Pressures From Without — ILLUSTRATED SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON — By Alfred J. Buescher

Scripture—Ephesians 6:10-20; James 4:1-8; I John 2:15-17.

Paul exhorts Christians to be "strong in the Lord," . . . standing in courage, strength and victory against the wiles of an unseen power which makes evil seem attractive and its results pleasant.—Ephesains 6:10-13.

God's armor for Christians consists of truth, righteousness, the peace of God, faith, salvation, and His holy Word. It must be received by prayer, donned with prayer and supported by prayer.—Ephesians 6:14-20

James warns of the evils accompanying uncontrolled passions for worldly possessions and the inevitable consequences. He outlines the five-fold secret by which Christians can overcome these "lusts."—James 4:1-8.

Christians, of course, cannot escape living in the world, but should make sure they do not fall in love with the world and with worldly things.—I John 2:15-17

MEMORY VERSE: "And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever."—I John 2:17.

PRESSURE FROM WITHOUT

Real Constant Struggle

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By R.H. RAMSEY

Last week, in our first lesson on hindrances to Christian growth, we considered the sins which spring up from within ourselves. Today we will be examining those forces from without which exert pressure upon the Christian in his spiritual war to attain and maintain the victorious life of the soul.

A Christian life is not easy. It involves a constant struggle against the diabolical, strong enemies who would keep us from fellowship with God in Christ and from eternal life and salvation.

In such a battle, Christians must be stouthearted and courageous, in addition to being well protected and armed... "strong in the Lord" and wearing His armor. The "armor" of which the Apostle speaks is composed of the Christian graces, given to us by God to use and live by in the struggle for spiritual life.

God gives us this armor, but it is up to us to put it on. Should we neglect this defense, we alone are to blame, for we lack sufficient strength or natural courae of our own to withstand that unseen power which attacks the body, heart and mind, making evil seem attractive and its results pleasant.

These powerful and evil forces rule in the moral darkness of this world. They are numerous and terrible beyond description. They begin at the individual level, seeking to invade every soul and turn it from God. Wearing the whole armor of God is the only way to withstand temptation and moral danger. With it we stand in courage, not fear, in strength, not weakness, in victory, not defeat.

In describing the armor of God, Paul refers to the battle dress of the Roman legions, equating each piece with a spiritual quality that will protect the Christian in his battle with the forces of evil.

First mention is the girdle, which Paul calls truth. In a world filled with liesanddishonesty, the Christian must girdle himself with absolute truth and sincerity.

Righteousness and moral uprightness are the shining breastplate, projecting the Christian's heart. Our feet are to be shod with the "preparation of the gospel of peace," a paradox, urging Christians to wage warfare for peace.

Above all, we must have the shield of faith. This is the basis of Christian life, and the many "fiery darts" are quenched by the shining shield of a bright, strong faith.

Then we must don the "helmet of salvation" to keep our brain, eyes, ears, mouth and all our senses from harm and make them keen in warfare for Christ.

