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THE HAPPY HUNGER

I. Remember this scene?
   A. What are we going to do with this child—just won't eat its food.
   B. Men on farm—I called the Dr., cow was off her feed.
   C. Hunger shows something.
      1. Life.
      2. Growth.

II. Jesus used same intense picture.
   Matt. 5:6 "Blessed are they which hunger & thirst..."
   A. Not blessing in intense hunger for food.
      Tenn. last week announced remapping aid program—help more but help individuals less.
      Brought on by 3 yrs. drought. Clip on boy & ice crea.
   B. But an eternal desire for righteousness.
      1. Last Beatitude showing conscious need of salvation.
      2. Wealth of information in few words.
         Clip on words.
      3. Let's examine this happy hunger.

III. The Hunger for Righteousness.
   A. Hunger & Thrist different but language of
      1. Most compelling of passions, keen desire.
      2. Felt want.
         Lu. 15:17 "How many hired servants of my
   B. For Righteousness.
      1. Jesus transposes this physical to spiritual realm.
a. What is it?
(1) Holy & just relation before God and man.
(2) Synomous with salvation.
Isa. 51:5 "My r. is near; my salv. is go-
(3) Justification.
Rom. 4:6 "Even as David also describeth th-
Rom. 3:10 "There is none r. no not one.
(4) Yearns for God's favor, image & felicity.
Matt. 6:33 "But seek ye first the K. of God

b. Do I possess it?
(1) It is wonderful to be motivated by such
   noble aspiration.
   (a) Clip on eggs.
   (2) Do I earnestly yearn?
   Phil. 3:8 "I count all things but loss" vs If nothing else to do, I'll come.
   Phil. 3:14 "I press toward the mark for
   vs earnest induevor.
   (a) Landlord clip.
   (b) Screwtape letters.
   [1] You will not--Hunger knows what it
   wants--not-cannot. Can obtain.

IV. The Happy Filling.
A. Definite, positive promise.
1. Joy in wanting the obtainable.
Rom. 8:3-4 "For what the law could not do
a. We are satisfied!
I John 3:2 "Beloved now we are the sons of
Rev. 7:16 "They shall hunger no more.
(1) Wife's hair.
2. Shall be filled.
   a. Initial & continuous--dual experience.
   (1) Back slider can come home.
   Jn. 7:17 "If any man will to do his will...
b. We want to be saved then more God like each day without being.
(1) Filled but not sated.
   (a) Rivers widen.
(2) We resemble what we love.
(3) We will be all we want to be.
(4) Before we had perfect we're happy. By divine grace may regain to happy.
    Not in sin, holiness in natural element of blessedness can't be up to it any more than fish in fire.
3) 1st blessedness gone - 2nd yet to be interwound between is desire.
4) Blessed because:
   1) Jesus said so
   2) Made to know right value at things
   3) Heart set toward good
   4) Mean hungers are out - There'd be no wars
   5) Delivered from flesh delusions

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"Have some more ice cream & cake?"

Johnny: "No mum.

"My mother told me not to ask for seconds, but if she'd known how small the first serving was, I don't think she'd cared."
In the Screw Tart Letter, Screwtape, a seasoned old devil is writing to a young twin man of his, named Woodworm, who is engaged in seeking to wreck a certain man. He writes: 

I note that your patient has become religious. Do not let that disturb you so long as he is only moderately religious. Remember that religion in moderation is just as good for us as no rel. at all, & far more amusing.
Send

Julia Wyatt

Saul

Kan

[illegible] lit
Sauerkraut

Some statistician discovered that the Ten Commandments contain less than 300 words, the Declaration of Independence about 300 words, the Gettysburg Address only 266 words, but a government order on the price of cabbage required 26,911 words.
Trial and Error

“I don’t agree that brunettes are any sweeter of disposition than blondes and redheads.”

“Why?”

“My wife’s been all three, and I don’t see any difference.”
“How did you make your neighbor keep his hens in his own yard?”

