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October 14, 1968

Mr. John Allen Chalk
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Dear John:

Our time together while you were here at Karns was very rewarding to me.

A publication relevant to many of your concerns is "The Journal of Social Issues," published by the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, a division of the American Psychological Association. This quarterly typically devotes an entire issue to a single copy. It is available from Miss Caroline Weichlein, SPSSI Administrative Secretary, P.O. Box 1248 Ann Arbor, Michigan.

In connection with the "third revolution" in your summer series the following are outstanding sources concerning contemporary sexual values and behavior:

Premarital Sexual Intercourse as Human Relations - Lester A. Kirkendall

Premarital Sexual Standards - Ira L. Reiss

"The Sexual Renaissance in America," April, 1966 issue of The Journal of Social Issues. Edited by Ira L. Reiss.

"Sex and Our Society" - Lester A. Kirkendall and Elizabeth Ogg.
(Public Arrairs Pamphlet No. 366, 1964.)

"Transition in Sex Values" - Isadore Rubin. Journal of Marriage and the Family, May 1965.

"Premarital Sexual Standards" (SIECUS Study Guide, May 1967. SIECUS, 1855 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10023.)

Phi Delta Kappan, Volume XLIX, Nuber 9. (Excellent articles about the social and educational implications of the "sexual revolution".) Available for 60¢ from Phi Delta Kappa, Eighth St. and Union Ave., Bloomington, Indiana 47401.

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I should clarify my intentions about changing the scene of my ministry after this Spring when I receive my doctorate. I am very anxious to devote myself to a challenging, creative ministry with a church sufficiently progressive to provide the resources and leadership to implement such a work. I have no preference as to part of the country, size of city, etc. My experience and education should provide sufficient flexibility to fit a number of situations. My special interests and study have centered upon: the dialogue between science and Christianity; human sexuality; counseling; and congregational educational programs. In addition to pulpit presentations and traditional class teaching I am interested in personal encounter groups, sensitivity training, and other forms of small group interaction. I am confident that my family and spiritual resources are sufficiently supportive for this degree of involvement in a meaningful ministry. Our present relations are pleasant enough, but lack sufficient support for significant service without "moonlighting." Your suggestions and candid observations would be appreciated.

The new radio series sounds like it is going to be significant presentation even to our brotherhood. If available I would like copies of this series. *fm 4/24/69*

You should know that our children have recently mentioned you and the Herald of Truth in their home prayers. They are some of your most ardent "fans."

May the Lord be with you.

Sincerely,



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