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## POWER FOR ABUNDANT LIVING

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Some people have written about the summer class so as to be able to make arrangements for their vacations. The dates are given so that you too may make your arrangements. Advance class open only to grads by advance registration. Full particulars for all classes available by writing THE WAY, VAN WERT, OHIO.

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a Class on Power for Abundant Living in your community, write The Way. Dates available.

Do you SHARE your copy of THE WAY with others?

Rev. Eric Watson, full of faith and the power from on high, was led of the Lord to volunteer his services to THE WAY Deliverance ministry as Director of the Western Division of the International Christian Crusade which is our missionary enterprise. Rev. Watson is an Australian and has been interested in THE WAY for a number of years. At present he is in Jamaica. British West Indies establishing work there. We pray you may meet him personally at the convention and hear his report. Page 11 has the goals and principles of THE WAY Interna-

Don't forget to pray for our foreign students. A greeting card or letter would make them happier.

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may have a share in this rapidly

expanding mission program. Ad-

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### THE BONDAGE OF THE SABBATH DAY

Sabbath Day advocators and adherents err in that they fail to heed the biblical position of "rightly dividing the word of truth." II Timothy 2:15. If tradition is more important than the Word of Truth or the right dividing thereof the unconvinced will remain so. "But if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant." I Corinthians 14:38. The Word of Truth and rightly dividing it will in no manner convince those who will to remain unconvinced.

Since the laws of the Sabbath were given TO Israel their interpretation is FOR Israel. Since these laws were never given TO the Nations or TO the Church their interpretation cannot be FOR them. The Sabbath laws were applied TO and FOR Israel and as such never altered, changed, abrogated or transfered to any other day.

The folly of it is for a Chris-

tian, born again of the Spirit of Christ, to try to make himself believe he can and has to live under a law or laws which no longer exist. It is impossible to live under a law if the law is no longer in effect. A stop sign which has been officially removed is no longer in effect. You may continue to stop, but that is no longer the law, for the stop sign is gone.

The scriptures clearly state that we as born again sons of God "Are not under law but grace!" Then the law has no control over us, for how could it possibly have power over us who are dead to it? "Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; . . ." Romans 7:4.

People trying to live under a law which does not exist for them is nothing new in Christian experience. Paul had such in the Church at Galatia. "Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? . . ." ". . . the Mount Sinai which gendereth to

bondage, . . ." "But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all." "So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free. Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage." Galatians 4:21, 25, 26, 31; 5:1.

How can you be under something that does not exist for you? It is impossible. "But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements. (the law) whereunto ve desire again to be in bondage? Ye observe days, and months, and times, and years. I am afraid of you, lest I have bestowed upon you labour in vain." Galatians 4:9-11. "One man esteemeth one day above another: another esteemeth every day alike. Let every man be fully persuaded in his own mind. He that regardeth the day, regardeth it unto the Lord: and he that regardeth not the day, to the Lord he doth not regard it. He that eateth, eateth to the Lord, for the Lord he doth not regard it. He that eateth, eateth to the Lord, for he giveth God thanks; and he that eateth not. to the Lord he eateth not, and giveth God thanks." Romans 14:5, 6. "Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the Sabbath days." Colossians 2:16.

If we wrongly divide the Word of Truth and interpret that which was given TO and FOR Israel as applying TO and FOR the Church, we create nothing but confusion in our own minds and unnecessary conflicts between Christian brethren. Since Christ is "The Lord of the Sabbath" and we are under His New commandments it is basically a matter of each one being fully persuaded in his own mind that he is not "under law but grace" nor under the judgment and dictates of fellow believers.

#### OTHER DAYS

SunDAY is the 1st day of the week. Because Jesus Christ appeared in His resurrected body to Mary and others on this day and because the vast majority of born again believers assemble themselves together in worship on Sunday, therefore, the Church as a whole keeps the 1st day of the week. We do not keep Sunday because we are under law and have to, but we keep it because we are

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# Sharing



Nagpur, India

Dear Brother:

Greetings in the precious and sweet Name of Jesus.

