

Bible Lessons Learned at Christian Schools

Psalm 15:1-5

- ⊕ I became a Christian on July 16, 1968; almost immediately afterward I went off to school to be a preacher.
- ⊕ Compared to the “preacher boys” I was grouped with, I knew very little factual information about the Bible, and was totally ignorant of any church “traditions.”
- ⊕ I was naïve, idealistic, and bristling with rough edges, but I loved Jesus more than anything else.
- ⊕ From those beginnings I have attended three Christian schools and have taught in one; lessons learned in these associations are at the core of my present makeup.

Naiveté or Childlike Trust (Matt. 18:1-3)?

- ⊕ Rex Turner (Jn. 1:47).
- ⊕ Franklin Camp (I Tim. 1:15).
- ⊕ Preaching and performance (I Cor. 2:1-2; Jn. 5:43-44).
- ⊕ Accreditation and the “Paper Chase” (I Cor. 1:21, 26-29).
- ⊕ Family (I Cor. 12:12-27).

Applications

- ⊕ Truth frees (Jn. 8:31-32).
 - ⊕ The seekers are out there, but ... (Jn. 5:43-44).
 - ⊕ Christians make the church; the church doesn’t make Christians (I Pet. 2:5).
 - ⊕ Jesus “talks,” not money, not anything else (Matt. 17:5).
 - ⊕ Simple commitment rules (I Jn. 1:7).
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- ⊕ Some of my greatest moments as a Christian have been experienced in Christian schools; I would not trade them for anything.
 - ⊕ Some of my greatest frustrations were also found there; good and better must not prevent best.

- ⊕ When we venture out to do a work, let us consider that the Lord does not need worldly compromises to win His victories; His wisdom is found in very unlikely places.

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