that the System is really out of it, & it's not where it's at! It's not all that it's cracked up to be in the movies!—Because that's what I thought it was, & I thought it would be nice to try it & see what it was like. When I tried it I just got so fed up with it, & it just didn't make me happy in the Spirit & in the Word & memorising again!

I just wanted to stay more than a day or so, but when they had to return home to prepare to go back to school, they were all in tears! They averaged about 8-10 souls per witnessing afternoon & came home bubbling over with testimonies!

We had one of our precious nationals, Bright, shepherd them & give them certain classes from the YES, like Honesty, Witnessing etc., & they really learned to pour their hearts out about their trials & victories. It was so inspiring to see them really change in my heart. The Lord gave me the desires of my heart, but sent keenness to my soul. (Psa.106:15) TTL for the Family & for the Lord's Love & mercy which saved me!—I really want to give my all for the Lord now, & my 119s for the Lord, & to try & make up for the lost time.

I love you all! Thank you! Love, David
with conviction! He’s having lots of trials about being whole-hearted about his studies so please pray for him & these other kids! We feel it’s a real key to reach this “un-
touched” generation & we could use any sup-
port & help towards this ministry, as we need to invest time & personnel in training them, but it sure is worth it! Amen? PTL!

1 “Wow! Look what the Lord supplied through provisioning! Phil. 4:19—It works!” (Left to right) Anna (Singaporean full-timer who was a catacomber for four years before dropping out fulltime last year) & our Catacombers: Joseph (14), Sam (14), Mary (11).

2 Our precious national, Jonathan, giving our Catacombers a vision for their life for Jesus! Reaching that generation! They took up the challenge while here & won over 30 souls in just a few witnessing days! (L-R) Jon, Sam (14) & Joseph (14), both catacombers.

3 Putting the shopping away! “We’re going to have a good time serving the Lord!” Mary (11), catacomber, with Danny (10), son of James & Charity.

4 A happy time of dishwashing with our national brother, Jonathan, telling them how Jonathan in the forefront, Sam, Joseph & Mary.

5 The Word, the Word, the Word—We can’t get enough! Sam, Joseph, Jonathan, Mary, Paul. (All pics by Gideon.)

LEARNING YIELDEDNESS & OBEDIENCE!
Notes from Teen Class from the P.I. YES, 1987

Paul: Jesus puts us through many experiences & lessons, not only for our benefit, but so that we will be able to comfort others, lead others, teach others & really be able to speak from our hearts, having experienced it ourselves—2 Cor. 1:4.

I have served the Lord in many places around the World—Europe, the Middle East, India, Iran, Africa etc. I did the job, but there was something missing. I was a leader but not a Shepherd. What is the difference?—A brother heard “That makes the difference. A Shepherd has compassion, which comes by experience & learning yieldedness. I had a long way to go to even see the difference. A leader can do the job, but the Shepherd goes beyond that. There is a difference between the mechanics of leadership & being a true Shepherd.

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But the Lord used it because it taught me submission! I accepted it & received it & was joyful about my work. I would go to the Word on my own. I could see that she was so unhappy & that I needed to be there as a mission to serve them & help them get close to Jesus & be a blessing. I wasn’t to be a big spiritual Shepherd, but a sample in serving them & helping them.—Kind of being an unseen support & learning the little things. The most important thing that the Lord taught me was that I had to submit my will totally &
heart attack! I almost went to be with the prayer, & then I started to get humbled! In ing me back & one was Eridfi. So I had started growing & it is a painful process! It’s man the Lord wanted me to be. But then I wasn’t growing, I wasn’t seeking to be the finally started to grow in the Lord! Before I started, I saw the error of my ways, but I didn’t 300! That is pretty radical! GBH!
of faith to fire all the leaders in the Family!— all for the sake of the Work! It took a big step leaders. But we weren’t doing a Shepherding Nationalisation Revolution”) there was a obedience & yieldedness. It doesn’t just roll To feel pain or distress, or experience loss or mean? Great & easy & lots of fun? (Suffer: obediance?--“Through the things which He thanks? That’s a pretty rough story. But does it all work together for good? (Teens: Yes!) You something is happening in your life & you’re age. if I hadn’t learned to i>c a good follower just be a servant & trust the Lord that He was going to bring good fruit out of it! I was a & there’s no use carrying on. I was really & was left behind. The thought come to me that I had blown it so & what the Folks, & you are living with them, & they leave, let me tell you, it’s hard! I really went through it over that for months & months, every moment! Continually, I had the thought come to me that I had blown it so that they had left me behind.
What happens when these things come along? You feel like giving up & you think the Lord doesn’t love you & you’re too bad & there’s no use carrying on. I was really going through it! What I had wanted my whole life, I had lost & every day I worried about it, although I tried to keep a smile on my face & do my work. It was a soul-searching time, but when praying about it, a previous experience came to me which was a real answer to prayer.

A Lesson in Escape from Iran

Then I remembered a lesson from when I was living in Iran, working with others on a project for the Shah’s wife. We had a Montessori school & the elite of Tehran were at our school! (Elite: The best or most powerful people who are in control of a place & have a lot of influence & power. They usually have a lot of money & are respected & admired by others.) The first thing that happened to me was—I had a heart attack! I almost went to be with the Lord! I was just lying there & I was paralysed! I could see everyone, but I couldn’t communicate with them! Thanks ly was praying for me, but I couldn’t move. TTL, Auntie Faithy stayed with me & I pulled out of it that night.

Out of that near-death experience, I started to realise what was happening to me— I had spiritual paralysis to happen spiritually in my life. Little things crept into my life, but I wasn’t taking a stand against them, I wasn’t facing my problems, but just “resigning myself to fate,” including resigning my spiritual responsibilities! The Lord really shook me by that incident & I realised that I’d better give my all! That was my first answer about decreasing.

Also, I was really in love with a girl in my Home! You know how that happens? It’s another kind of heart attack! Then she left, boom, & my heart was broken! I got over it & then things changed & I ended up in a new situation. The girl came back, however she was rooming with someone else! I even had to work closely with this fellow she was rooming with! I had to give it all to the Lord & it was a breaking for me. The second answer to my prayer to be “decreased.”

The third answer: One day the Folks moved & I stayed. When you fall in love with the Folks, & you are living with them, & they leave, let me tell you, it’s hard! I really went through it over that for months & months, every moment! Continually, I had the thought come to me that I had blown it so that they had left me behind.
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A Prayer that I Would Decrease!

