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AND SHARPER THAN ANY TWOEDGED SWORD...

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LIVING A LIE

In the Old Testament we read of Samson telling a lie.(Judges 16:10) He was trying to protect himself. His enemy still conquered him. (Genesis 3:1 to 24) The serpent lied. Adam lived the lie, tried to blame it on some one else, which did not work. Lev. chapter 19 gives instructions for everyday good living. The 11th verse says not to lie or deal falsely with one another. That is, living a lie. Proverbs 19: 1-9 is about things not to do. If we understand things to do we can profit. Verse 5 says a false witness shall be punished. We can understand a true witness shall be rewarded. Truth and wisdom is much better than speaking lies.(Psalms 78: 32 to 37) Those people lied and lived a lie. Flattery is lying. How sad when we need flattery to feel good.(John 8:44) The devil lies. Do we want to be like him? Acts 5 tells the story of Ananias and Sapphira who lived a lie. In Roman 1:24 Paul tells of men who lied and lived a lie. When we warp the Bible to fit our wants, we lie and live a lie. Doing what we please, just because we please, is living a lie. II Thes. chapter 2 condemns lying and living a lie in any form or fashion. I Tim. 1:10, anyone who is not truthful is lying. I John 1:10, God's word is not in us if we are not facing the fact that we all sin.

In 2:21, We all know the truth; there is no half way, lies are the opposite of truth. Rev. 21:8 and 22:15 shows the end of all that lie and love to live a lie.

There is no way to pretty up a lie. It is still a lie. We cannot tell it several times and make it OK; it is still wrong. We cannot pay someone to believe us and it is all right. No matter how much we like it, if we lie, we lie.

Excerp from a lesson given
at the Church at Yuma, Arizona

"As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country."

We have no words to express our feelings for all the support our friends in Christ have shown us since the loss of our home. We wish there was some way to thank each of you individually, but that's not possible. So please accept these humble words. We can simply say "THANK YOU" and hope and pray we can show our thanks in the years to come. We truly appreciate your financial help, but it is the friendship and love that has strengthened us most. It means so much to know we have Christian friends all over the country, many of whom we have never had the opportunity to meet. Please let us know if we can be of any help to any of you. We are doing well now, thanks to all of our many friends and loved ones. We are truly blessed. For the generous soul who sent his contribution anonymously, we send you a special "THANK YOU" and hope you read this. Once again, thank you to each of you and may the peace of God be with you all.

In Christian Love,
The Richard Jones Family
Richard, Karla, Greg, Amber

Love to the Brotherhood from the Belflower Congregation,

We look back on the summer with great pleasure. Our little gang here is just fine. All are well and busy, with the young folks in school.

We saw the Grand Canyon for the third time, then travelled on to Furnish Canyon for a weeks meeting. We enjoyed visiting with everyone there and had a nice meeting with one being baptized. We then continued on to Missouri to visit briefly with relatives and on to Chesterton for another fine meeting with dear ones there. Great hospitality and fellowship was shown to us everywhere we went. We then attended our meeting here at Bellflower, with Brother Howard McCay as speaker. It was also a great meeting. We want to thank all of our visitors who attended and please don't wait for a meeting to visit us again.

In Christian Love,
Claud and Eunice Perigen,
For the Bellflower Cong.

Sure glad to hear from all the wonderful people that write to the world's finest newspaper. It is time to plan your visit to Yuma. The weather is cooling down, at least at night. Everyone here is rocking along as usual. Sister Arzulla Renick and Bro. and Sister Davis, who all live in Somerton, have been under the weather. We hope and pray they will be able to be in church regularly soon. We still have several who drive the long old road from Roll-Tacna area. We are so glad they can still be at church regularly. We have visitors nearly every Sunday. Some people are still on vacation. God keep you all.

Love from the Church
that meets at 2884 Ave. B
Yuma, Arizona

Dear Brethren,

The congregation that meets at Yakima is continually striving to do the will of the Lord, working in our Lord's vineyard, awaiting his coming.

As the annual season for meetings draws to a close, we are happy to hear of the many successful gospel meetings attended by those of our number. It makes our hearts joyful to know that there are so many others dedicated to the purpose that Christ pursued while here on earth. It is a purpose in which all Christians must continue steadfastly, in order to do our reasonable service for the Lord. We must not look to this winter's inactivity as a time for relaxation. We must look to it as a chance to consider ideas we heard discussed at summer meetings, to reread and study scriptures which time has caused us to forget, to jot down scriptures and reasoning which defends our faith, and to prepare for the meetings that are scheduled for next year, if the Lord wills. For the men, it is an opportunity to get a few lessons ahead and perhaps write several letters to the Courier. Simply because it is cold outside, let's not get cold inside.

The Church at Yakima conducts Lord's Day service on Lord's Day morning at 10:30. We meet again at 6:00 p.m. for an hour of worship and study. We return Wednesday evening at 7:00 for a song service every first Wednesday of the month and chapter study for the remaining Wednesdays. We welsome all who are near to come and meet with us.

We are happy to announce that Bro. Merle McKinney of Yakima and Sister Ola Spence of the Broken Bow / Stilwell area were joined in marriage Oct. 13 in the presence Brothers and Sisters, loved ones, and friends. Good wishes go with them.

We are also happy to announce the baptism of Sister Candie Farley, daughter of Bro. Bob and Sis. Wilma Farley of the Yakima Congregation. Candie is beginning her walk with the Lord at age nine. May all that associate with her teach her what she needs to learn and set a good example for her to follow.

Another reminder to those having a little vacation time left. Balmy Yakima has yet to host our fall meeting. Mark your calendars for November 19-26 during which time Bro. Al Way will speak. We are all looking forward to that meeting.

Therefore, by beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

Bro. Dan Ross
Yakima Congregation

BAPTISMS

Candie Farley, nine year old daughter of Bro. Bob and Sis. Wilma Farley, Yakima, on September 17, 1978.

MARRIAGE

Brother Merle McKinney and Sister Ola Spence on Oct. 13, 1978.

MEETINGS

Yakima, Washington	November 19-26	Bro. Al Way
Modesto, California	July 8-15	Camp
Yakima, Washington	1980	Camp

FEET

Whose foot was once crushed against a wall by an animal? Num. 22:25
Who was "light of foot as a wild roe"? 2 Sam. 2:18
Who had 12 toes and 12 fingers? 2 Sam. 21:20
From what book did Satan quote the following passage, "They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone"? 91:12
Who gave this wise advice: "Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbor's house; lest he be weary of thee, and so hate thee"? Prov. 25:17
Why did the Jews look upon swine as "unclean," though they "divided the hoof, and be cloven-footed"? Lev. 11:7
Who was Jonathan's son who was lame in his feet? 2 Sam. 4:4
Which O.T. prophet foretold concerning Jesus, "His feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives"? 14:4