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In this talk with our *Youth 85* readers I want to say something about the many letters we have received from those who have read the exciting book *The Wonderful World Tomorrow — What It Will Be Like* — since it was first published nearly 20 years ago.

All but a few — from nearly 1.5 million mailed out in the United States alone — have been enthusiastic, elated, inspired to know what a **WONDERFUL** world is soon to be ours.

I wish **ALL OF YOU** could realize that this wonderful coming world is **REAL** — *and most of you will be in it*, I hope, either as one of its changed **IMMORTALS** or as a much privileged human pioneer. It's not only **REAL**, it is coming **SOON** — possibly (*I do not set dates*) in perhaps 10 years! Yes, *very possibly* that soon!

What you will be doing

But what I am most concerned about is **WHAT IT MEANS TO YOU** — as an *individual!* Each of you! I wish all of our readers could think — as one wrote me — wondering what **YOU** will be doing, then!

I wish all of our *Youth 85* readers could be reminded, at this point, of that very *first* of the **LAWS OF SUCCESS!** There are seven *laws* that will produce success. The very first one is to have the **RIGHT GOAL** — to be fired with ambition to achieve that goal — *to keep that goal constantly uppermost in your mind!*

Have a definite, inspiring **PURPOSE** in life. Realize, as Winston Churchill said, there is a **PURPOSE** being worked out here below! Mankind was placed on this earth **FOR A PURPOSE**. That means **YOU**, as an individual, were born and given the breath of life for a **PURPOSE!**

In this world's colleges and universities they teach nothing about that purpose. They know nothing of the real **MEANING** of life. They leave students without a goal. They don't know where they are *going* — or *whether* they are going anyplace.

But the all-intelligent, all-knowing Creator — who *designed* the human mind and body, created the human race and supplies the air, water and food to sustain it — had a **PURPOSE!** And, through the apostle Paul, He reveals to us that **GOAL** — in Paul's words, that "I might attain unto the **RESURRECTION . . .**" and, further, ". . . this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto

those things which are before, I press toward the **MARK** for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 3:11, 13-14, Authorized Version throughout).

The prize

The **MARK** — the **PRIZE** — the **GOAL** toward which Paul pressed forward is **THE RESURRECTION TO IMMORTALITY**, in the Kingdom of God!

In this important book we have tried to paint in simple words — as revealed in the Bible — the **WONDERFUL** world that this Kingdom of converted, changed **IMMORTALS**, under Christ, will produce.

But is **BEING THERE**, as a changed, immortal person, **YOUR** goal? Is that one overriding **LIFE'S OBJECTIVE** constantly before your eyes — constantly dominating your thoughts?

Many have written to tell me how exciting — how interesting and inspiring — it is to see just **WHAT** such patriarchs and prophets and men of God as Abraham, Joseph, Job, Daniel, Moses and others might be doing — how they will be brought back to life, immortal, in glorified **POWER** — and the high executive positions in the new **WORLD GOVERNMENT** they will occupy.

Interesting? Exciting? **WONDERFUL?** Yes, I should say it is! But, as I said above, I wish all of

This wonderful coming world is real — and most of you will be in it! It's not only real, it is coming soon!

YOU were *terribly concerned* by asking yourselves where YOU will be — what YOU will be doing then!

I don't mean that you may decide for yourselves what precise position may be assigned to YOU. Yet, in general, *I can tell you* what position will be assigned you! It will be the position *you are training for, qualifying for, RIGHT NOW — in this life!*

WHY will Abraham, David, the apostles Peter and Paul, be assigned the positions either directly named — or at least indicated — in the Bible? Simply because they prepared for, and qualified for, those positions DURING THEIR MORTAL LIVES!

YOU — *if you have been called to conversion now* — are being JUDGED for your future position in God's Kingdom right now!

Few understand this — I know. But see if I can make it

plain enough that at least *some* of our readers may UNDERSTAND. A NUMBER OF JUDGMENTS are revealed in the Bible. Most people get all mixed up and confused by such theological terms as *judgments, covenants* and so on.

Understand, first, being saved — that is, being born into the Kingdom of God — given God's GIFT of eternal life — is altogether by GRACE, as God's free GIFT. *You can't earn it!*

I have ALWAYS taught that! I have always taught that salvation — what religious people call “being saved” — inheriting eternal life — being born into the Kingdom of God — just *getting there* — comes ONLY by GRACE (which means undeserved pardon) and as God's FREE GIFT. YOU CAN'T earn it! All your OBEDIENCE — all your good WORKS — won't buy it!

BUT you shall be REWARDED with whatever OFFICE you shall be placed in according to your WORKS! Check for yourself. Don't believe me because I say it — check for yourself.

For those who would like a more detailed and technical exposition of this vital principle, write for a FREE booklet *What Will You Be Doing in the Next Life?*

But, when the glorified Jesus Christ returns to earth, in all the supreme POWER and GLORY of God, as KING of kings to rule all nations, He will then assign the positions in His government — the reward — to those who already — then — ARE SAVED, to those who have, through grace, received God's GIFT

of eternal life — then already made IMMORTAL! These shall have been resurrected to immortality, and have risen to meet Him in the air, as He is returning.

Now notice: Jesus says, “And, behold, I come quickly; and *my reward is with me*, to give every man *according as his work shall be*” (Revelation 22:12).

