

# WEIMAR INSTITUTE BULLETIN

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## NEWSTART Health Center Hosts Ministers

Many people are wondering — is health reform dead? Why is there so little interest in Health Evangelism these days? Is Medical Ministry outdated? Some people are inclined to think so.

Yet, stirring messages still probe at our minds. Such as, "The right hand is used to open doors through which the body may find entrance. This is the part the medical missionary work is to act. It is to largely prepare the way for the reception of the truth for this time. A body without hands is useless...the body which treats indifferently the right hand...is able to accomplish nothing." MM 238.

Again, "As the right hand of the third angel's message, God's methods of treating disease will open doors for the entrance of present truth." 7T 59.

After much prayer and soul searching for God's direction, Weimar Institute determined to dedicate its March 1981 NEWSTART program to a seminar specifically for active ministers and conference leaders of the Pacific Union.

The usual 25-day education-participation program was condensed to 10 days, including one weekend. Thirty hours of intensive classwork

was interspersed with medical tests, consultations, treatments, programs, discussions, and participation in healthful activities.

Nineteen ministers and wives registered for the course. We'd like to share some of their feelings and comments during their stay, in their own words.

What we expected...

— "Help in lowering my blood cholesterol."

— "A group of 'holier than thou' people."

— "I didn't know what to expect!"

— "I had heard this place was turning out fanatical Christians."

— "I hoped to find a dietary program consistent with our faith."

— "I knew Dick Winn in school. I trusted his relationship to Jesus. I had a positive attitude."

— "I wanted to lose weight."

— "Some earnest but misguided people trying to apply natural remedies to everything."

— "I was skeptical and apprehensive about the diet."

— "Some rather fanatical religious practices."

— "I expected what I

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"the most important seminar I have ever attended. . ." commented one of the nineteen participants in the recent Ministerial Seminar held at Weimar Institute.

## A Special Message From The Participants

"I'm glad for the chance to see a scientifically based program of diet and exercise that works, and that we can adopt for our way of life at home."—Don Sather, Pastor, Central California Conference.

"This is what all of us Seventh-day Adventists should be like. This kind of presentation should be included in our workers' meeting this fall."—Bud Haycock, Pastor, Monument Valley.

"Some of the things here do seem a bit extreme, but when I look at the shape most of us are in I can see that extreme measures are needed. I totally believe in this program. I need to devise ways of teaching these principles to our people throughout the world."—Roland Shorter, Pastor, White Memorial Church.

"I thought I knew everything about health reform...until I got here! Do you know how much fat a quart of 'low-fat milk' contains? SHOCKING! I'm definitely changing my life style." - Buell Hall, Pastor, Southern California.

"Everyone over 40 should go through the NEWSTART program, getting reacquainted with God's natural remedies and the health reform message. It would make a tremendous difference in their lives."—Richard White, Pastor, San Jose, California.

"This is the most important seminar I have ever attended, for both my personal and professional growth."—William Haynes, Pastor, Nevada-Utah.

"I was really blessed by Dr. Colin Standish's (Dean of Weimar College, doctorate in psychology) presentation of a redirected view of biblical, Christian counseling. I needed that! I wish he could hold seminars for our pastors across the country.

"I see real balance here..Education, Health, Theology..this is as it should be, a real inspiration."—Don Mulvihill, Pastor, Woodbridge, CA.

"I realize more fully what is involved in real health reform as outlined by the Spirit of Prophecy and true medical science. I needed this studied guidance. Everyone in leadership in medical, ministerial

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On behalf of the Ministerial Seminar participants, Mrs. Louise Shorter created this lovely little "thank you" for the NEWSTART staff, shown during the farewell banquet.



## FROM OUR PRESIDENT

What a rewarding experience it was to have a group of ministers and their wives on campus for ten days this last month for a concentrated NEWSTART health program. In addition to the personal health benefits, both staff and guests enjoyed sharing scientific information and methods of implementing health evangelism programs in church communities.

One of the highlights of the session was the series given on Friday evening and Sabbath by Mark Finley, director of the Lake Union Soul Winning Institute. His four presentations were not only richly spiritual, but also highly practical. He emphasized the difference between health education with a primary goal of teaching about health, and health evangelism with a primary goal of winning souls. Elder Finley's approach to medical missionary work confirmed to us the validity of the counsel given this church through the ministry of Ellen White.

The enthusiastic response of the ministers and their wives that "every minister needs to have this experience," has helped us to decide that we should offer a similar program again next year. Please watch the BULLETIN for dates and further information.

As we have emphasized often, Weimar Institute is enthusiastic in supporting the work of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Our goal is not to compete with the Church, but to cooperate in every way possible. We see the Minister's Health Education Seminar as one of these ways. The more of our ministers who lead their churches into medical missionary work the greater will be the impact on the communities. Health evangelism is one of God's primary methods of reaching people; and God's methods — done in God's way — do work.

Sincerely,  
Your brother in Christ,

Robert L. Fillman

## NEWSTART Hosts Ministers

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found; I was not disappointed."

What we received...

"This program totally refreshed me. I've wanted to live like this for a long time; ever since I was baptized." — Pastor\*

"I had prayed for several months that the Lord would lead me to someone who could teach me how to cook healthfully. I've received answers to some questions I've had for a long time." — Pastor's wife.

"The atmosphere here has brought a strong revival of my Christian experience. I feel spiritually strengthened." — Roland Shorter.

"I liked the happy combination of theory and practice...we listened to the scientific lectures...then went to the cafeteria and out on the trails and put our knowledge into practice." — Don Sather

"I thought I already knew all the principles of diet and health, but I learned so much more!" — Louise Shorter

"I had reached a low point in my life. I was depressed for the first time; mid-life crisis I guess. I wondered if I should quit the ministry. Then the Lord brought me here. My soul was fed spiritual food as my physical needs were ministered to. At age 53 I have really received a needed 'NEWSTART.'" — Pastor\*

"I've finally found some people living the highest health standard with no 'superior airs.' I feel comfortable with them." — Richard White.

