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Jan 11, 80 A.M. - 30th of 10 - Rusty's 1st Sunday - Revival
 Jan 27, 85 Freemason - new Pastor
 June 30, 85 Reelright Heights - Napim at Potten
 Aug 18, 85 Great Bridge 40 yrs ordained - 8:30 A.M. v
 Aug 25, 85 Kemptville 7:30 P.M.
 June 29, 86 Princess Anne Tenn. - 11 A.M. 62 yrs - Homecoming
 Feb 15, 87 So. Noy - P.M. v
 Dec 27, 87 Britton P.M. v
 Nov 20, 88 Taylor Rd A.M. v
 Dec 11, 88 Bishop of Amelch off Spring
 Nov 25, 90 Grove Park A.M. v
 Feb 5, 95 Lake Drummond A.M. v

statue of Liberty - Holding Torch High
 woman - held torch high

HOLD UP HIS HANDS
 Exodus 17

1. The Rock

V. 1 - Traveled across vast expanses.

Camped "a place of rest" - but no water.

Rept - 1 - dim

V. 2 - (Murmured) They expected to find water. Streams were dry. Lack of the ordinary things of life - no water - they lacked bread a few days before.

Man is never free of trials.

Hunger was met with manna. 16:35

V. 3 - Accuse Moses - give us water, blame Moses. Cruel for them to do such a thing. He was seeking their freedom. He was their leader.

What do you mean by leading us into a place that we cannot even get water from?

V. 4 - Difficult thing for people to leave the old life and begin a new one.

But things change - the paint chips and wears away; the floors are scratched; the springs in the couch sag; the battery wears out in the car, the T. V. tube gives up; the office equipment machines need repair; the old washer wears out, tire on the car wears out, the shoes wear out; even your teeth begin to go one at a time. It takes a little longer to fill up the wrinkles with make up, the hair pulls a disappearance act. Some man said he struggled hard to keep ends together and about the time he got them to meet, somebody

Reporter asked - "100 yr old man", "To what do you attribute your long life?"
 old man: "well, I don't rightly know yet. I'm clicking with two Breakfast Food companies"

V. O. Auffman described in his book a happiness machine. This contraption produced happiness in spite of rainy weather, sinus trouble, and other distasteful things. Unfortunately this machine caught fire and burned up, 'it also took his garage

Israelites, like this man desired to (preserve unreality.) They wanted the old days to come back.

As today people want better hours, pay increases, they cried against Moses and God.

How was the need met?

Unlikely source - a rock - who would expect clear bright water from a rock. Possibility of the things around us.

V. 6 - Take rod - smite - fountain, unceasing.

Some - Rock moved with them.

Rock remained and water followed the congregation.

I Cor. 10:2-4

Paul says that the fathers did all eat of the same spiritual meat, referring to the manna. And did drink the same spiritual drink, the water from the smitten rock. He says that that rock was Christ.

It was before the rock the people stumbled.

V. 7 We like Israel many times are as pioneers of old longings, old plans unsatisfied, old hurts.

Who would have predicted water from a rock?

2. The Record

V. 8 - Battle between good and evil - then came.

Some people can never live in peace and let the children of God pass on in rest.

Foes came secretly upon Israel.

The people were undrilled in warfare. They were unarmed - weapons limited.

Satan came to interrupt life - poverty - sickness - prosperity.

V. 9 - Tomorrow - start on top of the hill with the rod.

Good people cannot retreat from the progress of sin.

Joshua was to gather the best men for the conflict.

Two great leaders - Joshua going to the battle - Moses on the hill in prayer.

V. (10) - During the battle somebody had better pray. We can trace most of our moral victories to intercession.

V. (11) - Moses - Leader (held up his hands) - congregation of Israel won! Form of Cross
Hard work - demanding work - exhausting work - Moses let his hands down. Amalek won!

Point up leader.

James - somebody has to be leader - punch horn, Orbach - " " " " " " " " " " " "

Can push - pull - plan - promote - hammer, and pound, sign 'em up, pin 'em down, and then hope that half of them will do what they promised.

(1st Century) Christians did not have all the leaders and ministers we have today.

Yet people witnessed, worked, and won multitudes of other people.

