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Dear Subscribers,

Due to strong demand through many email requests I have started to release monthly newsletters of THE OLD PATHS publication. I have created a issue for the month of August that you can download here: Issue No. 6. I will release a new issue mid September. I do encourage you to save and print out THE OLD PATHS and also make many copies for your churches, bookstores, etc. I am personally making a few hundred copies for churches.

I watched the "Personal Testimony" of Milton Green about 2 months ago and the Lord really imparted to me how His grace can change the most debased and lost people. What really spoke through the video was how God turned the lips of a man unto obedience to Him, how God can use our mouths to glorify Himself! Even though there is a lot of emphasis lost in the audio form of this I thought it would be very edifying to share with the body at SI.

On the same vein of having a transformed heart and lips, here are 2 teachings by Alan Martin that I highly recommend people listen to: Gracious Speech and A Pure Heart. Please do share how these sermons have blessed your walk with the Lord Jesus Christ. Also download this new compilation: All to Jesus - new compilation VERY POWERFUL

I would highly recommend you read these quotes: Holiness Quotes for the Remnant. I am featured this quote on the site from that list: "An unholy church! it is useless to the world, and of no esteem among men. It is an abomination, hells laughter, heavens abhorrence. The worst evils which have ever come upon the world have been brought upon her by an unholy church." - C.H. Spurgeon

Featured Sermon - Personal Testimony

Milton Green shares his personal testimony of being in the darkness away from God and being brought to the light. This testimony is a testimony of Grace! the marvelous freedom that Jesus Christ brings us into by his death and resurrection from the cross. A Powerful story of a transformed life.

Has this sermon impacted your life? share what you think: Add a Comment.

Greg Gordon
SermonIndex.net Moderator

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by A.W. Tozer.

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We languish for men who feel themselves expendable in the warfare of the soul because they have already died to the allurements of this world. Such men will be free from the compulsions that control weaker men. They will not be forced to do things by the squeeze of circumstances. Their only compulsion will come from within - or from above.

This kind of freedom is necessary if we are to have prophets in our pulpits again instead of mascots. These free men will serve God and mankind from motives too high to be understood by the rank and file of religious retainers who today shut

tle in and out of the sanctuary. They will make no decisions out of fear, take no course out of a desire to please, accept no service for financial considerations, perform no religious acts out of mere custom, nor allow themselves to be influenced by the love of publicity or the desire for reputation.

Much that the church - even the evangelical church - is doing today, it is doing because it is afraid not to do it. Ministerial associations take up projects for no higher reasons than that they are scared into it. Whatever their ear-to-the-ground, fear-inspired reconnoitering leads them to believe - or fear - the world expects them to do, they will be doing come next Monday morning with all kinds of trumped-up zeal and show of godliness. The pressure of public opinion calls these prophets, not the voice of Jehovah.

The true church has never sounded out public expectations before launching its crusades. Its leaders heard from God and went ahead wholly independent of popular support or the lack of it. They knew their Lord's will and did it, and their people followed them - sometimes to triumph, but more often to insults and public persecution - and their sufficient reward was the satisfaction of being right in a wrong world.

Another characteristic of the true prophet has been love. The free man who has learned to hear God's voice and dared to obey it has felt the moral burden that broke the hearts of the Old Testament prophets, crushed the soul of our Lord Jesus Christ, and wrung streams of tears from the eyes of the apostles.

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Yes, if evangelical Christianity is to stay alive, it must have men again - the right kind of men. It must repudiate the weaklings who dare not speak out, and it must seek in prayer and much humility the coming again of men of the stuff of which prophets and martyrs are made. God will hear the cries of His people as He heard the cries of Israel in Egypt, and He will send deliverance by sending deliverers. It is His way.

And when the deliverers come - reformers, revivalists, prophets - they will be men of God and men of courage. They will have God on their side because they are careful to stay on God's side. They will be co-workers with Christ and instruments in the hands of the Holy Spirit. Such men will be baptized with the Spirit indeed and through their labors He will baptize others and send the long-delayed revival.

To read the entire sermon go here: [Our MOST CRITICAL NEED](#).

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Quotes on Revival - A.B. Simpson

"The chief danger of the Church today is that it is trying to get on the same side as the world, instead of turning the world upside down. Our Master expects us to accomplish results, even if they bring opposition and conflict. Anything is better than compromise, apathy, and paralysis. God give to us an intense cry for the old-time power of the Gospel and the Holy Ghost!"

"One of the special marks of the Holy Ghost in the Apostolic Church was the spirit of boldness. One of the most essential

I qualities of faith that is to attempt great things for God and expect great things from God, is holy audacity. Where we are dealing with a supernatural Being, and taking from Him things that are humanly impossible, it is easier to take much than a little; it is easier to stand in a place of audacious trust than in a place of cautious, timid clinging to the shore. Likewise, seamen in the life of faith, let us launch out into the deep, and find that all things are possible with God, and all things are possible unto him that believeth."

"A friend ... said, "You were healed by faith." "Oh, no," I said, "I was healed by Christ." What is the difference? There is a great difference. There came a time when even faith seemed to come between me and Jesus. I thought I should have to work up the faith, so I laboured to get the faith. At last I thought I had it; that if I put my whole weight upon it, it would hold. I said, when I thought I had got the faith, "Heal me." I was trusting in myself, in my own heart, in my own faith. I was asking the Lord to do something for me because of something in me, not because of something in Him."

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In this article Tozer is very bold and prophetic about the need in the church, may the men of God rise up and be used of God. May God raise up prophets!

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Re: - posted by Yeshuasboy (), on: 2006/9/1 12:39

Amen :-D

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"...for the scribe tells us what he has read, and the prophet tells what he has seen. The distinction is not an imaginary one. Between the scribe who has read and the prophet who has seen there is a difference as wide as the sea."-AW Tozer, The Pursuit of God.

Thy will be done, Thy kingdom come...
richie

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2006/9/4 16:27

The weight and importance of this article by Tozer is huge! I really hope many can respond to it and read it:

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