

This is Willard teaching around 1998. Former students will remember the energy, earnestness and joy of Willard's instruction and also the drone of the overhead projector used so commonly in that era.



Following this page are samples of items found in Willard's extensive collection of notes from his years of ministry.

- Willard kept an alphabetical/chronological record of most of his engagements and sermons preached in a large accounting book. Here is an example from the 1950s in Iowa!
- Notes from an early sermon. The outline was apparently reworked for subsequent presentations, but the style is recognizable.
- A comparison of four Greek words translated *love*
- The list of ordinations and licensures he helped to oversee. Most readers should see a name they recognize.

Halona, Iowa Aug. 1951 - Meeting arranged & revised  
conference talk.

Halona, Iowa, Revival Meetings - Oct 31 - 55  
Fairview.

Mon. eve - The Power of God's Word

Tue. eve - <sup>Pre. sermon - Preparing for a revival.</sup> The Cost of Not Being a Christian.

Wed. eve - Birth Marks of the Born Again.

Thurs. eve - Condemning Sin

Fri. eve - Four kinds of hearts

Sat. eve - The Grace of God vs. the Moral Law of God

Sun. a.m. - God's four Vineyards

Sun. eve. - Calvary Love

Pre. sermon talk - "Message to youth (Wed, Fri, Sat)

Children's Meeting - Thurs. eve - Easter, Sun. eve - <sup>John 3:16</sup> Wallow

The Story of the Red Rover

Upper Deer Creek.

Mon. eve - God's Ark of Safety for a World <sup>Calvary Love</sup>

Tues. eve - Christianity Under Test

Wed. eve - Death &

Thurs. eve - The Deceitfulness of Sin

Friday eve - Four Compromises of Satan

Sat. eve - The Christian's journey in a modern world

Sun. a.m. - Job, the man who saw the Angel

Sun. P.M. - The Road to Heaven

Kempville, Va. - Oct. 21 - 1956

Sun. a.m. - Birth Marks of the Born Again <sup>(preparing)</sup>

Sun. P.M. - The Power of God's Word

Mon. P.M. - The Value of a Soul

Tue. P.M. - The cost of not being a Christian.

Wed. P.M. - four kinds of hearts

Thurs. P.M. - Condemning Sin

Fri. P.M. - Job, the man who saw the Angel

Sat. P.M. - Courtship standards & Divine Guidance

Sun. a.m. - Calvary Love

Sun. P.M. - God's four Vineyards

Mon. P.M. - Spiritual Babies

Tue. P.M. - The Road to Heaven

6/1/58

FINDING THE ABOUNDANT LIFE THAT IS FILLED WITH  
LASTING CONTRIBUTIONS. Gal 2/20

*Connected. Last Sunday - from Pt. 1. Program living in empty lives.*

A. Introduction:

1. Loren's assignment for me-Gal 2/20  
And in the light of serving God effectively during our coming Summer Bible School, etc.  
present

2. The brevity of this life  
we don't want to waste time finding the abundant christian life which has lasting contributions.  
present

3. The importance of this life.  
eternal destiny fully hangs upon it  
the eternal destiny of others may be directly connected with what I do or don't do.

*God is seeking to draw out of us our best qualities.*

4. The tremendous possibilities of this present life.

5. Notice the great personal emphasis--  
not we or they or you.

but "I" *at least 3 times. - not collection  
I or me* *Prayer*

In this text there are four things which stand out--

1. The condition of this life. -
2. The pathway ~~to~~ this life -
3. The connective to this life -
4. The bestower and nurisher of this life.

*Leads the way to the abundant*

1. The condition of this abundant life.

Text-"Life" in the flesh-inside a person

Zwa in the flesh--a most wonderful message

*Some as Adam originally had.*

Zwa--the highest good possible in both enjoyment and contribution. The highest good of man.

*I wish we could be impressed with this as the early church must have been. Christ who is our*

When something is alive there ~~##~~ are responses, vitality, possibilities, growth.

When a plant stops growing it immediately becomes subject to ~~####~~, decay, death, rot.

This response makes one alive to the things of God.

Connects us with lasting Joy, ~~####~~ enduring peace, prevailing love, confident assurance, perfect satisfaction.

this connects us with all that which Adam lost when he sinned "The day that thou eat thereof thou shalt surely die.