I am in receipt of the typed copy and the printed booklet entitled "The Dilemma of Foreign Missions in India" and also your kind and encouraging letter. I have gone through it and found that you have given a true picture of Indian Christians of India, especially, the Indian Mission Christians as of three types, are worth remembering. I also agree with you, regarding the true nature of the work, of the National Christian Council in India, as it does not represent the true and needy Indian Christian people in India. I also thank you for the Christmas greetings to me and my people.

I was quite unable to send your reply earlier as I was not well. Kindly excuse me for this.

I am herewith sending you the snaps, which were taken at the time of our preaching the Gospel at Pachmari, in Mahadeo Mela (Pilgrimate). I am also sending you my best snap.

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I request you to kindly send me your Bible lessons directly, so that we may use these Bible Lessons in our Bible Class.

I have been praying to God and looking for a day when a Bible Training School will be opened here in Nagpur where many young and old people will be blessed and learn the true interpretation of the Word of God, as it was presented by you in our midst.

Closing with our warmest greeting to Mrs. Wierwille and children. Requesting you to pray for our church and especially for me.

Your loving brother in Christ, Rev. R. Sentakey

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Benares, India My dear Dr. Wierwille:

On this side of the globe there are great rumblings and turmoils in the Mission Church circles ever since the publication of your article in the "Seeker" and the appearance of the Niyogi Report on the missionary activities in Madhya Pradesh (also another enquiring report on Madhya

Bharat). I suppose you get a faint hint of it through the Seeker and otherwise. Recently again your article has been published with some effective editing in a Weekly News Magazine of Bombay—in four installments.

During the last three or four months there have been many discussions in conferences and councils of churches all over India on Missionary Work in the country. The N.C.C. and its auxiliary councils, many communal Indian Christian organizations of denationalized people, and even the national missionary society supposed to be a supporter of indigenous ideals and practicesare all very much perturbed and resentful against us who are standing for an independent indigenous church.

My work is being affected adversely on the financial side. I have a very modest and sacrificial budget of 3,000 rupies (about 700 dollars) for the year. Donations have been and are being cut here and there through the influence of church mission leaders. The Christian society for the study of Hindus is being liquidated and the N.M.S. even have not the courage to sponsor it.

Thus the work (which is increasing in volume) of the Fellowship of Christ—we need funds for travel, publicity, literature, etc. We are convinced that there is no other way except the way

of Christ-our Lord and Guidepressing through tremendous odds to success and triumph. Our workers are being persecuted all over India especially N.E. India. Sadhu A.N. Sircar—the great evangelist and healer is being thwarted through denial of entrance to Churches. St. Stephen's Church of Dum Dum, Calcutta, is being sued again in the court by the Bishop. The work of preaching and organizing is important at this juncture. Our enemies are in high places, but we have courage and love in our hearts and the Grace of the Lord Jesus is sufficient for us. Please pray for us.

I have had a dream for a long time of leading fraternal delegation to China, Japan, America, England, Germany representing the true Indian independent and indigenous church so that it may be understood properly in the outside world. They will show by life and word the kind of Christianity that Hindu India understands. We now have some servants of God who could do this effectively and establish fellowship with fellow-believers in other countries. But how can this be realized? We are resourceless though we feel we have riches in Christ in abundance. Our work might incidentally draw away men's minds from the influence of Hinduism which is spreading

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## Light through an Eastern window!

BISHOP K. C. PILLAI



"Jesus saith to him, He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all." John 13:10.

This teaching on the part of the Master is far more than that which just meets the eye of the carnal reader.

The Bible being an Eastern Book, written by Eastern men of God, perhaps we from the East find it somewhat easier to apprehend at places. To us the teaching here is very clear. So much error in biblical interpretation comes from taking literal what is figurative or vice versa. Figures of speech in The Word are used for EMPHASIS.

The word "washed" in this verse should be translated "bathed." "He that is bathed needeth but to wash his feet." The orientals bathe the first thing in the morning. We do not sit in a tub with the dirt from our bodies, taking a bath, but we stand and pour clean water over our heads and shoulders allowing it to run down our bodies and thus wash away the dirt.

