

(To carry all the things)

THREE THINGS

WE CANNOT DO WITHOUT

~~What Must I do To Be Saved~~
~~Act 16~~

ILL: Dog Scratcher

ILL: Farm boy in New York City.

"I have never seen so
many things I could
get along without."

ILL: When I was a boy.

— Amazed how many things
you can do without.

~~---~~ The Bible says there are
at least three things you
can't do without

~~---~~ if you are going to find
'fulfillment' in life. . . .
And Eternal Life

1. "Without the shedding of
blood there is no forgive-
ness" (Heb. 9:22b, NEB).

ILL: During Red Guard revolu-
tion in China, chanting
"without the shedding of
blood there is no
revolution."

ILL: Five points to the Red
star.

ILL: Mexico, Aztec Indians.

~~More~~ More blood is being shed
in our world now than
most people think.

ILL: 135 Christian leaders
in ~~Chad~~ *one Country*

ILL: *Comoros - Vgorhe -*

-- In average newspaper or
on television screen we
get capsule news.

-- If you get a big city newspaper

-- rising crime

-- terrorism

ILL: Red stripes ^{have 2m} in flag stand for blood of those who sacrificed.

ILL: Red Cross stands for blood. - *Blood Shed in America*

ILL: Violence on TV - 60%.

90. Man In White - Blood Stain

-- Judaism and Christianity

have been called bloody religions.

1st. ~~Agtec~~ Agtec of Mexico

→ It is true that the Bible
is filled with blood.

~~---~~ Leviticus 17:11: "For
the life of the flesh is
in the blood: and I have
given it to you upon the
altar to make an atone-
ment for your souls:
for it is the blood that
maketh an atonement
for the soul."

~~---~~ 5 quarts of blood in normal
body circulates every
23 seconds.

~~—~~ Blood carries the garbage
out without contamination.

~~—~~ All are related by the
blood of Adam.

~~—~~ "And hath made of one blood
all nations of men for to
dwell on all the face of
the earth" (Acts 17:26).

~~—~~ All men have a common
origin in Adam.

~~—~~ This blood carries the
sentence of death because

of Adam's sin.

~~ce~~ "Wherefore, as by one man
sin entered, into the
world, and death by sin;
~~/~~ and so death passed upon
all men, for that all have
sinned" (Romans 5:12).

~~-~~ Man suffers from
blood poisoning.

ILL: Leukemia, cancer of the
blood.

~~-~~ The penalty of sin is
death.

● ILL: Adam and Eve and the
coats of skin.

ILL: Cain and Abel.

ILL: Abraham and Isaac.

● ILL: Egypt

-- "And the blood shall be
to you for a token
upon the houses where
ye are: and when I see
the blood, I will pass
over you" (Ex. 12:13).

~~Not~~ "when I see your
good resolutions, your
tears, your agonies,
your good works, I will
pass over."

~~But~~, "When I see the
blood, I will pass
over you."

ILL: The Communion

~~The~~ heart of worship,
speaks of blood.

ILL: John the Baptist cried
out, "Behold the Lamb of

God, which taketh away
the sin of the world"
(John 1:29).

ILL: The death of Christ

-- "Forasmuch as ye know
that ye were not re-
deemed with corruptible
things, as silver and
gold, from your vain
conversation received by
tradition from your
fathers; but with the
precious blood of Christ,

as of a lamb without
blemish and without spot"
(1 Peter 1:18).

ILL: One of the most popular
songs ~~last year~~,

"O happy day, when Jesus
washed my sins away."

-- "They overcame . . . by the
blood of the Lamb"
(Revelation 12:11).

~~—~~ Without the shedding of
blood there is no forgive-
ness.

● 11. "Without faith it is impossible to please him" (Hebrews 11:6).

— Hebrews 11 has been called God's Hall of Fame.

● — After this passage some of the men and women of faith are listed.

— Noah, Abraham, and Sarah, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, even Rahab the harlot.

WHAT IS FAITH?

~~— Faith consists in believing and receiving what God has revealed, (and may be defined as that trust in the God of the Scriptures and in Jesus Christ whom He has sent.)~~

~~-- for salvation, faith is personal trust, apart from any works, in the Lord Jesus Christ.~~

~~— "But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him~~

that justifieth the
ungodly, his faith is
counted for righteousness"
(Romans_4:5).

1 - Faith is the only approach
to God.

"For he that cometh to
God must believe that
He is" (Hebrews_11:6).

2 - Faith is commanded.

3 - "And Jesus answering saith
unto them, Have faith in
God" (Mark_11:22).