Paul: How would you like to have to work under Jethro & Deborah, with no thanks? That’s a pretty rough story. But does it all work together for good? (Teens: Yes!) You something is happening in your life & you’re age. if I hadn’t learned to i>c a good follower just be a servant & trust the Lord that He was going to bring good fruit out of it! I was a & there’s no use carrying on. I was really & was left behind. The thought come to me that I had blown it so & what the Folks, & you are living with them, & they leave, let me tell you, it’s hard! I really went through it over that for months & months, every moment! Continually, I had the thought come to me that I had blown it so that they had left me behind.
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At one point, suddenly the road went from a two-lane highway to a one-lane highway! We thought, “What are we going to do if a truck comes?” But then the road stopped! We thought we had missed the road! But we hadn’t, it had just gotten washed out years before, but we didn’t know that from the map. That is how it felt when the Folks left! I’d somehow missed the right road!
Well, to get out of Iran, I knew we had to keep going! We just kept going! I knew that as long as we were bouncing on the cobblestones below the sand, we were safe. But when we got off the track a couple of times & got stuck. We then got help from the Bedouin people & continued on our travels. Well, we made it out! We ended up meeting up with all the Family members who had lived in Iran, & then we pioneered Pakistan! PTL!
I wrote to Dad & Mama & told them all about this, especially the part about the road, the lesson being that I knew I just had to keep on going! I got a letter back from them saying, “You’re right, it was nothing that you did wrong, it was just the road you needed to take! There was no other choice.” So these things teach us yieldedness—you have to just keep on going, even if it seems like a rough road with lots of bumps & holes! A lot of times it is just the route we have to take no matter what!

The Difference Between A Leader & A Shepherd—Compassion!

At the Folks’ I was working on the FSM (Family Specials Magazine), which was needed therapy for me. People’s hearts were there on those testimonies from the field, not just facts & numbers, like before when I’d worked in an office. I started reading & even crying, realising what people go through!—It was the Lord’s medicine. Soon after that Dad got the Letter “Without Love It’s Nothing!” (ML 1819, GN 151) for me. It was about a hasty letter I wrote to someone on the field & the Lord exposed my thinking through His Word really. You see it in a good way! I started to make a commitment to put my name in all the Letters, to apply them all personally! I then started to get sexual afflictions, then problems with my teeth, my back etc. Now I have always been a very independent person, & I considered that a virtue! One day I was duping Mama’s Victory tape & this quote kept coming up when I was checking the tape. Four or five times it happened! The quote said, “Some people think a virtue, even the S wsp of God’s eyes, is as stubbornness & the sin of witchcraft!” Wow! I realised I needed prayer against my independence & stubbornness. I realised that
I needed to pour out more to others, & that I was really holding back from others.

Remember, all this happened after I prayed that New Year’s Prayer, “He must increase, but I must decrease.” (Jn.3:30) I realised the Lord had answered my prayer, but I didn’t know if I could take it. I was praying, “Lord, what am I doing wrong? Show me!” I got the poem that says, “Are you waiting for God to answer? Are you knocking at His door? Why not try reading some of the things He said before?” I thought, “Yes, why don’t I get in the Word & get the answers?” So I began to study Word projects & all the lessons started coming alive to me.

I just wanted to use those examples to show you that when you pray, He answers!—Maybe not the way you expect Him to, but He will answer! When you walk out of harm’s way & go home, the Lord will continue to answer your prayers & continue to teach you lessons & give you classes, maybe not in a classroom, but lessons in the Word, through applying the Word in your life.

Changing Roles in God’s “Play”!

The above all happened within a 1-1/2 year period & it wasn’t all that crystal-clear to me at the time what the Lord was doing! I thought I had ‘done’ over three years worth of time! I had ups & downs, detours—and then I got to go to the ELC meeting (Eastern Leadership Conference). I thought I was going to be doing the dishes, but I got to help organise it. Then I got to go back to the Folks’ house! I thought, “this is it! I’ve learned my lessons, now that I’m so yielded. He’s given me my heart’s desire!” But the Lord wasn’t done—He asked me to be a “Searcher” to the US! Then I saw how yielded I was. When you walk out of harm’s way, & you may then take it away. It is a constant forsaking, that is how we learn yieldedness!

God is the great Director & we are like the actors in His plays. Take Charlton Heston, for example, in the movie “The Ten Commandments”—a pretty heavy role to play. You ask, are we supposed to play roles in the Family?—Yes, in a way. Actors get millions of dollars, but we are bought with a price. Charlton Heston got an Academy Award for that movie that took 6 months of his life. & he said, “I’ll do it!” What happens with us? Do we do the same? This is the kind of yieldedness we should have in our lives!—To do what God directs us to do. He knows what He is doing! What if Charlton Heston said, “Wait, but I played Moses in ‘The Ten Commandments’! How can you ask me to play this role, just a little stable boy?” It doesn’t matter how yielded we were a year ago, what matters is how yielded we are today!

What should be our prime motive? Some actors do it for money or glory. Some actors even desire a change of role—when they’re typecast. (Typecast: To always play an actor in the same type of roles, so that he is usually associated with that type of character.) The actor Sean Connery played James Bond in all his movies, then he realised that he wasn’t growing as an actor. Sean said he needed a change to grow & break out of the rut! That’s why the Lord gives us new roles! It is the same for us spiritually.

Back to the question of what should be our motive.—What should constrain us?—The Love of Christ!—That should be our motivation for learning yieldedness in our lives—no other reason than because you love Jesus. You will do it for Him!

Here are some testimonies of how the Lord taught different ones here yieldedness:

Accepting the Role of Leadership!

Christina (formerly Toni): I have a testimony of how I learned yieldedness the hard way! I guess I have to go back to when I joined the Family. I was a little person, taking care of kids etc. I thought I was yielded, but then the Lord gave me a very important job!—From a childcare job to being an important person overnight! I thought God had made a mistake! Instead of accepting it, I yielded, I was very unyielded in my heart about it! I thought, “I just don’t fit here, I would rather be in a humble job!” My unyieldedness really manifested itself in selfishness, stubbornness, & rebelliousness. When you are not yielded to the Lord, I thought, “someone else should do this job!” Finally I voiced my doubt & asked to be able to return to my “little job”. I was so deceived, how selfish I was! Finally my request got granted & I thought everything was great! The Lord & I went our way & after I got to the field, in my own mind I was so deceived!

Then a Letter came out about me, “The Girl Who Wouldn’t!” (ML 721, Vol.6). It was the shock treatment—I was smashed! The Lord knew that is what I needed & I am really thankful for it! One little bit of selfishness leads to more, & if Dad hadn’t written that Letter so I could get smashed, I wouldn’t be here today! So really heed the warning signals!

Paul: like Christina was sharing, the Lord might want you to be the Moses & not the stable boy, to be a main actor, not just a supporting actor. When we need to do it, we can do it. Maybe you say, “But I could never do it.” I felt that way too, but when the Lord is calling the shots, you’d better do it! You have to realise all your sin—stubborn & rebellious against God! & a plan God made for you from the beginning of the World! So keep that vision!

Being Willing to Fail!

