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Sermons-Special
The Zion Baptist Church
21 East Hawkins Street
Waterbury, Connecticut

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National Evangelist
Charitable Employment Agent.
Field Worker and Marshal
of
The New England Baptist Missionary
Convention, for Connecticut, Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

MISS LILY BELL JOINS, Recording Secretary
88 North Elm Street

MRS. CORL
221 N

JAMES STUDIVANT, Chairman of Deacon Board
23 Hopkins Street
Saints Who Harm the Enemy's Fire
FUNERAL SERVICES FOR  
Mrs. Emma Brown

1-The Brown Singers, 317-1-2-3  
    "  "  "  285-1-4

2-Prayer
3-Solo, Mrs. Pridgen
4-Scripture Lesson
5-Prayer
6-Choir, 351-1-4  
    "  271-1-4

7-Our Sun. School
8-Solo, Mr. Lawson
9-Sermon
10-Duet, Mrs. Boykin-Mrs. Greene
11-Announcement. Undertaker  
    In Charge
Approved my work must be each day
For upon this I shall get my pay
I know my work must be good and true
I know my leader will see me through

About nothing need I worry now
My task is great but he shows me how
Each day he tells to work and pray
His voice I must hear and obey
**Viewing Our Work**

Much has been done  
Much must be done  
Hard we must work  
Let us not shirk  

II  
Many came fourth  
They know the worth  
They pay the price  
Some they entice  

III  
If you get through  
Good you must do  
Help others win  
Overcome sin  

III  
Live your life now  
You can learn how  
Some high must go  
Some low must go
Our God and Father for the
eslation that we sustain to
thee through Jesus Christ
Our Lord - for the strength
of body, mind, and spirit
that are ours we thank thee.
Keep us faithful to that
which thou hast seen fit to
entrust to us as undershep-
herds of the flock.
Grant unto us that humility
that belongs to those who
are in Christ Jesus.
In Jesus' name we beseech
Thee.
A-men.
I Am
BREAD OF LIFE
DOOR
GOOD SHEPHERD

THE VALUE OF A METAPHORICAL LIFE
By it we may reveal to our fellowman where He is. Door
By it we are made to see what we are LIKE. Good Shepherd
By it we see our need supplied. Bread of Life.
THE 141st ANNUAL MEETING
of the
Buffalo Baptist Association, Inc.
May 11, 1951 • Emmanuel Baptist Church

Program Features:
Annual Sermon
Denominational Presentation
Missionary Hour
“One Month From Today”
Soloist
Board of Delegates Meeting
Baptist Youth Fellowship Supper, 75 cents
Business Session and Election of Officers

Tickets for Luncheon 75c, Dinner $1.25 (Obtain tickets from your church chairman)
The most popular song sung by everybody today is DELINQUENCY. It is sung in the HOME, in the CHURCH and in the COURT.

Some like our adult friends who are here tonight do not sing DELINQUENCY. They sing PEACE ON EARTH and GOOD WILL to those who must be BOYS and GIRLS before they can be MEN and WOMEN among whom PEACE and GOOD WILL must reign.

Now let us give thanks to GOD from whom all blessings flow.

Gracious God and Father thou doth manifest thy love and Kindness in so many ways.

For this occasion here to night that is making so many hearts glad we thank thee. For these men and women who allowed thee to put the THOUGHT into their hearts that brings us together here tonight we thank thee. May they always have hearts filled with LOVE, KINDNESS and GOOD WILL. We beseech thee to hear our prayer and grant us our request.

........AMEN........
MY TASK

Lord I know my task
Much I have to do
I shall win at last.
As from here I go

II

Lord my way I know
I shall follow on
With joy on I go
I shall have a song
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THIS DEPOSIT ACCEPTED SUBJECT TO REGULATIONS AS PRINTED ON SIGNATURE CARD.
Funeral of
Bro. Joseph Lyle
Feb. 29 '36

1. Hymn 177
2. Scripture Lesson
3. Prayer
4. Hymn 181
5. Obituary
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Chaplain's services for month of July 50.00
Funeral Services For
Sister Emma Brown
Jan. 27-1937

History has the record
of many whose victories we
share. But the supreme one
whose victory we share is
Christ Jesus our Lord. For
the Word tells us, that the
Last Enemy that shall be de-
stroyed is death, and he has
Conquered death.

So our great battle now
is not in death, but in life.

