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Satan's Power Is Under Control

The believer needs to remember that God is motivated by love. His will for you is a gracious will. He may allow you to suffer great loss, but only for your good because He loves you. How marvelous to know that even Satan's power is under the control of a loving God, who in Jesus Christ has become our Father.

—Gordon K. Reed
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TO THE LADIES

Having read and re-read the article by Emily T. Russell, "A Presbyterian President Reports" in the Feb. 9 *Journal*, I want to congratulate her on her courageous stand!

Far too often the majority of us — and I include the men here too — do tend to accept whatever is handed to us in the way of material or decisions, the excuse generally being, "After all who am I to question?"

It's about time we *did* question on the basis of the final real authority that we have at our fingertips — the holy Scriptures.

I would urge women to go to various meetings at *all* levels of the Church. It is possible to sit in on any number of these meetings. You probably won't be in accord with it all (you may even find it boring at times). Attendance does not necessarily equal acquiescence, but it is one of the ways to learn.

Read all you can from every angle, not just the *Journal*, or just the *Survey*, or just whatever your favorite religious periodical may be — read it, pray and compare it to the holy yardstick. We women always find time to "bone up" on our favorite subject — homemaking, child-care, cooking, sewing, art, ceramics, golf or whatever it may be — time for reading all the latest books on the subject or attending lectures or weekly classes. What greater concern is there for Christian women than to find out what is really being done to the Great Commission of our Lord as it is interpreted at the various levels of the Church and thus affecting our lives and those of our children.

True, only a few of us are in places of authority in the Women of the Church organization, but a lot of us have husbands or sons and *all* of us have pastors who would be greatly encouraged in *their* stand if we women really knew about the issues at hand and could discuss them in a sensible way and above all were informed enough to know *how* to pray about them!

So let's all follow Emily Russell's example and check it out for ourselves. Then go home, ladies, get out that lamp and polish it until it shines, fill it with oil and be ready to serve Him!

—Mrs. B. K. Glasgow
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DREAMS, by John Randolph Penton Jr. Trinity Presbyterian Bookstore, Montgomery, Ala. 69 pp. \$4.00. Reviewed by the Rev. Robert Strong, pastor, Trinity Presbyterian Church, Montgomery, Ala.

A Presbyterian deacon, a member of the medical profession, has written these poems of faith, of love, of nature, of life experiences.

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It is a charming little book. ☩

JUSTIFICATION, by Hans Kueng. Thomas Nelson, Inc., Camden, N. J. 84 pp. \$7.00. Reviewed by the Rev. William C. Robinson, Decatur, Ga.

This significant volume begins as the response of the leading Roman Catholic theologian to Karl Barth's strictures upon the Council of Trent. Beyond that, Kueng undertakes to show that a Catholic can accept the great affirmations of the Reformation: *sola gratia, sola fide, sola scriptura, soli Deo gloria, solus Christus*.

There is considerable special pleading for the Council of Trent, but we rather dwell on the fact that here this front ranking scholar, without objection from his superiors, has dared to accept the Gospel of the Reformation. For him justification is a gracious judgment of God wrought in the death and resurrection of Christ, "who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification," so that "we are justified by His blood."

This primary or objective justification is made ours in subjective justification, that is, by faith alone. While Rome pilloried Luther for centuries before he wrote the word alone into his translation of Romans 8:28, Kueng admits that this is simply bringing out the meaning of the Greek, and that Luther's rendering was preceded by at least one German and several Italian translations. Faith is our amen to God's work for us in Christ. The justified man still confesses himself a sinner.

In this note as well as in justification as a judicial act of God, though at the same time an effective act, in grace as primarily God's favor, and in giving all the glory of saving the sinner to God, the reader finds his hands strengthened in the

Gospel preached by the Reformation.

This is not to say that I agree with every detail. For example, John 1:18 does apply the Greek word *Theos* to Christ according to the best text. Nor do I agree with the author on "the predominant place of Mary in God's plan of salvation," but the drive of the book means that after four centuries, truth crushed to earth has risen again. Welcome to the Reformation Gospel, Dr. Kueng. I hope that a vast host of his fellow Catholics will join with us in this glorious proclamation! ☩

Needed—from p. 11

I had to open the windows a crack or gag.

I was greatly relieved when the time came to pull to a stop so she could get out. Then, to my surprise, I became aware of the prodding of the Holy Spirit: "Offer to see her again."

"You don't mean it, Lord!" I al-

most said aloud. But the prodding was still there — and I knew He did. So I took her phone number, promised to see if she needed anything before I passed that way again on my road to town — and fled.

I avoided that phone call as long as I could. But finally came a day when we were out of almost everything, and I knew I would have to do some shopping. As I promised, I dialed her number — and waited.

While I waited, I prayed, explaining my feelings to God. He already knew about them anyhow, but was waiting for me to come to Him before He moved. "Father," I said, "I can't stand that little woman. If I see her now, I cannot go in love, as You would have me go. It is humanly impossible. If you want me to love her, then You must do it, for I cannot. Father, love her through me."

I cannot explain what happened. I can only state that at the time I dialed her number, I was aware of

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