Bighteeth: At the time of the RNR, I was one of those big Chain leaders! I was quite unwilling to receive that I failed so badly! It took a little while for me to receive that I was in charge of a big area & wasn’t fulfilling my responsibility!—I was a leader, but I did not have a real heart for the sheep. I was a leader like a frog, who said, “I did!” & hit the bottom! (See “Good Thots”, Humility/Pride)

When that happened, I became unwielded because I said to myself, “I don’t ever want to be that high again & make that fall & hit the bottom again. So I’m gonna stay on the bottom, so when I fall, I won’t have to fall very hard, or not at all!” I cut off my connections with the Lord even from the Family & didn’t want to do different things. I said, “I’ll do this, but not that. I’ll help with printing Posters, because if I make a mistake it can be corrected easily. But I don’t want to be a leader or have any spiritual responsibility.”

I just decided that I would be yielded only to whatever I wanted to do! Then the Lord had to break me, yet I felt I was so yielded!

Being yielded is doing what God wants you to do at any moment in any situation. You won’t get anywhere unless you are willing to run the risk of making mistakes.

Somewhere I got to Manila & started to work making the “perfect Home”! I did all the hard work but again when a little thing came up, I’d say, “Not me!” Then I was asked if I wanted to go to another Home! “You mean me? After all I have put into this place?” All these changes were hard for me! The Lord was working on my yieldedness.

Then I ended up at the NAS Home. I was really involved in printing Posters at the time, & I had my day planned ahead, but the next morning I was asked to take out a witnessing team! Then I had the next day all planned & I was asked to do something different. “But that is my ministry!” So the Lord gave me a very big change. I thought I knew what I should do! Well, everything I wanted to do was the opposite on the schedule! The Lord was teaching me yieldedness! Then the Lord had me turn over the Pastor ministry so I could do other things! “But that is my ministry!” So the Lord has been using all these changes to get me desperate & looking to Him! It is getting me back to forsaking all, to doing God’s Will. I thought I was doing a “good” thing.
but the Lord had a "better" thing!

Paul: You can think you are yielded—but it could be your own will you are yielded to, but not God's. If you want to grow & mature in the Spirit, yield to God's Will & what He has for you.

Condemnation Prevents Yieldsedness!

Samuel: This is the story of yielding to the condemnation of the Enemy. You all have heard about the ML "Meaningful Meetings" (ML 1511, Bk 8). In there it talks about skills lacking messages and Dad suggested "There must be something wrong with the leadership!"—That was me!

I used to get under condemnation a lot & really is a pit. When that Letter came out, I was faced with a choice & I think it must have been to obey & follow DM (DM 1:149) that helped me to see I simply needed to change a metanoia! This DM was like a ray of light for me. Rather than just yielding to condemnation, I was faced with the choice of yielding to the Truth & just believing what the Lord was putting up & yielding to what the Lord wanted me to do! That set me free from the attacks of condemnation! Here is that DM:

"True repentance is not just being sorry: It is metanoia", Greek for a complete change of mind & heart & direction—a new personality—a new creature in Christ Jesus—born again! Only God can do it, man—a new personality—a new creature in Christ Jesus—born again! Only God can do it, but we must be willing & yielded to Him & make the decision that we want to be delivered without reservation!

"We must put forth the effort of a believing will. That spark of faith fans the flame, it's like God blowing on the little ember & bringing it back to life again! It comes so much through hearing the Word! As you go through everything that the Lord had for me, even His spankings, trials & tests are expressions of His Love.

Since it's so important to be yielded, you would like to know how you can tell if you're yielded or not? The Lord had taught me what yieldedness means; I thought it was surpassing all your wildest dreams, & is mightier & greater than anything you ever thought of!

"The Divine supernatural miraculous infinite marvellous Love of God is love enough to forgive! For to forgive is love—Divine Love—Therefore, to be yielded to His Love is to serve Him! When I joined the Family I meant serving the Lord & giving my service to Him. Even since I was a little girl I wanted to serve the Lord & He gave me a lot of abilities & talents to do it. I did what I thought were good things for the Lord to serve Him. When I joined the Family I thought that service was the most important thing. For a few years the Lord had to make me sick & take away what I thought were my talents & abilities to serve Him so I could understand what yielding to Him meant. What He wanted most of all was my love & communication with Him. If I wouldn't listen to Him & reflect Him in the things I did for Him—to show His Love & not my own works.

I didn't understand it for a long time. When I got sick I wouldn't yield to what the Lord wanted me to do. I was convinced that I had to do something myself, & I was trying to do something myself & get up while I was still sick. That's one key I would share about how to tell if you're not yielding. You can tell by the fact that you might be fighting something God's doing in your life. If God puts you in a certain situation, like in my case a sickness, which took away my strength, you have to accept it in order to learn the lesson He has to teach you.

In my case the Lord wasn't trying to show His power of healing by my being healed as I went, He was trying to stop me & break me. I liked myself the way I was & I wanted to be strong & do what I wanted to do & think the way I wanted to think. He wanted me to break me & He took those abilities away so I could see Jesus coming through & others could see & And so it wouldn't be Auntie Mary, but Jesus shining!

I fought against it very hard & He kept having to take away my strength & still I didn't get the point. What the Lord used to humble me was when I couldn't fight any more! I thought I was coming yielded! But is that being yielded when you're in a situation where you can't do anything else but yield? No, the Lord likes you to make the decision when there are other choices—when you choose what He wants you to do. I didn't learn to yield to the Lord till I didn't fight. I couldn't keep doing my work because I had no strength left. Yielding is letting God break you. Grandpa said this poem was for me. He said Grandma had to be broken a lot & if I could learn from the way she could learn a lesson. (Reads "First Place" poem, from "The Lamp", ML 1427, DB 1.) Have you ever been sick before something special like a GAF or a performance & couldn't go? Sometimes you say you don't want to be sick & you want to go—& I would be quiet & listen in the room & want to be. & that's all I could hear & I would wonder when I could get up. I wasn't listening to the Lord in the silence. But He wanted me to. I liked to serve the Lord & didn't count His service sacrificial.

Sometimes I thought I had enough love to serve the Lord, but He was showing me it had to be His Love & not mine. It took me a long time but I was ready to turn to Jesus. When I finally yielded to Him & learned to love Jesus, then I understood why He didn't want me to serve Him in my own strength. His Own Love is more fruitful than our own love. If He had not tried to break me & show His power, I would have been a pit. And so it wouldn't be "I did it", you can learn it much quicker than I did!

Paul: That was a real good testimony about yieldedness! Now yieldedness also will help you stay inside the Lord's circle of His protection. Here on our property we have guards, a security system & a great measure of protection, but on the outside of the walls we have no real control. If you decide to go outside these walls, there is nothing we can do to protect you—the same thing with the Lord & the walls He has established for our protection.

Learning to Be the "Boy Who Would!"

