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Calling all young men to the service of Christ

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“They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary: and they shall walk, and not faint.” Isaiah 40:28-31



Welcome to The Boys Bugle

This issue's theme **"God's Faithfulness"**

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Here are some verses to consider:
Matthew 5:48; John 17; Ephesians 1:4, 4; 1 Peter 1:16; Romans 4:18, 4:22, 8:1; 12:1; 1 Thess. 5:23; Jude 24; Genesis 15:6.

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On the Cover:

The airplane that some of my brothers and sister rode in a few weeks ago. Here it is taking off down the runway.



Editor's Desk



Dear Readers,

I have found another boys magazine. Joshua Dunlap prints "Hidden Treasure Magazine." I am reprinting, "The Growth of Trees: Little Is Much When God Is In It!" on page 4 from some samples of his magazines.

His parents print a family magazine named "Family Discipleship Magazine" and a preschool magazine named "God is Love." His sister prints "Roses in God's Garden," and his little brother prints "God's Beautiful Nature."

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A friend of ours gave us a Risograph, a booklet maker and a paper cutter. The Risograph has a black, a red and a blue ink drum. The Risograph was in perfect shape except the black ink drum was coated with excess ink on the inside, (and outside), and there

is supposedly something wrong with the red ink drum. This machine is fast. My fastest photostatic copier does 20 copies a minute. But this machine does from 60 to 130 copies a minute. That's over 2 copies a second. The other great thing is it supposedly runs cheaper than a photostatic copier. Also, it looks easy to work on. I hope that it makes better copies than my photostatic copiers do. I've been wishing for a Risograph for a long time already. Now I have one that is better than I ever dreamed of.

I was reminded of an important fact a few weeks ago when I was reading through the book of Romans. The important fact is: It's our faith in God that makes us righteous. Romans 4:16-25. The example that Paul uses to illustrate this important fact is Abraham, when God promised to give him a son. God promised to give Abraham (and Sarah) a son and to make him a great nation sometime before Abraham was 86 years old, Genesis 13:16, 15:1-6, 16:16. Abraham believed what God told him even though all evidence said that it was impossible, and as a result, God counted it to him for righteousness, Genesis 15:6, Romans 4:18, 4:22.

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An air compressor that I made out of a Wisconsin gas engine, a 5 HP electric motor and a propane tank.



My Thomas built bus that I painted yellow and blue. Last winter Luray and I put a 5 speed manual transmission in it. Besides hauling a lot of people and stuff, I can pull a trailer.

Parables From God's Creation: The Growth of Trees: Little Is Much When God Is In It!

When I first started growing trees, what I expected to see was a gradual but steady growth rate, where the trees added fairly evenly to their size each year. I planted a number of kinds of seedlings, and kept them watered and cared for them. At the end of the year, I was disappointed to find that the fastest ones had only grown a few inches while others had hardly grown at all.

The next year was the same: only a few inches of growth. I began to wonder just how long trees took to grow, if they added height and substance this slowly. But I was mistaken. The next summer, some of the mulberry trees grew from a few inches to about three feet in height, though they were still very spindly. They still did not look as though they would amount to much any time soon, and in addition, the other trees were still less than a foot tall.

Again I was mistaken. One year later, the mulberry trees were fifteen feet tall and had started to fill out some! One of the Elderberry shrubs, which in February had been only a foot tall, were seven feet tall and quite wide! Now, one year after that, it is a good sized tree of about fifteen feet, and the other kinds of trees are growing in the same way. The Lord does not add to the growth of trees year by year; He multiplies it—but even multiplication starts out very small at first (take one times two)!

This is a good picture of how God does things. We may begin some work that He shows us is His will, and become disappointed later because it appears fruitless. We may even give it a long time, and then give up on it because we feel it is for

nothing. But if indeed it is the Lord's work (which of course we should always make sure of before doing something) it is and must be considered to be truly His and not our own. And since it is His and He knows very well what He is doing, we must continue with what He shows us to do without trying to figure out why He is doing things the way He is.

Just as a tree must grow for at least five years before it can produce a good crop of fruit, so what we do for the Lord may take a while before we see results. We should also keep in mind that the Lord is not limited by time as we are. He can lift up a ministry, or cause certain people to finally come to repentance, or what ever, in a blink when He feels the time is right. But at the same time, He can only do so if we continue to persevere through the period of time when what we are doing seems to be for nothing.