"I would like to send my own children through the NEWSTART program." — Louise Shorter

"I'll admit it, I came reluctantly. Sometimes it's hard not to resent all the busy work that seems required of ministers, which keeps taking them away from their families. But this has been different. I've benefited as much as my husband, and we've grown closer to each other. I wish more couples could have this experience. If people would adopt this balanced way of living, it would

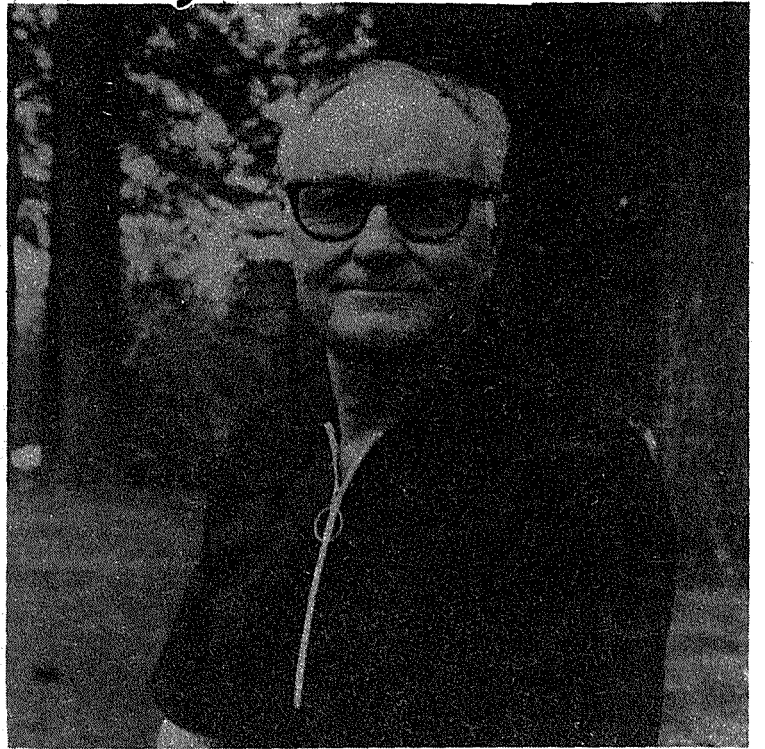
# "My Heart Attack Cost \$40,000!"

By Buell Hall, S.D.A. Minister  
(as told to Aileen Ludington, M.D.)

The Friday after Christmas I had my coronary. I went to my doctor's office, and after examining me, he put me in a wheel chair and pushed me directly to the hospital coronary care unit. Despite these precautions, I had two more coronaries in the next three days. At the end of the week I had open heart surgery with four by-passes. When my heart rate dropped to 32 they put in a pacemaker also. A few days later problems developed, so another operation was necessary. By the time I was able to go home, I had cost the conference \$40,000! I have a friend (a fellow minister) whose heart surgery three months ago cost \$25,000.

I wish I'd gone through the NEWSTART program years ago. I really feel it might have prevented what happened. I think most of our ministers are heading in this direction. If only the conference could send every minister up here! It could save many of them from a similar fate, increase their productive years and save a lot of money. Why, the cost of Roland's and my surgeries alone could probably send most of the ministers in our conferences through this program!

I didn't become an Adventist until age 36. Before that I did everything wrong. I grew up on bread and sausage. I smoked heavily for 15 years, 3 packs of cigarettes a day plus 2 cigars. My diet was terrible too, and I've been overweight most of my life. After I became an Adventist I gradually changed from meat to the vegetable protein analogs. But I still ate plenty of eggs, butter, milk and cheese. Oil and sugar too. When I became a diabetic a



Buell Hall

few years ago my diet improved somewhat. However, even after my heart surgery I did not receive any specific dietary information. I didn't know anymore about food than before.

Before my heart attack I was averaging 28 Bible studies a week. I traveled a lot, and would grab a quick bite at a restaurant between calls. And when I'd get home in the late evening I'd sit down to a hearty meal. You can see why I wish I'd understood this way of life before. Why, if all Adventists were living like you are here at Weimar, we would almost eliminate all our health problems.

When I came up here last Sunday I had no idea what to expect. I thought it was a retreat-like place, that I'd need my sleeping bag. I was pleasantly surprised by the modern lodge, the beautifully

furnished rooms with private baths.

Now that I've been here ten days, listened to the lectures, and watched the demonstrations, eaten the food, walked the trails, and watched the people, I can say that this is the most fantastic thing I have ever seen! This is a program that makes sense to me, **THIS IS THE WAY ADVENTISTS WERE MEANT TO LIVE!** It is a total thing, a balanced program.

I've learned more from the lectures here than I've ever learned from any source before. I now know WHY I should do these things. This is the way we should be living as we prepare for heaven.

My biggest regret is that my wife was not able to come with me. But I have a notebook bulging with notes, and I bought every single tape. I'll be busy the next two weeks teaching this course to her.

make a great difference in their family life as well as in their health."

"I was blessed by the beautiful blending of sound scientific teaching with very evident, sincere Christianity." — Barbara Westphal

"Now that I've been here — watched, listened, eaten and walked — I can say that this is the most fantastic thing I've ever seen. I've learned more from the lectures here than I've learned from any other source. Now I really know WHY we should do these things!" — Buell Hall

"I appreciated being with people who actually practiced what they preach." — Pastor's wife\*

"Somehow we get so caught up in our work that we don't have time to live healthfully. Our church organization is so big and so demanding that we soon give up our good resolves and go along with the rest. We hardly find time to pray anymore. I needed this 'NEWSTART'" — Pastor\*

"There are so many bonuses that we didn't expect, such as the quality devotional material, a picnic at the river, beautiful musical programs, gardening instruction and participation, a dynamic week-end guest speaker, time with the physical therapist..." — Louise Shorter.

What we liked best...

— "The smiling faces everywhere."

— "The positive, but not dogmatic approach to good health."

— "Dick Winn's clear, simple redefining of biblical salvation and sanctuary concepts."

— "The balance of everything."

— "Overwhelming agape love from staff and students."

— "Scientific evidence presented."

— "The health evaluations."

— "Young people praying for me."

— "Personal attention and interest of doctors."

— "The confidence they

have in Ellen White."

— "The well rounded program."

What we liked least...

— "Too much to absorb in such a short time."

— "Getting up in the morning! I slept so soundly."

— "The cold water in the hydro."

— "Calisthenics after breakfast."

— "Saying good-bye..."

Looking back at our experience...

Perhaps Louise Shorter put best into words some of the things many felt deeply:

"But the final impact HAS to be — not the good food, not the exercise, not the hydrotherapy treatments nor the walks on the beautiful trails, not the information-laden lectures by professionals, not the cooking classes — but the total effect of a truly wholistic approach to man's needs. We felt not only physically, but spiritually refreshed and closer to God."

\*For personal reasons some identities were withheld.

# Weimar College to Celebrate First Graduation

By Susan Claridge, Student, Weimar College

Graduation!