David Hold-On: A lot of things that I have to share are classic examples of what I have learned to do. I seem to have an independent, stubborn & rebellious all my life! The System tells you that being proud & strong-willed is a good thing. I carried that into the Family. I didn't change easy. I started life as a "toddler terror"! I was even discharged from the hospital once as I was so rebellious, even though I was quite ill! I was one of the worst high school students! My parents asked me to leave home & I wouldn't even obey them!

Then I met the Family & I knew it was what I had always wanted, but God had to make the decision for me! I was facing 12 years in prison & that was how God had dealt with me to get me to join. Then I was in a car that went off a cliff & we all should have died, but we didn't, so I repeated. But I was still learning, when I was left home, then I had another car accident where I could hardly walk, but still I was unyielded. God had to keep doing drastic things—I got malaria, the next year I was sick with dengue fever. Then I started to see that the Lord was dealing hard in my life. I was never really in
A Race-Horse or a Mule?

Paul: Why does the Lord allow breakings in our life, do you think? (Teen: To draw us closer to Him.) And to make us more yielded. There are degrees of yieldedness. (Degree: Different extents or amount) The verse says, "Run the race..." so let's picture the race. Some horses are like a thoroughbred stallion & when the gun is fired, that horse takes off! But there's also a mule. The gun is fired to start the race & what does he do? He just stands there. The owner says, "What's wrong?" & he hits him with a big board on his backside. The mule starts moving & stops again. Both the mule & the horse yielded, right? The horse yielded, & the mule also yielded, but there are different degrees of yieldedness. We're talking about real yieldedness, & God will use you as much as you yield. When you take off & run hard because you realise what you're training for, you'll win the race! But if you're a mule & move a little bit, but won't get going in the race, then the Lord can't really use you. That depends on your yieldedness. So it's important to see how stubbornness can get in the way.

"He that being often reproved & hardened his neck shall suddenly be destroyed." (Prov.29:1) What does reproved mean? (Teen: Corrected.) Have you felt "often reproved" if we're learning from it, is exercising us & it yields "the peaceable fruit of righteousness." (Heb.12:11) But if you harden your neck, what does that mean? (Teen: You won't bow to correction, to learn the lesson.) You harden yourself to it & don't yield. What qualities do people possess when they don't yield? (Teens: Unyieldedness, rebellion, stubbornness, murmuring, defiance.) Those are symptoms of getting hardened to correction. If those terms apply to you, then watch out because we're building up a callous & soon God won't be able to correct us. (Callous: Hard, thick skin that grows over a place on your body that is rubbed often.) When we don't yield, what happens? He can't use us.

If our breakings depend on our yieldedness, then after we get hard & defiant against the correction, pretend it's over & just go on. Can't use us! Or He can only use us very little, like the mule, not like the race horse. If you're going to run a race & do something important, you don't jump on a mule! You're going to take the race horse! That's who the Lord will choose, the one who's ready to go & ready to take off & run the race!

What if Grandmother had not yielded? Maybe Dad wouldn't have been born!—We wouldn't have been saved & this Family wouldn't have started! What if Dad had never dropped out of the System once he had a house, car, four children etc.? We wouldn't be here. Ask yourself what is going to happen if you don't yield? So much depends on our yieldedness!

Don't Avoid Obedience

Josiah: I guess my story is a lot like everything happened at once. My whole life, I had different leadership was yielded.-My biggest mistake was to have an "appetite" for demerits—to accept correction & know it's a sign of God's Love! He gave me many checks on my independence & on my pride, to show me that I needed to yield my pride to the Lord. I got checks about being faithful to the Lord. He even allowed some pretty big mistakes to happen, I lost a lot of money one time & that should have really shaken me up enough to bring me back to the Lord. I thought as long as others didn't know why the Lord had allowed it, I was safe. I wouldn't fall on the Rock, so the Rock had to fall on me. (Luke 20:18)

After the big push of working on music tapes, the bottom fell out! It seemed like everything happened at once. My whole life, my whole career in the Family fell apart. I say "career" because that is what I had built—hadn't gotten desperate when the Lord sent little breakings, so He had to send me a big one!

Now you might wonder if you need a big breaking? Like Uncle Paul has said, a wise man learns from the mistakes of others! I simply wasn't heeding the warnings! The main thing I was scared of was being exposed, that it would be shown that I was not what I appeared to be. I thought I was yielded.—My biggest mistake was to have a "demerit" & yielded when I really wasn't. When you have been in the Family a while you know how to act, good, even if inside you are not that good! They can't see your thoughts, but your acts are clear. It was a huge mistake to file a report & it was a huge mistake when I had faked or put on. I even manifested certain "good" gifts but they didn't come from the Lord's Spirit working in my life, but rather were due to my natural
abilities" which, as Mama has pointed out, can be handicaps! It can be like living a lie!—It doesn't really portray Jesus.

So the Lord allowed this big breaking to come in my life. One of the biggest offenses was my independence in the ways of doing "original" things—because it was distracting people from seeing Jesus in me! I was so busy, so different, I wanted to stick out either in appearance, or ways of doing things.—To sound a little different, not just be "any old sheep". The Lord had to smash this independence & bring me in line! I didn't realize what God was doing. Then finally I felt on the Rock”, so much so that I couldn't even go on without spending two or three or four hours in the Word before I could do anything right! I more or less swore I didn't want to breathe without the Word! Thank God for lessons on yieldedness!

Paul: It was good that Josiah brought this out about not necessarily needing big breakings.—Little breakings can accomplish the same thing if we yield to them. Also, it doesn't have to be disobediences in big matters, little disobediences are the same as big ones!

Little disobediences are little holes in the dyke! This is a true story of a hydroelectric dam that burst & flooded the whole countryside. They figured out the cause: A rat had burrowed underground & built a nest hole so that water seeped through little by little until that tiny leak did enough damage to burst the dam & destroy the whole valley! It's a true story!—A little thing!

A wise man learns from his mistakes, but if you are really wise, you will learn from the mistakes of others! That is why we share these things. Doesn't that help you have a greater appreciation of your leaders? You can never truly appreciate them till you hear of these breakings & lessons learned through experience! It pays to listen!

CONSIDERATION IN CONVERSATION
—A BIBLE STUDY

(Note: Although this article can be used for individual study, we recommend using it as a group class, if possible, adding your own discussion, applications & lessons, as well as looking up the verses together & marking them in your Bibles! God bless you with Happy Word Study!) By Cephas

Mama has said a big part of love is being polite & courteous & considerate of others. She said, "It seems as though it should be obvious how thoughtless comments can really hurt others, but we all need to consider others, as well as classes & pow-wows on the subject." (Maria 55:13) Have you ever been hurt by such comments?

Before we look into the Word, it might help us to look at exactly what consideration is. The dictionary definitions of the word "consider" are "to think about or look closely at something", much in the way that Pro.6:6 says, "Go to the ant, consider her ways & be wise." In other words, think about what the ant does & learn by observation.