Are we doing what we are doing for the results, or for Him? Those who seek results will be disappointed and will sooner or later give up, but if we are doing it for Christ, we will be content to be doing His will, and to be cooperating with Him in whatever He has given us to do. And He will take the lowly work that we are doing for Him and use it for His Kingdom, in whatever way He chooses and in His timing.

But even those seedling trees are not idle the first few years. What they are doing is taking root downward, which always must precede growth. The first year the root is not strong enough to support rapid growth. But the second year it is slightly stronger, and the third year

stronger still. The tree must be firmly rooted, and the root must be mature, for it to grow, and bear fruit. So also its branches must receive their sustenance from the root and be firmly rooted and established to bear fruit.

We must be firmly rooted in Christ and in His Words before what we can bear fruit for His Kingdom, and that takes time--time spent in prayer and study of His Word, and time in which we make that priority in our lives.

Before He leads us to people who need help or encouragement, for instance, He must prepare our hearts so that we will not judge them unfairly for their needs.

Before He can prosper a ministry of teaching, He must prepare our hearts so that we will not distort His message or concentrate on unimportant things. In addition, He must prepare the hearts of others to be receptive to His message which He will speak through us.

What ever it is that He is doing, He is more than competent to make it succeed according to His purposes.

But it would also be very easy for us to mess up what He is doing, in some area of life, out of impatience or anxiety. Instead, we must wait on Him with perseverance. Waiting on the Lord includes being patient and waiting for His timing, but it also means to seek Him and serve Him.

While one thing may be postponed because it is not His timing, His will for us goes on in other areas of life, and we must discern it prayerfully and carry it out. One day we will be surprised at just how many of the little seemingly mundane tasks--and even the waiting, and all the trials--all led to or were a part of His work in us and through us here on

earth!

Let us not despise even the slightest, lowliest task He gives, nor let us grow weary in doing good, even when what we are doing seems to be for nothing!

by Joshua Dunlap

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Editor of Hidden Treasure Magazine

zine

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“And let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we shall reap if we do not grow weary. So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all men, and especially to those who are of the house hold of the faith.” Galatians 6:9, 10

“Therefore, do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward...For yet in a very little while, He who is coming will come, and will not delay. But My righteous one shall live by faith; and if he shrinks back, My soul will, have no pleasure in him.” Hebrews 10:35, 37, 38

God's Great Love

After a few of the usual Sunday evening hymns, the church's pastor slowly stood up, walked over to the pulpit and, before he gave his sermon for the evening, briefly introduced a guest minister who was in the service that evening. In the introduction, the pastor told the congregation that the guest minister was one of his dearest childhood friends and that he wanted him to have a few moments to greet the church and share whatever he felt would be appropriate for the service.

With that, an elderly man stepped up to the pulpit and began to speak. "A father, his son, and a friend of his son were sailing off the Pacific Coast," he began, "When a fast approaching storm blocked any attempt to get back to shore. The waves were so high that, even though the father was an experienced sailor, he could not keep the boat upright, and the three were swept into the ocean as the boat capsized."

The old man hesitated for a moment, making eye contact with two teenagers who were, for the first time since the service began, looking somewhat interested in the story. The aged minister continued with his story. "Grabbing a rescue line, the father had to make the most excruciating decision of his life: to which boy he would throw the other end of the life line. He only had seconds to make the decision. The father knew that his son was a Christian, and he also knew that his son's friend was not. The agony of his decision could not be matched by the torrent of the waves. As the father yelled out, 'I love you, son!', he threw out the life line to the son's friend. By the time the father had pulled the friend back to the capsized boat, his son had disappeared beneath the raging swells into the black of night. His body was never recovered."

By this time, the two teenagers were sitting up straight in the pew, anxiously waiting for the next words to

come out of the old minister's mouth. "The father," he continued, "knew his son would step into eternity with Jesus, and he could not bear the thought of his son's friend stepping into an eternity without Jesus. Therefore, he sacrificed his son to save the son's friend. How great is the love of God that He could do the same for us. Our heavenly Father sacrificed His only begotten Son that we could be saved. I urge you to accept His offer to rescue you and take hold of the life line."

