

## Guest Articles - cont.

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serving our Lord each day we live.

In Romans 12:1, we are told to “present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.” Certainly the context of this passage is that we are to be a continuous sacrifice; that is, a daily sacrifice. That would involve being a sacrifice each day of our lives. We do this because we have been “transformed” from the world, and are no longer “conformed to this world” (Romans 12:2).

Luke writes of the Bereans saying they were more noble than those in Thessalonica, because they “searched the scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so” (Acts 17:11).

The Hebrew writer says, “But exhort one another daily, while it is called today; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin” (Hebrews 3:13).

Each day is important. The most important day is today. It is all we have. Yesterday is gone, and tomorrow has not yet come. That is why the Bible says, “...behold, now is the day of salvation” (2 Corinthians 6:2).

## Gospel Meeting

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Speaker: Frank Richey of Florence, AL.

Date: September 20-23

Theme: What Shall I Do With Jesus?

Lessons:

Thursday through Saturday

1. What Shall I Do With Jesus? (7 pm)
2. Accept Jesus As My Shepherd (7 pm)
3. Recognize His Greatness (7 pm)

Sunday

4. Live My Life for Jesus (9:30 am)
5. His Last Sermon (10:30 am)
6. Teach the Gospel of Jesus (6:00 pm)

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# THE WARFIELD BULLETIN

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For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.  
- 2 Corinthians 10:3-4 -

### **Ruining Your Influence Through Being Quick Tempered**

Your reputation and reliability is important and valuable. The scriptures teach how your influence is more valuable than precious ointment or even great wealth. “A good name is better than precious ointment; and the day of death than the day of one’s birth” (Ecclesiastes 7:1). “A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favor rather than silver and gold” (Proverbs 22:1).

The Bible warns us about being quick tempered and the danger of being friends with one who has a quick temper. Notice these verses:

Ecclesiastes 7:9 - “Do not hasten in your spirit to be angry, For anger rests in the bosom of fools.”

Proverbs 22:24 - “Make no friendship with an angry man, And with a furious man do not go.”

Proverbs 14:17 - “A quick-tempered man acts foolishly, And a man of wicked intentions is hated.”

Certainly we can see from these verses the danger of associating with one who has a quick temper. If we associate with one who has a quick temper, there

is the possibility that harm will come to us or that we will engage in something wrong as a result of our association.

Contrary to being quick tempered, the Bible teaches us that we are to be slow to anger. The Proverb writer says, “He who is slow to wrath has great understanding, but he who is impulsive exalts folly” (Proverbs 14:29).

A member of President Abraham Lincoln’s cabinet who frequently disagreed with him about his policies was Secretary Stanton, a man of very pronounced views. One day President Lincoln sent a message of state to Secretary Stanton by a page. On reading the message Stanton using violent language tore up the message and declared, “President Lincoln is a fool!” Returning to the President, the page reported what Stanton had said. Instead of becoming angry, the President, after a moment’s thought, said with a grin, “Well, perhaps Secretary Stanton is right!” Because of his greatness of soul and soft answer, Lincoln completely unarmed the man who so frequently opposed him. He followed the Bible admonition, “A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger” (Proverbs 15:1 ).

### **Serving God Daily**

Folks often have the tendency to compartmentalize the various activities and interests in their lives. They may speak of their

“work life,” “social life,” “family life,” and “spiritual life.” I would like to suggest that our “spiritual life” should encompass all areas of our lives. Jesus, in speaking on the Mount, said: “But seek ye first the kingdom of heaven, and all these things shall be added to you.”

Our first and greatest purpose in life is to seek God’s kingdom. This means to serve our Lord in an acceptable manner in our work and worship. God must come first in our lives.

The first three of the Ten Commandments have to do with man’s relationship with God. We are told that we are to “Have no other God’s before me.” We are told not to “take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.” We are told to not “make any graven images.” (Exodus 20:1-7) God must have first place in our lives.

If God is to have first place in our lives, He must have first place in every day of our lives. Jesus says in the book of Luke, “...If any man will come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily, and follow Me” (Luke 9:23).

Notice the emphasis on the word, daily. We must bear the cross of our Lord each day that we live. Daily cross bearing is not just the assembling of ourselves on Sunday and Wednesday, but