Is it that we have thought so little about the Holy Spirit.

A one man team has never accomplished as much as a group of people who are dedicated to reaching some goal - Billy Graham is greatly used of God, however, the team spirit and team working produces results. The team spirit gets the job done in the shop. Respect for leaders is rewarding.

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Edison Company - Detroit - survey of 100 firms.

Vice-President level understood about 66% of what they hear.

General Supervisor understood about 55%.

Men at the Plant Manager level understood about 40%.

Men on the Production line understood about 20%.

Therefore to do effective work, there must be team spirit.

Workmen must listen to leaders and understand the objectives.

A retired Pastor said -- "If I had my ministry to live over, I would give more time to enlisting others to serve, instead of trying to do it all myself".

No leaders can do it all - no way possible. Some may be weak and stumble or unskilled but we depend upon others to assist.

Moses was doing his best - things advise leader to give his best.

Secret - Leader cannot carry the whole battle.

V. 12 - Hands heavy.

(Leader) prayer, encourages, plans, studies hard, heart heavy, burden for people, physical man gets tired - spirit willing, flesh weak.

✓ They took a stone and he sat down upon it.

✓ They held up his hands.

✓ They held them steady.

✓ They stuck by until end - darkness.

✓ They were faithful - terrible time in our churches trying to keep people faithful and loyal.

We try to reward them and coax them in doing things they don't want to do but which they (would do if they loved God)

The only service that counts is faithful service and that issues from the love of Christ.

Not every one can sing or preach but all can be faithful.

A nybody can hold up the hands of the leader - not much glamour in it - folks prefer to be flashy like rockets and come down like rocks.

✓ God's work not done by trickery, hocus, pocus, or slight of hand - now you see it - now you don't.

Hard to interest people in faithfulness. Even Christians want to be entertained at church.

God's Word has much to say about steadfast.

Vance Hayner - Too many pop corn Christians. Popping all over the place. Restless Christians move from church to church, from preacher to preacher, always getting right and never getting right - ever learning and never able to come to the knowledge of truth.

Some are always laying foundations, but never building thereon.

Others are "hypodermic saints" living on shots of religious excitement instead of growing normally by food, rest, and exercise.

It is required of a steward that he be found faithful.

*Haggai told seminar on Matt 23:23-24
Plan at least 2-4 Comm letters each yr.
don't take my life in Sept 4, 5 M -
Simnick's - good
Image (and) - don't hear anyone
About my min. journey!
re-scheduled the time
my hour -*

Many will support a radio preacher at a distance which is well enough in its place, but will not help a man of God in their own community.

Are you faithful - the Judge is coming and he will reward every man according to his work.

Moses must be supported by Aaron, and Hur.

Two are better than one.

~~Must~~ must be supported - congregation must hold up his hands.

Must bear one another's burdens.

The lone member of the church can become an important part in strengthening Moses.

All can do something towards the ultimate victory.

Energy of one aids to the strength of the leader.

Joshua and the armed members of Israel should fight their best.

But there was praying to be done! Something for every one to do.

Joshua must fight, Moses must continue to plead, and encourage the people and others must hold up his hands.

But you say I cannot fight like Joshua - but you can stand by the leader. You say I can't plead like Moses - you can hold up his hands.

Simple illustration - man said, "I will go down in the well if you will hold the rope".

This is what members can do for the leaders - hold the rope of prayer.

Let them know that you are with them. Hold up his hands in the church; in the community, wherever you go, speak a good word.

I read of a Preacher who said to one of his members, "You have not been faithful to me since I have been pastor of this church".

The man said why?

"No man has heard me say one word against you".

Preacher said, No - I'm not talking about that. You have paid part of my salary, you helped in other ways.

Then why do you say I've been unfaithful to you?

Preacher said, you have not held up my hands as a leader of the church. You have something more to do than simply refraining from criticising the Pastor.

You as an officer in the church should hold up the hands of the leader through prayer.

Wishing Well - story old man told to wife, & Texas to a Wishing Well! They looked over, looking down, kept looking & looking & looking - finally the wife fell in - The old man said, "Story, the thing Really Does Work!"