Christ has made it possible for us to triumph over
the flesh.
Oct. 1-36 Funeral of Bro. Fred Brown
1-Lord’s Prayer
2-Scripture Lesson
3-Prayer
4-Solo, Mrs. Ridgen
5-Remarks
6-Prayer
7-Solo, Mrs. Ridgen
8-Announcement
9-Uncertaker Takes Charge
I rejoice not for what I am
But because I can be a man
A real man, a man God has made
Whether in the light or in the shade
I shall be able the work to do
The work shall ever and be new
God's holy touch shall make it so
And he shall guide me as I go.
Love me O God for what I am
Love me O God for what I am
Thou art woking on me O God
I am under thy smasing rod.
Thursday 7 P.M.

Tuba Jackson singing
Kathlene Lee, V. Chor.

Hansford Harrington, Mgr.

T.T. Johnston, Assistant
Mason Jones, Publicity

Mason Alexander, Trans.

Civin Brough, Chm.

Feb. 18
The materialistic theory holds that life is a journey from the womb to the tomb, that mind is the results of certain correlation of matter, that man is the highest intelligence of the Cosmos, and, that his intelligence perishes when the body disintegrates at death.

2

The theory of Theology asserts that at each life a newly created soul enters the arena of life fresh from the hands of God, passing from an invisible state through the gate of birth into a visible existence. That at the end of one short span of life in the material world it passes out through the gate of death into the invisible beyond, whence it returns no more. That its happiness or misery there is determined for all eternity by its actions during the infinitesimal period intervening between birth and death.

3

The Theory of Rebirth teaches that each soul is an integral part of God, enfolding all divine possibilities as the soul enfolds the plant. That by means of repeated existences in an earthly body of gradually improving quality, the latent possibilities are slowly developed into dynamic powers. That none are lost by this process, but that all mankind will ultimately attain the goal of perfection and re-union with God.

We weave with colors all our own,
The tissues of the life to be,
And in the field of destiny,
We reap as we have sown.
Things That Count In Christian Life

1. Honesty that makes one mean what he says and say what he means.
2. Justice that compels you to give to every one what is justly due to him and to save every one from torture that does not belong to him.
3. Kindness that makes you go out of your way to do another a favor.
4. Sympathy that makes you enter into the spirit of another.
5. Courtesy that makes you select with care the treatment, instead of accepting the treatment that you will accord to another.
6. Cooptiness which makes you hold sacred your promise and appointment.
7. Education which makes one know himself and his fellowmen.
8. Culture which makes one choose in his words and in his acts.
9. Confidence which makes you trust your fellowmen who is absent as if he were present.
10. Faith which enables one to make plans and to invest his time, talent and means.
11. Hope which makes one hold on when faith and confidence are weak.
12. Industry which one win by labor rather than by shift and tricks.
66 Walnut St., BUFFALO, NEW YORK.

September 2nd, 1906

Dear Clerk,

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Please see that each blank is properly filled.

Breakfast and lodging will be free for all Delegates. Dinner and Supper will be served by the Church at 15c per Plate. Your part of the Expenses of the Association, is. ........................................

We are out of debt now. Please see that your Church help us to keep this record by paying prompt-
13. Economy. thrift that makes one realize that the less we spend of all that we possess and that will hold him accountable for the way we use it.
14. Constancy that makes one persever in his task in done.
15. Faithfulness that makes one put the best he has into all that he does.
16. Sensitivity. charity which makes one always recognize and consider the sensation of others.
17. Devotion. Piety which makes one strive to be good - God like.
18. Gratitude. thankfulness which makes one recognize and appreciate all favors bestowed upon him.
19. Knowledge which makes one independent and act with authority.
20. Humility which makes one recognize practical and worth while.
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BAPTIST-DISCIPLES' MONTHLY MEETING
CENTRAL Y. M. C. A.
Dec. 4 1944

THE BASIS AND MEANING OF CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Brethren, I am conscious of the fact, that the matters we are considering here to day are important and serious. But I feel somewhat as I believe Mr. Lincoln felt, when delivering his Gettersburg address, when he said, The world will little note nor long remember what I say here to day. For I feel keenly, that in giving practical consideration to this subject, you brethren will little note nor long remember what I say about it here to day.

Prophets Apostles, Church Fathers, and the Lord Jesus himself have already spoken words, which if seriously considered have settled this question for all time.

But we are living in a changing world, and in spite of ourselves, in all matters, we find ourselves affected by this changing world. Most things to day have a meaning for us that they did not have yesterday.

The word church, originally meant an Assembly of Greek legislators. Every member of the Ecklesia was a citizen of the Greek state. But not every citizen was a member of the Ecklesia. This Greek word was not used to designate all the citizens of the Greek state. So when the Master adopted to designate those who and those who might become his disciples, did he mean all or just a select few of his disciples should become members of the church? What his intention was will determine the Basis and Meaning of church membership.