“One night I hid a half dozen eggs under a bush in my garden, and next day I let him see me gather them. I wasn’t bothered after that.”
I. One of the dearest possessions is our life!
Most of us will change anything to prolong
it. --Soup diet even to deny Christ.
A. Precious due to origin (from God), nature
(Divine image) possibilities (grow, serve,
fellowship God) destiny (eternity).

II. Yet hardly any have stood such a chance of
loosing lives as our age.
A. Crime reports.
B. Atomic--hydrogen threat.

III. Jesus sought to safeguard life. It's a
lesson urgently needed today. For wherever
life is cheap, expect any debauchery.
Matt. 5:21 "Ye have heard that it was said by
Rev. 21:8 Murderers in lake of fire.
A. Jesus doesn't amend law but show what it
always meant, how God felt about it.
1. Jew reduced it to deed only. Jesus re-
stored to rightful place.
2. Note "ye have heard"--teachers put their
own interpretation. Many who couldn't
read relied on teacher's guidance. He
could easily be misled by teacher's
paraphrase. He disagreed with their
gloss.
B. Kill--murder--slay all= according to
Thayer Matt. 5:21
1. Yet we have shades of difference in
our meaning! Did we arrive at this sense of justice alone? Are we to imagine ourselves more sensitive and merciful than God?

a. Bible reckons several types of killing.
   (1) Accidental (occupational connection also) Dr. Sheppard vs boy who shot drunk dad beating his mother.
   (2) Legal (executioner, war etc.) Ex. 21: 12-17
   (3) Defensive. Ex. 22:2 have no blood shed for him.
   (4) Murderer-cold, premeditated, calculated.

b. It seems Bible talks of latter. I know I don't want it--neither earlier ones.
   Pray for deliverance from occasion.

C. Jesus "underpins" the law--the 6th commandment.
   1. Sin has stages. God notes it when 1st germinates in heart.
   2. Jesus legislation began farther back in the genesis of sin--Meyer.
   3. One sin prohibits all sin of same type if we eradicate it.

D. Jesus pictures degrees of sin & punisher
   1. Anger with bro. w/o cause & unexpressed
      a. W/o cause not in some MMS.
      b. Anger a silent thing here, in heart, maybe only. He could see. Yet anger
Mk. 3:5 "He (Jesus) looked round about
Eph. 4:26 "Be ye angry and sin not."
c. Yet its dangerous.
(1) I can't control mine--would you have a
temper fit in front of president? Then
you can.
Editor's call.
(2) It works up steam setting up psychological
reactions that release energy. "Builds up steam but takes off balance wheel"
d. Are you angry lightly, go explain why
you are mad, rather silly huh?
e. Liable to=danger of judgement. Local
judges in cities (Deut. 16:18), elders
(Josh. 20:4), strange or behead.
(1) Didn't mention in danger of God.
(2) Remember angry man would kill if he
could.
2. Say Raka (Re Ka)
a. A scornful word=MT head=spit out=here-
tic=stupid=senseless, feeling of dislike
(vain fellow)=shallow brain=contempt=
next step of contemptiousness resting on
uncontrolled anger=idle word like "you"
in "be gone you"=black head.
b. Council=Sanhedrin=72, 6 of ea. tribe at
Jer.=only they could command stoning.
Court of larger offense.
Deut. 17:8-13 Place God chose
c. Our Lord put evil thots, murder, adultry, together. (Mark 7:21)

(1) Do we feel contempt, scorn, desesion, destroy a man's reputation, shake confidence.

3. Say Fool -- expression of abuse
   a. Spiteful = moreh, rebel against God.
      Gentoo laws. Sentence one to hell, ch
      apostate = impious = explosive wrath in speech.
   b. Jesus & Paul used otherwise.
      Lu. 24:25 "O fools & slow of heart to believe.
      I Cor. 15:36 "Then fool, that which thou saidst

   c. Moses didn't/
      Nu. 20:10 "Hear now, ye rebels
   d. God doesn't want us stealing his perogatives.
   e. Hell fire.
      (1) From Gehenna or Valley of Hinnon. Place
      of abominable human sacrifice also gareabe dump of city?
      (2) Jesus applies to distruction of hereafter
      (3) At no time in N. T. did Gehenna have literally usage unless here.