With that, the old man turned and sat back down in his chair as silence filled the room. The pastor again walked slowly to the pulpit and delivered a brief sermon with an invitation at the end. However, no one responded to the appeal. Within minutes after the service, the two teenagers were at the old man's side.

"That was a nice story," politely said one of the boys, "but I don't think it was very realistic for a father to give up his only son's life in hopes that the other boy would become a Christian."

"Well, you've got a point there," the old man replied, glancing down at his worn Bible. Sorrow began to overtake the old man's smiling face as he once again looked up at the boys and said, "It sure isn't very realistic, is it? But I'm here today to tell you that I understand more than most the pain God must have felt to give up His only Son. For you see, I'm the man who lost his son to the ocean that day, and my son's friend that I chose to save is your pastor."



Young People of the Bible

A Series of Bible Character Stories that teach a lesson.

Daniel and His Companions

Young Men of Prayer

Daniel and his companions (known best as Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego) probably were taken to Babylon in their early teens. (They are called “children” but they were old enough to know God’s law and to decide to obey it. See Daniel 1.) Daniel lived many years in Babylon— years full of service to God and man. The most famous incident in Daniel’s life, his sojourn in the lions’ den because of his determination to continue praying only to God occurred when he was an old man. I would like to point out in this chapter that Daniel and his companions were men of prayer while still young.

In Daniel 2 we read that the king had had a dream which he not only could not understand, but neither could he recall it. None of his wise men could tell Nebuchadnezzar the content of his dream, so he ordered them all to be killed. This edict evidently included Daniel and his companions, even though the king had not asked them to help him (Daniel 2:13-16). What was Daniel’s first step in finding the answer to the problem? He and Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego prayed. They were not only praying for the knowledge of the king’s dream; they were praying for their lives. What was Daniel’s first step after receiving the interpretation of the dream? He prayed again! Only then did he go to tell the king what he had learned. Daniel was a man of prayer all through his life. God rewarded him: **“As for these four children, God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom: and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams.”** (Daniel 1:17).

Would you like to have knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom? Do you have any problems with school

or college studies or with your job? Daniel’s secret of success can be yours—he prayed and so should you. The author knows from personal experience that God understands not only dreams and visions and the arts and sciences of ancient Egypt and Babylon, but also physics, organic chemistry, calculus, and economics. Prayer can provide very practical help in our work and our studies. Ask God to show you just what to study and what parts of the material to spend the most time on. If you get bogged down in the middle of an exam, take a moment out for prayer; ask God to clear your mind and help you recall the material relevant to the problem. (It is not recommended that one substitute prayer for study. The Book of Proverbs definitely states that God does not reward laziness in any form. Prayer and study must be used together).

After one has finished school and is established in a job, prayer is a great aid in one’s work. God can not only help us get along with our fellow workers, but can also provide help with very technical problems. God is the Creator of the material universe and will help us deal with this creation if we act in subjection to and dependence on Him

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The Calling of:

David Boskovic

Greetings from Ontario, I would like to begin by thanking the Boy's Bugle for this opportunity to introduce my family and myself to you. I have always found it so intriguing to read about unique individuals who have devoted their hearts and minds to the Savior of this world, Jesus Christ.

My name is David Boskovic, I am 15 ½ years old and have 2 older brothers and three younger sisters. I have been blessed with one of the greatest and most wonderful blessings that can be given to a young person, being that I have had the honor of growing up in a Christian home.

It is something that often one takes for granted until you meet somebody who has not, who has not grown up with the wisdom and leading of Godly parents. Then all of a sudden it strikes home how truly blessed we are! Let me tell you about my family.

My Father and Mother, John and Debbie, have brought us all up in the fear of the LORD and have encouraged each of us onwards and upwards, and for that I am greatly thankful. My father has been in the violin trade for over 30 years and we all have grown up working and learning in the same. My mother has home-schooled all of us for as long as I can remember... and before.

James (22) is... is a wanderer yet. We have not seen him much since the age of 16, and he has not yet accepted Christ as his Savior. He needs your prayers.

