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AND PREACH THE GOSPEL**

# Follow Me!

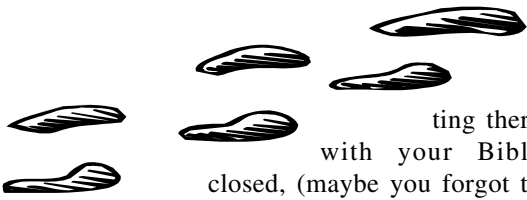
By Sis. Merlene Scott



Dearest children, have you ever played "follow the leader"? I'm sure that you enjoyed being the leader and watching the others follow you!


Let me tell you about a little boy named Elliott. Elliott is a bright-eyed two-year-old, who loves to play, laugh and have fun, as most two-year-olds do. One day his parents needed to go out of town, and he was left at one of the saints' homes. He arrived close to dinner time and was soon at the table eating. As dinner time went on, the family observed the little boy's behavior. He was mimicking every thing that the mother did. If she laughed, he would laugh—whatever she said, he would repeat. Soon the room was filled with laughter, as they watched this little two-year-old in action. As the meal ended and it was time for clean-up, Elliott was seated on the couch to read some books. As the mother got up from an enjoyable meal, she thought, "What a responsibility I have, not only to my children, but to the saints' children too!"

Children, do you think that only the adults need to be good examples? No, you too can be a good example to your brothers and sisters in all that you say, and most importantly by what you do. At school, whether the teacher is looking your way or not, remember Someone (Jesus) is always looking on. How about in service, when you are sit-



ting there with your Bible closed, (maybe you forgot to open it) and one of the saints reminds you to open your Bible—what is your attitude then? Again, your little brother and sister next to you...they are watching! During prayer time, are you being the example you need to be to your little sister? Are your eyes closed, and are you fervently praying for the Lord to bless the service? Remember, your life speaks loudly to others. If you are saved, you are learning so much! Your submission now to your parents, the ministry, and your teacher in school, will determine how submissive you will be to the Lord, as you continue to grow and get older.

The Bible tells us in I Timothy 4:12 "...be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." That covers a whole lot! It tells us that our lives should be lived in a way that we can say like the apostle Paul, "Follow me, as I follow Christ." You'll be able to tell others, "Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen *in me, do*: and the God of peace shall be with you." (Philippians 4:9)

Be encouraged, children: Jesus can help us all to be the examples that we need to be to others, for the gospel's sake. As the restoration grows and new children come in, they will be watching you! Thank the Lord, you will be able to look right back at them and say, "Follow me, as I follow Christ!" May the Lord bless you. 

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## Take Me Now

Saviour, while my heart is tender,  
I would yield that heart to thee;  
All my pow'rs to thee surrender,  
Thine, and only thine to be.

Take me now, Lord Jesus, take me,  
Let my youthful heart be thine;  
Thy devoted servant make me,  
Fill my soul with love divine.

Send me, Lord, where thou wilt send  
me,  
Only do thou guide my way;  
May thy grace thro' life attend me,  
Gladly then shall I obey.

Let me do thy will or bear it,  
I would know no will but thine;  
Should'st thou take my life or spare it,  
I that life to thee resign.

—John Burton

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Did any other children receive a blessing in the recent Ohio campmeeting? Be sure to write and let the saints know!



## TESTIMONIES

Dear saints,

I am thankful how the Lord helped me with testifying. I am also very glad how He kept me saved. Please keep praying for me. Sis. Martha Braun (Age 9)  
Ontario, Canada

Praise the Lord saints,

It's wonderful to be saved, sanctified and in the true Church of God. It's a privilege to be free from sin for about 6 years already. Some people think it is not possible to live a sin-free life, but it is possible, because I have experienced it! Thank God that not only the adults can serve God, but the children, too. It's a privilege to have God as our Father and Friend.

The Lord is really blessing through His Word. The Ohio camp meeting has been a real blessing to me. This year has been my last children's meeting, and it was a blessing. I really appreciate *The Shining Light*—it is a real blessing to me.