Webster says, "A graduate is a person who has received an academic degree or diploma." He makes no mention of the pomp and circumstance that is usually deemed necessary to receive that diploma. But, it is quite an achievement to graduate, and recognition has a place.

This year Weimar College is anticipating its first graduation. What will it be like? Hal Mayer and Greg Harper, Weimar's two seniors, have expressed their desire for something simple, enhanced by Christian fellowship.

Recently Hal and Greg met with Dr. Standish, Dean of the College, and others to organize the first official senior class and to make plans for the upcoming graduation. They constructed certain guidelines for the graduation exercises from the basic principles outlined by Ellen White. Using as an example a graduation attended by Mrs. White at Healdsburg College recorded in the book, *Fundamentals of Christian Education* page 487, the following plans have been tentatively incorporated into Weimar's graduation services:

Diplomas will be received privately by the graduates on a Friday morning. Later, students and teachers will unite in a meeting where the blessings and answered prayers received during the year will be recounted. On Sabbath morning a presentation will be given regarding God's commission to the graduates. Teachers and students will be seated in the front row. That

evening there will be a special program of sacred music.

In response to the Healdsburg graduation Ellen White said, "I was glad to learn that teachers and students had

united in dispensing with the wearisome profitless exercises that usually attend the closing of school, and that the energies of all, to the very close, were devoted to profitable study."



Graduation services will be simple, enhanced by Christian fellowship, as desired by Hal Mayer and Greg Harper, Weimar College's two seniors.

## "I loved the students"

"As he finished my hydrotherapy treatment, Atom Biggs, a junior at Weimar College prayed for me. I think many students, confronted with a middle-aged pastor-evangelist as big (literally) as I am would have felt intimidated. But he didn't, and I loved having him pray with me. In fact, I loved all the friendly college students who mingled freely with us.

"I knew before I came, that this was a strongly spiritual place, that they seek to live the highest health standards. I rather expected to find quite a few people with "superior airs."

"But it hasn't been that way at all. The people are warm and smiling. Most of the students are very knowledgeable in health care, and many of them work in the NEWSTART program. Besides giving hydrotherapy treatments, they help with



Richard White

housekeeping, cooking schools, physical therapy, food preparation, office and secretarial jobs, and in other places where they are needed.

"I also understand that each college student spends one day each week in the outreach program, part of which is spent in some kind of community service.

"The freshmen visit door to door, seeking opportunities to be of help to old, sick, discouraged, disabled or otherwise needy people. They clean house, cook meals, give baths or treatments, paint fences, rake yards, haul trash, or whatever else is needed. These efforts make friends, often leading to curious questions and sometimes Bible studies.

"The upper classmen help conduct Stress and Nutrition Seminars, 5-Day Plans, and cooking schools. There was enthusiastic involvement everywhere.

"I guess I'd say that the thing I like best here is getting to know the precious Christian people. They have made this the most beautiful 10 days for me and my wife in many years."

Richard White, Pastor Central California Conference

The key is simplicity. By incorporating these basic principles into their graduation, Hal and Greg, along with the rest of the Weimar family, hope to provide an ambiance of praise. Thus by making God the center, all will remember that it is God who has blessed.

As far as the future goes, Hal, a Health/Religion major, has made no definite decisions. Having already received calls from various health institutions and centers, as well as calls to teach, he comments, "I'm open to God's leading. My interest lies in one-to-one ministry. I know that God will direct me to where He can best use me." At a later date, he would

like to help establish a home-type sanitarium for people who need health conditioning.

Greg, graduating with a major in Metropolitan Ministries, hasn't made any specific plans, either. He hopes to find a pastoral internship opening. His reasoning stems from a statement found in the opening paragraph of the book, *The Acts of the Apostles*, which says, "It's through the church that the final and full display of God's love will eventually be manifested." Greg is trusting God to open the way into whichever area he should serve.

Hal and Greg, Weimar College's first seniors, CONGRATULATIONS!



## WEIMAR INSTITUTE

Weimar Institute is a multi-phased ministry whose keynote is SERVICE. Working in harmony with the basic tenets of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, the Institute is comprised of physicians, educators and other laymen. Our primary goal is to uplift God's character as the One who restores His image in His people on earth. Weimar Institute ministers to the physical, the mental and the spiritual aspects of humanity. Relying solely upon the free gift of the righteousness of God revealed in the Person of Jesus Christ, the Institute openly confesses that no function of its ministry can detract from the reality of that One Source of salvation. Rather, we desire that His righteousness shall become more believable to others because of this service to which we ourselves have been called. (2 Tim. 1:9, Eph. 2:9-10)

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### VISITORS

Due to the rapid growth of the "Weimar family" we have extremely limited guest facilities. PLEASE, if you plan to visit Weimar overnight, make advance reservations. Otherwise, we cannot guarantee accommodations. Thank you for this consideration.

We do not conduct Sabbath services at Weimar Institute. If you plan to join us for Sabbath meals, please make prior arrangements for meal tickets.

A casual walk through the campus? Most anytime you want. A meeting with the President or other staff members—please write or phone ahead to confirm an appointment.

# The Right Hand . . . Reaching Out

"During my recent evangelistic crusade in southwest Chicago, approximately half of the 400 people attending were already our friends!" reported Mark Finley, director of the Lake Union Soul Winning Institute in Hinsdale, IL. This was true, he explained, because for weeks (and in some cases months) they had been enrolled in the Institute's various health outreach programs - cooking schools, 5-Day Stop Smoking clinics, stress and nutrition seminars, weight control and other medical ministry programs. As the crusade continued, this group attended more consistently than the rest, and were more receptive to spiritual truth.

Finley, the featured weekend speaker during the NEWSTART Ministerial Seminar, stated emphatically, "I'm convinced that health evangelism works." With careful planning and prayerful follow-up, the medical approach DOES attract people, and DOES open hearts and minds to spiritual needs and truths. Mark feels that it is indeed the "right hand...reaching out to open doors through which the body may find entrance." MM 238

At a time when many ministers and church leaders are becoming discouraged and disillusioned over the seemingly miniscule measurable results of health evangelism,



Strong similarities between the goals of Weimar's outreach program and that of the Soul Winning Institute naturally led to much interaction between weekend speaker Mark Finley and Weimar students and staff.

Mark's message was like a breath of fresh air. His inspiring personal experiences, and practical "how to" suggestions were enthusiastically received by Weimar's guests, faculty and students alike.