IV. Lesson Learned.
   A. Jesus wants to nip sin in the bud.
   B. You can murder with your words.
      I Jn. 3:15 "Whosoever hateth his bro. is a
   C. Murder in the heart is as damnable as in the hand. Anger as ugly as murder in heaven.
   D.
D. If above offense of word or that gained such heavy punishment, What should Happen if you murder one?

E. Jesus teaching sought to glorify God & benefit man & not exalt self. He was showing Spirit as well as letter of law.

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45. Fool = Money, a rebel against God.
Deuteronomy Chap 5 Sec 2 P7212
would cut out your tongue &
thrust a hot iron 10 fingers
wide in mouth & he who used it.
CRIME:

The Worst of Us

The FBI had some frightening figures to present last week. Every 13.8 seconds, it reported, there was a major crime. Every 40.9 minutes, there was a murder. Every 29.8 minutes, there was a rape. And every 5.7 minutes, there was an aggravated assault. Among the cities, New York’s totals were highest in all categories of crime. In murder, Chicago came second; Philadelphia, third; Detroit, fourth; and Houston, fifth.

And it was getting worse. In the first six months of 1954, the crime rate had climbed 8.5 per cent over the same period for 1953—an estimated 1,136,140 crimes committed by the end of June. If the trend continued, FBI director J. Edgar Hoover said, major crimes would reach an all-time high this year.

No reason was offered for this steady increase in crime. But the nation’s police officials pointed to one fact that they considered significant. The rate of crimes against the person remained almost static—murder up 0.9 per cent, rape down 0.2 per cent. But of crimes against property, burglary was up 13.2 per cent, and larceny up 9 per cent. And statistics showed that three quarters of all crimes against the person had led to an arrest, whereas 77.1 per cent of the crimes against property remained unsolved.
THE HUMAN family is increasing at the unprecedented rate of 500 million persons in this decade, according to United Nations estimates. This crop of newcomers will exceed the total number of humans living today in Russia, the United States, Great Britain, and France combined. Is *Homo sapiens* destined to consume his food supplies, and then perish, as many other species have done?

The first college in this country was Harvard College, now Harvard University. Established in Cambridge, Mass., in 1636, the college was surrounded by a tall fence to keep out wolves and Indians!
The first electric light was not invented by Thomas A. Edison. It was made and operated by Professor Moses G. Farmer in Salem, Mass., in 1859. Twenty years later, in 1879, Edison did invent the first incandescent lamp, which actually was the first practical mode of electric illumination.

The most unusual postal route in the world is said to be the one in Alaska, between Gambell and Savoonga. In the winter the postman drives a dog-team to make his route; in the summer he uses a skin boat.

Bolivia
IT MAKES NO MISTAKE

An irate reader was on the phone. "I see you say here in the paper that I died yesterday!" he exploded to the editor.

Having undying faith in his paper, the editor asked: "That so? Where you calling from now?"

Mrs. Ellen Ogden, Oklahoma.
I. Could a more serious subject confront us?  
A. 1 out of 3+ marriages fail!  
1. Elmer Peterson  
2. Dallas Co.  
3. Judge Blaine

II. Speech is not encouragingly to set forth cause but rather as rare exception. Purpose to show solidarity and indissoluability desired. Stress union and permanancy—not "privilege" like a bank account.

A. As truth is taught may it:  
1. Instruct innocent.  
2. Protect pure.  
4. Warn sinner.

B. Many questions shall not be answered.  
Some are:  
1. Is there any cause?  
4. Origin of man's phrases like "live in adultery".  
5. Fornication=adultery.  
6. Adultery of the mind a cause.  
7. Matt. 29 & I Cor. 7 causes.  
   a. I know I'm perhaps called on this more than any other question and to many "our position" is quite strange.

C. Will show that marriage is broken in only two ways: honorably by death; dishonorably by sin. Divorce does not then occur without sin. Woe to him who causes it.

