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"Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of host."
(Zecharias 4:6)

"When He saw the crowds, He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into His harvest.' "
(Matthew 9:36-38)

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THE RE BO R N

"It was the best of times,
It was the worst of times."
-- CHARLES DICKENS

The launching of the Apollo 17 marks the end of an epoch of man's proud activities on our lunar neighbour; it would be quite some time before he would embark on another member of our solar system. Other than this, there is no other spectacular event to conclude this unexciting year except the yuletide festivities.

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Christmas means different things to different people. To the christians, it is a blessed message--the Saviour of mankind was born to us. This is not a mere historical fact, but an everlasting good news to the receptive:

FOR A CHILD IS BORN TO US...
HIS NAME SHALL BE
WONDERFUL,
THE PRINCE OF PEACE,
AND HE SHALL SAVE HIS PEOPLE
FROM THEIR SINS.

* * *

Our sin-sick world really needs redemption. The year did not witness the promise of peace as envisaged by our world leaders. The relentless massacre at Munich was a mockery of the Olympic ideal of international understanding and harmony for which we are striving. The Middle-East crisis still lingers on.

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What is human destiny? Progress or nihilism? As mentioned in one of the articles of this issue, "made in God's image, man was meant to be great." Only after realizing the divine purpose in store for him could man find the meaning of his existence on earth, and his 'greatness.'

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...behold, I bring you good tidings
of great joy, which shall be to all
people.

For unto you is born this day in
the city of David a Saviour, which
is Christ the Lord.

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A BRIEF LOOK AT EVOLUTION

Cyprian

PART II THE ANCESTRY OF MAN

In Part 1 (Vol. 7 No. 3) we looked at the evolutionists' view of the origin of life. In this article, we shall embark our discussion from a different angle-- the origin of man and the fossil evidences.

The origin of man has a direct bearing on the meaning of his existence. It gives direction and meaning to his life. B.F. Skinner, a prominent and controversial psychologist says, "He(man) has emerged...will presumably continue to change, but we cannot say what direction."¹ Has man "emerged"? Where is mankind heading?

The Time-Life publishers just released a series of books on "The Emergence of Man". In a letter introducing the series to the readers, it is stated, "If you run your tongue over your teeth, you will be touching the end result of small sharp points, called denticles, that were in the skin of the edges of the mouths of primitive fishes about 440 million years ago," What a thought! (you should remember that next time you do that!)

The evolutionary ladder, according to the evolutionists, moves up from aquatic life to terrestrial life; starting from lizard till we come to the "closer relatives of man"--the monkey and the gorilla. Finally man evolved from the apes.

Let us examine some of the main fossil evidences they have presented to support their argument:

(a) Australopithecus

"Australopithecus" means "southern ape". The first known fossil in this class was the skull of a child discovered in South Africa in 1924, and named A. Africanus.² It is claimed that with the exception of the skull, the entire skeleton of this class of fossils was closely similar to that of modern man, and they are 1,750,000 years old.^{3,4}

In 1964, L.S.B. Leakey and his associ-

ates set up another species, Homo habilis, to accomodate some fossils found in East Africa.⁵ It is still a matter of controversy whether the fossils represent a new species, an intermediate between Australopithecus and Homo Erectus (which is to be examined presently), or belong to one of the two.

(b) Homo Erectus

(i) Java man

The first finds of Homo Erectus were made by Eugene Dubois in eastern central Java in 1891 and they were first named Pithecanthropus erectus⁶ (the erect ape-man). The finds consisted of a skull cap and a femur.⁷ A mandible fragment was also found in 1931 by Prof. Koenigswald.⁸ It has been estimated that the Java fossils were at least 0.5 millions years old.⁸

(ii) Peking man

Peking man fossils were found in 1921.⁹ Similar to Java man, these fossils have been dated as 0.5 million years old.

(iii) Other erectus fossils

Other fossils finds such as Solo man from Java, Rhodesian man from Northern Rhodesia and a few others have been classified also as "Homo erectus." Common to all erectus fossils, it is claimed that there is a general trend of increasing brain size (cranial capacity) from about 1,000 c.c. to 1,400 c.c. from the older fossils to the newer ones.¹⁰

(c) Homo sapiens

Anthropologists seem to be divided in opinion as to whether some fossils belong to the Homo erectus or Homo sapiens. Here we shall consider two types of sapiens: the neanderthal man and Cro-Magnon man.

