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Dear Friends,
Someone once asked George Mueller the secret of his fruitful service to the Lord. Mueller replied, "There was a day when I *died*—*died* to

George Mueller, his opinions, preferences, tastes and will; *died* to the world, its approval or censure; *died* to the approval or blame even of my brethren or friends; and since then I have studied only to show myself approved unto God."

In I Corinthians 15:31, the Apostle Paul wrote, "...I die daily." Was he committing spiritual suicide? No. Rather, he had determined that he must daily offer himself—his will, ambition, goals, etc.—all things were made subordinate to the will of God for his life.

It's not easy to deny ourselves and choose God's way above our own. But it is the best and most rewarding way to experience His blessings.

Such devotion is what separates the involved Christian from the dedicated Christian. This is perhaps best illustrated by an eggs-and-ham breakfast, in which the chicken and the pig both provide their share in the meal. *While the chicken was involved, the pig was committed.*

God is looking for committed servants to carry out His work—He isn't looking for the talented and able-bodied; He just wants the humble and willing, for *He will make them able. Don't get involved; get committed!* Do it today! *Christian, have you died yet?*

Your brother in Christ,

Rev. Larry W. Edwards

Message Highlights:

- ✓ "You're not a garbage dump; don't let people dump their garbage on you! Avoid it."
—Sunday School: *A Positive Life*
- ✓ "It's not enough to *know* the Word of God; *you must live it!*"
—Sermon: *Spiritual Leaders*
- ✓ "Christianity is not a sick, sour lifestyle that is meant to be tolerated at best. It is an incredible, adventurous journey in which redeemed, forgiven people live like their Master, the Lord Jesus Christ."—Sunday School: *Now That You're Hired, What About Your Commitment to the Job?*
- ✓ "Problems are situations engineered by God to bring us face to face with our deficiencies so that we might view His sufficiency as our only alternative."—Dr. David Jeremiah, quoted in Sunday School: *Jesus and Our Storms!*
- ✓ "Make God's plan your own, and your life will be rewarding."
—Sunday School: *What Am I Living For?*
- ✓ "The assurance of victory ought to influence how you play the game." —Sunday School: *Now That You're Hired, What About Your Commitment to the Job?*
- ✓ "God trains His children for dependence, rather than independence." —Sunday School: *Jesus and Our Storms!*

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Special Mention:

- *Keep listening* for Pastor Edwards' weekly advertising segments on AM 1160, WYLL! Be sure to tune in on Thursdays and Fridays.
- Please continue to pray for Bibleway in the exciting year ahead. Your prayers are invaluable to our success as a ministry.
- Our Annual Musical Extravaganza is coming up soon on the date April 26, 2008! It will be held at the Prospect Christian Church.
- Please join us for Bible Class on Tuesday from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Prospect Christian Church as we continue our study on *David, A Man After God's Own Heart*.
- Currently our Sunday Morning services are taken from the book of Titus. Pastor Edwards has just concluded an exciting 3-part series: *Applications for the Christian Life*, addressing God's plan for mature men, women, and youth.
- Join the Bibleway Ministries Church family, March 21st for Good Friday Service at 7:00 p.m. Come and hear Pastor Edwards and a host of other great preachers as they preach the "*Seven Last Words*." Visit our web-site for details.

The Message Behind the Ministry...

As a young man, D.L. Moody was called upon suddenly to preach a funeral sermon. He hunted all through the four Gospels trying to find one of Christ's funeral sermons, but searched in vain. He found that Christ broke up every funeral He ever attended. Death could not exist where He was. When the dead heard His voice, they sprang to life.

Jesus is Life. Without Him, we cannot receive *eternal* life. Without Him, we cannot enjoy *abundant* life. He is the Common Denominator of all that we know to be good and true. Romans 6:23 tells us: "...But the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" [emphasis added].

Do you long for this eternal life in Heaven? You can only enter on God's terms. God, Who is perfect, demands absolute righteousness for access to Heaven. No one can meet such a high standard, regardless of personal merit.

But God loved us enough to take our penalty (death) upon Himself so that we might have new life in Him! Trust in Him today!

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