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Crimson & White? What's this?

... This letter is part of a ministry primarily to students and singles. It started with college students. Now about 50% of the mailing list is students, middle and high school and college, and 25% are age 22 to 30, and we'll just leave ages unsaid for the last 25% since, well, they're old. Articles are on character, values, spiritual life, relationships and more ... and some fun.

The theology position is "conservative," i.e. Jesus is God's Son, eternal, part of the single triune God, born of a virgin, sinless, crucified and risen, and is the *only* way to eternal life. We are free to choose Him. He has told us to be holy and that includes behaviors such as: sex outside of marriage is wrong.

Our goal is mail in your mail box about 15 times a year. We're trying to say that you are important enough for us to put this in your mailbox. We care about you and want to encourage your character growth and your spiritual walk. We also distribute a daily email devotional.

Another part of the ministry is prayer. We pray for those on our mailing list as the mail is prepared. When you get mail from us, you know someone prayed for you.

A college student reader chose the name Crimson and White Connection based on Isaiah 1:18 in the Bible "Come now, let us reason together," says the LORD. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool." The cleansing of our nature and our sins is a universal need. If you base your trust for entrance into Heaven in Jesus, God's Son, and His death and resurrection on your behalf, then your crimson stains are made white as wool. Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. There is no other way. If you admit that you can not reach God's standard, are repentant and sorry for your short fall (sin) and have asked Him to forgive you, then He has forgiven you. If you are truly repentant, then there will be evidence of that in your actions, your life. - - If the "religion police" were to arrest you, would you be turned loose for "lack of evidence"? Or would the evidence of your actions convict you of being a Christian?

If you have chosen to accept Jesus as Lord of your life, either the first time or again, we would like to know so that we can pray for you and encourage you. Write or call us.

You WILL BE and ARE a slave! But you can CHOOSE your master! CHOOSE God today.

John 3:16 is true. Accept no substitute!

June 16, 2008 Foundations

by Dr. Rich Dymmel, Ed.D.

When we were in the house building business, we had to start with a sure footing under the foundation walls. Foundations were built under where the weight of the house would be, which is the outside walls, and in the middle to support across the span between with supporting foundation piers where interior weight would be, like central walls. Then we built the house solidly on those points. – When we were looking at buying a house, I remember one house in particular where the foundations weren't placed properly. One foundation pier was under the middle of a room and not under the weight of the walls that supported the 2nd floor. Then the center of the room was high, and the weight of the walls supporting the second floor made the edges of the room sag down. The floor was a "dome" instead of flat in the dining room. The point is, be sure of your foundations and footings, that what you build on is solid and properly placed.

The Bible talks about foundations. Matthew 7:24-27 may be familiar to most of you.

NKJV: ²⁴."Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: ²⁵ and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock. ²⁶."But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand: 27and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall."

The Message starts this passage worded just a tiny bit different. I like the emphasis: **TMSG:** 24"These words I speak to you are not incidental additions to your life, homeowner improvements to your standard of living. They are foundational words, words to build a life on. If you work these words into your life, you are like a smart carpenter who built his house on solid rock.

What does that mean? Jesus is talking about how we see the world, our "world view," our basic foundations for interpreting everything. How we interpret the world depends on our view, our perspective, the assumptions we start with. If you interpret and assuming life is an accident of chemistry and no more, this line of thinking can easily lead to people having no particular value. It has been shown that Hitler believed this way and had no problem with designing a way to exterminate hundreds of thousands. Is it okay to use or take advantage of or to destroy another's life? The answer depends on your foundation, your world view.

Jesus wants us to have a particular foundation for how we view the world and how that makes us act. We are to listen to His words, take them in to our life. Let them form our way of thinking, living, acting, ... everything we do. They determine how we see and react to the world. ... A world view... Jesus said to love God, and then to love our neighbor.

On Christ. Rich

Do you have a relationship with God where you know He has accepted you just as you are? If not, and you want that, call me at 336-674-7564. – With God, even if you have gone the opposite direction, you have never gone too far to turn around.

Did you know the C&W sends out a daily email? Want to try it as part of a daily God related thought? It takes from 1 to 5 minutes to read. I use a variety of resources, it's not the same style or format every day. Send an email to RDymmel@AOL.com with your name and email address and just say "Try daily for 2 weeks."