Isaac (18) is an excellent musician; he has been play-



Left to Right, Back Row: Christina, John, Debbie, Isaac,
Front Row: Faith, David, Ruth.

ing the piano for nearly eight years. He enjoys music, and also works full-time in our family business. I am grateful to have him as a brother, and we have a lot of fun working together. He finished high-school in 2003.

David (15) enjoys writing, school (grade 11), work, music and above all seeking God's wisdom. I play the saw, yes the saw, and enjoy it very much I also work in the family business.

Christina (13) is in grade 8, and is mother's right hand. She is an excellent sister and can cook a good meal anytime.

Ruth (8) is in grade 3 and is our little "cleaner-upper", she loves cleaning and if you have a bookworm, you have her.

Faith (5) is the youngest and keeps all of us in good humor. She has just started Grade 1, and seems to be enjoying it.

...and that is my family, now let me tell you some more.

Basically all of us have grown up in the country on our small but sufficient 3 ½ acres. Surrounded by rolling farmland we have the

wonderful blessing of rural life. We have always been home schooled, and really, that is something which I am immensely grateful for. We have all also grown up in our family business of supplying stringed instruments to stores across the country. It is a blessing that we don't have to "go to work" but rather that the work is right here! We have a big garden although this year we didn't grow anything in it! We also have a couple cows which we milk by hand every morning and evening, some chickens, three border-collies, and a cat. In the past few years I don't think I have ever been able to say that I was bored (and if I did it was my problem☺). There is always plenty of work in the business and also around the property.

Right now my future is left completely in God's hands (and is going to stay there), I am letting Him lead me day by day and it has become a truly exciting experience.



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Questions and Answers

Question from last issue:

If you have an apple tree that gives bad fruit, you have a bad tree.

If you have an apple tree that gives good fruit, you have a good tree.

Does the fruit make the tree good?

Answer:

“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.” Ephesians 2:8-9

“What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? Can faith save him?” ... “Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.” James 2:14&17

How can this be? In the one verse we are not saved by works, but the other verse says if we don't have works we are dead. So we have to have works to be saved?!?!?

At first glance this seems very confusing, but it is actually very simple. This is where the apple tree illustration comes in. The good tree is like a true Christian who has life with God – is saved from their sins — trusts God. The bad tree is a non Christian – is someone that doesn't trust God.

Lets take a look at the good tree. A good tree gives good fruit. **“Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.”** Matthew 7:17 Here's where the question comes in – “Does the fruit make the tree good?” No. A farmer doesn't go hanging good fruit on his wild apple trees to make them good. It just does not work that way. If he wants good apples he must plant good

apple trees and/or fertilize and prune them. In the same way we are not saved by works but by grace through faith. Our faith in God is very important. God only accepts those who believe in Him. **“He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.”** John 3:18 God created us for his pleasure. How could God have pleasure in someone who doesn't want to follow him? **“Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.”** Revelations 4:11

So are works important? Lets ask this question. Is it important for a good tree to have good fruit? Of course it is. Who would call a tree good that gives little sour apples, or maybe none at all? It's the same for us – **“Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.”** James 2:17

So what is the solution if our life is giving sour apples? Let God make you good, believe Him and he will. He has for me and he can for you. Read Ephesians, James, John 15 and the rest of the Bible.

by Luray Martin

Question for next issue:

Why did Jesus have to die?

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Signs of the Destruction of Jerusalem

Submitted by: J.T. Wickey, Mansfield, MO. With editing and additions by Editor.

“And great earthquakes shall be in different places, and famines and plagues. And there shall be terrors and great signs from Heaven. ... And when you see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that its destruction has come. ... For these are the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled. ... And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars. And on the earth will be anxiety of nations with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; ... So also, when you see these things happening, know that the kingdom of God is near. ... Truly I say to you, This generation shall not pass away until all these things are fulfilled.” Luke 21:11-32

What were the signs that came to pass in Jerusalem just before its destruction?

There was a star resembling a sword, which hung over above the city, which continued for a whole year.

The people came in great crowds to the feast of unleavened bread, on the 8th day of the month Nisan, and at the 9th hour (3:00 AM) a light shone around the altar and the temple that it appeared to be bright daytime, which light lasted half an hour. This light seemed to be a good omen to some.

At this festival also a heifer, as she was led by the high priest to be sacrificed, gave birth to a lamb in the midst of the temple area.