(i) Neanderthal man

The first Neanderthal fossil was found in 1856 and since then many remains of Neanderthal have been discovered.¹¹ The oldest Neanderthal fossil from Europe is the lower jaw from Mauer, near Heidelberg, Germany, recovered in 1902.¹² It has been dated to be over 400,000 years old. The classic Neanderthals as a group exhibit certain peculiar features. They have large brains (1,600 c.c.); large and inflated faces; long, low skulls with projecting occipitals and large brow ridges.



(ii) Cro-Magnon man

In Europe, it has been proposed that the Neanderthal man was succeeded by Cro-Magnon man. They differ from typical Neanderthals in that they were taller, with a skull that had a high forehead, no heavy eyebrow ridges and ridges distinctly jutting chin, teeth and jaw were like those of modern man.¹⁴ Cro-Magnon man was discovered in France in 1868.^{15,16} Since it is essentially like modern man, it is also referred to as Homo sapiens sapiens, the name zoologists assign to human beings today.

Fossil evidences--an evaluation

(a) Fossil remains are fragmentary

Where there is hardly enough material for even constructing a hypothesis, some workers draw conclusions. This tendency can be observed in almost all fossil studies. For example L.S.B. Leakey proposed that Homo habilis form the link between the Australopithecus and the homo erectus. The basis of this postulate consists of fossils of an adolescent's braincase, portions of a foot and a hand, a collar bone, jaw fragments, a few isolated teeth and a possibly two leg bones found in two different beds.¹⁷ In fact two anthropologists have concluded that Homo habilis is nothing more than an artificial grouping of fossils.¹⁷

(b) Preconceived idea influencing interpretation

Science stresses objectivity. Unfortunately, preconceived ideas or some accepted theories are seen to influence the proper interpretation of fossil study. For example, throughout the years, archaeologists and anthropologists have come out with numerous findings that are claimed to be "missing links". At the back of their minds is the idea that man must have evolved from a lower form. Therefore, it is not hard for them to conceive every finding as a link of the long line of evolution. We cite Dr. Leakey's own words in announcing one of his findings, "What made my heart beat faster was that fragment in my hand, a piece of upper jaw, filled an enormous gap in the panorama of man's development, a gap science has long tried to fill without success.¹⁸ Is the fossil man-like, ape-like, or intermediate? Is one jaw-bone enough evidence for a "missing link"?

(c) Problem of restoration

Many a contemporary textbook give beautiful

models of restored skulls of man at various stages of the evolutionary line, giving the impression of being exact copies of the original. However, in most cases these are artist portrayals formed from a skull cap or fragments of it, a lower jaw or at best an incomplete skull. One feature used to signify evolution of man is the increase of cranial capacity of man is the increase of cranial capacities from "early man" to "modern man". Homo habilis, for instance was calculated by Tobias to have a cranial capacity of 675-680 c.c., therefore forming an intermediate between Australopithecus and Homo erectus. Later, he admitted that as a basis for estimating the capacity he used two skulls of the Australopithecus and two of Homo erectus. Indeed it is hard to see how anyone could come up with any other figure but an intermediate between the two. This example also further illustrates how a popular theory influences the interpretation of fossils.

(d) Problem of dating fossils

The carbon 14 dating method depends on the rate of decaying of C^{14} (carbon-14, the radioactive isotope of carbon) to C^{12} (the normal carbon). By measuring the amount of C^{14} in a sample and comparing this to its half-life (the time required for C^{14} to decay into half of its original amount), the age of the sample is determined. Because of its weak radioactivity, this method can be used only for periods under 15,000 years. As pointed out by Smith,¹⁹ this method is prone to numerous errors due to cosmic radiation and other changes. Recently an article in Time also revealed the unreliability of this method.²⁰

(e) Variability of man and ape

Man and ape alike vary in many physical characteristics; between races and even within a race. Indeed, individual variation within well defined races is so pronounced that even anthropologists may not be able to identify positively whether a skull is from a modern Negro, an European, or an Australian aborigine.²¹ This problem enters into the determination of fossil records. Could it be that the fossils represent different races of man rather than one evolving into another?

(f) Australopithecus and modern man

Fossils that are referred to as Australopithecus are so fragmentary that its interpre-



tation is almost entirely left to the whim and imagination of the discoverers. For example, the first fossil of Australopithecus boisei were found by Mrs. Leakey in 1959. It was a skull chipped out of solid rock and was in about four hundred pieces. The jaw was not found with the skull fossil, so the huge jaw in the restoration was the product of the imagination of the artist. In 1964, Richard Leakey, son of Dr. Leakey discovered a jaw about sixty-five miles apart. Consequently, the second finding resulted in a skull with a jaw much reduced in size.²² Can we accept this type of evidence to substantiate the theory of our origin?

