

BULLETIN OF THE
CHURCH OF CHRIST
AT
WARNERS CHAPEL

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| I. You may read about it in the Bible.
Rom. 16:16 | III. Its acts of worship are patterned after the New Testament.
John 4:24 |
| II. It speaks where the Bible speaks, is silent where the Bible is silent.
I Pet. 4:11 | IV. It exalts Christ as the <i>only</i> head of the church.— Collossians 1:18 |
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YOU ARE WELCOME AT OUR SERVICES

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By	Class 10:00; Lord's Supper	11:00
The Church of Christ	Preaching Sun. P.M.	7:30
At	Bible Study Wed. P.M. 2:00&	7:30
Warner's Chapel.	Training Class Thur. P.M.	8:00

Financial Report for April

Balance on April 1, 1951-----	\$	70.09
Contributions for April-----		824.85
Total		<u>894.94</u>

Expenditures for April-

Radio Broadcast-----	72.00
Local Preacher-----	325.00
Taylor Oil Co.-----	25.80
L.A. Reynolds Co.(crushed stone for drive)	19.39
Typewriter Repairs-----	20.00
Duke Power Co.-----	6.19
Work at Boone-----	50.00
Telephone-----	5.60
Payment on House-----	100.00
Bank Service Charge-----	1.02
	<u>625.00</u>

Balance on May 1, 1951-----	269.94
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PROPER DISCRIMINATION.

(Hebrews 5:14)

Senses exercised to discern both good and evil. There is an old proverb which says, "Happy is he who properly discriminates." Christians, of all people, must be able to make proper discrimination. This requires wisdom. Jesus taught his disciples to be wise. (Mk. 10:16) In another place, (Luke 16:8) Jesus said the children of the world are wiser than the children of light. Why should this be true? Why should we let this be true? We should excel all others in the use of wisdom. And in order to be children of God in whom he is well pleased, we must make proper discrimination. We must be able to discern good from evil. The text emphasizes it. This is a trait of a Christian who has exercised himself, advanced and grown. Of course, he should be able to recognize all sin specified by name in the Bible. Then, too, there are practices such as dancing not pro-

hibited by name. But we should be able to see the evil connected with it. I once heard of a barber who had hanging on the wall of his shop, the picture of a (NUDE) or PIN UP GIRL. He obeyed the gospel, and having recognized that it was not becoming of a Christian to have such in his place of business, removed the picture. What had he done? He discerned good from evil. A Christian must be able to recognize anything out of harmony with Christianity. Further, they must be able to make distinction between permissible and advisable. Paul discusses this in the Eighth chapter of 1st Cor. We should not always exercise our right. We must not when it causes others "to offend." This has been misused and abused by fanatics. It does not mean that we are to abstain from everything that is objected to by some one. But if our conduct causes another to sin then we should abstain. A Christian should be able to discern truth from error. This requires study. Some can listen to truth and not recognize it as truth, and to error and not recognize it as such. We should be able to recognize error even when it hides behind the piety and humility of its proponent--should detect it even though it is proclaimed with "the tongues of men and of angels." These things, piety, humility, zeal, eloquence, etc., have a tendency to prevent the detection of error. Christians must see through them--must make distinction between character and reputation. Reputation is what people think. Character is what God knows us to be. We must always regard character above reputation. Some guard well their reputation but neglect character. Christians should give attention to character, and reputation will take care of itself. Recognize difference between a mere church member and a Christian. We must be a church member truly, to be a Christian. But we may possibly be a church member and not be a real Christian. The difference might be seen in many ways. The way one treats the "ASSEMBLY OF THE SAINTS," etc. The difference often seen in what we call little things, such as control of one's temper, treatment of the poor, the visiting of the sick and numerous other things. Difference between true philosophy and false philosophy. In the parable of the good Samaritan, (Luke 10: 25-36) we see three philosophies of life

exhibited. (1) The philosophy of the robbers, might makes right, or the iron rule. (2) That of the priest and Levite, "I didn't get him into this, so why should I help" or the silver rule. (3) The golden rule of the Samaritan. This must be the rule followed if we are well pleasing unto God. Have we so exercised our senses as to make proper discrimination between, "good and evil, between permissible and advisable, between truth and error, between character and reputation, between church members and Christians, between true and false philosophy?" If not, then we have failed "MISERABLY" to do what the writer tells us to do.

WORK.

If you are poor--work.

If you are rich--continue to work.

If you are burdened with seemingly unfair responsibilities--work.

If you are happy--keep right on working. Idleness gives room for doubts and fears.

If disappointments come--work.

If sorrows overwhelm you and loved ones seem not true--work.

If health is threatened--work.

When faith falters and reason fails--just work.

When dreams are shattered and hope seems dead--work.

Work as if your life were in peril. It really is.

Whatever happens or matters--work.

Work faithfully--work with faith.

Work is the greatest material remedy available.

Work will cure both mental and physical afflictions.

--The Silent Partner.

We hope to be able to give you a favorable report on the work at Boone and Tamarack, in next weeks bulletin. We feel sure that brother Walker has done, and is doing all possible to advance the cause of Christ in that section. Please speak a few words of encouragement to him about his work. This will be appreciated more than you may imagine. We are delighted to have him with us at Warner's Chapel, and hope that he shall be offered the opportunity to come again, and again.