An innovative, pioneering effort to put soul winning theory into practice, the Lake Union Soul Winning Institute

is dedicated specifically to evangelistic training. Seventy-five to one hundred pastors, seminary students and selected lay people spend six months to a year on a full time live-in basis, attending classes and working in the field. The work/experience includes giving Bible studies, conducting Bible Seminars, lay witness training, health

evangelism and public evangelistic meetings. The Institute is fully accredited academically, and participants can earn credit toward

degrees at nearby Andrews University.

Smiling broadly, Mark said, "I'm really excited about what you are doing here at Weimar Institute. I believe your NEWSTART live-in education/participation program is already doing in the health field what our similarly structured program is doing for evangelism. And you are well on your way toward reaching the same goal in your outreach program."

In conversations with Weimar's administrative team, Mark recognized strong similarities between the goals and philosophy of Weimar's outreach program, and those of the Lake Union program. The systematic, planned service to the community at the point of real needs, as a means of building confidence and winning friendship, is common to both programs. Finley has invited the Weimar directors to remain in active dialogue with him, with a view to developing a mutually cooperative arrangement between the two institutions. With Weimar's developing city ministry program, Finley's experienced counsel will be invaluable.

## "I Was There"

"Seventy of us were on our knees before the Lord, earnestly seeking to know the mind of God. In a few minutes we would each give our vote. At stake was the birth of Weimar Institute, the embodiment of the dream of a few dedicated men. That dream was to bring into today's modern setting a practical experiment, — a detailed application of the educational and health principles given to

our church over a century ago. The issue: to accept or reject the proposed purchase of the beautiful 450 acre Weimar property. Those present had few financial resources, but as we prayed, our faith grew.

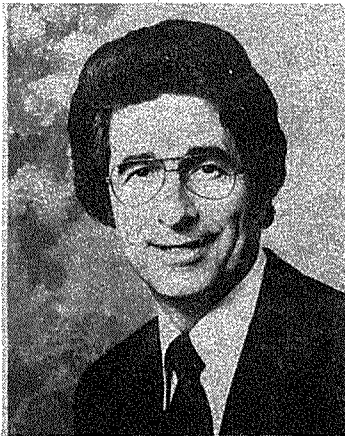
"Immediately after the prayer session a secret ballot was taken. The result? SEVENTY "YES" VOTES: UNANIMOUS! We accepted this as God's direction, and the rest is history.

"I was there that April day in 1977 at the Carmichael, California Church. I was privileged to cast one of the 70 YES votes, and thus have a miniscule part in the beginnings of this institution.

"It has been gratifying to return, and to witness how God has blessed this place. I see real balance here, in the application of educational, health and theological principles. The Holy Spirit is obviously present. And it has been good to observe the people here with their happy loyalty to Jesus and His Church.

"My wife and I have personally benefitted immensely by being here these 10 days. I believe God is definitely leading this institution."

Don Mulvihill, Pastor  
Northern California  
Conference



Don Mulvihill

## "I Was Skeptical"

"I admit I was skeptical. I live only about 100 miles from Weimar and had heard all about the place. I often laughed at their theories about food, and I doubted the college program was academically sound.

"After 10 days I want to say that the food has been delicious! And the principles behind it are scientifically sound. Now that I've met the president and most of the faculty, I know that the academic program is excellent also.

"I was most impressed by the loving spiritual attitudes of the nurses and students,

While I have appreciated the whole NEWSTART program, especially the scientific evidence presented to back up the teachings of Ellen White in the health field, the icing on the cake was provided by bringing us Mark Finley! He showed us how to put it all together in Health Evangelism, and not just health education."

William Haynes, Pastor  
Nevada-Utah Conference



William Haynes

## NEWSTART Schedule

Following are the dates for Weimar's NEWSTART Health Center programs for the next three months:

April 27 - May 21

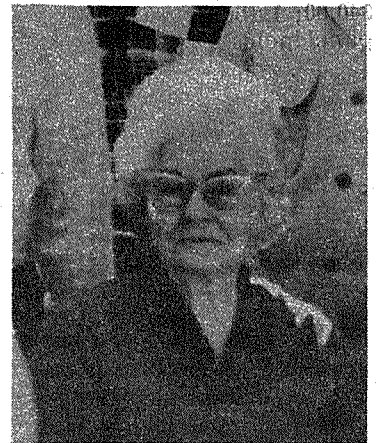
May 25 - June 18

June 29 - July 23

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and the personal attention and interest on the part of the doctors. I like the reasonable attitudes and the absence of fanaticism. I love the confidence they have in Ellen White. I found a beautiful blending of technical excellence, sound science and strong spirituality."

Barbara Westphal  
S.D.A. Author



Barbara Westphal

Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in health; I know that it is well with your soul.

3 John 2 (RSV)

# A Summer to Save the Year

By Thomas S. Geraty,  
Director, Work Experience  
Education Seminar

Over a decade ago a small town in Minnesota faced the real prospect of economic collapse. The county in which the town was located, appeared economically to be the poorest in the state. Then the railroad company, which employed ten percent of the town's population, began cutting back its labor force and started talking of phasing out its rail service. It seems that the townspeople were given only one of two options — either to leave or to perish.

Today the town boasts an airport, a public swimming beach, a snowmobile race-track, and small industries. Area farmers are prospering, and the local economy thrives.

It was the local school that came to the rescue of the community through its educational philosophy and practice. Goals were established, and initiative accepted the challenge.

Likewise...

With distraught constituencies, spiraling costs of school operations, and with reductions in student popula-

tions, could a summer at Weimar College help save the school year in a struggling educational institution? Could a Seminar participant catch a spark that would ignite a successful school program?

Once again Weimar College is offering to the world field a three-week Work Experience Education Seminar, July 5-24, 1981, carrying six (6) quarter hours of extension academic credit from Pacific Union College.

Learn how SDA elementary, secondary, and post-secondary educational institutions can operate viable work-study offerings in the twentieth century.

The daily program, Mondays through Fridays, will be an on-hands, how-to, work-study schedule of four clock hours of manual labor at a selected work station and four clock hours of classwork, besides individual study and preparation and library reference.

Philosophical and historical insights will be explored. Principles of both theory and practice will be studied. Educators will share their experience of how they planned, structured, and administered work-study programs. They will exchange their secrets of

successes and failures in operation.