III. Shall we first see what marriage is?  
A. God made man & woman—differently.
Gen. 2:24 "Therefore shall a man leave his father and mother.

1. This was said before any "father" and "mother."

2. Just how he found her is not a Bible pattern.
   a. Romantic love & dates relatively modern.
   b. By agreement of some kind eligible man & woman come together, to live together, sharing all the rest of life.
   c. Legal contract, if state demands, is present.
   d. In sexual cohabitation they are joined, marriage consumated, in course of time children are born. Gen. 24:67.

IV. What breaks the marriage? (It was not God's intention but is possible. It is not impossible but it is forbidden.)

A. Death.
   1. Survive as a woman, died as a wife!

B. Sin.
   1. Does every sin? Let's see.

C. What was Jesus' approach? Matt. 5: & Matt. 19:3-
   1. Phar. trick question.
      Matt. 19:3 "Is it lawful for a man to put a wife away?"
   2. Jesus' answer.
      v-4 "Have ye not read---
      a. Scriptures final authority--not sentiment dictator, or "I always thought."
      b. Scriptures are sufficient--on some of our matters that we know so well has God spoken?
       (1) Illustrate with G. C. Brewer "Shoot your husband," or is a $2 gift wrong--sit on door step.
      c. Jesus said God made 1 for 1 and this estate was and is honorable.
d. When they are joined as suggested above in what marriage is, God said not put assunder.

(1) Trivialities not to wreck this sacred matter—Blissful clip.

3. But what about Moses and divorce?
   a. Two schools.
      (1) Hillel (Hill-ayal)—anything—strict bill (12 lines) Josephus clip. Gk. women counted rings to know marriages, Talmud allowed Rabbi to go to strange city an adventure for wife.
      (2) Shammi—only adultery, husband gets divorce—protects wife—like burn part of a field. (They all reasoned from "unseemly" & "uncleanliness" of Deut. 24. What was it? Did a bill slow it down? Did legislature help?) Not a run home-to Mamma affair.

   Matt. 5:32 "That whosoever shall put away his wife a. Only one act—adultery. Divorce dissolves legally what adultery already has. "Paper" no more made you free than "death certificate" killed you. Each accented what had already occurred! I Cor. 6:16 "What, knowing (1) When adultery occurs new marriage exists de facto if not de jure! (It is like the Chinese Red government.) The 1st marriage exists until this occurs regardless of how many "papers" were written. Sinfulness of the 2nd is that in its consumption the 1st was broken. The paper then recognizes what's already happened. Marriage adulterated when joined to
someone else. When you remarry on "paper-legal" grounds you are guilty of adultery. Other sins are as bad as adultery but this isn't legal. 

b. Jesus expected them to remarry—celebacy not adultery!

(1) The woman, who was thought of as such low property, wasn't shamelessly to be turned on the start. Neither was the redeeming value in the paper she carried unless it was written based on bonified events.

(2) So does objectionist today see right of remarry—for that reason he suggests it is either for another age or else added by copist.

c. Several things Jesus didn't say!

(1) He didn't use expression "live in adultery" but did say "commits adultery." (Only way to "live" in it is to be promiscious with different parties constantly.)

(2) He didn't say this 2nd marriage was not a marriage.

(a) Woman at well had seven husbands. John 4.

(3) He didn't say anything about separating those who in an adulterous act were married.

(a) If 2nd marriage is not continuous adultery no reason to repent & make retribution by separation—rather simply repent. Repent of your home defiling act and make no more adulterous marriages.

(4) He didn't say "Only the innocent is
free to remarry."

(5) He didn't say you have to separate from the 1st mate if adultery is forgiven.

(6) He gave elaboration on the width of repentance.

(a) It comes from Latin = to recover one's senses. Sin is moral lunacy. Repentance is not forsaking sin, that is the result of repentance. But rather it is to have a different mind toward

(7) He never asked -- does this fit with your thinking. After all every command of God is for our good.