From the mailbox (Letters may be slightly edited. We also remove some personal content and identifying stuff. We won't blab your name or email address.) Your letters and notes encourage us, too. *Rich*

We've received several address and email address updates from people. Thanks. We've also had a small calamity with our email lists and have had to reconstruct them from other sources. I hope we have everyone's address restored. If you are to get the daily or the C&WC by email and aren't, LET ME KNOW.

We'd love to hear from you.

We've added several new people to the C&WC reader list and a few to the daily devotional email list in the last month.

An awful lot of people change email addresses and don't tell us and then when we try to contact you, well, we can't. And, we only have email addresses for less than half of the C&WC mail database.

Keep sharing the C&WC with your friends. Encourage them to send in the subscription information, we'd love to add them to the list and put the C&WC in their mailbox. There is not much of a commitment... the C&WC is free. - Although we'd really like to have people feel enough of a connection to let us know when they move or to tell us to stop when they aren't interested rather than we print and pay postage to send it and it is just tossed by them or the P.O..

God bless you. Rich

> ADDRESSES!!!!! We will be mailing to the Home address that we have on file through August – UNLESS you give us a "camp" or other address where you'll be. If not at "home," tell us the dates and where we should send the mail ... PLEASE.

resubscribe, old age, a comment

6/6/08 from and to Katie,

Rich, I got them [the daily devotionals] for a while, and then I quit for a little while. But I was just complaining how I don't feel that I have enough devotional time at home as I did at school when I was involved with multiple bible studies, so please do continue sending me the daily dose. Thank you. Katie

Absolutely. Now that you say that, I think I vaguely remember adding then deleting you. (1) the whole list is so big now I don't remember ALL the details about people, (2) maybe I'm old and don't remember all the details, and (3) ... Let's see, the 3 signs of old age: #1 loss of memory, #2 is ... ahhh, #3 mmmm, #2... start over #1 loss of memory, #2 ... #3 ... oh, well.

Hey. Love to put you "back" in that group in the address book. Rich

I would say that #2 is driving slower (which could also be attributed to general lack of busyness- which is a good thing) and #3 is... Oh well, I don't know. A general euphoria with life, I suppose. :) Thanks a lot. I enjoyed today's message. Waking up is one of the hardest things for me. Everyone who knows me at all knows to keep their distance for about an hour after I wake up. If I have time, I'll usually sit in bed, staring at my ceiling and putting everything in order for the day. I usually do my bible studies before I go to bed, but I should switch them to the morning so that I can apply it all day, rather than going to sleep and forgetting about it before I have a chance to use it. Thanks. Katie

Thank you. I appreciate the feedback.

And that's not necessarily true for #2. For Marie's mom... sort of. But driving too slow is not something I am described as doing. Usually just the opposite.



Rebel Without a Clue

Read: Jeremiah 52:1-11

Neither [Zedekiah] nor his attendants nor the people of the land paid any attention to the words [of] the Lord. —Jeremiah 37:2

When I was a kid, my dad declared that a convenience store in our neighborhood was off-limits.... So that's exactly where I went every week to load up with candy.

When I was in college, my friend was sick and had to spend a night in the campus hospital. Visiting hours ended at 9 p.m., but I couldn't get there until 9:30. So I waited in the bushes outside the back security entrance till an employee went in, then I slipped inside and up to my friend's room.

I didn't like the rules, so I ignored them. (And I could give you many more examples.) Neither of these incidents had very serious consequences, but they helped build in me a rebellious attitude I still struggle with.

Taken too far, rebellious behavior can be devastating. An Old Testament man learned that the hard way.

Zedekiah was 21 years old when he became king of Judah. He was put on the throne as a puppet king by Babylon's King Nebuchadnezzar. But he didn't follow God's rules. "Neither he nor his attendants nor the people of the land paid any attention to the words the Lord had spoken" (Jeremiah 37:2). He even imprisoned God's prophet, Jeremiah (v.21).

Finally, "Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon" (52:3), and Nebuchadnezzar had enough. The entire Babylonian army sacked Jerusalem and took the people captive. And here's how it ended for Zedekiah: "The king of Babylon slaughtered the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes Then he put out Zedekiah's eyes, bound him with bronze shackles, and took him to Babylon, where he put him in prison till the day of his death" (vv.10-11).

I doubt that anything you or I do could ever bring down an entire nation. But this account of Zedekiah tells us how seriously God takes rebellion. Zedekiah had a copy of God's law. He had Jeremiah to tell him what God said. But he didn't listen.