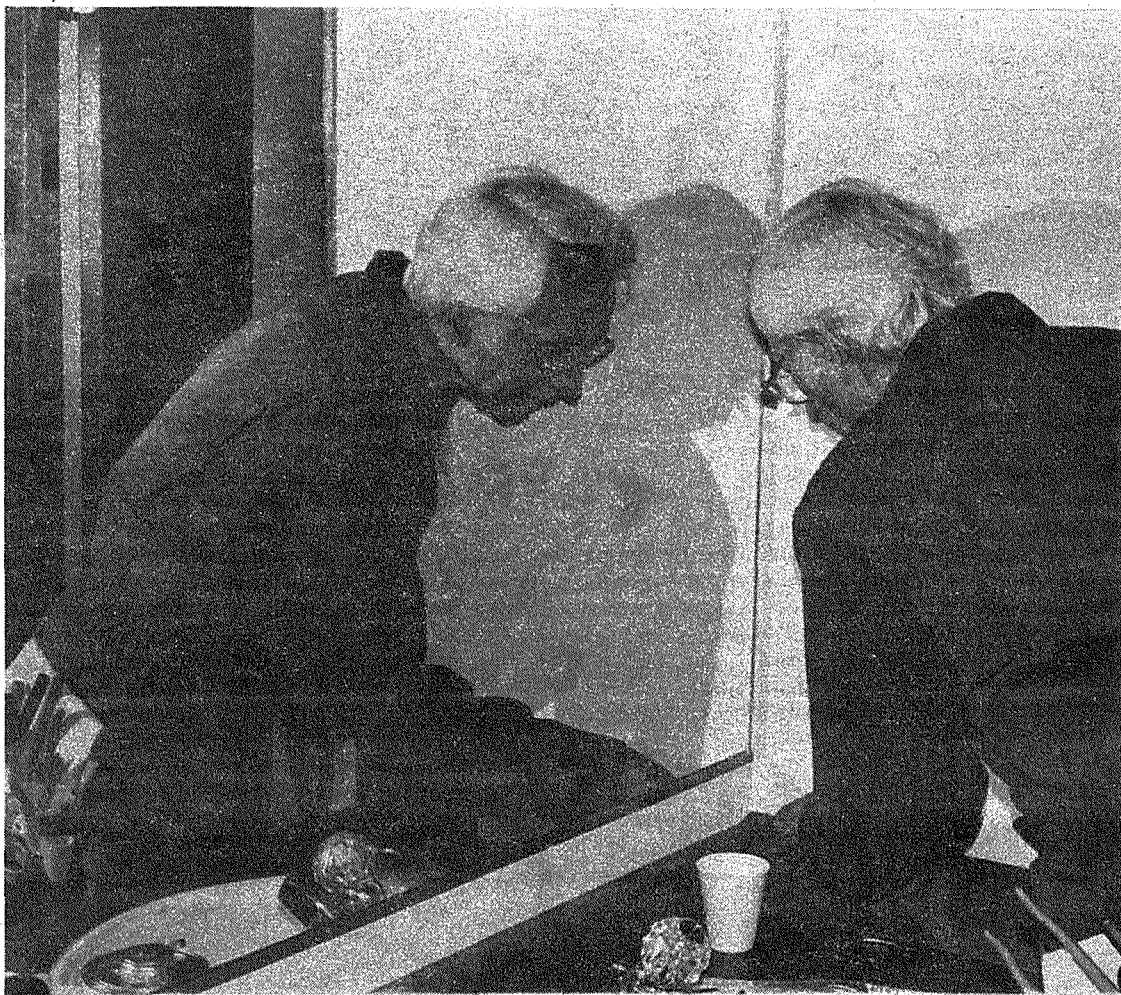
The administration of Weimar College in courteous consideration has produced an economical financial package, a blanket charge of \$360.00 for room, board, and the tuition of six (6) quarter hours extension credit from Pacific Union College for the three weeks.

Please bring work clothes, shoes, hat, and gloves for manual labor. Notebook paper, binders, and stationery are available in the WEIMART, the Institute bookstore.

We welcome especially as participants board members of educational institutions, administrators, teachers, field personnel, parents, stu-

dents, and others to this professionally and spiritually rewarding Seminar.

Place your reservations early. For further inquiry, reservations, and transportation from the Sacramento, California airport, please contact Dean Colin Standish, Weimar College, Box A, Weimar, California 95736. Telephone: (916) 637-4111.



Years of work/education experience will be reflected by Dr. Thomas S. Geraty in his approach to conducting the upcoming seminar to be offered by Weimar College.

## NEWSTART Alumni Corner

Dear Alumni,

It's Homecoming time again! All NEWSTART Health Center alumni and staff - we hope you will make a special effort to be with us, at least some of the time, during the weekend of April 23-26.

NEWSTART Lodge reservations are now being taken by phone or letter. Overflow will be distributed among Institute staff. This is a first come, first serve basis. Those we cannot accommodate will be referred to local motels. Self-contained R.V.'s will also be assigned spots on first come, first serve basis. No hookups or showers are available. There is no charge for parking R.V. s.

Charges are mainly on a "package deal" plan for the entire weekend: Room & board \$75.00/one person; Companion \$40.00; Laboratory \$35.00/one person (optional); (Chemistry panel includes Glucose, Triglyceride and Cholesterol.)

Those driving in for snatches of the program and those in R.V. s, please estimate in advance which meals you would like to eat with us, and for how many persons. Please buy the meal tickets IN ADVANCE from the medical office. (The kitchen has to plan ahead.) Cost of meal tickets per person: Breakfast \$2.50; Lunch \$3.00; Supper \$2.00.

We are not planning a refund for partially used "package deals", but unused meal tickets will be refunded.

Since we are hoping that a large number of alumni and staff will come, we can not promise airport or bus terminal service. However, try us anyway. The charge would be \$25.00 per family.

For a complete schedule of events starting 3:00 p.m., Thursday, just drop us a line.

We are eagerly anticipating your attendance. Do not disappoint us.

In Christian Love, Dr. Henri Wiebe, Acting Medical Director, and Your Weimar Family in residence.

## It Has My Commitment

By Dale Martin\*

Ancient Israel, the apostle Paul tells us, should be closely studied as an example to avoid. The Israelites wandered in the wilderness for forty years. Seventh-day Adventists have been wandering some 135 years. Why the delay in the entrance into Canaan? Israel was only truly successful when she unswervingly adhered to the directives of God. Her success was directly proportional to her level of acceptance of the true principles of education. The same conditions for success exist today.

As natural resources dwindle, the need for practical education has come to the fore. The family who successfully survives the present and increasingly difficult times will be that family whose members have devel-

oped a practical background. Admittedly this background of practicality is best begun in the home. But a major reason for the establishment of God's schools is to do that which the home has neglected.