11. The pathway to this life "Crucifixion with Christ"

This new life requires an enthronement of a new leader, sovereign, Lord.

*as Dequille over Shiloh in Israel*

The head of the new creation must become its Lord if "all things will become new..

Before the head of the old life was Self.  
Self is the dictator of all those who live after the flesh.

Jesus said concerning the new birth "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, but that which is born of the Spirit is Spirit. *- Flesh is set against the Spirit of the Spirit against the Flesh.*

Life in the Spirit causes one to love the things God loves and to hate the things God hates.

The new order demands a new standard of life. self exaltation was the standard of the old life. Sin was less sinful than it really is and holiness is less holy than it really is.

The source of our thoughts, feelings, motives, ambitions, aspirations, actions, affections, purposes and plans have changed from self to God

The flesh is the soil in which Satan works to keep a person from serving God.

Therefore there is left only one possible attitude toward the flesh, and that is to have it crucified. Since in the "Flesh dwelleth no good thing". Since they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

The very essence of the Flesh is God rejecting, God resisting. This ~~part~~ must be crucified if we are to live unto God.

The head of the "Flesh life" is Self--a cruel dictator, monster, hater of God, hater of sacrificial living, service for God. This self life is a self pleaser, determined, self centered.

Self will

It seems to me that the life of Christ typifies what should be our experiences--

Incarnation--new birth  
crucifixion and death--crucifixion and death  
of self life  
resurrection--Christ life resurrected *within*  
these experiences assures us of our  
ascension.

Any expression of the self life is an expression of pride.

Any expression of the Christ centered life is humility.

3. The connective to this life. "Faith"  
the arm that reached up and takes it.-Grace  
Taking God at his word and acting accordingly

obedience. Every man of faith is a man of action..

the kind that says "Yes Lord"

Mistranslation--We are not saved by the faith of Christ or the whole world would be saved. But by faith in Christ.

Faith connects us with all of God's spiritual blessings. Grace is the giver.

1. Remission of sins
2. Justification-Gal 2/16
3. salvation
4. sanctification
5. wisdom.James 1/6
6. eternal life
7. Access to God
8. Inheritance of the promises Gal 3/22
9. Gift of the Holy Ghost-Gal 3/14
10. Adoption Gal. 3/26
11. Indwelling presence of Christ
12. overcoming the world
13. all difficulties-remove mts. Nothing shall be impossible with you.

Conclusion.

TENT.

4. The Bestower and nurisher of this life.

"Christ"--"The Son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me."

Grace of God comes because of the Son of God.

This abundant life is only possible because of what Christ provided. His provisions are perfect and complete.

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

The Lord is my Shepherd that's all I want.

Ye are complete in Him.

"I am come that ye may have life and that ye may have it more abundantly"

# FOUR KINDS OF LOVE

Agapao -----Divine; Precious  
Phileo -----Human; Pleasurableness  
Stergein -----Natural, Instinctive  
Eros -----Lust, Passionate

## Infatuation

vs.

## Agapao (love)

1. Impulsive ..... Self-control
2. Falls ..... Grows
3. Impatient ..... Patient
4. Short-lived..... Endures
5. Blind.....Realistic
6. Reckless..... Protective
7. Selfish.....Altruistic
8. Physical ..... Whole personality
9. Sensual ..... Spiritual