Moreover the eastern gate of the inner court of the temple which was made of brass and very heavy, so that it took 20 men to open and close it, was seen to be opened of its own accord at the sixth hour of the night (midnight). And those who kept watch in the temple came running to the captain of the temple and told him of it. Who then came with help to close it again – but with great difficulty were they able to shut it again. The men of learning understood it that the security of the temple was dissolved of it's own accord and that the gate was opened for the advantage of their enemies. This signal foreshowed the desolation that was coming upon them.

A few days after the feast on the 21st day of the month, a phenomenon appeared in the clouds before the sun setting; chariots and troops of warriors

were running about among the clouds, surrounding of cities.

Moreover at the feast of Pentecost, as the priests were going by night into the inner court of the temple as their custom was, to perform their sacred ministrations, they felt a great quaking, and heard a great noise, and heard the sound of a great multitude saying with the voice of thunder. “Let us remove hence!”

Four years before the war began there was one Jesus the son of Ananus, at the time of great peace in the city of Jerusalem, a husbandman who came to that feast, began on a sudden to cry aloud, “A voice from the east, a voice from the west, a voice from the four winds, a voice against Jerusalem and the holy house, a voice against the bridegrooms and the brides, a voice against this whole people!” Day and night in all parts of the city— his dire cry was heard. However some of the Jews took great indignation at this dire cry of his and took him in and gave him a severe beating, yet did he not say anything for himself nor did he quit that sad doom cry, but still he went on with the same dire cry against Jerusalem. Whereupon our rulers supposing as the case proved to be, that this was a sort of divine fury in the man, and brought him to the Roman Procurator, where he was whipped till his bones were bloody and exposed, yet did he not make any supplication for himself, nor shed any tears, but returned to his voice –saying with every stroke of the whip, “Woe, Woe to Jerusalem!” And when Albinus who was proc-

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Alone With God

Is it all right to be alone? Are we willing to do what God says even if it means to be all alone? Are we happy when we are alone with God?

Some people say there is something wrong with you if you do not have many friends. Is that true? How many friends did Jesus, Elijah, Daniel, Moses, Noah and many other noble men have at times in their lives?

Yes, it is all right to be alone with God. We can have rich fellowship with God when we are alone with him.

In fact, I think it is important that we spend time alone with God. So many Christians are so busy; they have very little time for God.

If you're not willing to be alone with God, how can you say he's your best friend? How can you say you trust him?

If you're not willing to stand alone, you will not go talk to people about their problems, for fear they

will be offended, and go away. And besides that, your whole life will revolve around what others do, think, and say. Not around what God does, thinks, and says.

The only way to not be lonely, is to be with God.

Yes, I am not lonely. I am happy. I am content, for I am with God.

It is important that we are part of Christ's church. It is important that we fellowship with other Christians. The Bible says in Romans 12:18, "If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, **live peaceably with all men.**" But being with God is more important than being with people.

Melvin Martin



(Continued from page 3) Editor's Desk

Over 14 years later, Isaac was born to Abraham and Sarah, Genesis 21:5. Isn't it great how we can trust God and in the end be blessed?

On Aug. 2, the Boskovic family from Ontario came to visit. They stayed over night and left Tuesday at noon. We had never met before but we had a great time. We had thought provoking spiritual discussions, and they taught us how to play a handsaw. David has volunteered to write the Calling of: page for this issue. He also wrote "Times' Speed" in the last issue.

Is there anyone that has reasons

for shaving their beards off? I've gotten lots of response for reasons to let your beard grow, but none for the other side. I'd like to hear your reasons.

Trusting in God for my righteousness,



From our Readers:



Dear Martin Family,

... We really enjoyed all of The Boys' Bugle, and were glad to see lots of spiritual meat there, especially the Bible studies and the focus on love. We really enjoyed the section on beards. We have 4 sons, 3 of whom are teenagers at various stages in growing beards. We enjoyed all the practical reasons you gave for beards.

We think it goes farther than that though. Think about it this way, where in the Bible are men told to shave off their beards???? Thus the question should not be why should we grow beards, but what precedent do we have for men to shave them off??? We shy heavily away from legalistic rules, but seek out principles taught in the Bible, as well as precedent. (We liked what Mrs. Cindy Hilsen said very much.)