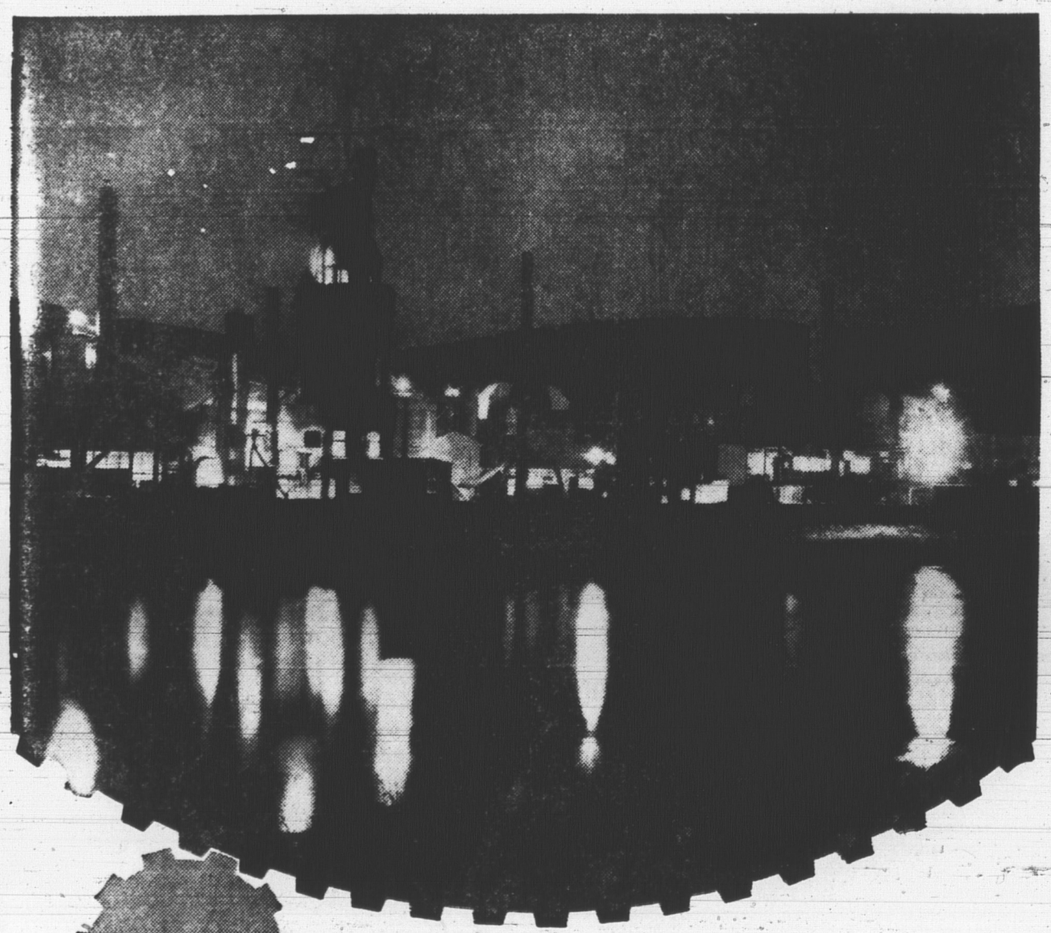
A Christian's only offensive weapon is "the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God." In the Christian battle this is the only weapon we need to win the victory, "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged swore" (Heb. 4:12).

This full armor of God must be received by prayer, put on with prayer, and constantly supported by prayer. Our faith in prayer should be built on the Holy Spirit, who prays with us and goes beyond all that we know to ask.

In James 4, the Apostle warns of the evils accompanying uncontrolled passions for worldly possessions. The "lusts" he refers to are unrestrained cravings and covetous desires which find root in our bodies and grow ever stronger, even when not gratified. Inevitably, they result in envy, fighting, open warfare with our brothers, and murder in thought if not in deed.

To overcome these "lusts" for worldly possessions, the Christian must humble himself and make himself subject to the will of God. He is to resist the devil by taking a bold stand against temptations to worldliness. He is to draw nearer to God with the assurance that He, in turn, will draw nearer the Christian and bestow His grace upon him. He is to cleanse his thoughts and purify his heart, ridding it of its division between love of God and love of worldly things.

The brief passage from I John reinforces this teaching of James. We cannot escape living in the world, but we are not to fall in love with the world and wordly things. The world is doomed to judgment and will ultimately pass away, to be replaced by a new heaven and a new earth, peopled by those who have dwelt in God and done the will of God.



NIGHT and DAY

In mills and factories across the country, they never stop working. By night as well as by day, the wheels of commerce grind out the goods we need as a nation.

It's a twenty-four hour job, this business of production, and it's a vital job — to you, your family, your town, our whole country. Like most vital jobs, it can't be stopped.

Faith is a vital job, too. It isn't simply something that God gives you, free of charge, on Christmas and at Easter. You have to work for real faith. You have to earn it. You have to keep at it.

Fortunately, to help you gain and sustain this vital faith, you have the Church to guide you. Start attending every Sunday and there absorb the wonders of God's teachings.