V. In view of all involvements, this seems sound:
A. Pervention is better. Marry only in the Lord, live honorable & stay in this union.
I Pet. 3:7 "Dwell... as being heirs together

1. What right to expect nations to keep word if individuals won't vows?

2. Make whatever sacrifice -- cut off right hand.

3. Holiness & happiness go together.

B. Now "marry" Christ and flee spiritual adultery.

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What Is Responsibility For Delinquency?

By GAYLE OLER

Dr. Martha M. Eliot, Chief of United States Children's Bureau estimated last week at 385,000 children between ages 10 and 17 were brought before the courts in the United States in 1952, and that 1,000,000 were in trouble with the police. 80 per cent were boys, 20 per cent were girls.

Federal Bureau of Investigation Chief Hoover notes that over one-half of all auto theft arrests were of children under 17.

Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare states that in some communities juvenile court cases have increased as much as 50 per cent in the last 4 years. There is an average increase across the USA of 29 per cent in juveniles before our courts.

Vandalism among juveniles is rampaging. $400,000 damage to Chicago Public Schools in one year. Most urban areas experienced losses. Evanston, Illinois lost $10,000 worth of street lights, thanks to two boys with rifles. Baltimore lost 22,082 school windows.

Prominent family court Judge Kluczynki of Chicago laments the "breakdown of the patriarchal family where the father's word was the supreme, incontestable law." He complained: "Today's parents allow their children complete individualism and free expression. We have to go back to the woodshed once in awhile."

Many people would sooner invite a lion tamer and her cubs to visit than a modern "free expression" mother and her children.

Judge Michael J. Scott of Saint Louis blamed broken homes for such delinquency whether due to death of one or both parents, or divorce (national ratio: 1 to less than 4 marriages). He also named disunity between parents, lack of paternal supervision as responsible for 90 per cent of delinquencies.

Perhaps safety and electric razors, and modern fuels having done away with the old-fashioned razor strap and woodshed could have something to do with it.

Decline in the sense of parental and family responsibility, which makes possible our disgraceful marriage and divorce ratio is doubtlessly the number one cause of delinquency today. When people have enough honor and integrity to maintain their homes and fulfill their marital vows and obligations, this shameful delinquency among children in those homes does not occur.

There simply is no substitute for God's way of living, and for his laws for marriage and against divorce. There is nothing wrong with our sick-nigh-unto-death society that a full and all-the-way return to Bible standards will not cure over night.
Elmer Peterson wrote up an account of Joe Di Maggio & Marilyn Monroe's separation, stating that it was terrible to separate. These turn black Cadillac.

10/5/54
POLLS:

What Is Not Blissful

► "He’s always running . . . to his mother."
► "She’s always nagging and telling me things to do—even before I’m awake in the morning."
► "All he ever does is drink whisky and stay out all night."
► "She can throw away more with a teaspoon than I can bring in with a shovel."

These and similar complaints poured into the ears of Gallup pollsters, more accustomed to hearing "I like Ike" or "I’ll vote Democratic." Moving into the so-
the pollsters had been asking men and women: "What do you think are the chief faults husbands (or wives) have?" They merely made statistical what most married couples could have told them in the first place.

By order of mention, wives were most critical of their husbands' (1) lack of consideration, (2) drinking, (3) laziness, (4) domineering, and (5) going out too much. The chief fault of wives, according to the poll, was (1) nagging too much, (2) spending too much money, (3) going out too much, (4) gossiping, and (5) poor homemaking.

Only one in ten could think of no important faults in the marriage partner—who was probably standing within ear-shot at the time.
One of the leading schools of theology, that of Hillel, taught that a man might put away his wife for any cause. In the Aprocyphal writings we read: "The son of Sirach saith, 'If she go not as thou wouldst have her go, cut her off from thy flesh, give her a bill of divorcement, and let her go.'" (Ecclus. 25; 26), which is one of the many definite indications that the Aprocyphal was not inspired by the Holy Spirit. Josephus also wrote: "The law runs thus: He that would be divorced from his wife, for any cause whatever, as many such causes there are, let him give her a bill of divorcement." He also confessed that he himself put away his wife after she had born him three children, because he was not pleased with her behavior.

