

Clergy Comments

# Am I expendable?

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It doesn't work again!  
Are those words you have spoken, perhaps in anger or frustration over some household article as a can-opener, pen, your car, or a personal belonging of some kind? When this happens, we are tempted to throw things away.

It happens often enough, even in this sophisticated age with all its modern technology. Things just don't always work perfectly, or for as long as we believe they should. Whether it's due to a wear factor, or a human factor, we still experience it. For those things that do perform well, we are of course grateful.

People often do not work perfectly either. Physically our bodies are an excellent and perfectly designed mechanism. In good health, they should work commendably. The Psalm writer rejoices in this when he

declares: "I will praise Thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Thy works; and that my soul knoweth well." (Ps. 139:14). However, in the performance of our regular tasks and in our human relationships, our lives show certain flaws. People may not be on time when they need to be, may not do their daily work efficiently enough, tire out, be dishonest in their dealings with others, try to cover up a wrong, offend others—often those close or dear to them, not measure up to what they say—not be dependable, and in the extreme, even be offensive.

It is at this point that we become subject to the scrutiny of society, and can become termed either "acceptable" or "unacceptable." To be accepted is one of our basic human needs, - whether by our families, our employers, our friends, or others. When we are no longer acceptable, to these, we may be in danger of being unacceptable to ourselves also. Some people then no longer care about anything and suffer terrible depression.

A word from God through His holy scriptures should reassure us that we count very much with Him. First, let us not downgrade our lives, bodies, or the world in which we live. God's Word says: "and God saw that it was good" with regard to all that He made at creation, and also, "He hath done all things well" (Mark 7:37) in all His dealings with mankind. What is more

with God, people are never a "throw-away" or "disposable" commodity. Quite the opposite. This is so much so that we find that in the eternal love of God, each person is so precious that He sent His only Son, Jesus Christ, to suffer and die on the cross of Calvary (John 3:16) that people would have blessing, peace, and joy, in this life, and also in the eternal life.

Our imperfections, insufficiencies, and disobediences show that we are far from the perfect article, whether we are husband, wife, student, labourer, or whatever our lot in life. Our sins have made us so. Thankfully, God doesn't just discard us, even though we deserve it. His patience, and love are present every day to help us. Believing in Him, through Jesus Christ, we have a life, and a purpose in living to serve God and our fellow man. To reject God and His help, is to leave us in our human dilemma, and to experience ultimate rejection. To love Him and to believe in Him through Christ, is to tap into His almighty power, love and grace for all of life.

## Lions select a lucky winner



THE FIRST OF A SERIES OF DRAWS by the Lions Club of Georgetown was held last week at the home of Lions Club President Ron Lacey. Five tickets were chosen, each worth \$10. Pulling the winning ticket are (from left) Ed Hreickha, Ron Lacey, and Richard Succce.

The \$10 winners in the May 5 Lions Club Lottery were: 80, Brian Armstrong, Toronto; 279, Joe Balson, Georgetown; 59, Claudette Caldwell, Georgetown; 9, Earl Emond, Glen Williams and 283, Ken Kidd Georgetown.

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11 a.m. - Choral Eucharist  
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# Halton councillors don't think as a region

Despite having 16 months of regional government under their belts regional councillors are still thinking, and voting, as four separate municipalities. Oakville Councillor Terry Mannell, levelled that charge at last Wednesday's regional council meeting in Burlington.

The result of this individual thinking, continued Councillor Mannell, is that regional planning is grinding to a halt. He made his statements following regional council's refusal to accept a planning board motion to hire consultants for two regional studies. One study was a housing policy development review for Halton costing \$45,000 and the other was a regional transportation system study design costing \$5,000.

Consulting firms for both studies had been selected by the planning committee. Regional chairman Allan Mason termed the refusals by council "a serious blow" to the committee's work on an official plan for Halton. Councillor Mannell, explaining the need for the studies, pointed out that each would provide needed information for a regional official plan.

Speaking against the motion to hire consultants Halton Hills Councillor Ric Morrow noted that the terms of reference for the housing study, in particular, were too loose. "We

don't know what we want. The consultants don't know what we want. And I don't think we would know what to do with the information once we had it."

Another objection came from Councillor Jack Rafits of Burlington. Terming the housing study "completely immature at this time" Councillor Rafits commented "Before it's even tabled it would be out of date." The only way to keep it up-to-date, he said, would be to retain consultants to revise it annually.

"This decision," Councillor Mannell commented following the vote against the transportation study, "has virtually emasculated the transportation advisory committee." Continuing he said, "We now have to consider whether we have any function at all."

"The philosophy of regional planning is something that council as a whole must accept philosophically," he warned council. "What we have done with this vote is to vote as four separate municipalities and

not as a region as a whole. "I don't even see this kind of attitude during my one year on county council."

Councillor Ric Morrow replied that a vote against the regional study was not a vote against regional planning. "Maybe we have to change our approach to planning to a little less consulting and a little more actual work."

**CORRECTION**

Through a typesetting & proofreading error in last week's Georgetown District Christian School Advertisement, the following line appeared "Registration of New Members". This should have read

**"REGISTRATION OF NEW STUDENTS"**

Apologies to all concerned for our error. A further Registration Period will be announced in August, prior to school opening.

## Local citizens on Halton TB-RD executive

A number of Halton Hills residents have been named to the board of directors of the Halton Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association.

Among the local residents on the board are Keith Barber, Dr. J. H. Chamberlain, Mrs. Pamela Sturgess all of Georgetown; Horace Blyth and Bert Hinton of Acton; Mrs. E. Sandford of Limehouse.

The board was elected at the association's recent annual meeting at which a number of 1974 reports on the association's activities were presented.

One report showed that of a total of 231 appointments sent for chest clinics held in Georgetown last year only 126 were kept of which 80 were returning as follow-ups to previous check-ups.

The Halton TB association reported that 15 suspected and active cases of tuberculosis were discovered in the region last year.

To carry on their work in diagnosing and treating TB in Halton the association last year raised over 170,000 from public donations with a large part of that coming during the annual Christmas Seals campaign.

**Seniors**

The week of June 15 to 21 has been officially declared "Senior Citizens Week" in Halton Hills. Council unanimously voted in favor of the special designation last week.

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