THE CHURCH FOR ALL • ALL FOR THE CHURCH

The Church is the greatest factor on earth for the building of character and good citizenship. It is a storehouse of spiritual values. Without a strong Church, neither democracy nor civilization can survive. There are four sound reasons why every person should attend services regularly and support the Church. They are: (1) For his own sake. (2) For his children's sake. (3) For the sake of his community and nation. (4) For the sake of the Church itself, which needs his moral and material support. Plan to go to church regularly and read your Bible daily.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Nehamiah 4:15-23	Psalms 104:24-35	Matthew 24:36-44	Luke 13:10-17	John 6:26-34	I Corinthians 3:10-15	Ephesians 2:1-10

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Atlantic Creditors Cover Wide Spectrum

TORONTO (CP)—The Globe and Mail says a list compiled from information gathered among sources in the short-term money market shows creditors of Atlantic Acceptance Corp. Ltd. involve the entire spectrum of the Canadian business and financial community, together with several United States organizations.

Atlantic went into receivership June 17 after defaulting on a $5,000,000 note that matured June 14.

Montreal Trust Co., named Atlantic's receiver, estimated last week that assets available to meet the claims of the holders of senior notes would have a realizable value of $103,432,830. This is $3,430,510 short of Atlantic's liabilities to senior noteholders alone.

Another $28,925,410 in liabilities to subordinated, junior subordinated and other creditors is not backed by any realization asset, the receiver's estimate showed.

Montreal Trust Co. has not published a list of holders of the various classes of Atlantic notes but The Globe and Mail says the list compiled from the sources in the short-term money market shows, as expected, that British Mortgage and Trust Co. of Stratford, Ont., which had links with Atlantic through the two boards of directors, was a substantial noteholder.

HOLDS DEMAND NOTE

The story says British Mortgage held a $200,000 demand note, a $2,000,000 note maturing June 15 and $1,000,000 junior subordinated note due April 22, 1966.

Royal Bank of Canada held a $2,000,000 demand note and The Globe and Mail's list of other noteholders included:

Short - term notes: Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Co., $2,000,000 (U.S.); Dow Chemical of Canada Ltd., $2,952,000; First National City Bank of New York, $3,000,000 (U.S.); National Lead Co., $2,500,000 (U.S.); Societe Financiere pour Commerce et l'Industrie Llee., $5,000,000; and Toronto-Dominion Bank $4,000,000 (U.S.).

Medium - term notes: Aetna Life Insurance Co., and Ford Foundation, $2,000,000 each in U.S. funds.

Long - term notes, Series A: Aetna Insurance $5,400,000; Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co., $4,000,000; Eaton Retirement Fund Trustees $2,038,000; Lincoln National Life Insurance Co., $2,250,000; Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co., $2,000,000; Travelers Insurance Co., $2,000,000; and Weber and Co., $2,000,000.

Says Graham Contradicts Curriculum

A United Church chaplain attached to the University of Saskatchewan has charged in The United Church Observer that the "Billy Graham group contradicts everything we are trying to accomplish through the new curriculum. They are ventriloquists of the nineteenth century, trying to turn the clock back on theological and biblical scholarship."

The Rev. Ben Smillie, writing in the church journal, states that Dr. Billy Graham and his brother-in-law Leighton Ford, use the phrase "The Bible Says," instead of using biblical scholarship. "Nothing is said about the Bible being composed partly of legend and myth and allegory, and so Christians continue to hear the word of God ignorantly. They go on believing in clay-made man, a floating zoo, an amphibious-footed Jesus, a son of God who demonstrated his divinity as a home brew artist by turning water into wine and topped it with an ascension that looks like a Cape Kennedy blast-off."

Mr. Smillie suggests that United Church ministers stop backing Billy Graham. He charges that the Graham crusades "encourage biblical ignorance". He questions the "social and political responsibilities of the Graham group".

In the same issue of the Observer the editor states his own regret "that the United Church has not given more support to Graham's Canadian Crusades".

Institute Is Big Success

Forty-five people returned home from Columbia recently, filled with enthusiasm and determination to carry on Scripture distribution in their home area. They had just attended the Eighth Regional Penzotti Institute in Cali. Representing eight countries and 20 denominations, of various professions, ages and degrees of academic preparation, they were united in their desire to make God's Word known in God's world.