Many years ago Professor W. E. Hocking of Harvard stated "Work remains, I believe, the primary educator of the races, the aorta of education; and poor, essentially uneducated, is that youth whose opportunities have opened to him every door except the door of labor." Ellen White also contributes the assertion that there can be no moral purity without daily labor (3 T, p. 151; FE, p. 40; 6 T, p. 180).

The upstart of the preceding information should be a sense of urgency of where we are. It becomes readily apparent that we, like ancient Israel, are wandering because of unbelief.

I Samuel 8:20 and other passages support the thesis that the sin of Israel was that she desired to be like other nations. As God is calling all churches to renounce spiritual Babylon, He is also calling us to renounce educational Egypt.

Work experience education as a practical concept, by God's grace, has my commitment. Satan has cleverly chosen to upset God's order of balance (physical, mental, and spiritual development of man). Through this work experience at Weimar Institute God has shown the importance of restoring the physical aspect of man to its rightful position.

\*Dale Martin, Principal, Hillcrest SDA School, Olivette, Mo. was a participant in Weimar College's work/study seminar last August.

# Renew Your "Call To Commitment"

By Kent Dickinson

Three years ago an article titled, "The Needs of Weimar," was published in the Bulletin. This described the progress in the remodeling and preparation of the former Weimar Medical Center for reaching and serving the "real needs of real people." It sounded a "call to commitment" for \$500,000 to cover refurbishing costs and "create a functional model of a city outpost evangelistic center."

What were the results?

During these past three years the NEWSTART Lodge has been completely remodeled, modernized and refurbished. It has already served more than 550 health guests who have learned there are rewarding, natural, God-given, principles and remedies for maintaining and restoring health, for more abundant living.

A four-year college program, with more than 80 students currently enrolled, has been brought into being with the required faculty and facilities. Functioning in an environment where God's Word is honored, and where service and practical training are combined with professional teaching, youth are being prepared for life's relationships and responsibilities as a maturing Christian experiences them.

With the preparation of dormitories, classrooms, laboratories, and housing facilities came the clearing of land, planting of orchards and gardens, as well as the continuing operating duties required of the growing Weimar family.

Today, as budget preparations are made for the 1981-82 fiscal year, which begins July 1, 1981, a careful review of the capital and operating projections indicates that a renewed

call to commitment is needed. Included in these plans are some \$60,000 of equipment items in addition to building improvements (to be announced at a later date). Among the equipment needs are the following items specified according to departments:

## Physical Therapy

Exercise weights  
Ultra Sound  
Microwave Diathermy  
Scale

## Health Science

Steam Generator  
Body Skeleton  
Electrodes for EKG  
Burdick AK5-A  
Spirometer

## Outreach Program

Overhead Projector  
IBM Typewriter  
Filmstrip Projector  
Projection Screen  
Tape Recorder - 2  
Webster Office Dictionary  
Bookshelves - Office

## Audio Visual

Laminator

## Elementary School

Cassette Tape Player  
Record Player  
Playground Equipment  
Combination Projector

## Bakery

Oliver Bagger  
Kwik Lok Tier  
Acme Rol-Sheetter

## Store

Air Conditioner  
Refrigerator

## Cafeteria

Table Cloths  
Rotary Toaster  
Waffle Irons (6)  
Menu Boards (2)  
Blender  
Baking Sheet Rack

## Grounds

22' Lawn Mower  
Blower Back Pack

## Construction

Fork Lift  
Road Grader  
Dump Truck  
Table Saw  
Metal-Cutting Band Saw  
Planer  
Skill Saws (2)

## Administration

IBM Typewriter  
Photocopier

With no continuing undergirding endowments or appropriations, our minds often turn to our Father in heaven for sustaining and providing as He deems best for us. We have realized more and more how God answers prayer as we have witnessed how He is drawing us to Himself in these faith-building experiences. We have learned to rejoice in Him who is invisible knowing that, "Without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him." Heb. 11:6

A year ago in March we experienced a very low-financial point and found it necessary to alert our board, administration, staff and stu-

dent groups that economy in every way should be practiced. Many fervent and effectual prayers were offered and the crisis passed through God's gracious provisions.

This year too, we have experienced a time of very careful scrutiny of expenditures to avoid commitments and obligations that could be embarrassing to this small institution. God has recently demonstrated again His willingness and power to provide for our daily needs in a very timely way.

He has not failed us. It has not been necessary for us to borrow on a line-of-credit or in any other short term way at today's double-digit bank rates to meet operating costs. We have been able to do necessary, immediate and continuing plant improvements. So, we praise God for His providences. At this time of year when taxes are computed and income analyzed may we suggest

that it is appropriate to consider how to make charitable gifts to lessen future tax impact, and share in the upbuilding of an institution such as Weimar Institute.

What better way can our stewardship be demonstrated than by systematically supporting this part of God's work so that it will grow to become a steadily shining beacon on a hill. Many, whose lives might not in any other way receive the light of truth can receive it through the teaching and healing programs now functioning here. But these programs need further strengthening to become even more effectual.

May we, working together, realize and rejoice in the fulfillment of the gracious promise: "And my God shall meet all your needs according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen." Phil. 4:19, 20 (NIV).

"... We need to have far less confidence in what man can do and far more confidence in what God can do for every believing soul. He longs to have you reach after Him by faith. He longs to have you expect great things from Him. He longs to give you understanding in temporal as well as in spiritual matters. He can sharpen the intellect. He can give tact and skill. Put your talents into the work, ask God for wisdom, and it will be given you."

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## Special Message

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or educational lines should be re-exposed to these most essential principles."--Clyde Bradley, Pastor, Santa Maria Church.

"Blending Weimar's natural healthful environment with the ingredients of a loving ministry give a delightfully effective recipe for good health."--Orvin Fillman, Pastor, Central California Conference.

"The health message is definitely practiced here. If only our denominational leaders, department heads, doctors, and pastors could go through a program like this, one could really believe this kind of witnessing would circle the globe. It would certainly boost our ministry for the Lord." - Pastor's wife

Dear Readers,

Several years ago a returned student missionary presented a sermon that impressed me greatly. It was not so much what he said, but how he said it. His message came from a deep, full relationship with God. This young man is only an example of many returned student missionaries. A year's time spent helping people in another culture tends to develop in people a strong Christian character. God can then use them more effectively.

There is a position reserved for me in Korea to teach conversational English. It includes conducting Bible study classes and doing evangelistic work.