-- "And this is his commandment,
That we should believe on
the name of his Son, Jesus
Christ" (1_John_3:23).

~~-- We are saved by faith.~~

~~"Believe on the Lord Jesus
Christ, and thou shalt
be saved" (Acts_16:31).~~

~~-- John 1:12~~

~~-- Therefore being justified
by faith, we have peace
with God through our Lord
Jesus Christ" (Romans_5:1).~~

● WHAT IS FAITH?

①. Reception of the Gospel.

②. Confidence

— "Being confident of this
verything" (Philip. 1:6).

● ③. Dependence.

ILL: John Paton, the great
missionary to the New
Hebrides, translating
the Scriptures, trying
to learn their language.

— Reclining.

● ~~--~~ "For God so loved the world,
that he gave his only be-
gotten Son, that whosoever
reclineth his whole weight
upon him shall not perish,
but have everlasting life
. . . He that reclineth
his whole weight upon Him
is not condemned: but he
that reclineth not his
whole weight upon him is
condemned already, because
he hath not reclined his
whole weight upon the name
of the only begotten son
of God" (John 3:16-18).

Ill. Wheel Barrow

III. "For without me ye can
do nothing" (John 15:5).

ILL: Jesus, speaking of the
vine.

— One of the most important
'pictures' Jesus ever painted.

— This was the grapevine
grown all over Palestine.

— Needed attention.

Jo. 15:22-23

— Grew fast.

Practical for all
Dec.

Love	by Spirit	Faith
joy	garden	Muslim
Peace	garden	Tajma

~~—~~ Drastically pruned every
December and January.

~~—~~ Bore two kinds of branches
~~—~~ one fruit-bearing.

~~—~~ one non-fruit-bearing.

~~—~~ The non-fruit-bearing
branches are drastically
pruned back so that they
will drain away none of
the strength of the plant.

~~—~~ The wood of the vine has
the curious character-
istic that it is good
for nothing.

~~/~~ Too soft to use for
any purpose.

At certain times of the
year it became a bonfire.

-- ~~/~~ Jesus says His followers
are like that.

~~--~~ Some of them are lovely,
fruit-bearing branches
of Himself.

~~--~~ Others are useless be-
cause they bear no
fruit.

- ~~-- Christians whose Christi-
anity consists of pro-
fessing without practice,
words without deeds.~~
- Christians who were all
leaves and no fruit.
- ~~-- ^{People} Christians who became
apostates, who heard
the message, accepted
it, but who fell away.~~
- Three ways in which we can
be useless branches.

- ①. Refuse to listen to Christ at all.
- ②. Listen, and then render Him lip service, unsupported by any deeds.
- ③. Accept Him as Master, then in the face of difficulty or being lured back into the world we can abandon Him.
- ~~--~~ Always remember that the branch that bears no fruit

● must be destroyed if the
rest of the vine is to be
preserved.

— In order to bear fruit we
must abide in Him.

● — Jesus withdrew Himself into
solitary places to meet God.

— We must do the same thing.

— We must keep contact with
Him.

~~--~~ It must be constant and deliberate.

~~--~~ Never a day when we do not sense His presence.

~~--~~ Without this abiding you cannot do anything that will be spiritually pleasing to God.

~~--~~ "Without me ye can do nothing."

~~--~~ You may be surprised, but nowhere in the Bible does

● God ask you to live the
Christian life.

-- He has ~~not~~ even promised to
help ~~you~~ live the Christian
life.

● ~~—~~ Only one Person Who can
live the Christian life
and that is the resurrected,
ascended Lord Jesus Christ.

~~—~~ You abide in Him, and He
thinks with your brain,
He looks through your eyes,

~~/~~ He loves with your heart,
~~/~~ He works with your hands,
~~/~~ He walks with your legs.

~~--~~ We hear a great deal about the fruit of the Spirit.

~~--~~ The fruit of the Spirit is nothing but the attributes of Christ.

~~Love~~ - ~~Joy~~ - ~~Peace~~ - ~~Longsuffering~~ - ~~gentleness~~ - ~~goodness~~ -
 (1) ~~Faith~~ - ~~Mekness~~ - ~~Temperance~~

~~--~~ The love of Christ which constrains us.

(2) ~~--~~ The joy of the Lord is our strength.

~~3.~~ Peace, Paul said, "He is
our peace."

~~--~~ As you allow Him to take
control of your life He
comes with all of His great-
ness and power so that you
can say with Paul, "I can
do all things through Christ
which strengtheneth me"
(Philippians 4:13).

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