Jesus, too, said, "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow..." This same ability to learn from nature by considering & observing could well become a key to improving our relationship with others. As the song says, "Walk a mile in his shoes", we can always appreciate others much more if we take time to understand what they are going through. Unfortunately, we sometimes, without even realizing it, become thoughtless & considerate simply by being in too big a hurry to stop & pay a little more attention to the feelings & needs of others.

As Mama has brought out in "Love Is the Most Important Thing" (ML 1793) & also in the Basic Training Handbook in her Letters, "Teaching Kids Consideration" (Mama 54) & "Do Unto Others" (Mama 55), the key verse to describe consideration is found in Matthew 7:12, commonly known as the "Golden Rule": "Therefore, all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets. In other words, treating others as you would treat yourself is fulfilling the Law of Love.

Galatians 5:14,15 says, "For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. But if ye bite and devour one another (with unloving comments, or sarcastic jibes, etc.), take heed that ye be not consumed (or destroyed) one of another."--A good warning about the destructiveness of unkind words!

Proverbs 17:9 says, "He that covereth a transgression seeketh love, but he that repeateth a matter separateth very friends." Now, the word "repeateth" in the original translation means, "he that harps on a matter, bringing it up over & over again", & "every means "close or true". So it could read, "He that covereth his transgression seeketh love, but he that harps on a matter over & over again separates close or true friends." This shows that if you're considerate of others', feelings, you won't be constantly bringing up & repeating their mistakes & making them think about their blunders. This is also a good verse against nagging!

Proverbs 19:11 is a good cross reference to Proverbs 17:9. It says that "it is a man's glory to pass over (overlook) and give no importance to) a transgression that is not great in the sight of the Lord." It says, "Do Unto Others" when she said, "Sometimes not doing or saying anything is an important way of showing love—ignoring something purposely when it's better not to draw attention & comment about it—that shows real love!

Proverbs 17:27, "He that hath knowledge spareth his words; & a man of understanding is of an excellent spirit." And verse 28, "Even a fool when he holdeth his peace is counted wise; & he that shutteth his lips is esteemd a man of understanding."

Solomon wrote in Ecc.3:7b—there's a "time to keep silence, & a time to speak." Lord help us to know the difference! Galatians 6:1 says, "Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted. Bear ye one another's burdens, & so fulfill the law of Christ." A burden is not only a load or a job, but it can also mean beseating sins or trials & hardships.

Romans 15:1,2 says, "We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak & not to please ourselves. Let everyone of us please his neighbour for his good to edification." In other words, if you're strong in faith & maturity in Spirit, you will bear the weaknesses, the failings, or the frailties of the weak. It doesn't say we're supposed to draw attention to their weaknesses, or crack jokes about them, or in some way belittle them in order to exalt ourselves!

That's why Jesus said in Matthew 7:3-5, "Why beholdest thou the mote (or tiny speck) that is in thy brothers eye, but dost thou not consider the beam (plank of timber) that is in thine own eye? Or wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye, & behold, a beam is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine eye, then shalt see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye."

That brings us back to what we read in Galatians 6:1, that if we're considering ourselves, we're going to get rid of the beam in our own eye before we're going to try to correct someone else for their little frailties, or mistakes that they make around us, especially when we ourselves often have greater weaknesses!

Psalm 41:1 is an interesting verse on consideration. "Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble." Believe it or not, the original translation of the word "poor" there means, "the weak or the sick." So you're blessed if you show consideration to the weak or the sick. Read verse two for a beautiful form of blessing to those who are considerate of the weak.

Oftentimes we are thoughtless or considerate just because we're being hasty or we're in a hurry, & we don't take time to simply consider the feelings of others by putting ourselves in their shoes.
Proverbs 18:13 says, "He that answers a matter before he hears it, it is folly & a shame unto him. That's a good verse to describe "thoughtless comments"—speaking out about things when we haven't really heard the whole matter.

And Proverbs 29:20 says, "Seest thou a man that is high in his words? There is more hope of a fool than of him.

Then Proverbs 31:26 is an excellent example of consideration in talking and communicating with others. Referring to a virtuous woman, it says, "She openeth her mouth with wisdom, & in her tongue is the law of kindness."

There again we have a reference to the Law of Love. "Give therefore Thy servant an understanding heart to judge Thy people, that I may discern between good & bad for who is able to judge this Thy so great a people?" And in verse 12 the Lord's answer, "Behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise & understanding heart."

In 1 Corinthians 13:4, "Love suffereth long & is kind. Love envieth not; love puffeth not up, loveth not the unseemly."

In 1 Peter 4:8, "And above all things have fervent (intense, strong) love among yourselves; for love shall cover the multitude of sins."

"Love has an extra spiritual eye that not only sees the good things others cannot see, but it ignores the faults and weaknesses of people that others see & notice. Love doesn't bring them up in an unkind, unconsiderate, or hurtful way!

A big principle which all of us need to learn is to put ourselves in other people's shoes, to be understanding, to be thoughtful & considerate, because consideration is love, & Love is the most important thing!

(See also related topics—"Love", "Love One Another", "Forgiveness & Mercy" in the "MOP", "Good Thots", "Treasures" & "Daily Bread", also "The Tongue" by Grandmother, Pl.1 & Pt.2 in the "FN Encyclopedia." page 399.

TEENS SHARE HEARTS!

Auntie Sara Visits Teen Combos!—Reactions from the Teens!

From Joan Paloma (age 15), PJ Jumbo: Dearest Auntie Sara,

GBY! ILY! I just wanted to write you a note & say some of the things I've learned since being here with you.

I'm really glad that you met me & be in on a few of your pow-wows! It makes it so much easier to receive all that you've said in your letters of counsel for the teens! Before when I would read those letters, all I could see & feel was correction & I would get really rebellious. Especially when things got really tight on the teens (and everyone) in Japan! I was really bitter about it all & blamed it on you because your name was on those articles. I'm really sorry & would like to apologize.

All I could see you as was a very strict, sober rule-maker! Of course, I knew all those rules & guidelines were for our good & I've seen a lot of fruit from it, but all I could see was the correction. I guess I'm so dumb that had to see you to know you're actually human! LH! Perhaps if someone would have told me you're a lot of fun, I would've read those letters differently.

The pow-wows that I had the privilege to attend today really set me free! I couldn't believe some of the things you said! It sounded so radical! I'm not trying to put any other adults down, but I've never heard anyone say the things you did! For example, I know that worldly music is bad for us & I would feel condemned if, like you said, a beat caught my ear & pretty soon I'd be singing that song & I'd feel like I really "yielding to the Enemy."

But when you said you don't blame us for moving to the beat of System music, etc., it made me feel so free! In a way it made me want Family music so much more because I didn't feel like someone was showing it down my nose & I saw that there were ears at the first sound of non-Family music.