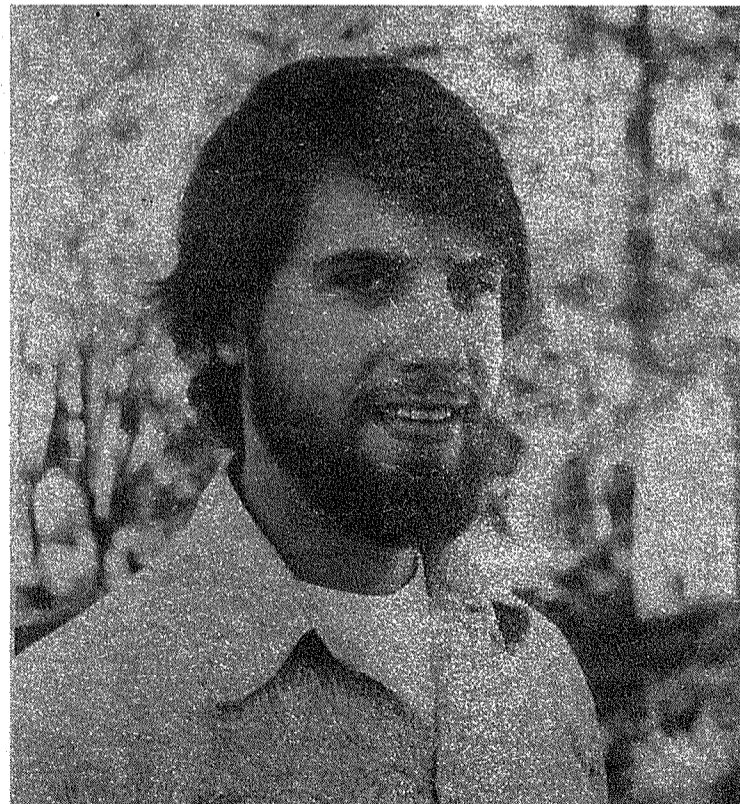
The language school will provide for all my financial needs once I am in Korea, although they do require me to buy my own airplane ticket. I will receive my return fare when my year of service is completed. This is to guard against students who are looking for a free year overseas.

At this time I am unable to meet this financial expense. If you would be interested in helping me in any way, I would be very thankful. The cost of the ticket will be between \$700 and \$900.

As you give my request thought and prayer, please think of the sacrifice God has made to bring salvation to us. Remember, also, that He has asked us to share this message with others. Please contemplate a most eloquent passage found in 2 Cor. 5:17-20 in which God asks us to be His ambassadors to those who do not know Him.

Thank you for your prayers, and for your help.

Dan Eveland  
Student, Weimar College



Dan Eveland, Weimar College's future student missionary.

# I Need Your Help!

# Do You Know Jesus?

God calls upon us to live the Christ-life, to reveal this life to the world.

“Christ came to reveal to the world the knowledge of the character of God, and of which the world was destitute. This knowledge was the chief treasure which He committed to His disciples to be communicated to men...Christ came to change the order of things that then existed, and to reveal to them the character of the Father. He drew aside the veil which concealed His glory from the eyes of mortals and made manifest to the world the only true and living God, whom to know aright is life eternal.” Review & Herald, Nov. 1, 1892.

“The shortness of time is urged as an incentive for us to seek righteousness and to make Christ our friend. This is not the great motive. It savors of selfishness. Is it necessary that the terrors of the day of God be held before us to compel us through fear to right action? This ought not to be. Jesus is attractive.” Review & Herald, August 2, 1881.

## I WANT TO HELP!

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- recipe book: FROM THE WEIMAR KITCHEN (\$5<sup>00</sup>)

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# New Testament Stories Relived

## Who Needs A Sign?\*

By Veronica Morrish

His rank as a Jewish nobleman, held in high esteem in the king's service, did not make him exempt from the common woes of humanity. His son was dying of a rare disease which, by its very nature, had baffled Palestinian medical practice.

Having heard many convincing reports about the spectacular miracles of the new Galilean Preacher, the nobleman clung tenaciously to this one ray of hope. Perhaps, he told himself, the renowned Rabbi could help him in his desperate plight. He was determined to exhaust every available means to secure healing for his child. Realizing that this was his very last resort, he took the journey from Capernaum to Cana where Jesus was reportedly seen last.

Pressing his way through the crowd he had one thought uppermost in his mind — to secure a personal interview and make his special request known to the Master. But what a shocking disappointment when he finally laid eyes on the object of his quest. The “distinguished” preacher he had so intently sought turned out to be a plainly-dressed, travel-worn, sandal-clad individual. Could it be? Were his eyes playing tricks on him? How could this unimpressive “peasant” (as he now perceived the Master) be vested with all the power

that people had attributed to Him? Could this man really do anything for his son? In quick succession the doubtful questions silently poured out of his crest-fallen heart. But he was already now in the presence of One from whom he could not successfully make a graceful retreat. Besides, given the desperate situation he was in — his son's life dependent on his hesitancy or lack of it, he had to do something!

Jesus, who knew beforehand why the nobleman had come, turned to him in compassion and made the perceptive comment: “Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe.”<sup>1</sup>

This was the greatest sign the nobleman could ask for. The only one he would need. If the Galilean could read his inner motives he knew He could also heal his son. Firm belief sprung up in his heart. A new determination, born of divine implanting, filled his soul, and in acknowledgement of his own spiritual need and of his son's hopeless plight, he cried out: “Sir, come down ere my child die.”<sup>2</sup> In reality his human weakness leaned heavily on the arms of omnipotent strength. His faith looked beyond the obvious; beyond the mundane sight of a sandal-clad preacher; beyond the fetters of his own grueling circumstances, and in a vise-like hold grasped the power of omnipotence to do the impos-



sible. And at that very moment, he could restfully believe the simple words of the Master: “Go thy way; thy son liveth.”<sup>3</sup>

Is it any wonder then that he was not in a hurry to return home! He knew for sure that his son would be made well. The father could go on living now. He could once more enjoy the natural beauty around him which before seemed all too cruel. The same power that had wrought a miraculous change in his sign-demanding heart had transformed his son's disease-ridden body. And it was so, for the next morning when his servants came to relay to him the good news, he confirmed the fact that his child began to mend at the very hour when his faith laid hold

upon divine assurance.

Could it be that we, like the nobleman, are demanding specific signs and wonders — answers to our prayers before we believe in God's power to save distorted lives and heal broken bodies? Are we led to seek Jesus by the desire for some earthly good?