The Penzotti Institute is named after Francisco G. Penzotti, born just over a hundred years ago, who devoted his life to distributing the Scriptures in Latin America. The Institute now moves around from one country to another, giving a four-week course, so that the ordinary man can more easily take part.

Penzotti Institutes always include a session at the end of the four-week course when students put into practice what they have learned. While many types of distribution are discussed at the Institute, the emphasis is on door-to-door visiting with the Scriptures, as this method enables contacts to be followed up. Those who buy Scriptures are encouraged to form Bible Study groups, and are put in contact with their local church.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, Aug. 29: Ruth 2.
Monday, Aug. 30: Ruth 3.
Tuesday, Aug. 31: Ruth 4.
Wednesday, Sept. 1: Matthew 3.
Thursday, Sept. 2: Matthew 4.
Friday, Sept. 3: Matthew 8.
Saturday, Sept. 4: Matthew 9.

PLAN VISIT TO CANADA

OTTAWA (CP)—Fifteen senior United States army officers will visit Canadian military and civilian installations durng a five - day orientation tour of Eastern Canada in September, defence headquarters announced Thursday. The officers, who arrive here Sept. 19, will visit the Royal Military College at Kingston, Ont., the Ontario hydro power plant at Niagara Falls and Camp Gagetown, N.B.

Britain has only six public holidays a year, some of which are held on different dates in Scotland and England.

Canadian Papers View Election

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

Following are excerpts from editorials in representative Canadian newspapers on the question of holding a federal general election before redistribution of Commons seats. Except as noted, all newspapers quoted describe themselves as politically independent:

Toronto Globe and Mail: Civil servant pay is . . . only one of a number of matters requiring the urgent attention of Parliament. . . . There is, of course redistribution, which would give the people of Canada, for the first time in 13 years, equitable voting strength. Parliament has far too much important work to be done for the government to be considering an election. (Aug. 23)

Toronto Star (Ind. Lib.): There is nothing to warrant an election this fall. Parliament has a lot of unfinished business —from the establishment of the Canada Development Corporation to the revision of banking, railway, bankruptcy and immigration legislation—in addition to the forthcoming debate on redistribution and the long-overdue regulation of campaign funds. It's perfectly possible to handle all this and then go to the electorate asking for a mandate about a year from now. If the public interest is put ahead of party advantage, that's the way it will be done. (Aug. 26)

Toronto Telegram: The majority of Liberals, like people of all political affiliations, prefer to see the election put off until the redistribution of new parliamentary constituencies is completed. This makes good sense. . . . There is no valid reason for an election except to satisfy Liberal harbingers who believe that the pulse of the people should be tested while the Conservatives are in disarray. (Aug. 26)

Edmonton Journal: An election would be a grave injustice to millions of Canadians who have taken up new homes since the last redistribution; they would hardly be represented at all in new Parliament, compared to other Canadians. A new Parliament based on the old redistribution would be an outrageous affront to democracy. (Aug. 19)

Medicine Hat News: Prime Minister Pearson is certainly not responsible for the current rash of election rumor and speculation. But he's the one who can end it all, one way or another. And he'd be well advised to do so as soon as possible. (Aug. 25)

Lethbridge Herald: The combined opposition can force an election this fall. Surely the government of the day has some rights in a situation such as that. Surely it has every right to seek a vote of confidence and an absolute majority. . . . The government is entitled to ask for a fresh and stronger mandate, and voters are entitled to say whether they want to give it. An election this fall is fully justified. (Aug. 23)

Red Deer Advocate: Whether or not Mr. Pearson wants a fall election is not yet certain; but there is no uncertainty about Mr. (Robert) Thompson's wishes in the matter. He dare not expose the remnants of his (Social Credit) party to the voters this year. (Aug. 19)

Saskatoon Star-Phoenix: An election should not be held now because it would not contribute anything to improve the mediocre government now in office in Ottawa. What, we ask, are the alternatives? They are neither more nor less promising than the government in power. (Aug. 20)

Experimental Plane Crashes On Test Flight

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) The Curtiss - Wright X-19 triservice aircraft, an experimental plane designed to rise vertically, hover and then fly forward at speeds up to 460 miles an hour, has crashed during its initial test flight at nearby Pomona.