Today we have the Bible, teachers, and wise Christians to help us learn what God expects. This month, let's not ignore what He tells us. God wants obedient servants with a cause, not rebels without a clue. —Tracy Carbaugh

REFLECTION

* What are some examples of times I've been rebellious? What were the consequences?

* Why does God hate a rebellious attitude? What are some things I can do today to learn more about what God expects of me?

Disobedience is natural behavior; obedience is learned.

www.cj.org/cj-06-01-02.shtml

I used to use these a lot and had permission to reprint Campus Journal.

I'm sure where I got this story from a couple years ago,

THE LITTLE GIRL IN THE PARK

There was this little girl one day sitting in the park. Everyone passed and never stopped to see why she looked so sad. Dressed in a worn pink dress, bare foot and dirty, the girl just sat and watched the people go by.

She never tried to speak, she never said a word. Many people passed, but never did one person stop. Just so happens the next day I decided to go back to the park, in curiosity, to see if the little girl would still be there. Right in the very spot as she was yesterday she sat perched on high, with the saddest look in her eyes.

Today I was to make my own move and walk over to the little girl. For as we all know a park full of strange people is not a place for young children to play alone.

As I got closer I could see the back of the little girl's dress was obscenely shaped. I figured that was a reason the people just passed by and made no effort to help.

Having deformities was a low blow to our society and, "so help you" if you make a step toward assisting someone who is different.

As I go closer the little girl slightly lowered her eyes to avoid my intent stare. As I approached her, I could see the obscene shape of her back more clearly. Grotesquely shaped in a humped over form. I smiled to let her know it was OK, I was there to help, to talk. I sat down beside her and opened with a simple "Hello".

The little girl acted shocked and stammered a "Hi" after a long stare into my eyes. I smiled and she shyly smiled back. We talked till darkness fell and the park was completely empty. Everyone was gone and we at once were alone.

I asked the girl why she was so sad. The little girl looked at me and with a sad face said, "Because I'm different."

I immediately said, "That you are!" and smiled.

The little girl acted even sadder, she said, "I know."

"Little girl," I said, "You remind me of an angel, sweet and innocent."

She looked at me and smiled, slowly she got to her feet and said, "Really?"

"Yes ma'am, you're like a little guardian angel sent to watch over all those people walking by."

She shook her head yes and smiled, with that she spread her wings and said, "I'm *your* guardian angel," with a twinkle in her eye.

I was speechless...sure I was seeing things. She said, "For once you thought of someone other than yourself, my job here is done."

I jumped to my feet and said, "Wait, so why did no one stop to help an angel?"

She looked at me and smiled, "You're the only one that could see me, you believe, it's in your heart."

And she was gone. And with that my life was changed dramatically.

So, when you think you're all you have, remember, your angel is always watching over you.

Are there people that you need to talk with, because they are an angel, or just someone God has sent to help you? Or maybe you are to be a messenger from God to someone. DO you even believe in angels, specific created powerful creatures made by God to ... to do all sorts of work? Have you seen one? Maybe you've seen one and don't even know it.

Can you get too much of a good thing?

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I am sitting here in a kitchen in California, just South of San Francisco, (we're on vacation) considering what to write / import, etc., for these center pages.

As I look out the window, the sun is shinning over all the flowers that earlier were in partial shade. Mostly white flowers directly in front of me... except that pink one over there and the bright golden yellow one by the base of the pink one, and a clump of peachy colored ones at the top of the stalks over to the left. A multitude of shades of green cover the hillside in a multitude of shapes and patterns; tall spires, tangled vines of leaves. There are what look like they might be grape vines, but I don't see anything that looks like they may become grapes that go up and then across the top edge of the deck covering the area along the house, shading it.

Several large clumps of tall green leaves reaching 4 to 5 feet tall, two in front of me, one over to the right, just out of sight from this window. I have something that looks a little bit similar, but on a much smaller scale in my yard back in NC. I asked and these are an Australian grass, not a cactus. What I have at home is a type of cactus. I found out this is actually a grass that can survive, once established, with almost no water.

Where I am looking is a hillside a little ways south of San Francisco, California.

Weird weather here. I'm describing a pretty lush garden. It's not my imagination. It's real. But right here, they only get 10 to 12 inches of rain a year. They won't see rain again until maybe a 10% chance of rain come September.

The good thing is sunshine.

In NC, we like sunny days. We get rain. We get sun. We rarely get snow. But when is enough enough and when is it to much? When we drive around and down the road, and we can see the surrounding hillsides, they are carved hills with a solid covering of dry brown grass. Occasionally there's a tree or two. But no forest covered hills. Not here. Trees need rain.

