

Disciplinary Standard For TTCs!

--"WHOM THE LORD LOVETH HE CHASTENETH!"

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(A Letter to Searchers & Other Adult TTC Leadership—And a Standard for all God's Teens to uphold!)

WLYSM & have thrilled reading each new report of the wondrous & mighty acts of the Apostles there at your L.A. TTC! It's an absolute miracle, an Endtime exploit!—How the Lord has led & inspired all you leadership & adult staff with the organising, care & training of these precious teens, & it's a tremendous testimony of what miracles the Lord can do! Hail! A special thank you for your faithful correspondence, as we closely study & pray about each report & situation, as you can see from Dad & Mama's replies & reactions & personal comments! PTL! The staff here has prayed for your health, strength, anointing, wisdom, faith & love for the task every night after dinner, & although far removed physically, we feel so very close to you in spirit & burden & vision for this Teen Revolution! You are the Revolutionary TTC pioneers & we know that the standard & sample that you set there will help to build the groundwork & foundation for future TTCs which are already planned & underway in other parts of the World. Hallelujah! Thank you for everything, & we all send you a loving & rewarding "We'll done, thou good & faithful servants!" We love you!

We know it's not an easy job keeping up with 110 active, zealous Revolutionary teen soldiers there at your Camp, but in general we truly believe you've done a very good job with the close supervision & firm discipline of the teens in keeping them under control & learning their lessons. Most of them too, have done so well to comply with the many new & specialised rules there at the TTC, which shows they're there for Jesus & maturing in the Lord & striving for their goals, GB'm! It's especially good that the discipline has been consistent, mostly due to the

standard & rules that your whole Camp agreed upon & to the faithfulness of those hard-working Room Shepherds & assistants who have the fulltime job of closely overseeing their flocks & making sure they "press toward the mark" & get that very important training while there to be obedient, loving, faithful, Revolutionary disciples for Jesus! So overall, we do believe you've done about as well as you could possibly do in such a new situation with all new people coming from so many varied backgrounds & age groups & parts of the World. It's truly been a miracle & we know that "It is God which worketh in you" & "He that hath begun a good work in you shall perform it unto the end!" PTL!

This is probably the most disciplined, regimented environment those teens have ever been in, or will ever experience in their lives because of the good organisational structure & the mandatory behavioural standard expected of each attendee, & that's why you've been able to accomplish so much there for the Lord! In most cases, parents don't have the same advantage of having such a special controlled environment & close oversight for the children, & therefore aren't always able to keep up the consistent disciplining & training of their children in the same way a TTC can. Keeping up good consistent discipline is a real battle for our families & Homes, but in "Boot Camp" you've found a good balance in your disciplinary standard by enforcing the Demerit System, & in loving & praising the precious teens for the progress they've made in so many ways. Most of the teens there have been quite well behaved & with them you've really only experienced the typical teenage traits that we expected you would, of difficulties receiving correction, murmuring, laziness, lack of love towards one another, etc. etc. which we brought out to you in the Teen Training Camp Handbook letters. Most of the teens are there for Jesus, they've made the right commitment in their lives, & they do not want to disobey or fall you or the Folks or the Lord, God bless them, & those are the kind of soldiers we want, PTL. He's doing it!

On the other hand, according to your reports, it seems you have a few delinquent teens on your hands there who have not gotten the point or made the right commitment & choice in their lives as yet, but who have chosen to disobey the rules which the entire

Camp originally agreed upon, & in spite of the great deal of love, mercy, understanding & benefit of the doubt that's been lavished on them, not to mention the personal invitation from our Shepherds to attend the TTC, have deliberately & mischievously disobeyed & stumbled or influenced a few others to follow suit in their bad sample. We're speaking here specifically of the few cases of arson where several boys at different times have gotten together to play with fire in the bungalows, & igniting the spray from aerosol cans, as well as the reported dangerous, rowdy, disobedient group play in the pool in spite of the lifeguards' warnings. There have also been repeated incidences of rowdy, uncontrolled noise & confusion at mealtimes, which has affected many peoples' digestion & been quite a problem in the Teen Camp. TTL, you haven't had any worse problems & offenses, & these, like we said, are just a few incidences. On the overall, the kids have behaved quite well, & we're very thankful & proud of them for that.

However, because your Teen Camp sets a sample & standard for other Teen Camps & Family teens to follow, & because of the dire importance of the proper training standard for teens & adults at every TTC, we feel we should stress to you the importance of dealing with these more extreme cases more strictly & speedily. As the Word says in Ecc.8:11, "Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the hearts of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil." In the few severe cases such as playing with fire & endangering the property & lives of everyone there, as well as any rowdy, dangerous, disobedient behaviour in the pool in spite of even one warning, you adults need to crack down on the offenders right on the spot, immediately, & deal with them & put the fear of God in them so they'll never dare try it again! We understand from your reports that you did have a talk with the arsonists who set fire in the bathroom, & they missed a video or inspiration for a punishment. Perhaps you even used these dandy bad examples as a lesson before all in Pow-Wow. If so, we hope it did bear good fruit.

Dictionary definition of "Delinquent":
(n) a person who falls in duty or commits offences; someone who breaks the law or does socially unacceptable things.