## ORDINATIONS AND LICENSING

1. 1956	Crist Striker, bishop	
2. 1958	Jesse Yoder, bishop	
3. 1959	Owen Guengerich	* not of our conference
4. 1961,	Noah Yoder, minister	
5. 1961	Dan Yutzy, minister	
6. 1965	David I. Miller, minister	
7. 1965	Jesse Beachy, minister	
8. 1967	Crist Erb, bishop	
9. 1967	James Bender, minister	
10. 1968	Elmer Maust, bishop	
11. 1969	Morris Wetzler, minister	
12. 1969	Oliver Yutzy, minister	
13. 1970	Ivan Maust, minister	
14. 1971	Frank Dutcher, bishop	
15. 1971	Levi Sommers, minister	
16. 1971	Willis Sommers, minister	
17. 1972	Mahoon Heatwole, licensed	
18. 1972	Boyd Knisley, licensed	
19. 1973	Elton Yutzy, minister	
20. 1974	Walter Beachy, bishop	
21. 1974	Paul Hershberger, licensed	
22. 1974	Jake Schrock, minister	
23. 1975	Alvin Yoder, minister	
24. 1975	Paul Hershberger, minister	
25. 1976	Dan Byler, licensed	
26. 1976	Alva Maust, bishop	
27. 1978	Robert Fisher, minister	
28. 1979	Wayne Yutzy, minister	
29. 1980	Richard Showalter, minister	
30. 1980	Edwin Swartz, minister	
31. 1980	Stan Birky, licensed	
32. 1980	Andrew Eversole <i>minister</i>	
33. 1980	Lyle Goss, minister	
34. 1980	Larry Litweiler, licensed	
35. 1981	John Gingerich, bishop	
36. 1981	Levi Sommers, bishop	
37. 1982	Fran Overholt, licensed	
38. 1982	Tom Garletz, commissioned	
39. 1982	George Beare, minister	
40. 1982	Edwin Swartz, bishop	
41. 1982	David Yoder, bishop	
42. 1982	Delmar Falb, minister	
43. 1982	Lambert Sommers, licensed	
44. 1983	Fran Overholt, minister	

- 45. 1983 John Weaver, licensed
- 46. 1983 Abe Schlabach, minister
- 47. 1984 Allen Imhoff, minister
- 48. 1984 James Breneman, minister
- 49. 1984 Herman S. Yoder, deacon
- 50. 1984 Wayne Yutzy, bishop
- 51. 1984 John Weaver, minister
- 52. 1984 Mel Troyer, licensed
- 53. 1985 James Kurtz, bishop
- 54. 1986 Steve Swartz, minister
- 55. 1987 Floyd Helmuth, minister
- 56. 1988 Elmer Miller, minister
- 57. 1989 Harold Miler, licensed
- 58. 1989 Kenneth Miller, minister
- 59. 1989 Arnold Shetler, licensed
- 60. 1989 Nathan Miller licensed
- 61. 1989 Paublo Kauffman, licensed
- 62. 1989 David Sommers, minister
- 63. 1989 Timothy Sommers, minister
- 64. 1989 Jess King, minister
- 65. 1990 John King, installed as senior pastor
- 66. 1992 Leon Weber, minister
- 67. 1992 Alva Mast, licensed
- 68. 1992 Craig Swartzentruber, minister
- 69. 1992 Lambert Sommers, minister
- 70. 1993 Terry Roher, minister
- 71. 1993 Reuben Beachy, licensed
- 72. 1993 Pete Weaver, licensed
- 73. 1993 Paublo Kauffman, ordained
- 74. 1994 Reuben Beachy, minister
- 75. 1994 Pete Weaver, minister
- 76. 1994 Duane Detweiler, licensed
- 77. 1995 Merlin Miller, minister
- 78. 1995 Sam Hostetler, minister
- 79. 1995 David Troyer, deacon
- 80. 1995 Paul Mullet, minister
- 81. 1995 John Ivan Byler, bishop
- 82. 1996 Lambert Sommers, minister
- 83. 1999 Raju Musunuri, minister
- 84. 1999 Orville Miller, minister
- 85. 1999 Kenneth Bontrager ~~licensed~~ *Licensed*
- 86. 1999 Brian Petersheim, licensed
- 87. 2000 Barry Maust licensed
- 88. 2000 Danny Tice, licensed
- 89. 2000 Titus Beitzel. licensed
- 90. 2000 Kenneth Bontrager, minister

96.	2001	Floyd Yutzy	Minister	
97,	2001	Chad Atwood	Minister	
98	2002	Barry Maust	Minister	
99	2002	Danny Tice	Minister	
100	2002	Titus Beitzel	Minister	
101	2002	Phil Schrock	Licensed	assisted
102	2002	Leon Stutzman	Licensed	assisted
103	2002	Don Swartzentruber	Licensed	Assisted
104	2003	Bryan Roby	Licensed	
105	2005	Jeremy Miller	Minister	
106	2005	Terry Yoder	Minister	
107	2007	Kevin Swartzentruber	Minister	
108	2007	Carmon Detweiler	Minister	
109	2007	Bryan Roby	Minister	