

STUDY OF  
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CABLE ADDRESS  
"PSYNA"

Beloved:

For forty years, the Young Men's Christian Association, with the omnipresent benediction of Secretary Harry W. Stone has been my haven and headquarters when in Portland, Oregon, and it was there that I first knew Frank B. Robinson as a worker in the Baptist Church and as a persistent and earnest seeker of Truth and for God.

After that, it was a year in Washington, D.C., and back to Montana Wesleyan College, where my first year's salary was \$135.00 with "keep" and my last year's nothing without "keep" for both wife and myself. Then I served as rural school inspector in order to pay my debts while Bishop Naphtali Luccock and "Brother Van" stood between me and the committee on conference relations by appointing me Associate Editor of the Pacific Christian Advocate.

About this time Dr. Harris, then Secretary of the Methodist Board of Education wrote Editor Hughes, saying "We need a president for Gooding College who can do the work and who will not quit." "Bob" wired back "Tenney is your man" which meant seventeen more years with the cause and the work I love. Then, as you know, the Board of Education voted a study, probably with mind already made up as to what the findings would be, with the idea of merging Gooding with some other college.

My answer was "I will not fight you while on your payroll," but I will resign and then urge my Gooding friends to make the dream of Dr. Thomas Nicholson, John W. Hancher and other men with real vision of a Missionary program come true.

After that, I accepted the directorship of the Idaho Institute of Christian Education, sponsored by fifteen Protestant denominations to teach the Bible with regular university credit at the University of Idaho, a task which the Mormons are doing so successfully and so well in all Idaho, Utah and Wyoming.

However the secretaries of the respective Boards of Education were so busy with their denominational problems that they could do nothing in a financial way, and most of the local churches had budgets that were not balanced, so Dr. Robinson, now theist, author and founder of "PSYCHIANA" volunteered to ask his students to help, and this assistance enabled the Bible Chair to finish the year.

Last May, the Trustees weary of their financial failure and fearful of the future, refused to continue even though I pleaded to do so on

my own financial responsibility as I did much of the time at Montana Wesleyan. This left me without church position, or means of livelihood, so this same Dr. Robinson asked me to assist him in his office work and here I am.

Now, I believe in Dr. Robinson and I know you will not damn the man until you meet him and that you will not condemn his teaching until you know what it is. For example, besides supporting the Bible Chair, Dr. Robinson helps on the salary of the Presbyterian preacher far more liberally than the average local member does and has been a most generous benefactor of many civic enterprises.

This summer, the Rector of the Episcopal Church asked for \$300.00 to furnish a near-by missionary church. After listening to his story, Dr. Robinson demanded, "Do you mean to tell me that you actually believe in all that ritualistic stuff?" The Rector sprang to his feet, clenched his fists and almost shouted, "I surely do."

Dr. Robinson answered, "Well, here is your money; if you had hedged one bit, you would not have received a penny. I like a man who believes in the game he plays and never apologizes for it," a trait I wish all of us Methodist preachers could acquire. That is why I like Dr. Robinson, and sincerely want you to know him and his teachings, whether you agree with him or not.

Again, this friend of mine actually believes Jesus meant it when he said "If ye abide in me and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you," and he has thousands upon thousands of letters written by students from more than sixty different countries who unqualifiedly write of the beneficial results they have obtained from these lessons he has sent out to them.

These lessons teach that "Truth is eternal--that the Power of the Living God never dies and that it will help you and me if we manifest the proper faith and practice what we believe. Personally, I wish that every Conference Study Group--every Protestant Board of Education and every Theological School in the land could have his first ten Lessons in "PSYCHIANA," delete every paragraph, sentence or word on which they did not unanimously agree, and then apply the Spiritual Truths they absorbed from what they did approve, to their respective religious programs right here and now.

After Dr. Robinson returns from California, he will visit other cities, and my sincere hope is that you will meet him face to face, and tell him "hello" for me the first time he comes down your way. In the meantime, God bless you and yours; may your kind ever increase; may your shadow never grow less; and may the days of the coming year be your very, very best.

Merry Christmas,