Immediately after our morning bath we have our prayers and then our breakfast. Only after this do we go out about our daily tasks. Naturally as we walk in the streets our feet get dusty for we wear sandals, so when we return home we take off our sandals and wash our feet before entering the house. We don't bathe all over again, we simply wash our feet. If we go out ten times and come in ten times, all ten times we wash our feet, but we bathe only once and that is in the morning.

Here in this word we believe that Jesus Christ is setting for the great truth of remission of sins and forgiveness of sins. He that is saved does not need to be saved all over again, but he simply need his sins forgiven.

"He that is bathed" the one who is saved has received remission of sins. His sins have been washed away.

One day's activity is typical of one life time.

As we bathe just once a day so in one lifetime we are

saved and receive remission of sins just once when we repent and believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. But as often as we go out, break fellowship with our Father, we need forgiveness of sins. "He that is bathed needeth but to wash his feet." He has walked in sin and gotten dirty, therefore, he needs to "wash" (forgiveness of sins) his feet and when he who has walked in sin confesses his sin. Jesus Christ is faithful and just to forgive him of all sin and cleanse him of all unrighteousness, thus the sinner "is clean every whit."

#### THE WORD SPEAKS

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under grace and will to do so. Jesus Christ is Lord of the Sabbath. Under the Church age, in our day, every day should be sacred and no one day more so than any other day.

Man's DAY is now for this is the age of grace. Man today passes judgment and sentence, he directs the policy. In the

King James Version (I Corinthians 4:3) the word used for day is "judgment." In essence this word "judgment" expresses that truth that in man's day man sits in judgment but man's day is brief.

Christ's DAY is coming. That day is for His Church when He will rapture the "dead in Christ," and those who believe in Him and are alive." Philippians 1:6, 10; 2:16.

The Lord's DAY or the day of the Lord is not a day of the week as has been commonly believed. It is not Sunday. But, The Lord's Day is His day on earth, when the Lord Himself shall rule in righteousness and power and glory. John was shown this day in the far distant future. Rev. 1:10. That day will not overtake us, as born again believers, as a thief, for we are not in darkness but we are the children of light. I Thessalonians 5:2-5.

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#### SHARING

(Continued from page 7) rapidly in the West. We have not had your news for a long time.

Greetings in Jesus Name!

Sincerely,

R. C. Das

Dear V. P., Sister Wierwille, Family and Saints:

God bless you and thank you ever so much for the \$25.00 offering for the work here and your nice card and kind remarks which I surely do not deserve.

Soon I will put the report together and get it on its way. I really will get down to the job but it is impossible to know each day how it will be occupied for so much comes along that is unexpected. After the report for you I will get the new bulletin out and that will give you all more details from time to time.

I am travelling to various districts on invitation lately to minister. God is blessing wonderfully. I hope I can get some pictures sometime of these meetings with people responding so to the Holy Spirit. I do praise the Lord for the souls being saved and the healings as they so simply BELIEVE.

Tonight I am off to a big campaign in the open air out on the eastern end of Jamaica—I have been in Kingston for the past few days at various meetings in and out of town.

I never forget you in my prayers as we are together in the battle now and I thank you all for your faithful prayers for this work here. God is surely answering and I am expecting great things from Him as I attempt such for Him for there is so much to be done. God bless you and write soon again. My love in Christ to you all from your brother.

Sincerely, Eric Watson

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February 3, 1957

Dear Dr. Wierwille:

Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Again I am thankful to have a gift for you at THE WAY. I am happy to know I have a part in your work with my gifts to you. I do lift you up to God each day in my prayers.

As it's almost time for me to go to my work, I want to send my gift to you to help in your wonderful work.

May God bless you richly.

Sincerely,

Mrs. B. McK.

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#### SO SAYS VICTOR PAUL WIERWILLE

Jesus came to save people FROM their sins, not in their sins.

#### THE WAY INTERNATION-AL CHRISTIAN CRUSADE

Rev. Eric Watson has been led of God to join hands in fellowship with THE WAY in its efforts to take the Gospel of Salvation, and deliverance into all the world, as the Director of the Western Division of our foreign missionary efforts. As yet God has not sent to us a man from the East to be Director of the Eastern Division, but God will so lead and direct. When this occurs then both the Eastern and Western Directors will endeavor to put into operation the principle set forth under our missionary department. Your all out efforts in helping to get the Gospel out will mean that God will have to touch your heart and help you to see the urgency of the hour. You will join with us in believing prayer. Your checks and gifts should be made out to THE WAY and marked "missions." Then you who have been helped will help others.