I have always known that Family music's the best because it has the Truth & the Spirit. But like you said, it often doesn't have real beat & rhythm to it like professional System recording! I'd like to thank Grandpa & Maria for the Teen tapes as they really do have powerful old songs done like that was so inspiring;—Also the SATCC music video! That brought a revolution in my life & I guess, sort of prepared me for today's pow-wow because it really does show how much life our on-fire Family music has & how wonderful & free it really is!

I just wanted to thank you for this pow-wow & for your love & concern for us. I love you so much & am praying for you!

From Joan, age 16, Far East Teen Farm: Dear Auntie Sara,

The party was really fun & inspiring, especially having you teach us how to dance & helping to lead the party! TY! I haven't had so much fun in a long time! GBY for encouraging us with all these special blessings!

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Honestly, I love music & I think most teens do, even Family teens. And I like to express myself in dancing, even gypsy dancing or the dancing we did last night.

In the PI, quite a few of us teens got into break dancing. I was very interested in System music as it had beat & sounded pretty nice. LIHM! Many times we would get all condemned, as we knew it wasn't good music, but now we do have much better music, by the Family, so the System music shouldn't even appeal to me.

But one thing that I would suggest is that, if possible, we teens could have more times when we could just burn free & dance. Especially for me, gypsy dancing in the Spirit is 100% more uplifting & inspiring in every way, than any of that trash from the System.

Also if we could have more inspirations, where we could just sing songs to Jesus, it would be super inspiring.--Like what you used to do as teens when you first joined the Family!

I'm not trying to say that it's anyone's fault that I got into System music & dancing. I do take all the blame, & I don't want to excuse myself by saying the Family didn't have much to offer before, as far as teen music goes. It really comes down to me really forsaking any of my own ways of looking at things, & having the right appetite for the right kind of music. TYJ!

ILYSM! These classes are really changing my life! **

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From Joan, Far East Teen Farm

Dearest Auntie Sara,

GBY! I really love you so so much! I am so happy for the opportunity to get to meet you & learn many precious lessons from all you've been sharing with us teens.

I want you to know that I'm not writing this letter so I make you think good of me. I honestly want to tell you that I really appreciate all that you have done to help in this situation. For me personally it's a real revolution in many areas of my life in which I've failed & lacked conviction.

Once thing I've noticed, you have a lot of conviction! I was trying to figure out why I don't have that same fire & conviction & dedication, & I'm beginning to see how it's because I lack in a very important area of my life, & that is putting the Word first in my life. Many times this is why I have so little conviction, LIHM!

More than anything your sample of love, obedience in the little things, faithfulness, cleanliness etc. has convicted me more than any long classes I could have had. Just to see you living it & putting into practice what you believe, really has changed my way of looking at things.

Also all your correction & not letting us get by with disobedience, raised the standard, & gave me the vision & challenge to be more dedicated & sold-out for Jesus TYJ!

I don't want to fail Grandpa after all he is putting into us teens, & most of all I don't want to fail the Lord!

I love you so so much! I am going to miss you & all the fun times we have had! Though we not dancing, I've always wanted to learn to dance. What a miracle! Thank you so much! Love, Joan **

From Maria, age 13, Far East Teen Farm

Dearest Auntie Sara,

What can I do
To show I love you
And to thank you for all you have done.
Though we disobeyed you,
You helped us make it through
And you loved us each & every one.

My emotions do show
As I know you must go
And move onto some other place.
But this I do know,
That when you go do,
I'll never forget your sweet face.

I really feel bad,
I know we made you sad
When we did not obey what you said.
But we really will try
And not let things slip by
Of little things like cleaning our beds.

You've helped me a lot,
So much you have taught
And showed us where we had gone wrong.

I love you so so much,
Much much love, Maria

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GOOD VIDEOS FOR TEENS!

(Uponed 8/88)

The following are selected titles of videos believed suitable & edifying for teens to see:

- Videos listed below here are more specifically suited for teens because they contain good story-lessons, usually for, or about, teens, ages 12 & over. Some listed here are also suitable for Older Children (OC), & "pre-teens", 9-12 years old.
- The cardinal rule still stands that a competent adult should preview any videos before showing them to teens, pre-teens or children. Even if they've seen the movie before, a competent adult should take time to see & familiarize himself with the movie again before they show it to teens & pre-teens, discerning what lessons can be brought out & what points need to be explained or discussed.
- Also, a running commentary, explanation or discussion is just as helpful, important & needful for this age group as it is for younger children, & maybe even more so! Remember that video viewing for our children & teens is not primarily for entertainment, but for the lessons & good experiences they can benefit from, therefore the adults' explanation is imperative.
- The movies here show the dedication, sacrifice & hardships some People system children have experienced, some are fiction, some non-fiction. Some are about teens & parents, or a first-time love affair. Some "Best for Older Teens" as they are of a heavier subject matter -- political or historical -- which would be over the heads of younger teens. Remember...
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GOD'S WORD AS YOUR STANDARD, THE "Word of Truth"!

A,T,OC...1...Excellent documentary series by John Huston on the life of General Douglas MacArthur, see ML 2201.

AMY & THE ANGEL A,T,OC...1...A teenage girl who thinks others don't like her learns to see that certain people need & depend on her & wouldn't be what they are without her love for them. Only about an hour long.

ANGEL ON MY SHOULDER Barbara Hershey, Peter Strauss A,T,OC...1...A young man makes a deal with the Devil which eventually turns him from his bad ways. "A good movie with a good moral. A good ending, just the way I wanted it to end." —D. Needs lots of explaining to children.

ANNIE Aileen Quinn, Carol Burnett A,T,OC...2...Colourful musical with sweet message, about orphan girl who transforms the life of a gruff tycoon. Orphanage overseer is vulgar, but it helps our kids appreciate the Family's love & care!

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Dewhurst

2...Action-packed TV series about a

teamwork. Very good! True story.

A.T., O.C...1...Excellent sequel to "The

 Miracle Worker", dramatising the life of Hel­

len Keller as a young adult. It illustrates

of town, trying to keep peace with his

prayers & his hands! Good lessons, but im­

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of the System!

MURDOCH EXPERIMENT, THE James

in Turkey at the turn of the century. For ma­

er of her captors. Very exciting & touching, &

she helped her father by winning the hearts

was Queen of England for 9 days. Good ex­

ample of teen dedication. "A story of strong

faith!"—D. Not for young children. Lessons &

message.

A.T...2...Story of a little girl whose father

was trying to escape from Union troops &

was a plaintiff in one of the poorest, roughest sections of town, trying to keep peace with his

prayers & his hands! Good lessons, but im­

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episodes should be skipped, as they are quite

Heavy.

HOOSIERS (also known as "Best Shot")

Gene Hackman

A.T., O.C...1...A small-town High School basketball coach leads team to victory through teamwork. Very good! True story.

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IN SEARCH OF: HISTORICAL JESUS

A.T., O.C...1...Interesting documentary, on the

proofs of the Shroud of Turin, with Bible
dramatisation.

IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE James

Stewart

A.T..1...Older version of "It Happened One Christmas". This version long & adult.

JOAN OF ARC Gregory Peck

A.T., O.C...3-hour-long story of a Catholic priest as a pioneer missionary in China. Good insight into the difference in church system & real pioneers.

LADY JANE Wood

A.T..1...Historical drama of teenager who

was Queen of England for 9 days. Good example of teen dedication. "A story of strong

faith!"—D.

LAST DAYS OF POMPEII, THE

Olive Hussey, Sir Lawrence Olivier, Brian Blessed

A.T., O.C...1...Excellent mini-series with several intertwined stories of Romans, Chris­

tians, gladiators, courtesans & false religions. Beautiful witness by persecuted Christians. Good lessons & message. For mature OC.

LITTLE WITCH & THE WARDROBE,"

THE


LITTLEST REBEL, THE Shirley Temple

A.T..1...Drugging of a little girl whose father was a leader in the Confederate Army. He was trying to escape from Union troops & she helped her father by winning the hearts of her captors. Very exciting & touching, & good lessons on winning others with love.

LITTLE WOMEN Elizabeth Taylor, Peter

Lawford

A.T., O.C...1...Life in a small town during the

American Civil War. Lessons on family struggle, unity & love between four teen sisters.

LOST HORIZON Peter Finch, Liv Ullman, Olivia Hussey

All...1...Musical film adaptation of story of lost travellers who find Shangri-la. Very good. See ML 228.

LOVE IS NEVER SILENT Mare Winning­

gham

A.T., O.C...1...Moving, but intense drama of a daughter who cares for her deaf & dumb parents as she grows up.

MAID TO ORDER Beverly D'Angelo

A.T., O.C...1...Comedy where the father of a rich juvenile delinquent girl wishes she had never been born, so she loses her privileged place. Yorkshire killed. As a maid for sassy entertainers, she learns lots of lessons. Funny, not real deep, but good lessons.

MAN FROM SNOWY RIVER Kirk

Douglas, Tom Burlinson

A.T., O.C...1...Excellent drama about a boy coming of age in Australia in the last century. Good love story & lessons for teens & pre­

teens.

MATTER OF LIFE & DEATH, A David

Niven

A.T., O.C...1...Inspiring movie about a WW 2 pilot who dies before his time & his struggle in the
courts of Heaven to go back to the girl he loves. Also called 'STAIRWAY TO

HEAVEN'.

MIRACLE OF THE HEART Art Carney

A.T..1...Moving drama of a teen terror's change through love & discipline at Boys­
town Reformatory. Good lessons for teens.

MOUNTBATTEN, THE LAST VICEROY

Nicol Williamson

A.T..1...Excellent mini-series about Lord Louis Mountbatten, who presided over India's independence. Excellent history of Ind­

pendence period in modern-day India. Best for older teens. Some very gory parts.

MR. DEEDS GOES TO TOWN Gary

Cooper

A.T., O.C...1...Likeable country poet inherits his uncle's millions & moves to town. Anti-Sys­

tem message.

MOTHER'S SECRET LIFE Lonni

Anderson

A.T..2...Teen girl visits her working mother & discovers she's a prostitute. A look into professional ES'ing. Needs explaining for

teens.

NADIA Alan Cooke, Talia Balsam

A.T., O.C...1...True story of Romanian teen gold medal winner at Olympic gymnastics, her lessons & trials to persevere. The System

habits need to be explained.

NATURAL, THE Robert Redford, Robert

Duvall

A.T..2...A boy from a rural area who is on his way to big league baseball when he is al­

formed to work as a maid for sassy entertainers, she learns lots of lessons. Funny, not real deep, but good lessons.

NIGHT CROSSING John Hurt, Beau

Bridges

A.T., O.C...1...True story of East German fami­
y that escapes via home-made hot air balloon. Lots of good lessons on security & per­
servation. Sobering & intense. Needs explain­
ing to children.

OKLAHOMA Gordon Macrane, Rod Steiger

A.T..2...Musical & drama about life on U.S.

farm. Some deeper parts makes this not too suitable for children. D. "Fun!"

ORPHAN TRAIN William Graham, Jill

Eikenberry

A.T., O.C...1...Inspiring, true, uplifting story of some New York orphans of the 19th century & their trek across America to find new homes.

OTHER SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN,

THE Bea Bridges & Marilyn Hasset (Part 1)

A.T., O.C...1-...Likeable country poet inherits his

three strokes. Good lessons on fighting &

change her life.

PARENT TRAP, THE Hayley Mills, Brian

Keith

A.T., O.C...2...14-year-old identical twins meet at summer camp & decide to switch roles to get their parents back together. Lots of pranks & System behaviour, but fun & good lessons. Possibly suitable to ages six & over if pranks are fast-forwarded.

PATRICIA NEAL STORY, THE Glenda

Jackson, Dirk Bogard

A.T..2...The interesting account of actress Patricia Neal's astonishing recovery from three strokes. Good lessons on fighting &
persistence.

PEGGY SUE GOT MARRIED Kathleen

Turner

A.T..2...Good cute sci-fi about a married woman who goes back in time to try to change her life.
SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN BROTHERS Jane Powell, Howard Keel
A.T.O.C...2...Musical tells how seven brothers, after learning lessons of love & consideration, win their brides. Country music with lots of dancing.

SEVEN NIGHTS IN JAPAN Michael York

SIDE BY SIDE Marie Osmond
All...1...True story of the Osmond family. Quite good & inspiring. Good lessons for performing children.

SINGING NUN, THE Debbie Reynolds, Ricardo Montalban
A.T.O.C...1..."Sweet Christian story of a nun who became world-famous by singing her praises to God in folk songs. A true story!" — D. See S.O.O.C. 94:14

SKYWARD Bette Davis
A.T.O.C...2...Crippled teen girl confined to wheelchair learns to fly a plane. Lessons in perseverance & overcoming.

SOMETHING FOR JOEY Marc Singer, Jel Lynas
A.T.O.C...1...True story of Haisman trophy winner, John Cappelletti, & his younger brother, Jocy, stricken with leukemia. Sensitive tear-jerker.

SOMEBODY IN TIME Christopher Plummer
A.T...1...Time travel in search of love & finding that love is forever in the World to come. Excellent!

SOMEBODY ELSE TOWARDS WITH THOMAS Sheen
All...1...True life story of Grieg, the Norwegian composer. Beautiful music & scenery. Good for children.

SOPHIA LOREN—HER OWN STORY Sophia Loren
A.T...2...Interesting biography about the movie actress, in which she plays herself.

SPACE CAMP Kate Capshaw, Tom Skerrit
A.T.O.C...1...Exciting movie about teens who learn to pilot a space shuttle. Good lessons on teamwork, unity & obedience.