Become enthusiastic about your church and leaders. A good enthusiastic salesman can sell boats in a desert, soap to Hippies, if he has enthusiasm.

We need to get excited about Christ and what he has to offer and what we are doing in our church.

Show more enthusiasm for washing powder and floor wax than we do for Christ.

It is so odd, "Right Guard" is the best thing that has happened to us.

Learn to get excited about your church - Following Christ is the greatest thrill in the Christians life.

What did supporting the leader result in?

V. 14 - First, God said write this down for a Memorial. Something to be an example. *we write history in ch*
S. A. Playa - write it for the book, read by Bible, add to it other writings

Second, God said Rehearse in the ears of all the workers) Something to talk about - told how God's people stood with their leaders and won a victory. Good news,

all the people were workers! Aid your memory. *all joined in 1988, something rehearse in ears of how S.S. workers, the officers, deacons,*

*2-Proof
2-Record
III. Results*

Pastor's Pen

Capt. Thomas Worse was a man with three miracles. He lived in Norfolk, Virginia, and his body was laid to rest in 1897 in Elmwood Cemetery. At the top of his head stone is a sketch of the boat house where he lived. Also, these words — "I've anchored my soul in the haven of rest, I sail the wild seas no more. The tempest may sweep o'er the wild stormy deep . . . But in Jesus I'm safe evermore."

He had been a cripple since he was four years old, due to a fall from a gate post, which left him paralyzed from his waist down, so that he never walked another step in all the remaining fifty-six years of his life. His parents were never able to do much for him.

With no one to care for him, he grew up to be wicked. A friend took him to church one day, but in some way he got the idea church people were "making fun" of him because of his affliction. He was offended and refused to return to church.

Though he could not walk a step, yet he had a strong body — a good spine, and active arms and hands. He did not want to go to the alms house, yet he must make a living for himself. At length he met Capt. C. M. Cruser, a business man in the community. Mr. Cruser employed him as a cook on one of his oyster boats, giving him ten dollars and board a month. This gave him a start. The first year he saved \$110. Mr. Cruser undertook to teach him to read, but he failed utterly. He gave him a chance to make good wages by offering him a job "tonging" oysters. At last he found a life-time occupation and spent the rest of his life in the oyster business. Capt. Cruser gave him some "oyster grounds" and he went into business for himself. He had a house boat built, and lived there for

years.

One of the miracles in his life was his conversion. God reached his heart and he became a happy Christian. They put him in a chair and carried him down into the water and he was baptized.

The second miracle — he requested Capt. Cruser to purchase a Bible for him. One day the Capt. observed Capt. Worse with the Bible open before him. "What are you doing?" I am reading my Bible. "How did you learn to read?" The crippled man, looking up into the face of his friend said: "The Lord taught me how to read it." He could never read anything but the Bible, but he learned its contents.

The third miracle — how would a man living on a house boat get drinking water? One of his neighbors kindly brought him water from time to time. But the neighbor moved away. Capt. Worse made it a matter of prayer, asking the Lord to show him how his needs could be supplied. After praying he felt moved to get into his boat and go along the shore, hoping to find a spring near enough the water's edge for him to reach with an ordinary dipper. He moved by impulse to dig under an oak tree. Soon the water began to run and he found a supply of good fresh water as long as he lived.

Rev. J. Pressley Barrett used this striking text at the memorial service, "He did eat continually at the King's table, and he was lame in both of his feet." 2 Sam. 9:13.

Though Capt. Worse lived in a very limited circle, an isolated life, yet his influence was far reaching. At death he instructed all his accumulated wealth be used in helping the needy poor of his county.

Miracles Happen Every
NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING

Ray Sunday, *last Sunday* November 13

little girl 6:45 P. M. *I have some thing*

for you "Hand, *hold*
up to me, will you give this to both
me - smile - release. *Roller*, *Roll* -

your 10 - Release of 70 10/11

W.M.W. Members, Choir Members. Hold up the Hands of
Dr. [unclear] & The Pastor - great Blessings.

VII

Third, God said, Satans block ades broken. ("I will utterly put
out the remembrance of Amalek (evil one) from under Heaven". Blot out.

Enemies

the enemy of [unclear]

My good people, this day join in the great conflict.