#### **OUR PRINCIPLES**

1. Nothing but the supernatural, miraculous Bible deliverance ministry in the Name and power of Jesus Christ will ever win nations of peoples to Christ, irrespective of their country, culture, customs or traditions.

- 2. Why should foreign Christians spend years learning a language when the nationals already know it? These nationals know how to reach their own people. Best of all they are citizens of their own country.
- 3. All foreign missionaries work under the National Church System of the particular nation to which they have been invited.
- 4. Train and equip the nationals to be their own missionaries under their own church system to go to every neglected area of their country including cities, towns, villages and hamlets.
- 5. Generally no financial help to national missionaries and ministers, unless the situation absolutely demands it and then only upon the recommendation of the national leaders themselves.
- 6. Financial gifts to national Christians in the training of national personnel to do the Christian job, including such things as radio, publicity, etc.
- 7. Each nation to work out its own Christian methods of evangelism in keeping with

that nation's culture and traditions.

8. International cooperation and exchange on equal basis of Christians.

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#### SO SAYS VICTOR PAUL WIERWILLE

Our choices put us into our ruts.

The Word of God is the Will of God.

Believers need no proof, unbelievers will accept none.

If you believe in Jesus Christ and what He did—no one need to explain salvation or healing. If you do not believe then every explanation is futile.

The Church is more than a preparation for death, it is an anointing for LIFE.

Preacher—don't read a little piece out of the Bible and then explain the Bible out of the piece.

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#### SHARING CONTINUED

Worthington, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Your book entitled, "Studies in Human Suffering" was both timely and helpful. I shall pass it on and thus multiply the blessing.

An abundance of good wishes in your worthy dedication.

Sincerely, M.D.

Lima, Ohio

Dear Christian Friend:

I have been widowed fourteen years and live alone; at the present time I am recovering from a small accident and doing nicely. During the past few years I have called upon "praying people" several times and was never let down. I am a professed Christian and possessor of faith in God's ability to heal both body and soul. I am never surprised at what He can do but often awed at the wonders. What a wonderful blessing it will be for you, Dr. Wierwille, to experience the work in foreign fields! Truly God will bless you in all ways. The enclosure is a small gift to the Hour of Power. With it go my blessings for a continuation of the great work of faith. Kindly pray for me and my security in all things such as health and wisdom -wisdom that I may understand the full meaning of His Word and principles and live them. Strength and power to overcome all that is contrary. I am praying that others will continue to be benefited and comforted through your ministry.

Sincerely yours, Mrs. M.L.

#### THE WAY TREE

"The Way" is a fellowship of the followers of Jesus Christ for the manifestation of the "more abundant life." A member of "The Way" is one filled with the "Power from on High" the holy spirit, and who freely avails himself of the fellowship meetings for spiritual nurture and growth. A fellowship is three or more members. "The Way" fellowship is cemented together with the Spirit of Christ with each member being transformed by the renewing of his mind according to The Word of God.

"The Way" is like unto a tree. It is composed of Twigs, Branches, Limbs, Trunk, and Roots. Basically each unit, except the Root, is composed of the following:

- (a) Head presbyter—ruling elder.
  - (b) Secretary.
  - (c) Treasurer.
- (d) Immediate members including elders, if any.
- (e) Head Presbyter of the next higher unit (Ex-officio)
- (f) Various committees composed of selected elders and (Exofficio) or Presbyters including selected members of the fellowship for camps, schools, publications, clubs, advertising, radio

and television, etc. as deemed necessary.

- Twig—A fellowship in a specific LOCAL area which meets weekly.
- Branch—A fellowship of all Twigs in a local community AREA which meets once every six months.
- 3. Limb—A fellowship of all Branches in a **STATEWIDE** area which meets once every year.
- 4. Trunk—A fellowship of all Limbs in a single COUNTRY which meets every three years.
- Root—(a) A Board of Trustees
   —a fellowship of three trustees.
  - (b) International Headquarters—a fellowship of each head presbyter of each Trunk.
  - (c) Board of Directors—a fellowship of all head presbyters of each Limb and Branch plus such selected directors as the Board of Trustees and International Headquarters deem necessary.