Chief test pilot James V. Ryan and project test pilot Bernard J. Hughes parachuted safety from the plane.

Officials would only say the plane had been in flight appriximately 20 minutes and was on its way back to the land strip when the accident occurred.

The Kirk of S. James

Organist and Director of the Choirs
Christopher Gledhill, M.A., B.Mus., A.R.C.C.O.

11:00 a.m.—Public Worship
Speaker: Rev. Ross Howard, B.A., B.D.
Solo: O Saviour, hear me—Gluck, arr. Buck
Miss June Foster

SPRING PARK UNITED CHURCH

Kirkwood Drive
Minister: Rev. Clayton C. Lewis
Organist and Choir Director: Mrs. J. B. Herdman, L.R.A.M.

11:00 a.m.—Sermon: "THE LORD YOUR GOD"
Solo: "How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings" (Liddle)
Miss Diana Rodd
"You Are Welcome To Worship With Us"
The Church will be open from 2:30 to 4:30 for visitors.

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Rev. J. H. Tye, B.A., B.D., Minister
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10:00 a.m.—Child care in church hall.
10:00 a.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP
Sermon: "THE CHURCH'S CHALLENGE IN OUR PRESENT DAY"
"Spirit of God"—Neidlinger
(Miss Helen Wilson)
You are welcome to worship with us

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Upper Prince Stret
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9:15 a.m.—Radio broadcast, Summerside Station
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School, Classes for all ages
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Thursday, 8 p.m.—Prayer Meeting
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(Birchwood St. near Longworth Ave.)
Minister: Rev. W. R. Underhay, B.A.

11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
7:00 P.M.—Evening Worship
VISITORS WARMLY WELCOME.

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August 29—The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

8:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist
8:45 a.m.—Mattins
11:00 a.m.—Choral Eucharist & Sermon
7:00 p.m.—Evensong (in Chapel)
Visitors are cordially welcome at all services

First Baptist Church

Corner of Prince and Fitzroy Streets
Rev. Malcolm F. Harlow, B.A., B.D., Minister
Mrs. V. L. Dingwell, Organist and Choir Director

10:00 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m.—"THE PROMISE OF GLORY"
Solo: "Come Unto Me"
Mrs. Ray Hennessey
Ordinance of The Lord's Supper
7:30 p.m.—"AFTER THE EARTHQUAKE"
Duet: Misses Janet Down and Faye Rogerson
Wednesday 7:30—Prayer Meeting.
A WARM WELCOME AWAITS YOU

Central Christian Church

219 Kent Street
Minister: Mr. W. O. Weale
Organist: William Matthews

MORNING
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship and the Lord's Supper
Sermon: "WOE, LO, GO"
EVENING
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service
Sermon: "THE GREAT TRANSFORMATION"
Minister: Mr. W. O. Weale
Organist: Mrs. Allison MacRae

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Charlottetown, P.E.I.
Ministers: Rev. John G. E. Ball, B.A.
Rev. Gerald G. Wyrwas, B.A., B.D.
Organist and Director of Choirs: Mr. Joseph B. Herdman

11:00 a.m.—Nursery care and Crib Room in Social Hall
11:00 a.m.—"A VISION OF GOD" (Rev. G. G. Wyrwas)
Solo: Mr. Arthur Heartz (Baritone) of Halifax, N.S.
7:30 p.m.—"PECULIAR PEOPLE" (Rev. G. G. Wyrwas)
Solo: Mrs. Ray Hennessey, Soprano

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The Rev. Donald A. Campbell, B.A. Minister
Miss Roberta Shaw, Deaconess
Mrs. Harvey MacKinnon, L.Mus., B.Mus.
Organist and Choir Director.

10:00 a.m.—Bible Class. 11:00 a.m. Nursery School
11:00 a.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP
Sermon: Rev. Charles Townsley, B.A., Alliston, Ontario, Guest Preacher.
Solo: Miss Shirley Graham
7:00 p.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP
Sermon: Rev. Charles Townsley, B.A. Guest Preacher
Duet: Misses Barbara MacRae and Marilyn Mutch
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