(g) Homo erectus and modern man

As above, one has to have reservation in accepting the evidences presented here. To cite one example: Java Man was discovered by Dubois and consisted of three bones which Dubois found about forty-five feet apart during two field seasons. He insisted that they were from the same individual, Java Man. Yet for 30 years he refused to let the public examine the fossils. Later he changed his mind and assigned the fossils to a chimpanzee. Still later, he decided that they belonged to a larger fossil gibbon-like ape.²³

Another example is the Piltdown man, a famous fraud in the history of anthropology. Fake fossils which included the lower jaw and certain teeth of a recent large ape were put together with some real human fossils. Before the truth was finally exposed, for forty years people around the world accepted this forgery as the earliest Englishman!²⁴

Of course, not all evidences are forgeries or kept in secrecy. But we still have to ask ourselves questions such as: Are the fossils found of the same origin? Are these fossils representative?

(h) Homo sapiens and modern man

Homo sapiens fossils are so "man-like" and in many cases comparable to that of living races. In fact, the brain size, although within the range for modern man, often averages larger than the average size in living races.²⁵ Moreover, a jaw fragmentary finds of seemingly modern man in fact give evidence of as great age as many of the erectus fossils. On the other hand erectus fossils, like the Solo man seem to be much younger than some of the better known Homo sapiens fossils.²⁶

F. Conclusion:

From the previous discussion, the fossil evidences to support the argument that man has evolved from the ape are found to be obscure and unreliable. Hence, the theory of evolution of man is by no means proven. In fact, just very recently (Nov. 10, 1972), Dr. Richard Leakey (son of late Dr. L.S.B. Leakey) reported that he found a $2\frac{1}{2}$ million-year-old man-- the oldest ever discovered. He said that the skull is so like the skull of modern man that it upsets current theories of evolution.²⁷ The important point is that it shows how unproven evolutionary theory is.

It is interesting to note how theory of evolution first started. The notion of "natural selection" as the mechanism for biological evolution was first presented by Darwin and Wallace in 1858.²⁸ Then in 1871, Darwin published the Descent of Man, building his case for human evolution entirely on evidence from living man and living primates.²⁹

Wallace, however, after many years living with primitive people, felt that all men share the same intellectual capacity. He also recognised that the gap between man and ape is so great that it can not be bridged by the process of natural selection (as proposed by Darwin).²⁹

Many people feel that similarities between species demand an explanation that lends support to the theory of evolution. Therefore, they accept the "missing link" theory. The creationist however can look at the similarities and perceive that there is one master designer behind them. While it is not necessary that there is evolution between species, it is possible to have evolution within species. We know for a fact that mutations and other factors do cause changes within species and natural selection does take place. But it is quite another thing to propose that this occurs between species as well.

Has man evolved from a lower species? The christian does not believe so.

G. The Christian Viewpoint

The beginning chapters of Genesis describe how God created the world, the things in the world, and at last "God created man in His own image, in the image of God he created Him; male



and female he created them."³⁰ The Christian believes that he was created distinctly and did not evolve from the lower forms of life. God created man to be different from the beasts of the earth -- He created man "in His own image."

As Francis Schaeffer pointed out in his book, GENESIS IN SPACE AND TIME, man is "created to relate to God in a way that none of the other created beings are."³¹

The implication:

Once we understand our origin, and realize that we are created in the image of God, we are able to answer the questions, "Who am I?", "What is Man?", "What is the value of life?" Schaeffer puts it this way, "Suddenly I have value, and I understand how it is that I am different. I understand how it is that God can have fellowship with me and give me revelation of a propositional nature... A man is of great value not for some less basic reason but because of his origin."³²

Unfortunately, man has fallen because of a deliberate disobedience to God. As he has fallen from grace, he has lost part of that glorious image of God. The man who is away from God is lost in sin and helplessness. But because of his value, God provided a way for man to come back. The way is Jesus. "For in Him(Jesus) all the fulness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, making peace by the blood of his cross."³³ Another verse tells, "For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ(Jesus) shall all be made alive."³⁴

After realizing God's great creation and his own value, the psalmist cannot help but praise God, saying, "What is man that Thou art mindful of him, and the son of man that Thou dost care for him? Yet Thou hast made him less than God, and dost crown him with glory and honour... O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Thy name in all the earth."³⁵

