

# Church

**A Word Through Bishop E. N. Webb:**

## A PROVING GROUND



BISHOP WEBB

There the Lord made for them a statute and an ordinance, and there He proved them. Exodus 15:25.

Some years ago a writer visited a research laboratory of a steel mill. All around were partitions and com-

partments. In them steel had been tested to the limit and marked with figures identifying its breaking point. Some pieces had been twisted until they broke and the strength of the torsion was marked. Some had been stretched to the breaking point and their tensile strength indicated. Some had been compressed to the crushing point and it was also noted.

The technicians knew just what these pieces of steel would stand under strain and just what they

would bear if placed into a building, a ship or a bridge. The tests revealed it all.

God often follows this process in dealing with His beloved children. We aren't to be fragile vases, but like toughened pieces of steel, able to bear twisting and crushing without collapse. To accomplish this, God brings us into His testing room of suffering and trials. He "proves" us, always in order to make our weakness known to us so that we may desire strength from Him. The

turns, tossing to and fro, brings sorrow to our hearts and tears in our eyes.

God doesn't get joy out of hurting us, but He wants to know if we will stand the test. For if we stand the storm, we will anchor by and by. The storm will be passing over.

Our Master thru trials and tribulations is offering us His gift of forgiveness in Christ. He prepares us for daily challenges.

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## Do You Know God's Will?

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The difficulty that most of us are experiencing in our lives is not DOING God's will, but knowing what His will is. Here are some things we can be positive ARE God's will.

The Commandments - Thetenasgiventomoses; The precepts of the Church;

The duties of our state in life;

Obedience to lawful authority - civil, family and church; and

The New Commandment as given by Jesus, to love one another.

In the Scriptures we see in many simple ways exactly what the Father expects of us. These are all direct manifestations of the will of God in our daily lives. Perhaps a list of some of these positive commandments may be of help:

1. "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly." (Luke 6:27, 35)

2. "Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge and you will not be condemned." (Luke 6:36, 38)

3. "I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." (Luke 18:17)

4. "It is my Father's will that whoever sees the Son and believes in Him shall enter eternal life." (John 6:40)

5. "Shoulder my yoke and learn of me; for I am gentle and humble of heart." (Matt. 11:29)

The problems may be that we look upon the Commandments in a rather negative way. They are, for the most part, "don't" directives in our minds, but this is not so. We do not find fault with the inventor of a machine, when he or she gives us directions on how to obtain the best results from what has been invented. Who else would know how best a particular machine runs than its inventor! To most of us this is logical & we are willing to follow directions and accept the fact that most equipment is only guaranteed, provided directions are properly followed.

This is exactly what God has done in giving us commandments. They are not the demands of a Creator, who makes His creatures ever aware of their subordinate position. The Commandments, given by the

Father in the Old and by Jesus in the New Testament, are only directions that say - human beings He has created are happier, healthier and more content when they follow the directions of their Creator.

The Father knows under what conditions our souls grow and mature. He knows what reminders are best for our weaknesses. He knows what step must be taken to avoid the many obstacles the enemy strews in our path. Most of all, He knows in what way our souls need to be purified, tempered and tran-

sformed so they can one day stand in His awesome presence and not be annihilated.

The Scriptures are full of revelations telling how the Father wishes us to think and act under every circumstance. Our problem in knowing God's will then is in the decisions we make in our daily lives.

First, it must be said that the Commandments mentioned above are part of God's ordaining will. There is no question here of what He wants. The trials of daily life, the evil, suffering, etc. are part of God's permitting will.

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