

Difficult to Retain Teachers in One-Room School - Inspector

District Inspector, Mr. Archie Archibald told trustees and ratepayers from fifteen school sections in North Pickering Twp. that it was becoming increasingly difficult to retain teachers in today's rural public schools. Mr. Archibald addressed a meeting in the Brougham Community Hall on Wednesday evening of last week. The gathering was called to discuss the advisability of forming two areas. There was mixed feeling among the trustees regarding such a plan.

Mr. Archibald explained that, due to inadequate accommodation in the one and two-room schools, teachers seldom remained more than one year. He noted that this problem had been

remedied in some sections by the hiring of a married teacher residing in the district. He said that the formation of an Area Board would permit the alteration of boundaries as the population fluctuates, thus relieving the attendance load on many now-crowded schools. He explained that retarded children could be given special attention by being placed in one class or classes at one school.

The Area Board or Boards, if organized, would comprise all sections north of concession 3 to the Uxbridge-Pickering town line. There are approximately 791 students in this area. If two separate Areas were formed, the rough boundary would

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The Sunday School Lesson

ORGANIZATION OF THE CHURCH
(Lesson for January 25)
Acts 6; 20; Rom. 12; 1 Tim. 3

GOLDEN TEXT — Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. — Acts 20:28.

THE LESSON AS A WHOLE

Approach to the Lesson
Most organizations of any size and efficiency have their personnel offices. A director of personnel is a very important officer in any firm or institution. Not only must he determine the general fitness of an applicant for employment with his company but he must also discover the special aptitudes of the applicant, to determine where he would render the best service. If his preference and abilities do not match, the personnel director will steer him in the direction of his talents rather than in the direction of his wishes.

Now it is no sin for a Christian to desire office in the church, provided his aim is really to serve God and not to exalt himself. But it is not his prerogative to say what office he will hold. He should apply to the personnel director, the Lord Himself, discover what gift has been bestowed upon Him for the service of the church, and willingly serve where that gift would be most in operation.

We must not forget, however, that more than aptitudes are involved in the work of the church of Christ. Even more important than ability is character. In other words, the qualifications are moral and spiritual as well as intellectual and social. The great Personnel Director of the church has published these moral and spiritual qualifications for the guidance of His people. If we ignore them, we invite disaster; but if we are guided by them, it will be for the health of the whole church.

This week's lesson presents this whole question of qualifications, on both aptitude and character sides. It is therefore one of the most important lessons in the field of ecclesiastical operation.

Verse by Verse
Rom. 12:3 — "... the grace

given unto me ... not to think ... more highly than he ought ... think soberly ... the measure of faith." Here is a play on the word "phronemai" (to think) and two compounds, "hyperphronemai" (to over think) and "sophronemai" (to be rational or to think soberly). Thinking is a moral act in which we are to avoid high-mindedness and cultivate sobriety.

Verse 4 — "... many members in one body ... not the same office." Keep in mind both the number and diversity of the members and the unity of the body. "Office" might better be rendered "function" here.

Verse 5 — "... one body in Christ ... members one of another." The comparison of a social community to a body is not confined to the Bible, but here it rises to its fullest meaning. Being fellow members of the one body makes us members of each other.

Verse 6 — "... gifts ... grace ... prophecy ... the proportion of faith." The "grace" given to Paul was apostolic authority. The "grace" given to us is the bestowal of a gift of ministry. There are quite a few references to the gift of prophecy in the early church, but with the completion of the New Testament Scriptures it would seem to be less needed, and was largely withdrawn.

Verse 7 — "... ministry ... teaching." "Ministry" is a general term, covering any type of service in the church. It is related to "deacon." There is nothing in the original to parallel "let us wait on," but something must be supplied, and the A.S.V. suggests, "let us give ourselves to our ministry." Whatever we add must also be understood with respect to teaching.

Verse 8 — "... exhortation ... simplicity ... diligence ... cheerfulness." The reference to exhorting should be a part of verse 7, as it carries the same incomplete construction. The giving, the ruling, the showing mercy are qualified by adverbial phrases. The word translated "cheerfulness" gives us "hilarity." Compare 2 Corinthians 9:7.

1 Tim. 3:1 — "... the office of a bishop ... a good work." Bishop signifies "overseer."

Verse 2 — "... blameless, the husband of one wife ... sober ... apt to teach." "Husband of one wife" means not a bigamist. "Sober" means "abstaining from wine, either entirely, or at least from its immoderate use." Chaucer says of the parson in "Canterbury Tales," "And gladly would he learn, and gladly teach." So here.

Verse 3 — "Not given to wine ... filthy lucre ... not covetous." The A.S.V. has "no brawler" for "not given to wine." The word describes one who sits long beside his wine. "Filthy lucre" refers to money. See 1 Timothy 6:10.

Verse 4 — "... ruleth well his own house ... The old proverb that 'cobblers' bairns are worst shod' must not hold with respect to the children of elders of the church.

Verse 5 — "... his own house ... the church of God?" Undisciplined children are a proof that a man is not qualified to oversee the flock of God.

Verse 6 — "Not a novice, lest ... he fall ..." Pride was the Devil's downfall, and it has been the downfall of many a young Christian too hastily catapulted to a place of leadership.

Verse 7 — "... good report." See 1 Corinthians 10:32; Col. 4:5; 1 Thess. 4:12. The public testimony of a church officer is a matter of highest importance.

Verse 8 — "... the deacons ... grave, not doubletongued ... not greedy of filthy lucre." For "grave" read "honourable." "Not given to much wine" refers

here to the mental attitude that induces intemperance. Not greedy of filthy lucre, is a different expression from verse 3, and refers to grasping shameful gains.

Verse 9 — "... a pure conscience." "The faith" is the body of truth which is to be held sincerely — not using orthodox words with heterodox meaning.

Verse 10 — "... let these also first be proved ..." Untried men have no right to hold office in the church, but only those whose fidelity has been proved.

The Heart of the Lesson
"By grace are ye saved through faith," says the Apostle Paul in his letter to the Ephesians (2:8). This is not only true of our accomplished salvation, which enables us to say, "I am saved," but it is equally true of the progressive aspect of our salvation. Every step onward to perfection is by grace, through faith. The same holds good with respect to our place of service and the service we render. It is all by grace, through faith. In our lesson Paul speaks of the grace given him (Rom. 12:3) and of the grace given us (v. 6), in both places with reference to ministry committed to him and to us. In the same relation he speaks of the "measure of faith" given to each man, and of the proportion of faith which determines the ministry (v. 6).

Exactly these are the two principles which rule out boasting. Grace operates in the presence of need, helplessness, unworthiness, while even our faith is not a meritorious practice on our part, but a gift from God. High-mindedness, then, is completely out of place in the Christian church. We are all members of the one body of Christ, each of us fulfilling his own particular function in that body. Now the members of our physical body do not contend for pre-eminence, the one regarding itself as superior to the other. They all simply fulfill their several functions, so contributing to the total life and welfare of the body. So it must be in the church. Each one of us should discover his particular task as a member of the body, and give himself wholeheartedly to the accomplishment of that ministry, without thought of its relative dignity and importance.

Even places of leadership are not for self-glorification, but lay heavy responsibilities on those called to fill them, and for that reason the qualifications are exacting. When the high offices of the church are occupied by men who lack the spiritual qualifications, disaster follows for the whole church. The Holy Spirit has given us, through the Apostle Paul, clear directions in this matter of electing bishops and deacons.

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