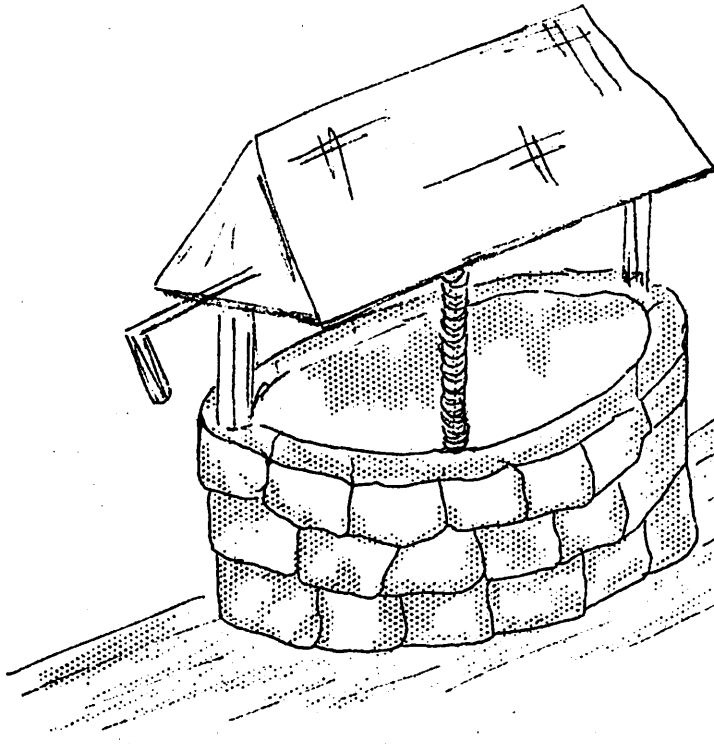
Schaeffer reiterated the idea, "Made in God's image man was made to be great, he was made to be beautiful... But his rebellion has led him into making himself into nothing but a machine."³⁶ (The End)

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Refreshment from the well

- D. Huff -

And in that day thou shall say,
O Lord, I will praise Thee:
Though Thou wast angry with me,
Thine anger is turned away,
And Thou comfortedst me.

Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and not be afraid:
For the Lord JEHOVAH is my strength and my song;
He also is become my salvation.

Therefore with joy shall ye draw water
Out of the wells of salvation.

And in that day shall ye say,
Praise the Lord,
Call upon His name,
Declare His doings among the people,
Make mention that His name is exalted.

Sing unto the Lord;
For He hath done excellent things:
That is known in all the earth.

Cry out and shout,
Thou inhabitant of Zion:
For great is the Holy One of Israel
In the midst of thee.

- Isaiah 12 -

(P. T. O.)

In Isaiah Chapter 12 we find six verses of Scripture full of rich refreshment. By considering verse 3 as the Key, we find this statement: "Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation."

"Therefore" - what for? Notice what is in the first two verses. Here is the reason for the use of "therefore":

I. Because our salvation affords...

- comfort instead of anger
- trust instead of fear
- a source of strength and song

What a joyful experience -- what a relief!

"Therefore" (because of these reasons), "with joy shall ye draw water" -- it is a joyful experience and the "well of salvation" becomes our source of joy. The joy is in the "well".

II. Now, let us see how the joy becomes like a bucket, or a pail with which to draw the water.

"with joy shall ye draw water."

Our very joy in the Lord as we praise Him adds to our own delight. The more I praise God and thank Him for His mercies, the more joy I find in my heart! This is very practical and very real. Watch it in yourself sometime. Just deliberately begin thanking God for what He has done and considering the wonders of His love, and your own joy will spring up within you. God intends for us to be happy Christians and it is the normal result of a right relationship with Him for us to experience this joy - not merely from our initial salvation alone, but from all the other bless-

ings for which we praise Him.

III. In the third section of our meditation, we discover that our pail brings joy to others as well.

"with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation" (to refresh others).

With our own joy -- as we discover the adequacy of Christ, the wonder of His Word, the richness of His fellowship and spontaneously praise Him, or mention gratefully what He has done for us in our conversation with others, -- we automatically are drawing water for them, and they too are refreshed.