The promise was completely fulfilled when Esther was Oyeen - Haman,

the Amalekite was put to the gallow which he erected for Mordecai. "I will

blot out". Primary Function of the Church - Redemptive - Get on course - Ch. Coast of Eng.

Fire destroyed - Pastor & People no money - Every effort ask - no money - we will Bld - all our ships sail 7 seas
Have spirit of [unclear] on its charts - if we don't get back all our ships will be lost - Must get ch. back
Carnal flesh will block even the best leaders. Discouragements - testing -
Discouragement in troubled times

Satan did not want Israel to prosper. He does not want his church to prosper in
Spiritual things, He will try in every way to get the church divided, to retard
the progress, to hinder the leaders, to promote misunderstandings, etc.

IV

v. 16 Fourth, God said, the young People are to confront the same issues.

you have same conflict - Satan, Oppose you.

Strife with Amalek continue from generation to Generation - until blotted

out! The Pastor is interested in youth - There is a place for youth!

Therefore, work of God needs new workers to enter the battle. Amalek

will trouble you.

Assume your place.

- 1. Prayer - Don't criticize him talk to God about him.
 - 2. Cooperation with him
 - 3. Encouraging them - How long with Pastor had expressed gratitude for his ministry
 - 4. Loyalty - Barham
- Moses stood with divine [unclear] hand - Finerman can win victory
- Books

Often we remember last words.

Last sermon Robert Pleasant - "Every man stood in his place".

Where are you standing. Joy to know as God looks down today, I'm in
my place, I'm with my lord, His Church & lifting hands of Pastor & Min. of Ch.
If the lord should return today, would he find you in your place?

4 years ago - large dept. store. My wife inquired of the manager about
special item. Then ask if he attended church - No. If he was a Christian - No.

But his father and mother attended.

Made this shocking observation.

A coincident that you should ask me about my church relationship today.

Because today, my wife left home! Took the small child with her.

Sum -- "That was my problem, I have left God out of my life, I have
left the church out". Being held Hostage to Satan! Freedom -

I am going to begin and carry the other children to S. S. Marvellous, Parents

Stand by church & lift up hands leader - God Promises Blessings

Lord my Banner
V. 15
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Moses Built Altar
Heard - I loved Mes si
Jed. My Beacon - [unclear]
[unclear] - [unclear]
[unclear] - [unclear]

Capt Thomas Warse

1897

3 months
Add [unclear]
[unclear]

his hands"—hands that were *helping*, and *healing*, and *holy*.

B. "I Have No Hands But Yours" ✓

During the closing months of World War II a group of American soldiers set about to rebuild a partially destroyed cathedral in one of the bombed-out towns of southern Europe. They began their task with a generous amount of zeal and zest, and in short order they were able to reconstruct the walls and roof, restore the stained-glass windows, and replace the pews. One soldier had been assigned the job of repairing, as best he could, a life-sized white marble statue of Christ that had stood at the front of the church. Not being able to find the hands of the figure in the rubble, he was about to admit failure and throw the statue on the rubbish heap outside. Then he was struck by a flash of inspiration. He found a white rectangle of cardboard, tied the ends of a length of string to two corners of the rectangle, and hung the cardboard around the neck of the statue. Then he tenderly set the statue in its honored place at the front of the cathedral. On the cardboard he wrote these words: "I HAVE NO HANDS BUT YOURS."

One final question during this Labor Day weekend: Does Jesus Christ have *your* hands?



Reflections

Can't you see the wood fire burning in the old iron box stove
And the old gas lamps a hanging
With their cheery rosy glows
And the preacher man a preaching on mans greatest foe,
The evils of the devil, and the fires down below.

Can't you hear the music playing of the organ in the air
And picture all the people a singing gathered there.
Don't you kind of get a longing and a wish
That you'd been there
A Kneeling and a praying a century or so ago.
To have shared the tears and laughter
The happiness and woe.
Many of our kinfolk, through these doors have come
Seeking out the will of God as a pattern for their life.
Today we pay them tribute for all their toils and strife.

We know our church is changing
Its ways and looks are new
But still the old foundation
That some old-timers laid
Remains the cornerstone of all
The progress that's been made.

Pauline Dunton Walker