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WALKING BY SIGHT, NOT BY FAITH

We who know the Lord as our Savior don't seem to have much difficulty in trusting God with our eternal souls. But living here below, we often find it hard to **'Walk by faith and not by sight.'** We want to go where we can see, attempt what we are capable of, and work only according to our resources. All of this is contrary to faith and the Word of God, but it shows how weak and earthbound most of us are. C. H. Spurgeon hit the nail on the head: *"The common policy of our churches is that of great prudence. We do not, as a rule, attempt anything beyond our own strength. Thus we limit God and deprive ourselves of His eternal power and resources."* -Copied. I think this is all too true. The Bible says. **"Power belongeth unto God."** It is His power or ours. If it is ours - **"The flesh profiteth nothing."**

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH THIS FAMILY?

Upon hearing a that certain family had not missed Sunday School or a Church service for several years, someone wrote: "What's wrong with this family? Don't they ever have company on Sunday? Don't they ever feel tired on Sunday mornings and sleep in? Don't they belong to any clubs, etc. that keep them up late Saturday night? Don't they ever have headaches, colds, nervous spells, tired feelings, picnics, pleasure trips or such things? Don't they get a lot more out of a radio or television sermon? Don't they ever get tired of hearing the Gospel Sunday after Sunday? Don't they ever get fed up with some member or the preacher? What's wrong with this family anyway?" -What's wrong with this family? Nothing! They are just doing what God said we ought to do – they are putting God first and **"not forsaking the assembling of our selves together."** What about you, my Friend? How faithful are you to God and His Church?

MY BOSS IS ALWAYS IN

Jimmy was a fine Christian boy and he got a job in a grocery store after school. One day a customer entered the establishment and, after making a purchase of some fruit. Whispered, Throw in a few extra! The boy who was here before you used to give me a larger portion in return for a tip from me." "No," said Jimmy, "I can't do that; the boss would not approve of that." The man said, "But the Boss isn't in." "Oh, Yes, He is,," said Jimmy. My Boss is always in! You see I'm a Christian." I have often said what a difference it would make in our conduct if we just remembered that the Lord is always right there. He sees and knows all. **"...all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of Him with whom have to do."** ~Hebrews 4:13.

GOD HAS BEEN THERE

John Foster wrote in one of his books how he came home one day to find his daughter in tears before the radio. It was back in the 1930's. When he asked why, she replied, "Japanese tanks have entered Canton today." No doubt some people heard that news with a little regret, but it probably meant little to most. Why then was John Foster's daughter in tears? Because she was born in Canton and grew up there. To her Canton meant a home, a nurse, a school, friends, a well-loved place. The difference was she had been there. When you have been to a place it makes all the difference. There is no man or situation of which Jesus, the Son of God, cannot say, "I have been there." Of Him the Scriptures say, **"For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin."** ~Hebrews 4:15.