What is our attitude about our own daily rounds as we go in and out before others -- in the unsaved world-- as well as among our fellow Christians? In which column am I most apt to fit? ---:

Complaining ... content,
forbearing

Fearful ... confident

pessimistic ... optimistic

bored ... motivated

perfunctory ... willing

The difference frequently lies in how much I have used the pail of joy with which to "draw" water out of the wells of salvation". Notice the verbs in verses 4, 5, and 6: "praise, call, declare, make mention, sing, cry out and shout." Think of the effort and expense given for simple mundane "commercials". Let us engage in spreading the good news about the refreshment available from the "wells of salvation". (The End)



THOSE FEW YEARS

- Christopher Man -

My first year in Canada was a nightmare. I boarded in a Canadian home and occupied a room on the second floor. A couple of landlord's boys were in the attic right above me. It so happened that they belonged to a modern musical group. One was the guitarist and the other the drummer. I did not appreciate their "free entertainment".

Food was never abundant -- corn flakes, milk and bread for breakfast; a couple of bologna sandwiches, a cookie, an apple or a banana for the bag lunch. Supper was better. To my relief was an electric rice cooker. I cooked in my room. Many a time when I was boiling mushroom with some meat, someone would knock at my door and ask, "Something is burning?" I really missed the food at home.

A month later, another Chinese

student moved into the house. I thought I would have company. Yet ten days passed with nothing between us, except when he complained to me about his studies. Another three days passed and I was bedridden with 'flu'. Two days later when I was feeling better, he went wild in the house, running up and down the stairs. I tried to calm him but in vain. I was a bit scared and went downstairs. He followed behind me and, to my alarm, I discovered he had a knife in his hand. I panicked though it was just an ordinary dinner knife. I made for the door and into the street. The landlord phoned the police. They picked him up and sent to the hospital. I was not sure how much my nerve could take. Fear overtook me.

December came. Everywhere was covered with snow. After more than a month, I was already tired of the

snow. Cold winds cut into my face. I wondered if Winnipeg was the right place for me.

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One time, I was playing badminton with a Canadian student. At first, we played single. As more people came, we doubled up. My partner stood behind me. Then an overhead shot was coming right above me; I bent back and tried to smash it. As I was about to hit, another racket behind me came down and hit my lips. A front tooth was chipped off and my upper lip was split open. What a weird accident! It took me two months to have a permanent false tooth to fill in the gap. I thought I might not have had this accident if I were in Hong Kong.

Final examination came and went. After a long hunt for job, I finally got one in Northern Manitoba. I worked in a kitchen which catered to a working crew in the bush repairing railway tracks. I was not able to communicate well with them. It was total isolation. As I came out of the bush, the first sight of a car on the highway really made me feel good. I was back to civilization!

To add to my loneliness in the bush was the fact that as far as my school was concerned, I fell way short of my own expectation. Selection of medical students was very strict, and only a handful of foreign students would be admitted. My result was not that good as compared to those of the other foreign students. What else could I hang on? Nothing! Nothing at all! I thought I was smart. Now I realized that I was not. I thought I worked hard and by that I could win. But even that was not true. My ego was completely shattered. The

thought that I had made the wrong choice recurred to me, much stronger than before.

I told myself I could always strive on. As one hope was burst, I could cling to another. Besides, science here was better than that of the University of Hong Kong. With this in mind, I registered in the second year science. While the dream of becoming a medical doctor never ceased, I was less examination-oriented. That year I moved into one of the residences on the campus.

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Late one night in October, as I came back from study, a Chinese student living in the same residence came to talk to me. After an initial moment of conversation he switched the topic to Christianity.

Jesus was nothing new to me. I grew up in a missionary school. I was baptized in His name when I was still in High School. From then on whenever I was in trouble I prayed to Him. Time and again He helped me through.

When I had to write the School Certificate Examination, I asked Him for blessing. But I was extremely disappointed. At that point, I turned very bitter to God. I began to doubt the love of God and even His existence. I wondered if I was praying to an imaginary God who had never helped me at all. I had decided to struggle for my success with my own effort.

I cut down every activity, religious and otherwise, and concentrated on my study. Day and night I studied. The only break was Sunday morning when I went to church because I could not rule out the existence of God. However, I

thought my future was in my own hand. Even if He had existed, then what concerned God was whether I kept His commandments. Other than that, He just could not care less.

For two years I had worked hard but I was defeated once again. My dream being broken, I came over to Canada with a final effort to make my dream come true. God was at the back of my mind. I felt, rather than being helpful, He was in my way to success. The first year at University was again a failure. Even the glimpse of my goal faded away.