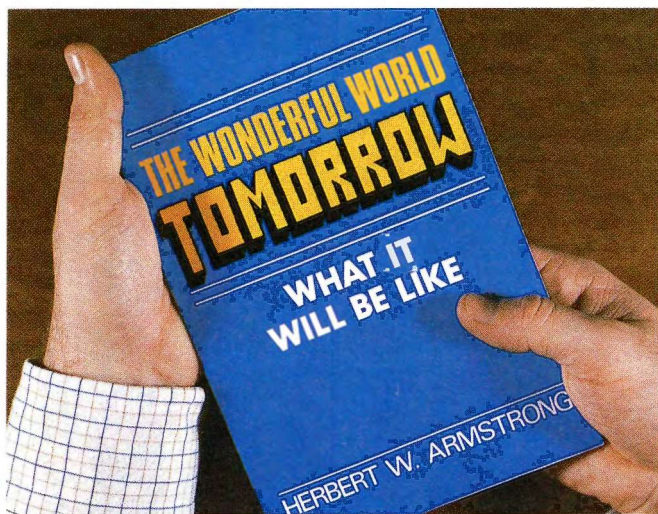
Notice the parable of the pounds: When Jesus returns, having been coronated KING of kings, He will call to Him those He had given “the money” — that is, His Spirit and salvation. The one who, in this mortal life, had gained 10 pounds is made mayor over 10 cities. The one who gained, in his Christian life in this time, five pounds is made mayor ruling over five cities. He qualified for only half as much, during this mortal life, so his REWARD in the Kingdom — the POSITION to which he is assigned — is only half as much.

Notice this picture of Christ's coming, and establishing of the Kingdom of God over the nations: “And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever . . . And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, *that they should be judged*, and that thou *shouldest give reward* unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints” (Revelation 11:15-18).

How God judges

One of the judgments is the Great White Throne Judgment. Notice that REWARD — *rank* in God's Kingdom — is according to WORKS! Not *getting into* the Kingdom, but rank or reward or office, once there:

“And I saw the dead, small and
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World Tomorrow

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great, stand before God [in a resurrection]; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead *were judged* out of those things which were written in the books, *according to their works*" (Revelation 20:12).

Peter taught that God **JUDGES** (*not saves*) according to **WORKS**: "... the Father, who without respect of persons *judgeth according to every man's work*" (I Peter 1:17). Paul taught that God "will render to every man *according to his deeds*" (Romans 2:6).

Jesus said, plainly, "No man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father" (John 6:65). And again, "No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day" (John 6:44).

But, to you whom God has called at this time — to you who have repented, believed, received God's Holy Spirit and thus been converted — **YOU ARE BEING JUDGED RIGHT NOW** (I Peter 4:17). And if you say: "I'm already 'saved,' and there are 'no works' to salvation," and then you fail to go on *overcoming, and growing spiritually* (see II Peter 3:18), you not only will **BE JUDGED** by your *lack* of spiritual works to qualify for a higher office in God's Kingdom — but, far worse, you may be in the position of the servant from whom (parable of the pounds — Luke 19, quoted above) Jesus took away the very salvation he thought he had! It takes a **LIVING** faith to save!

So — I just wanted so say to those *Youth 85* subscribers who have read *The Wonderful World Tomorrow — What It Will Be Like* — read it **AGAIN**, and let it be **REAL** to you. Recognize the *connection* with what you read there *to your own life*. If any readers have not received this vital book, your own **FREE** copy is on reserve for you in the mailing room. Why not request it? □

Unexpected Returns

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not designed as weapons, they can become dangerous if used carelessly.

How it is thrown

To throw a boomerang, stand facing the wind, then turn slightly to your right. With the flat surface on the right, grip the lower end of the boomerang with your right hand.

The boomerang should be vertical with its elbow toward you. If it leans too far to the right, it may go too high and come straight down with enough force to crack the wood. (Although you hold the boomerang vertically when releasing it, it turns in flight so that it flies horizontally with the flat surface down.)

Raise your arm above your shoulder and aim the boomerang straight ahead. As you throw, give the boomerang a flick to produce a fast spin. It may take you several tries using subtle variations before you get good results.

If you are successful, the boomerang will head straight out, circle to the left and hover briefly before landing at your feet. If it falls too far to your left, face more to the right when launching the boomerang. If it lands too far to your right, face more toward the left.

If you are left handed, you will need a left-handed boomerang. Reverse the instructions given above.

There are several games that can be played with a boomerang. One of these is to see who can make the boomerang land closest to its launching point. As you become more experienced, see how many consecutive catches you can make. (To catch the boomerang safely, sandwich it between your palms during its final hover.)

If you have the chance, why not try this truly Australian hobby? There will be many happy returns! □

CAREER SUCCESS

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then or have other valid reasons for missing work. But we shouldn't stretch our employer's patience by being away for weak reasons — such as going to the beach or an amusement park or claiming to be "too tired." Nor should we ask for a lot of time off. Employers want workers who are dependable.

Being on time is largely a matter of habit. A college professor tells a story that illustrates this. He was teaching a night class and, to his annoyance, one of the girls in his class was always late.

After a few weeks of this, he decided to teach the entire class an important lesson about tardiness. He told her, in front of the whole class, that coming in late each day was simply a bad habit. She disagreed and insisted that her busy schedule prevented her from making it on time. To prove his point, the professor changed the starting time from 7:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. You guessed it! She was still late!

Employers are looking for people with the habit of being on time.

A person of character will build these right habits — they make practically any job easier and more fun.

Good habits stay with us, even when we're not at our best. They don't depend on how we feel or how busy we are.

These character traits will help your company make money, help make your boss look good and, therefore, make your job secure.

By developing these habits, you will be guaranteeing yourself career success!

(For more tips about preparing for career success, read *The Seven Laws of Success* and *The Early Years*, a booklet that gives an autobiographical look at career selection. If you don't have your own free copies, call or write the *Youth 85* office in your area of the world. See the inside front cover.) □