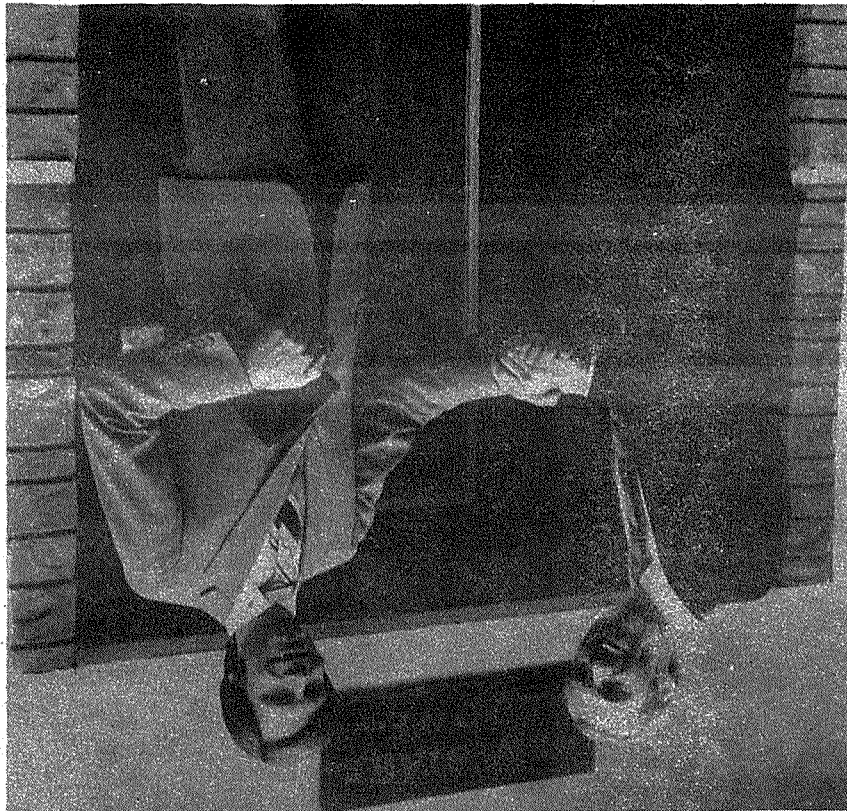
The problem is often not in a lack of God's power but in our subtle insistence in clinging to preconceived ideas, personal stipulations and inflexible demands. What God wants to teach us more than anything else (and we perhaps can only learn this effectively via tough circumstances) is unconditional faith in His eternal promises. Promises which are a reflection of His unchanging character. He desires to bring us

to the place where our belief and confidence in Him is not merely based on what we see — the visible manifestations of divine intervention, or how we feel — a constant state of spiritual “highs”. But that we will know from personal experience that He is a trustworthy God. That besides being able to give immediate external evidence He is also fully capable and willing to answer our prayers exceeding abundantly above all that we are able to ask, think, see or feel!

Who needs a sign? God's trusting, relationship-bound children don't!

\*Based on John 4:46-53 (KJV)  
1 John 4:48  
2 John 4:49  
3 John 4:50

Medical and ministerial work symbolically class hands as NEW-START Health Center director Dr. Henri Wiebe greets Mark Finley, director of the Lake Union Soul Winning Institute. For more details, see page 4.



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# FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

By Dick Winn

## New Ideas from an Old Book

For most of my life, I've thought that the biblical book of Job was mainly for people going through a heap of trouble. Even more so if they didn't understand the trouble. Job was that almost stoic hero who withstood blinding grief and pain, yet came up still trusting God.

Actually, the book doesn't offer much comfort for those in trouble, because Job didn't get much of that either. And that has urged some of us to take another look at Job. At a time when many people are reviewing the Bible's view of the final judgment, suddenly the book of Job becomes stunningly relevant! The issues swirling around this ancient little man on the ash heap are vastly bigger than his pain. They are cosmic.

Perhaps I can stimulate you to take another look at this ancient piece of inspired literature by sharing some of

the insights into the final judgment which can come from Job.

1. As revealed in the opening chapters, the setting for the book is that of a brisk disagreement between God and Satan regarding one man — Job. Both God and Satan have been observing his behavior, and there is little question about that. Rather it is the inner motives of the heart which are disputed.

2. Satan is, in effect, charging that there is no such thing as genuine faith; that if God is going to get any followers in the great controversy, He has to do it by buying them off, by purchasing their loyalties. No one (Satan claims) will serve God for God's sake alone. They serve Him because of the blessings they get in return — the good health, nice family, clean reputation, promises of heaven, etc. The

enemy insists that true, God-centered faith is a myth, and can be exposed as such under pressure.

3. In view of this, Satan's charge is really against God, not against Job. Satan is willing to use Job to prove his point that God's methods of winning loyalty just won't work. Through exposing Job as a self-serving weakling, Satan really wants this trial to reflect badly on God. He hopes it will expose God as having misplaced His confidence in Job, as having trusted methods that really won't work.

It is in this sense that the final judgment (foretold in Revelation 14:6, 7, and elsewhere), though it centers on the cases of individuals, is actually a judgment of God! The cry of the first angel, "The hour of His judgment has come," actually has a double meaning. Though God is dealing with individual cases, He will Himself be exonerated by the way in which He deals with those cases.

4. God is the one who nominated Job's name for judgment. (See Job 1:8.) This

was His statement of confidence that Job could stand firm under the intense trial-by-fire. God put forward Job's name for cross-examination, not because He wanted to make up His mind about Job, but because He had already made up His mind about him, and God was sure that others would concur that His confidence had been rightly placed.

This is such a vital concept for understanding the final judgment. The judgment is not a time for God to decide who to save. The Lord already knows who are His. (2 Tim. 2:19). Rather it is a time for Him to defend the decisions He has already made. He is certain that the records will show His confidence to be well-placed.

5. When the trial was over,

God commended Job for just one reason: he had trusted God. Though Job rejected his friends' interpretations of what was happening to him, and though he had no better explanation to offer himself, still he trusted his Maker. Though he couldn't make much sense out of the details of the plan, still he knew and trusted the Master of the plan!

Jesus said, "And this is eternal life, that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom Thou has sent." (John 17:3) That was the issue at stake in Job's trial: Did he know and trust God, in spite of what was happening to himself?

And that, good friends, is the issue in the judgment for all of us.

...When with earnestness and intensity we breathe a prayer in the name of Christ, there is in that very intensity a pledge from God that He is about to answer our prayer 'exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think.' Eph. 3:20.

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