

LESSONS

I thought to give my children faith,
But quickly they came back
With simple, trusting prayers
That proved how much faith I lack.

I thought to give my children hope,
But they were not impressed;
Who shared a bright expectancy
I never had possessed.

I thought to give my children love,
But when the small one came
And kissed me after punishment,
He put my love to shame.

I longed to teach those little ones,
But, Lord, I think you know
That each of us must learn from them,
You said so long ago.

--Helen Frazee-Bower

"Except ye be converted and become
as little children, ye shall not enter
into the kingdom of heaven."

(Matt. 18:3)

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Schedule of Regular Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 A. M.
Worship Services	10:30 A. M.
Evening Worship	6:00 P. M.
Thursday Evening Bible Study	7:30 P. M.

Earl Gieseke, Minister	No one is too bad
405 South Townline Road	to go to
Route 4, Box 46	church, neither
LaGrange, Indiana 46761	is anyone too good
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OUR CHILDREN

I saw tomorrow marching by
On little children's feet;
Within their forms and faces read
Her prophecy complete.
I saw tomorrow look at me
From little children's eyes,
And thought how carefully we'd teach,
If we were really wise.

THE RETURN OF THE SQUARE

"Square," another of the good old words, has gone the way of "Love," and "Modesty" and "Patriotism."

Something to be snickered over or outright laughed at?? Why it used to be that there was no higher compliment you could pay a man than to call him a square-shooter. But today a square is a guy who volunteers, when he doesn't have to. He's the guy who gets his kicks from trying to do a job better than anyone else. He's a boob who gets so lost in his work he has to be reminded to go home.

A square is a guy who doesn't want to stop at the bar and get all juiced up on the way home from work because he prefers to go home to his own dinner table and his own family. He hasn't learned to cut corners or to goof off.

This creep we all call "square" gets all choked up when he hears children singing "My Country is of Thee . . ." He even believes in God--and says so--in public!!

Some of the old squares were Nathan Hale, Patrick Henry, George Washington, Ben Franklin. Some of the new squares are Glenn, Grissom, Shepard, Carpenter, Cooper, Schirra. John Glenn says he gets a funny feeling down inside when he sees a flag go by. He says he's proud that he belonged to the boy scouts and the YMCA. How square can you get?

A square is a guy who lives within his means whether the Jones do or not. He doesn't want to

fly now and pay later. A square is likely to save some money for a rainy day, rather than count on using yours. A square gets his books out of the library instead of the drug store. He tells his son it's more important to play than to win. Imagine!!

A square is a guy who reads scripture when nobody's watching, and prays when nobody's listening. He wants to see America first--in everything. He believes in honoring mother and father and "do unto others" and all of that stuff. He thinks that things like the car freedom and curfew should be respected. Will all the gooney birds answering this description please stand up!

You misfits in this brave new age, you dismally disorganized, improperly apologetic ghosts of the past, stand up! Stand up and be counted! You squares--who turn the wheels and dig the fields and move mountains and put rivets in our dreams--you squares who dignify the human race--you squares who hold the thankless world in place.

(Based upon an address by Charles H. Brower.)

--via "Views for Youth"

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Maybe the kids could keep on the straight and narrow if they got their information from someone who had been over the road.

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it."

--Solomon

Building boys is better than mending men. Once truth is firmly planted in a child, it continues steadfast through any test; but the planting has to be done early in the growing season.