STARGAZERTHEO! Belinda Bauer, James Spader
A.T.O.C...1...Story of a girl who flees her planet & comes to Earth. Love story included.

STARMAN, THE RETURN Robert Hays, C.B. Barnes
A.T.O.C...1...Sequel to the movie "Starmen." Starman returns 14 years later to find his teenage son. Good morals, enjoyable. Pilot for a TV series. (TV series is good viewing also.)

STORY OF DAVID THE Timothy Bottoms
A.T.O.C...2...Interesting film portrayal of the story of David starting when he was a shepherd boy. Fairly close to Scriptures. Part 2 is not so good.

STRATTON STORY Timmy Bottoms
A.T...1...Very good drama of a young woman learns to overcome a handicap. Light, enjoyable.

SUMMER OF '42 Gary Grimes, Jennifer O'Neal

SYLVESTER Richard Farnsworth
A.T...2...Exciting story of a determined, independent, tough, cowgirl teenager who trains her horse to ride in competition. Lots of cursing, but good lessons.

TALE OF TWO CITIES Chris Sarandon
A.T...1...Beautiful, unforgettable message of sacrificial love, set in French Revolution. Could be draggy for younger teens, but very interesting, historical & edifying about real love. Older version good also, possibly for mature OC.

THIRD MAN ON THE MOUNTAIN Robert Logan, Susan Damante
W.D. See ML 1657:32-36.

WILDERNESS FAMILY THE—PART 2
Robert Logan, Susan Damante
W.D. See O.C. 2. "TV series about a train that picks up people in the present & can take them back in time to make things right in their life, before returning with good lessons learned. Tickets sent out by the "Head of the Line"—God! Only one episode has been seen, so preview.

TO SIR WITH LOVE Sidney Poitier
A.T.O.C...1...Excellent teen lessons. A black high school teacher in England trains a class of slum teens with love & discipline. Good for teachers & students.

TREASURE OF THE SNOW
A.T.O.C...1...Good lessons on the bad fruits of some children's unforgiving, hateful attitudes & selfishness. Some bad behaviour but beautiful Swiss scenery, & good messages.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
Documentary
A.T...2...About the influence of the Beatles on music & culture of the 60's & 70's. Interesting.

ULTIMATE TRIP
All...1...Family History! A U.S. TV documentary about our early days & Colonies! (On video circuit)

USERS, THE Jaclyn Smith, T. Curtis
A.T...1...D. "Our FFers ought to see that movie! A beautiful job of FFing! A blast at the hypocrisy & insincerity of Hollywood! A little call girl makes it in Hollywood & outsmarts the Users! Jaclyn Smith is a good Baptist Christian! A beautiful picture!"

WAR GAMES Mathew Broderick
A.T.O.C...1...Good drama, comedy with interesting message. A teenager & his computer are able to crack the U.S. Defense Computer, threatening to trigger WW 3. "I thought it was terrific!" — D. See ML 1657:32-36.

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WHO WILL LOVE MY CHILDREN?
Ann-Margaret
A.T...1...Deep & moving true story of mother of ten whose husband is alcoholic, & who finds new parents for all her children when she discovers she will soon die of cancer. Beautiful example of real love & forsaking all unpleasing.

YENTL Barbara Streisand
A.T.O.C...1...Deals with a Jewish girl in Russia at the beginning of this century who
wants to have an education. D.: "Very moving. I really have a burden for Barbara Streisand. I’ve been praying for her."

YOUNG AGAIN Robert Ulrich
A,T...2...Single businessman gets a second chance to relive his teen years. Love story & expose on System social life.

YOUNG BESS Jean Simmons, Charles Laughton
A,T,OC...1...On the life of young Queen Elizabeth I, a single-minded fighter & woman leader. More interesting for girls.

YOUR, MINE & OURS Henry Fonda, Lucille Ball
A,T,OC...2...True story of how a widow & widower with a total of 12 children marry.

VIDEOS NOT RECOMMENDED FOR TEENS & PRE-TEENS:


MISCHIEF—Behaviour by teens is shown as violent, delinquent, acceptable & cool. Wrong message!

HEAVENLY KID—same as previous film.

SAMSON & DELILAH (Modern version, 1984) Max Von Sydow, Victor Mature
3...Unscriptural, with Delilah as heroine.

KARATE KID 1 & 2 Ralph Macchio, Martin Kove
3...Bad, glorifies violence & the ugly American spirit.

(Ed. Note:) Excellent & edifying especially for teens are Bible classics, i.e.: "Ten Commandments", "King of Kings", "The Robe", "Jesus of Nazareth", "The Bible", "Gospel of Mark" etc. which, when shown as a class provide helpful lessons & feeding Word time!

FASCINATING FACTS!

By Luke

We all know from the Bible about the ancient World Empire called Assyria. But did you know that in times past sceptics had confidently proclaimed that this former civilization & its ancient capital of Nineveh—which Jonah said was an exceeding great city of three days’ journey (it took three days to travel across it)—never existed?

No traces of this empire had been found & the ancient writings failed to tell of it, so unbelievers used this to back their claims that the Bible was a “collection of fables.” However, their claims backfired on them, as when the ruins of Nineveh were discovered, it not only proved the existence of that great & wicked city, but also how the prophecies of its destruction were remarkably fulfilled!

After having repented at the warnings of Jonah, Nineveh soon was back to its wicked ways & the Lord sent Nahum to deliver His final message of doom & destruction.

Greater Nineveh was about 30 miles long & ten miles wide. It was protected by five walls & three moats or canals. The inner city of Nineveh proper was about three miles long & one & a half miles wide & was built at the junction of the Tigris & Khosar rivers. Its massive walls, 100 feet high & broad enough at the top to hold four chariots driven abreast, were eight miles in circuit around the inner city.

Within 20 years of Nahum’s prophesying, an army of Babylonians & Medes led by Nebuchadnezzar’s father, Nabopolassar, besieged the city (around 607 B.C.). After two years, a sudden rise of the river washed away part of the walls & the Babylonians & Medes swept in.—Nah.3:2-3. Nahum had predicted that “the gates of the rivers shall be opened & the palaces shall be dissolved.”—Nah.2:6.

So complete was its destruction that even its site was soon forgotten as Nahum had predicted! "Nineveh is laid waste & who will bemoan her.—Nah.3:7. When Alexander the Great fought the famous battle of Arbela less than 300 years later (331 B.C.) only a few miles from the site of Nineveh, he was not even aware that a city had existed there!

There it was to remain forgotten till 1845 when the series of mounds that were left were positively identified as covering the ruins of Nineveh. The hundreds of thousands of inscriptions unearthed in the archeological expeditions that followed related the history of Assyria as the Assyrians wrote it & consistently confirm the Biblical account! “Forever, O Lord, Thy Word is settled in Heaven!” (Psa.119:89)–The Truth of God’s Word prevails through the ages! PTL!