If all who become disciples of the Lord Jesus and adopt his way are automatically
members of the church then we know that the
Basis and Meaning of Church membership are in-
cluded in the commission that the Master gave
to his disciples when he said, Go ye therefore,
and teach all nations, baptizing them in the
name of the Father, and the Son, and of the
Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things
whateover I have commanded you: and, lo, I am
with you all way, even unto the end of the
world. Amen.

In this commission Jesus did not tell the
disciples to teach, baptize, and organize the
taught and baptized into churches. But you say
it is definitely understood, that we teach and
baptize that we may make church members. But
WORD does not say so. It says Make them disci-
pies. And that is what we need to do: for we
have reasons to believe that not many who be-
come members of the church ever have been, or
ever will become disciples of the Lord Jesus.

Just as in the Greek state not every one
who was a disciple of Socrates Greek Assembly.
Nor is every one who is a citizen of America
a member of Congress, the legislative body of
the nation. Not every citizen is qualified to
be a member of Congress. Just so not every one
who belongs to the christian community is, or
is qualified to be a member of the church, and
when we say christian community we are not talk-
ing about people who are out of sympathy with
Jesus and antagonistic to his teachings. We are
talking about people who do not deny the value
and truthfulness of Christ's teachings. But
they are people who fail to make these teach-
ings the rule of their life. They do not use
his teachings in the solution of the problems
of life.

A fit subject for church membership is one
who has an historical, a philosophic and an
experimental knowledge of the Lord Jesus;
and a determination to do what he says.
So then the Basis and Meaning of church membership is knowledge of the CHURCH, its FOUNDER, its PROGRAM and its DEMANDS.

The Meaning of Church Membership we consider from these viewpoints:
1-To the Member.
2-To the Church.
3-To the Home.
4-To the Community in its:
   a) Social Life.
   b) Business Life.
   c) Civic-Political Life.
   d) Educational Life.

The Meaning of Church Membership is subjective and objective. The individual who becomes a member of the church becomes a part of the visible body of Christ, a citizen in a new world; it makes his belief, his faith articulate, active in every phase of life. He assumes new responsibilities, takes on greater and greater obligations. He is no longer satisfied to live an isolated life in what we call a Christian community. He wishes in a more definite way to cooperate with Christ in all his great movements to redeem the world.

Every disciple who becomes a member of the church brings to the church new cares new responsibilities, but he also brings to the Church new opportunities to teach, to train, to exemplify the life of Christ, to be the salt of the earth, the light of the world. The new member gives the church another opportunity to send her message of good will and love to the ends of the earth.

New members help to keep the church active and alive in the HOME. For the church and home are so interrelated that one lives in the other. The home in which there are no church members becomes a source of darkness and death for the church. But the home that is the residence of a church member becomes a source
of light and life for the church.

The individual who becomes a member of the church becomes an entity for good in a way in which he can never be outside of the church. He has the social life of the community at heart. As a church member he acquaints himself with the food situation in his community. He wishes to know the kind and cost of food. He asks, Do the children and feeble bodied adults in the community get at a reasonable cost the kind and amount of food that will keep them well and strong, the kind of food upon which they can thrive and grow.

As a church member he wishes to know that there are proper homes for everybody in his community. He will be interested in the places of recreation and amusements that will cater to the children in his community. Church membership means to have concern about delinquency especially youthful delinquency. He will be anxious to know how adults, professed christians, treat youth when they are not in the church building. In short, church membership means you are your brother's keeper not alone in the church building, but in all the community interests and activities.

A real church member is interested in having a new and higher standard for Business in his community. It means that men will be urged to conduct business for the good and edification of their fellow men and themselves. For a church member there is no place in his community for a business that is not doing this. The church member seeks to have a law in his community where business will be governed by comity rather than by competition. He will not tolerate rivalry, but will advocate cooperation among all business men.

Church membership means to awake out of civic-political lethargy and indifference.
Of course we know the church is not a civic league nor a political club, but it is an organization that is instructed to render unto Caesar the things that belong to Caesar and unto God the things that belong to God. In a country that is supposed to be Christian our civic life and our Christian life should be one. But the fact that we hold that church and state are separate creates a gulf that is not easily bridged. We are accustomed to live our Christian life in one compartment and our civic life in another. But this gulf may be and should be bridged. And the new member with vision coming into the church will make it possible for her to do it. He comes with a desire and the determination to help direct the church in these matters.

The church needs a Christian community in which to operate if she would do her best work. The new member with vision can help the church by making contacts that the church as an organization cannot make to change conditions in the different departments of our Civic-political life, for the church to do what needs to be done in the community.