I thank God that my mom and I can be in

this restoration time. Please continue to pray for my dad and my brothers and sisters. They need salvation. My desire is to go all the way. Determined to go on,  
Sis. Naemi Giesbrecht (Age 12)  
Chihuahua, Mexico

Dear saints,

Praise the Lord. I am THANKFUL to be saved and sanctified. I also got baptized in Ohio last camp meeting. I am thankful to be in the Church of God. Please pray for me that I can grow more, spiritually, and that I can gain more spiritual ground.

Thank the Lord,  
Joseph Rempel (Age 11)  
Texas, USA

Dear saints,

I am encouraged in the Lord. I am thankful for how RICHLY the Lord blessed me in the Ohio meetings.

On Sunday, June 23, 2004, the Lord blessed me very much. Bro. Henry Hildebrandt had a message about, "Come Hither." He asked us, if we looked back in

our lives if we had been climbing, or if we were still at the same place where we were last year. It's my desire that I would just climb until I am in heaven. I know that God will help us to climb.

Bro. Jacob Bergen (Age 12)  
Ontario, Canada

Dear saints,

Oh! How wonderful it is to be saved! The Lord was dealing with me in camp meeting. The Lord was also dealing with me in children's meeting. I had problems with my attitude, but thank God, He saved me, June 6th, 2004.

Please remember me in your prayers.  
Sis. Mikka Scott (Age 11)  
Ohio, USA

*"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony..."*  
*Rev. 12:11*

## CAMP MEETING FARE

This year we had our largest camp meeting in Ohio.  
With over 900 people in attendance, here are some facts you may find of interest!

We used about 850 dozen



, 900 gallons of



and about 360 pounds of



!

About 1,400 gallons of



and other canned goods were used, also.

We also used over a ton of



and other meat, and 1.5 tons of fresh



With all this food, it may not surprise you that we used a



as an extra refrigerator!

Now, we are thankful for all the good food and hard work in the kitchen, but we are *much more* thankful for the rich spiritual feast and the unbroken unity and sweet fellowship of the saints.



*Off to Children's Meeting!*



*Observing the Baptismal Service...*



*Buried with Him, in Baptism*

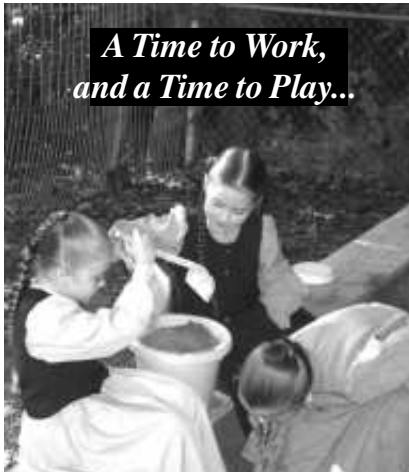
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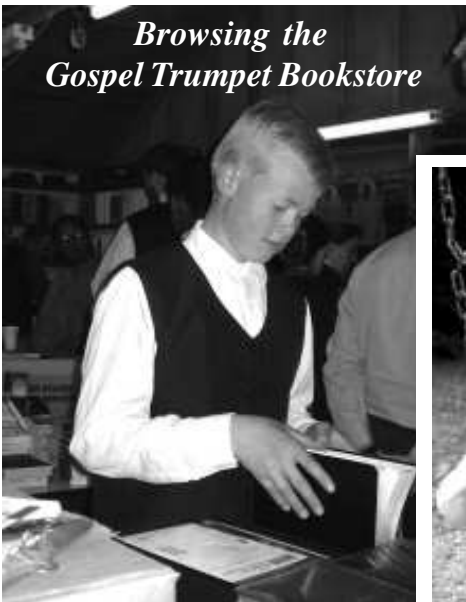
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## CAMP MEETING

*Working for Jesus—in the Kitchen*



*A Time to Work, and a Time to Play...*



*Browsing the Gospel Trumpet Bookstore*



*Together...in Unity!*



*Street Meeting Scene*