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Beautiful People

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67 times the Bible uses the words: beauty, beautify and beautiful. MEANS: Handsomeness, dignity, splendor etc.
Some people called "beautiful" viz Rachel, Abigail, Bath-sheba, Esther and Isa. 52:7 good news bearers.
A beautiful person is one who lives a beautiful life.
Expression revived by Hippies: Means "a wonderful life."

I. BIBLE RECORDS NUMEROUS LIVES OF BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE.
A. ENOCH was a beautiful man. Gen. 5:21-24. Lived 365
years. Walked with God. Did not die. God took him.
B. ESTHER was a beautiful person. Esth. 4:13-16. Queen
in perilous times. Risked her life. Saved her people
C. EUNUCH was a beautiful disciple. Acts 8:35-39.
T ook 1 mo. vacation, traveled 1,000 miles, endured
expensive, dangerous and fatiguing trip to worship!!

II. THERE ARE BEAUTIFUL CHRISTIANS AT WORK TODAY ALSO, UTAH!
A. CARL DARBY FAMILY a beautiful Christian family.
   a. Got M. D. and enjoyed BIG practice in Lubbock.
   Also BIG bank account, BIG home. Left all!!!
   b. Picked toughest field possible: Riverside, Utah.
   Salt Lake City bishop killed practice. Almost
   starved! (Ward Bishop)
   c. Cedar City, Utah. Almost starved spiritually!!
   (At Salt Lake City) Drove 264 miles, each way, to worship each Sun.
   Car broke down. Rode train. Leave 4:00 a.m.
   Returned home on mail or milk truck at 3 a.m.
   Children??? Matt. 16:24-26! My daddy's great!!!
   d. Finally started congregation. DOCTOR Carl Darby
   traveled countryside begging. I Cor. 15:58.
   e. 1965 took over BIG practice at Ogden, Utah.
   Doing well. Converting Mormons etc. Happy!!!
2. Sophia. Gladly, freely gave up luxuries for Christ
   I Cor. 4:13. "filth of world, offscouring...."
   Suffered nervous breakdown for Jesus' sake.
3. Carla. 20 yrs. ACC senior. "My folks are beautiful
   people." "How well I remember how cold it was
   in those milk trucks at 3:00 a.m. week after wk
   1968 schedule: Summer Minnesota campaign.
   Directed children at park.
   Helped in Youth Meeting in Aug.
4. Dale. 16 yrs. Went with Broadway group of Lubbock
   to De Moines, Iowa campaign. Rounded up car
   load of kids to drive 900 mi. to help in
   Ogden, Utah State-wide Youth Meet. (Congrega
B. Beautiful people in Ogden, Utah congregation.
1. Kept teenagers all week in support of meeting.
2. Two families cut vacations in half to return home to support the meeting. 800 miles.
3. Fixed sandwiches daily for noon meals.
   All bap. & rest. at summer youth camp. Still 1½ resp.

C. Many beautiful people throughout the State of Utah.
1. Youth present at Airport (Salt Lake) from every congregation of the state. Banners, placards etc.
2. Brethren from Salt Lake, Brigham City, Clearfield, etc. came every night.
3. Cedar City brethren flew 340 miles to support meeting. Others drove 150 miles daily, one way, to support meeting.

Population of State: 1,000,000,
Population of Church: 300 to 400.
Attendance at Ogden meeting nightly: 150.
   Morning: 75.

INV: CLOSE: CARL COPE, senior in high school, song leader.
Went on DeMoines, Iowa campaign in early August. '68
Ogden called him to come lead singing. No funds!!
Planned to buy a car at end of summer!
Had money in sight, in bank, plus rest of Aug.
Father said must pay own way to Ogden—to serve!
Carl traveled 900 miles at own expense to
lead singing for Jesus. No job, no car!!!

Friday: A. M. service. MUST THE YOUNG DIE TOO?
Carl did not finish leading inv. song. Responded
"I have not given myself FULLY to Christ!"
If HE hadn't, then what take to do so???

QUESTION: How your life for Christ look NOW??

A GENUINE CHRISTIAN LIFE is what we mean by
"Beautiful People."