What church membership means will show itself in the Educational life of the community. No organization has so great responsibility in connection with our school system as the church. And the new member, if he come as he should come, will be concerned about the school system under which the youth of the community are to be trained, he will be anxious to know what is being taught and by whom it is being taught. He will insist that our schools send back into our churches material that will be constructive and helpful in the church life. Church members with the right vision and proper concern will help the church keep our newsstands free from bad obscene hurtful literature.

A knowledge of these facts that we crudely set forth and the facts of the word of God should qualify all who seek membership in the church.
Dr. W. H. Jackson's Retirement
April 25 1947 8:15 At Mich. "Y"

Our practical use of English words does not always correspond with the academic meaning that we find in our dictionaries.

We are here tonight to think and talk about one of these words in connection with Dr. Jackson, the founder and builder of this Mich. Ave. branch of the "Y" and its Executive and Practical and Legislative and Judicial Secretary.

The first term, EXECUTIVE that we have used to describe the office that Dr. Jackson has filled here in such an excellent way needs no explanation. For its meaning is well known to all of us. But it may be well for us to use a few words to explain what we mean by LEGISLATIVE and JUDICIAL that we have used in connection with Dr. Jackson and this institution, You the Board of Management and the Staff here and the Central Branch know just what I mean. But for the sake of the general public, especially those who have been and are still interested in the "Y". I mean that during these twenty years Dr. Jackson has found it wise and necessary to use in the management of this institution not only his Executive ability, but his Legislative and Judicial ability as well.

For a long time Mr. A. H. Whitford, of sacred memory, General Executive Secretary of the Buffalo "Y", had worked hard with some of us on the proposition of a branch for our racial group in this city. And while working he sought out and brought to Buffalo Dr. Jackson with his wife and son.

The work that Dr. Jackson has done here has in a very large way made Buffalo for many of us a new and better city, and has helped the people find themselves and discover and bring to the front our latent possibilities.

His work here and at Wales Hollow has caused people of large means to see and supply our needs.

For these outstanding achievements the people in general have congratulated commended and praised him. But these expressions have not stopped with Buffalo. Possibly the greatest recognition that has come to Dr. Jackson for his great work has come from his Alma Mater, Lincoln University when they just a few years ago conferred on him the degree Dr. of Humane Letters.
And now this institution that through the years he has served so well is making him possessor of another title, that I elect to call Advisory Secretary of the Michigan Ave, branch of the "Y". For we shall not be pleased to think and speak of Dr. Jackson as the retired Secretary of the Mich. Ave. "Y". Indeed it can not be so for we have seen in the daily papers the fact that Russell Service has been appointed to succeed, as you would say, Dr. Jackson. And we believe that in every way he is qualified to do so. But they have been intimately associated in the work here so long and have thought, seen and acted together so long that we shall think of Dr. Jackson as being perpetuated in Mr. Service here. We do not mean that Mr. Service is going to do things here just as Dr. Jackson has done them. That we do mean is that he is going to get the same great results that Dr. Jackson has gotten through the years. And we believe that in order properly to perpetuate Dr. Jackson Mr. Service will do even greater things than have been done.

We said a while ago that Dr. Jackson had done much to make Buffalo a new and better city for many of us. You might wonder how could that be. Dr. Jackson reached Buffalo at an opportune time, when there was a great influx of our racial group from the South. So far as our group was concerned they changed the population over night. They brought with them new ideas. And they demanded something new. They were anxious to see and hear some of the great things that they had been used to hearing and seeing.

Dr. Jackson did not lose any time in meeting their demands. So for a number of years at considerable expense he brought to this city some of the best artists orators and educators that are to be found in this country. So Buffalo became a new and better city. He succeeded the C.C.C. that for twenty years had done a great educative work in this city and by a great number of years he preceded the Bethel Forum that is doing a fine educative work in our city today.

Dr. Jackson was hardly in Buffalo when he identified himself with all the churches, but joined none of them. He has been a great help to our Ministers acting at the present time as our Executive Secretary.

We have loved him for his own sake and for the Work's sake. And we shall continue to love him and his good wife and son wherever they may be.
Our Father, 
We thank thee for the way that thou hast continued to remember the old world; and for the spoons thou hast contrived to administer to us need. 
Sufferly our need; 
Permit us to share thy wisdom, knowledge, and truths. And call thy attributes, 
That we may continue to be thy efficient collaborators, 
Give us an eagle desire to know the needs of the world, and to remember that thou hast made us and let us supply all our needs. 
May thy servants help us come to our purpose, in the afternoon.
May all of us be more efficient in service and make this organization a greater power than it has ever been. And may all of us as individuals do our whole duty in this great work in which we are engaged.

We feel fortified by the spirit to look these favors. Then has we beseech thee