We also feel that the distinction between men and women is becoming way too blurred in this day and age. The question I always bring up with my kids (who strongly share all of our conservative Christian views) is, If you see someone a long way off, coming closer, how should you be able to tell if they are a man or a woman? By looking carefully at body shape? We believe that the distinction between men and woman should be instantly obvious so that body shape is not even an issue.

Another consideration is what would you think of a male lion with its mane shaved off? It would be a pitiful sight, not a favorable one. And just one more question—as

beards grow daily, why would God put on a man's face something He then wanted man to constantly have to work at taking back off??? So that's our little input on beards, for further thought.

This is something our whole family has very much settled in our minds with 4 nearly grown sons. It is not at all that we are offended if boys and men don't have beards, it is more that we feel, "Why would they want to go to all that hassle, and take off their glory everyday as men?"

It has been a real joy to me as a mother to see my boys grow into young men who have the right sides of manhood—strength of character—but also tender hearts. In our society, men tend to be the opposite—self-preserving to the point of indulgence—yet also cold-hearted. I am really thrilled to see that admirable manhood is still possible, and a very beautiful thing to behold. Would that we could see more of it in the church today. ...

With Love,

Joy Marie for the Dunlap Family
Romoland, California

Editor of Family Discipleship
Magazine.

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information.

Our Unfailing Friend

O Jesus, Friend unfailing,
How dear Thou art to me.
Are cares or fears assailing?
I find my strength in Thee.
Why should my feet grow weary
Of this my pilgrim way?
Rough tho' the path and dreary,
It ends in perfect day.

Nought, nought I count as pleasure,
Compared, O Lord with Thee;
Thy sorrow, without measure,
Earned peace and joy for me.
I love to own, Lord Jesus,
Thy claims o'er me divine;
Bought with Thy blood most precious,
Whose can I be but Thine?

O worldly pomp and glory,
Your charms are spread in vain!
I've heard a sweeter story,
I've found a truer gain.
Where Christ a place prepareth
There is my loved abode;
There shall I gaze on Jesus:
There shall I dwell with God.

For every tribulation,
For every sore distress,
In Christ I've full salvation
Sure help and quiet rest.
No fear of foes prevailing!
I triumph, Lord, in Thee:
O Jesus, friend unfailing,
How dear Thou art to me.

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“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!” Psalm 133:1

Destruction of Jerusalem

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urator asked him, who he was? Whence he came? And why he made such cries? He made no reply. But continued with his dire cry; till Albinus took him to be a madman and dismissed him. He went right back to his cry “Woe, Woe to Jerusalem,” He continued day and night with his “Woe, Woe to Jerusalem.” Nor did he give any ill words to those who beat him every day—nor good word to those who fed him, but this was his reply to all men. “A voice from the east, a voice from the west, a voice against this whole people!” This he did for 7 years and 5 months without getting weary till the very day of the siege by the Roman armies against Jerusalem.

You can read the full story of this account in “The Works of Josephus,” The Wars of the Jews, Book 6, Chapter 5, Paragraph 3.

There were also false prophets who made the people believe lies, telling of their deliverance from the Romans. As said the prophet, **“Her prophets are light and treacherous persons, her priests have polluted the sanctuary, they have done violence to the law.”** Zeph. 3:4 See “The Works of Josephus,” The Wars of the Jews, Book 6, Chapter

5, Paragraph 2.

Also: Compare Daniel 8:11-14; 11:31; 12:11 with Josephus, Wars of the Jews, book 6, chapter 2, paragraph 1.

Compare Deuteronomy. 28:52-68; Jeremiah 44:7-8; Daniel 11:33; Matthew 24:21; 27:24-25; 2 Peter 3 and Revelation 17:16-17 with Josephus, Wars of the Jews,

book 2, chapter 22, paragraph 1-2;
book 6, chapter 3, paragraph 3-5;
book 6, chapter 5, paragraph 1-4;
book 6, chapter 8, paragraph 5;
book 6, chapter 9, paragraph 1-4.

God is faithful to guide and protect those that love him. He is also faithful and just to punish those who hate and reject him.



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No temptation has taken you but what is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted above what you are able, but with the temptation also will make a way to escape, so that you may be able to bear it.

1 Corinthians 10:13