I told this friend the bitter experience I had with God. He listened patiently. Two weeks later, he invited me to study the Bible with him. I did not know why I accepted his invitation. We went very slowly through the Gospel of John. I never realized I could be so interested in the Bible. I could have spent the time studying the textbooks. He also invited me to a fellowship group. I like the songs they sang. The music was catchy and the words often spoke directly to me. I also sensed that to these Christians their personal achievement was not the priority of

their lives. But God was.

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Had I been successful in my first year in Canada, I would have put all my time into study. God would have been brushed aside. Yet when I could not gain success by my own effort, and my life was really empty, God stepped in, introducing once again His gospel to me. Salvation and its hope and joy once again filled my heart. Through the Bible study, I realized that I had no right to demand God to answer my request the way I chose. God is also the Lord. He is the Master of my life and He has a plan for me. When the day was done, I enjoyed reading the Bible with my friend in the residence. It was such a comfort to know that my prayers would be heard and Jesus was guiding me day after day.

I could meet my work at school with the assurance that my future was in His hand. The moment I thought of that, all my worries melted away. Then I think of the heavenly inheritance in store for me, whatever I accomplish on earth is of secondary importance.

[The End]

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LOVE

is ...

--Ronnie --

Violent gusts drove her to seek shelter.
Turning away from the main road, she hurried,
head bowed, along the deserted side-street.
Unusual for typhoon to threaten in November.
First time in five years.
The slanting rain beat on her face,
intensifying her desire to cry.
Angry, lonely, sad. There is no reason
why she should be mad, and anyway, at whom?
She kept telling God she was unhappy.
She reasoned with herself, with God.

Give me joy, Father. Joy is not a mood.
"My JOY GIVE I UNTO YOU THAT YOUR JOY MAY BE FULL.
THOSE WHO CHOOSE ANOTHER GOD MULTIPLY THEIR SORROWS."
Father, I am willing to see your will revealed.
Help me to do accordingly.
Could you please let your will be like mine?
Have I the guts to follow your plan for me?

WHAT SHALL IT PROFIT A MAN, IF HE SHALL
GAIN THE WHOLE WORLD, AND LOSE HIS OWN SOUL?
WE CAN OBTAIN FROM HIM WHATEVER WE ASK,
BECAUSE WE ARE KEEPING HIS COMMANDS.
DO NOT LOVE THE WORLD...AND THE WORLD PASSES AWAY,
AND THE LUST OF IT.
The lust of the flesh. The lust of the eyes.
The pride of life. Egotism: False values, Base desires,
Materialism. Complacency; Indifference. Lukewarmness.
O God, if only I can leave this wretched place,
I shall be happy. Over there, I can serve you better.
I can learn to live by faith.
If I can't love you here, shall I be able to love elsewhere?

ACKNOWLEDGE HIM IN ALL YOUR WAYS
AND HE WILL DIRECT YOUR PATH.
Was Abraham happy waiting for the promised son?
He laughed when God told him about Isaac.
The Father of Faith laughed.
Did he think God was kidding?

God, why have you put me in such a family?
I'm sick and tired of trying to wreck my brains
thinking of conversation topics. I may as well be dumb.
Dad says why don't I be more jolly.
Can I change the way I am? And did Christ die for Grandma too?
She bugs me.

IF YOU LOVE ONLY THOSE WHO LOVE YOU,
WHAT REWARD CAN YOU EXPECT?

SURELY THE TAX COLLECTORS DO AS MUCH AS THAT.

Mom would never forgive and forget. Dad has hurt her too much.
Dad isn't going to apologise. Mom isn't going to budge either.

"each in his prison
Thinking of the key,
each confirms a prison."

THERE IS NO ROOM FOR FEAR IN LOVE; PERFECT LOVE BANISHES FEAR.

Linus kidded himself thinking he loved mankind.
He was more frank in admitting people get on his nerves,
Mechanical society. Dehumanising tendency.
Anonymous mass.
Christ so loved that he gave, not to the mass,
but to every individual for the intrinsic
value of his soul. Profundity.
I couldn't figure out why on earth Christ died for ME.
God, I don't know how to love, but I am willing to learn.

On her way home, she passed the crowded streets.
Umbrellas bumped into her.
Hurrying feet stepped on her toes.

LOVE IS....

PATIENT

KIND

NOT JEALOUS OR BOASTFUL

NOT ARROGANT OR RUDE

NOT INSIST ON ITS OWN WAY

NOT IRRITABLE OR RESENTFUL

NOT REJOICE AT WRONG

REJOICES IN THE RIGHT

BEARS ALL THINGS

BELIEVES ALL THINGS

HOPES ALL THINGS

ENDURES ALL THINGS.



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