Here they have sunshine, and lots of it. Maybe even too much. The garden here is green because he waters it. He's a "gardener." On the radio on the news, every day we've been hearing about their water shortage. - Too many people that need water and not enough to meet the need. So unless you have your own well / source, there are restrictions.

Water is a good thing. But again, when there is too much at one time, it's called a disaster, like the tsunami in the far east and the hurricane in New Orleans.

Good things are good in moderation. Generally.

A friend showed us a book he's reading about the United States 100 years ago in 1908. - Are cars a good thing? In this area, the San Francisco Bay area, today, car emissions are a problem. We see a lot of the hybrid cars on the road. And with gas at \$4.59 just down the street, hybrid (gas/electric) Toyotas are in demand since they get over 50 mpg.

Maybe we should go back to "natural power" and use horses instead of cars. But get this... from that book... cars were seen in New York as a good thing. There were thousands of horses in NYC in 1908. Those horses dropped 20+ pounds of processed horse feed daily in the streets. Multiply. That's 20,000+ pounds daily per thousand horses! And with no way to effectively remove it, it accumulated. And it dried in the streets. And then pounded by horse hoofs and wagon wheels the bacteria laden dust rose and was breathed. And thousands died every year because of the air pollution from the horses. And along came the automobile! Yea! The horses and processed horse feed would disappear. Now 100 years later, that "blessing," a "good thing," has become a problem. The pollutants emitted from the cars are a problem. Too much of a good thing.

California has lots of water... in northern California. There they lots of water and not so many people. In the southern part, they have lots of people and not so much water.

Having people is good for an area. Having water is good. Having food is good. Having transportation - either horses or cars, is good. Sunshine is good. Rain is good. But when there is too much, it's a problem.

Is this true for everything?

Can you have too much love?

Some people may talk about someone being smothered by another person's love. I don't think that is really love. The smotherer may have a need they are trying to meet and it ends up smothering the other person.

Love is when you want the very best for the other person. That means you will help them achieve what is good for them. It means you would try to help them along some paths. It means you would stand in the way and try to help them avoid harmful paths and choices if you know it would be harmful. It also means you will get out of the way when they ask you to. Then, love can be letting that person make mistakes and simply being there for them while praying for them and supporting them. Love can't be forced on someone.

So, when it comes to real love, can you get too much love? - - I don't think so.

But where do you find real love?

Among people, look for who's interest is being served. Is what's happening for "me" or for "them"? If it is "for the other person" then there's a god chance it is really love. If it for themselves, then it is not love.

Example: In the movie "The Wedding Singer" there are two guys and one girl. The jerk thinks only of himself, the singer thinks of the girl. When they get on a plane, the jerk takes the window seat... 'I hate the aisle seat. They always hit my elbow with the drink cart.' So she sits on the aisle, and, you guessed it, her elbow gets hit by the drink cart. He doesn't love her. He doesn't think of her comfort, just his. He's using her for his purposes and pleasure.

Look at your relationships with other people. Are you using them or loving them?

Look at your relationship with God. God loves you and He is always got your best end in mind. That's love.

Look at your relationship with God. Are you using Him for your interests? Or are you doing what He would want? Are your actions with His goals, purposes, and desires in mind? Matthew 6:33 says we are to seek God first and He will supply what we need. Love seeks the other person's desires. In the case of God, He promises to return the love by meeting our needs. But be careful that you're not "giving to get," that's not love, that's self-serving.



I PETER 5:7 Give all your workies and cares to 60D, for he cares about what happens to you. For this to work... You have to let GO!

I'm not trapped by rules, I'm free of consequences!

(See "Consequences" in March 15, 02 C&WC issue)

Just for fun, from a tape with a great message about relationships, marriage, selecting your life-mate. The tape is only \$5 and you can order at www.rzim.org

From Ravi Zacharias' tape titled "I, Isaac, Take You Rebecca" (1986).

"These two thoughts are not worth believing, may not be worth listening to. But seeing there are many young people here tonight I'd like to share a little bit, a couple of poems that I put together. Don't bother memorizing them, they will do you no good ... neither of them are true.

Slippery ice, very thin. Pretty girl, tumbles in. Saw a boy, on the bank. Gave a shriek, then she sank. Boy on hand, heard her shout. Jumped right in, pulled her out. Now she's his, very nice. But she had to break the ice

Love is like an onion You taste it with delight But when it's gone you wonder "Whatever made you bite?" Love is a funny thing Just like a lizard It curls up round your heart And then jumps into your gizzard Love is swell, it's so enticing It's oran jell, it's strawberry icing, It's chocolate rouse, it's roasted goose, It's ham on rye, it's banana pie, Love's all good things Without a question. In other words It's indigestion.