Jesus wants YOU to enjoy a full & beautiful life.
Mark 16:15-16. Do justly, love mercy, walk hum

How your life COMPARE to Carl's?? He felt inadequate.
I John 1:9.

Place Membership right now.
BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE
Deut. 10:12-14

I. THERE ARE BEAUTIFUL CHRISTIANS IN UTAH TODAY.

A. The Carl Darby family live by these great scriptures.

   a. Almost starved to death at Riverside—outside Salt Lake City. Bishop killed practice.
   b. Cedar City almost an episode of starvation. Drove 264 mi. each Sunday to worship God in S.L. Car gave out. Rode train. Start 4:00 on Sunday. Return home—ride mail truck or milk truck from railroad crossing back into town. 3 a.m. Children: suffered cold and great discomfort for Christ's sake. Few friends at first. Finally started an Oasis of the Spirit for the Kingdom of God—church at Cedar City. DR. CARL DARBY, M.D. spoke among the brethren "begging" for help. Got it. Good church now!

BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MAKE THE KINGDOM OF GOD GROW!!

2. Sophia: Freely, gladly gave up luxuries of Dr's wealth and position to be: I Cor. 4:13 "we are made as the filth of the world, and are the offscouring of all things unto this day." Suffered nervous breakdown for Jesus. Well now and very happy serving Him more and more.

3. Carla: 20 yrs. ACC senior. "I remember being cold riding in that mail truck from railroad to home! "My folks are beautiful people!!"

1968:
   1st part: Minnesota campaign.
   2nd part: Directing children at city park.
   3rd part: Making Gospel Meeting go right.

4. Dale: 16 yrs. Went with Broadway in Lubbock group to De Moines, Iowa campaign group. Returned to Lubbock August 15 and 16th rounded up 6 Lubbock young people and brought them 900 miles, at own expense, to serve FURTHER in the kingdom. Carl Cope, H. S. Sr. led sing. Gave up car!!
5. Ogden, Utah membership. Two families left children at a-way mark to return home to support a little gospel meeting at home. How love each other Brought: Mormons, Lutherans, Baptists, Methodists and uncommitted neighbors.

6. STATE-WIDE SUPPORT. *PA. 90.14-17*

a. Airport: Young people from every point in state present with banners and placards, love and sincere welcome. Sang in terminal: "How shall the young secure their hearts!!" This is the way!

b. Youth from every congregation in Utah converged on Ogden. Brethren took them in. About 150 people in full house nightly. 75 young people every day at 11:00. Adults were great-support!

c. Cedar City brethren flew 300-350 miles a time or two to support the meeting. Others drove 150 miles each afternoon to attend, and 150 miles until midnight back home-several nights.

d. Salt Lake City and Brigham City came every night and turned out some services so whole church could be present. Explains FULL-HOUSE Clearfield every night! Utah: 1 Million pop. Church of Christ pop. 300 to 400. We had 150 nightly!!

**THESE:** LIVING, BREATHING BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE NOW.

II. BIBLE RECORDS - BEAUTIFUL LIVES TO INSPIRE US ON!!


C. Dorcas. Acts 9:36-39. "full of good works and almsdeeds." "made and gave away coats and garments"

I have seen the gleam from the headlight of some great locomotive, rushing through the darkness, heedless of opposition, fearless of danger. ... AND I THOUGHT IT WAS GRAND!

I have seen the morning come over the eastern hills in splendid glory... driving the lazy darkness before it, till leaf and tree and blade of grass glittered in the myriad diamonds of the morning ray. ... AND I THOUGHT THAT WAS GRAND!

I have seen the brilliant lightening leap at midnight through the storm-swept sky. I have seen it shiver over chaotic clouds—mid howling winds—till cloud and darkness and shadow—haunted earth flashed into mid-day splendor. ... AND I KNEW THAT WAS GRAND!

BUT, the GRANDEST thing, next to the radiance that flows from the Almighty Throne itself, is the light of a NOBLE and BEAUTIFUL LIFE, wrapping itself in benediction around the destinies of men, and, finally, finding its home in the bosom of the everlasting God.