WHAT DO YE MORE THAN OTHERS? Matt. 5:43-48

I. Why do you stop my certain places of service?
A. Severe pain—M.D. called.
B. Sell house—Real estate agent.
C. Car break down—garage & "mechanic on duty"

1. One reason—he professes more. He makes a claim for his own ability.
   a. If efficient—"he's a good mechanic"—you aren't amazed if he repairs the auto.
   (Lu. 17:10 Still unprofitable) We don't go blow a trumpet and have a parade)
   b. If he doesn't he's a fake & we expose the fraud.

II. Same is true with religious matters. No sign is more "pretentious" perhaps than church of Christ. He who accepts, accepts a great responsibility. Jesus brought this matter into uncomfortable focus.
A. Jesus wants his disciples distinctive.

III. Jew had weakened the claim of morality— even suggested loving neighbor & hating enemy. Their's was a religion of convenience and not conviction and service.
A. Love them that love you & salute brethren only.
   1. Publicans do that.
   a. Describe a Publican.
      (1) Tax collector. Seemingly sold privilege of collecting tax. I bought my district for $100.00. If I collect $200.00 I make $100. Given to Romans too. Thus taxes, plus foreign domination, plus own citizens selling out self made it disgusting.
b. Yet hated publican with no social rating was as moral as Jew.

2. Salute = lay right hand on breast, bow low, to person of great rank, kiss hem of garment or foot or knees.

IV. Jesus then asks piercing question.

v-47 "What do ye more than others?

A. Note parts of question.
1. Not know, profess, believe, plan
3. Do -- service involved.

V. Comparison of self with self is comforting -- but with others it is disturbing.

A. Story of Rechabites Jer. 35.
1. Remember Jonadab's influence lasted 300 yrs.
2. Ludicrous -- no vineyards or seedings -- dwelt in tents in middle of a city -- just because "I must do what daddy said."
3. Wonderful -- refused wine in temple of God when offered by God's servant. Person, house, (pots full of it too -- wine), time, nothing made it alright to them.
4. They listened to Jonadab but Jews won't to God and no comparison between the two leaders.

VI. We profess more, do we do more?

I Pet. 2:12 "That... they may by your good works, which they have worship service, glorify God.

A. "I love my family"
1. I've got a sow who does as much -- maybe more
2. Are we teaching our children in homes. 1 hr. of Bible study a wk. will not do it.
3. Are we home enough and alert enough to do a good job?
B. "I go to church."
1. I've always thought that a meaningless expression and when I see lack of development in those who do I'm convinced.
2. Can I come to worship God and loose the whole effect in a traffic snarl on the way home.
3. Do you ever contribute anything toward leadership. Would it fold up if all like you? Do you feel like you've worshipped God? (Some I've never seen on Sun. nite or Wed.)

Rom. 7:4 We are married to Christ to bring

a. Have you practiced spiritual birth control?

C. "I believe in Jesus Christ."
1. Then where in is the development. Do you know more Bible, do you touch more lives. Or do you still swear, still high hat, still back bite, still sow seeds of discord.

Phil. 1:9 "That ye may approve things that are
Phil. 3:12 "But I follow after"

a. Am I nearer to Heaven today?

b. 362 The service of Jesus true pleasure

VII. If we are genuine, are we distinctive in that:

A. We are characterized by intense love.
1. To each other--our badge.
2. To those out of Christ.
3. To enemies.

B. Do we bear our cross (Lu. 9:23)
1. Do we not only follow but attempt to reproduce Christ in our life. This a tremendous thought! Grand hi good but not a Christian --goodness alone insufficient.
2. He does what others do—but more than others. He goes the 2nd mile.

VIII. Be something "Special" (Moffatt).
   A. Your breeding is different.
      1. "Child of your Father"
         a. God is Father of Christian only.
            He is God & Lawgiver to others.
   B. Is there anything "special" about you?
      1. Do you look like God? Are you redeemed?

Grece 3/3/55
Bethel 3/27/55
Gilroy 7/17/55—Richard Johnson, Geo & Ned Newman
Sycamore Ch. 9/11/55
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