Here's the deal...

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In most relationships it's a two way street. Each has something to offer. Sometimes someone loves us "just because" or wants to do something for us "for their own reason." That applies when the kids go to M-fuge for a week. They will work and sweat and there are often times that they may never meet or see the people to be benefited.

In *How to Know If Someone Is Worth Pursuing in Two Dates or Less* (Neil Clark Warren, 1999, ISBN: 0-7852-6904-5, \$10.99, reviewed in C&WC, 3/15/02) Warren puts forth an interesting concept in a relationship: "Making the deal." If you get "too much" it may be a bad deal. In a relationship headed for possible marriage, if you don't have anything to "offer," the other person may eventually think they didn't get a "good deal."

SO ... we try to pretty ourselves up. We'll take a shower. We'll groom ourselves. We may try to say the right things, do the right things. We put on an act, a mask. Eventually we let the other person see the real us. - - We go to church. We attend InterVarsity, attend the youth group, don't get caught drinking. "I don't do _____ anymore" (or at least not often or get caught). People will think I'm okay. - - We try to look good ... and feel good about ourselves. - But does that really make you feel better about yourself? Michelle Hammond (*If Men Are Like Busses, Then How Do I Catch One?*, 2000, ISBN: 0-7394-1324-4, reviewed in C&WC 3/15/02) says, "We attract people who feed off what we think of ourselves." or at *least* the image we put out there ... or is it the *real you* that they are attracted to? But the outward show only works for a while ...

But when it comes to a *relationship with God*, He sees right through the act, the mask, the facade. You can't fool God. He knows what you *really* think and feel.

"Well, golly. What can I do? How can I be good enough for God to accept me or want me?" In the Bible the Pharisees played by ALL the rules, DID the right things, super-religious, yet Jesus called them whitewashed (to look good on the outside) sepulchers (that's a place filled with the dead bones and bodies) – nasty, don't want to be near those, they even stink. - - - "But I want God to want me, I just don't think I'm good enough. So I try, but I don't know what to *do* or how to feel good enough."

There is a song done by Scott Krippayne, "I'm Not Cool," on his album "All Of Me," it goes like this: Some people tell me that I look kind of funny My nose is red and the braces didn't work at all They say the clothes I wear are all out of fashion I don't fit in and should be shopping at a different mall I studied classical piano, when I could've been playing guitar I used to drive an El Camino And I'm not even sure it's a car

I'm not cool but that's okay My God loves me anyway I'm not cool but that's alright I'm still precious in His sight I'm not cool but I don't care How I'm supposed to do my hair I'm not cool but that's okay

My God loves me anyway.

... God loves him ANYWAY. With God there is NOTHING you can do or be to make yourself acceptable. ALL He wants is for you to want to come to Him. - Romans 8:38-39 KJV says, "For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Once you come to Him and accept His gift of life, it is possible for you to turn away. But He never deserts you. There's a song by Mark Schultz "Back In His Arms Again": "I believe that He never let you go. I believe that He's wanting you to know. I believe that He'll lead you till you're back in His arms again."

A story of return and restoration is told by Jesus in Luke, chapter 15. In Luke 15:20, the father, representing God in the story, runs to meet the returning son.

Do you need God to love you just like you are? He does. Have you messed up? He takes you back anyway. In fact He's eager to take you back.

Online/On The Air

Garbage in – garbage out. Are you putting Good stuff, good music, etc., in your head or "garbage"? Listen to good Christian music on the radio. Do you have a decent collection of Christian music CDs?

K-LOVE radio broadcasts from California, relayed to 75 stations in 34 states. Around Greensboro, Elon, Raleigh, & Chapel Hill, NC and Danville, VA it is 106.7 –WKVE. You can find if they have a station near you at www.KLOVE.com. They also do live streaming online no matter where you are.

