

## Personal Sidetracks

Intro. Sidetracks of intellectualism, socializing, politicizing, majoring on distinctives. Now a couple of personal sidetracks from text. Text says we're to show off 2 things--cross and our crucifixion. Cross is death so major on witnessing.

## I. Sidetracks from witnessing.

- A. Here to study. True, but part of this training course is witnessing. ~~Fellowship~~ If you had time for only 1 I'd say study, but all have time for both. P did.
- B. Fellowship more imp't than service. True but when in fellowship you'll serve. Particularly true when exposed to opportunities of these years. If don't learn now won't.
- C. Can't be led by a rule. God made one, Mt 28:18-20. Agreed not best way but while could wish all would do it without standard, few will. Again this is training school and this is part of it. Been where no rules. Alternative not better. This rule gives plenty leeway for Lord to lead during month's time. Read Wistar.

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I don't  
want to  
make  
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more*

## II. Sidetracks from holy living. Lk 14:25-7.

- A. Family. cf. Eph 6:1 and you are a child as long as have parents. But must not let them lead you.
- B. Family-to-be. <sup>Personal relationships</sup> Boy-girl relatns. Shame to see way some act. Shame to see on probation list. What do you think Lord thinks of it. Really selfishness. Doesn't hurt to wait. X 30 yrs in shop.
- C. Self. Extra-cir. Sport, chorale, relaxation.

Concl. Worth it? Yes. *Get satisfaction*

1. God will bring family, friends, activities into proper perspective and allegiances, and you'll know a fulness of living you never knew before.
2. Leaving our plans for God's never is a loss. e.g. getting off elevator full of smoke. Can't see, breathe, stand associations. Not a loss to leave and have clear vision, atmosphere, and associations of God's best will.

*Min. conf. good time to get eyes on Ep 16:14.*