The three roots meet once every five years.

An elder is an overseer, this is his duty, his work, his job in the fellowship of "The Way." The

qualifications of an elder must be in accordance with I Timothy 3:1-7. There may be more than one elder in a Twig if the necessity and guidance of the Spirit is such, but even then One from among them is the head or ruling elder. He is the ruling elder for and because of no other reason than that he is qualified spiritually and with natural leadership ability. The ruling elder is called a Presbyter which is his rank. The Presbyter or ruling elder of each Twig is selected by the Twig fellowship in cooperation with the Branch Presbyter and in agreement and with the approval of the head Presbyter of the Branch, Limb, Trunk and Root,

A secretary fo each unit, (honorary selection) will keep complete minutes of all meetings, gatherings, etc. and be responsible for submitting reports on same. Selected from and by each unit.

A treasurer for each unit (Honorary selection) will keep accountability of all funds and be responsible for compilation of financial records. Selected from and by each unit.

Deacons are selected by the fellowship, when the need arises, whose qualifications must parallel I Timothy 3:8ff. Their responsibility is the care of the poor and over-all benevolence work.

Each Twig shall be self-sup-

porting, self-propagating and selfgoverning in cooperation with its respective Branch as each Branch is to its respective Limb as each Limb is to the respective Trunk as each in the Trunk is to the Boot of "The Way"

Finances for the operation of "The Way" rests entirely upon the renewed mind believing and love of each member.

#### MAIL BOX

Convoy, Ohio

Dear Friends:

I was very glad to get THE WAY Magazine. I enjoy reading it very much and I will pass it round for others to read.

Thanking Dr. V. P. Wierwille and the Lord for healing my body.

Sincerely yours, Mrs. E K.

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If I really, really trust Him Shall I ever fret?

If I really do expect Him, Can I e'er forget?

If by faith I really see Him, Shall I doubt His aid?

If I really, really love Him, Can I be afraid?

## Have You a Will?

Remember THE WAY INC. in your will. This is one way of helping in this deliverance ministry after you have gone to be with the Lord. Why not prayerfully and lovingly do it now?

I bequeath to The Way Inc., Van Wert, Ohio,

We as Christians need to take care of vital matters like this before it is too late. There is no finer way of living on and helping with Christian work, than to remember The Way Inc. in your will.

# WHAT IS YOUR

- Q. Can anyone attend your class on Power for Abundant Living?
- A. Indeed so. We have both professional and non-professional people. Some are ministers, teachers, professors, etc., while others are factory workers, farmers, business men, housewives, etc. According to our latest information three men are coming all the way from England to take the June 16th Class.
- Q. What must I do to receive the promises of God?
- A. There is only one thing anybody has to do and that is **BELIEVE**. If we believe what God said, we receive what He said, **BELIEV-ING IS RECEIVING.** Mark 11:23, 24.
- Q. Is my sickness due to my sin?
- A. I do not know. It need not be. In its true sense if there were no sin there would be no sickness. Sickness and disease came with Satan and sin, yet many a person's sickness is not due to his personal sins but all sickness is due to sin.
- Q. From the meetings I have attended it seems to me that most people come for prayer and healing as a last resort, is this true?
- A. Not if the person has been properly trained in The Word. That person will always go to the Father first, not only with his need in sickness but with any need. He is our Father, thus we surely should go to Him before we do anything else. However, our years of experience indicate that people usually come only after all medical and scientific sources have been tried. When they are pronounced "incurable" or "hopeless" then they want to "try" God. That is why so many are disappointed. They are not prepared. It seems to me to be a low type of spiritual life to think of "trying" God as the last resort. He is FIRST, not LAST. Furthermore, one never gets anything by trying but by BE-LIEVING. We have found that many people have reached the limits of their endurance when they come for healing. We do praise God that in His mercy and grace He still meets needs when man reaches his extremity.