Contemporary Christian Music on the radio: Boone/Black Mtn./Asheville, NC - WMIT - 106.9 Charlotte, NC - WRCM - 91.9 FM "New Life"

In NC: WBFJ – Greensboro - 103.5 FM; High Point - 102.7

FM; Salisbury - 101.3 FM; Winston-Salem - 89.3 FM; Mt. Airy- 103.1; Pilot Mountain - 104.9 FM

Greensboro to Raleigh, NC – KLOVE network – WKVE – 106.7; Danville, VA – KLOVE network – WKVE – 106.7

Lynchburg, VA - WRVL - 88.3 FM

Cumming, GA-Victory 91.5FM (featuring a teen flair of powerhouse rock Saturdays from 9pm-1am) and Atlanta, Ga-Jesus 93.3 FM ("The station that helps you live the life.") and 90.0 North of Atlanta, and 104.7 The Fish

Southern Gospel; in NC – find JOY-FM at 91.3; 88.1; and 89.5 BBN (more "traditional" music and programming, is international, and carries great stuff like "*Adventures in Odyssey*" from FOTF and Ravi Zacharias who speaks on many college campuses. High Point/Greensboro, NC - WHPE, 95.5 FM, 93.5 in Charlotte, 92.5 in Raleigh, 105.3 in Goldsboro. Check www.bbnradio.org for a station anywhere in the world

Find Christian radio on the web – many stations stream on the web. Try these sites: www.klove.com; www.wbfj.org www.ChristianRadio.com lists 2500 stations by state. Or

search for "Christian radio" in your search engine.

"**Boundless**" At Focus On The Family, www.family.org, is a college targeted web magazine. Check it out.

Mostly just for fun...

Hymns vs. Choruses

An old farmer went to the city one weekend and attended the big city church. He came home, and his wife asked him how it was.

"Well," said the farmer, "It was good. They did something different, however. They sang praise choruses instead of hymns."

"Praise choruses," said his wife, "What are those?"

"Oh, they're okay. They're sort of like hymns, only different," said the farmer.

"Well, what's the difference?" asked the wife.

The farmer said, "Well, it's like this. If I were to say to you, 'Martha, the cows are in the corn,' well that would be a hymn.

"If on the other hand I was to say to you, 'Martha, Martha, Martha, Oh Martha, MARTHA, MARTHA, the cows, the big cows, the brown cows, the black cows, the white cows, the black and white cows, the COWS, COWS, COWS, are in the corn, are in the corn, are in the corn, are in the corn,' well, that would be a praise chorus."

*Thanks to Pastor Tim for this joke! www.cybersalt.org/ cleanlaugh

Eye Laugh : "Tide Table"

http://www.cybersalt.org/cw/tide.htm

[Anyone with any boating enthusiasm might appreciate this one. You have to look up the web site. The computer I'm using doesn't have the software I need to import the picture.] *****

BONUS JOKE:

At the end of the college year, a star football player celebrated the relaxation of team curfew by attending a late night campus party. Soon after arriving, he became captivated by a beautiful coed and eased into a conversation with her by asking if she met many guys at these parties that she'd date.

"Oh, I have a 3.8, so I'm much more attracted to the strong academic types than to dumb party animals," she said. "What's your G. P. A.?"

Grinning from ear to ear, the jock boasted, "I get about 25 in the city and 40 on the highway.' ****

Know when to keep quiet:

"It is better to keep one's mouth shut and be thought a fool than to open it and resolve all doubt." — Abraham Lincoln

"Blessed is the man who, having nothing to say, abstains from giving us worthy evidence of the fact." - George Eliot *****

Joke of the Day The Famous Joke of the Day One Liner!

The gene pool could use a little chlorine. *****

Eye Laugh "Car Drop"

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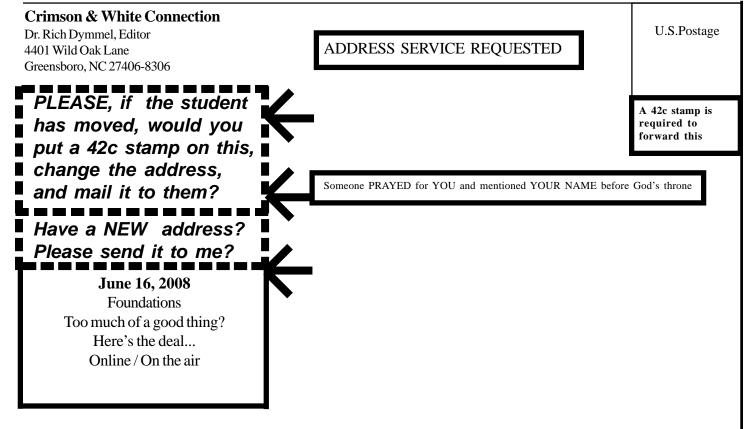
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