It's extremely important that these delinquents find out quickly that crime

doesn't pay, especially in these more extreme cases of mischievous dangers & evil disobedience! We feel not only should they have had a tongue-lashing they'll never forget on the spot, immediately, as soon as they were caught, but in such a severe case you must also deal with the problem & offenders before the entire body to nip these problems in the bud, so that others will fear too & the entire Teen Camp is made well aware that "They that sin before all, rebuke before all so that others also may fear." (1Tim.5:20!) Single out the offenders before all, as the whole Camp receives the disciplinary lesson & scolding in a Pow-Wow & make a public example out of them, or you'll pay for the crime with repeated offenses, which may be why you had more than one act of arson! Forget demerits when it comes to crimes, & punish any offenders immediately without fall with "hard labour" or "solitary confinement" with reading assignments for a full day with written or taped reactions, & especially public exposure so others also may fear! Let those offenders have it, as they deserve it, & of course love them up as well. But just as Dad delivered his soul in the Letter "You Are Your Own Worst Enemy" (ML 1945), those teens had better see that when they know better & choose to disobey, they deserve judgement, especially after all that's been invested in them! As Dad says in his disciplinary talks to us, "I'm sorry I have to do this, but because you went against my orders, you need it & deserve it, & we want to make sure you get the point & learn your lesson!" Dad often made public examples of disobedient trouble-makers at TSC, & handled it in the very same Pow-Wow fashion that we used in our Teen Training Program here for these extreme cases, & used rebellious offenders & disobedient sheep as a bad example before the whole body, & the result is you have very few repeated problems & everyone learns from the example mistake or lesson!

You cannot wait to take care of these serious cases & put the punishment off until the weekend when they're deprived of a video or inspiration. Most kids have even forgotten about it by the end of the week, so even depriving them of a privilege one or two days later is not sentence enough for evil. They may have even repented before their punishment comes up. The Word exhorts us to execute that sentence speedily in these more severe cases, so the disciplinary action needs to be executed right away! One of the main reasons for dealing with the unruly ones on the spot & even making a public example out of them is that it prevents any

further troubles because everyone is well aware of the crime & punishment, & the ones who saw it or heard about it see & learn too that crime doesn't pay! Everyone must know & see at Teen Camp & in our Family Homes too that "rules are to be obeyed!"—or else, & taking action against bad unruly behaviour prevents extra nagging & lectures & further problems.

As we said before, most of the teens there are doing well & don't want to disobey or fall you or the Lord, but the ones who need it, certainly need to get it, & that right quick! This prevents a lot of problems that you will not have to take care of next time, & especially in such a group situation would be a lesson those teens & adults will never forget & use to teach others also! Knowing how important it is that these kids & adults learn a strict disciplinary standard, it's probably the Lord who lets these problem situations come up as an example for all to learn from!

The behavioural Disciplinary Discipline Standard is one of the most important lessons the teens & adults should learn while at TTC! The biggest battle I had in the Teen Training Program here was keeping a good balance between the loving guidance, understanding & inspiration, & the mandatory, firm disciplinary behaviour standard! Teen Training is a very intense & a very inspiring program, but it can't all be on the upper inspirational level or have an over-balance of love & mercy. "A Boot Camp is a Boot Camp is a Boot Camp," & there's hardly any other effective way to go about it than to first let the kids know exactly what rules & standard are required of them, & from that point on, once it's agreed on by the whole Camp, those teen soldiers need to toe the mark, or be punished if they don't! The TTC punishments of missing a video or evening fellowship for too many demerits are not unfair or cruel but seem to be effective & sufficient for minor normal offenses, but they're ineffective for outright disobedience & blatant crimes!

One of the worst results of weak or ineffective discipline is that if the teens don't see a firm disciplinary execution for a major offense while at TTC, they're going to go back home or to their new field with their teenage, stubborn independence & critical self-righteous ways resenting any kind of authority or stiff correction from their parents, elders or leadership! Most teens already battle plenty with resentment or difficulty receiving correction without having this attitude fed or confirmed at their TTC!

Of course, we may not have all the details straight or be aware of the full story here, but we feel we must deal with these problems here as an example at least of what to do with these extreme, bad cases. It seems detrimental that the teens don't get used to, & "exercised by" a rather firm disciplinary control & standard, especially when they deserve it for misbehaviour, or a flippant, disrespectful attitude at a desperate prayer meeting, such as was the case when Faithy sternly corrected the teens for not being in a more prayerful, sober spirit, or when it comes to their chancing serious accidents with rowdy, disobedient group play (in the pool) & ignoring warnings from the lifeguards! Both of these things Dad has very sternly rebuked both the adults & children for in his house a number of times, & we deserved it because we knew we were out of line! Dad also didn't hesitate to reprimand everyone at the Combo for coming into the dining room in an unprayerful spirit, & no one even knew it was going to be a prayer session that particular night that the Russian leader, Andropov, died, but he expected us to discern the Spirit & behave more soberly—children included! Another example is also when having a class with Dad, he expects everyone to have already sung a few songs & be praying aloud for him before he enters the classroom. Dad's classes were always inspirational & very enjoyable as well as feeding, yet he expected all of us to be in a prayerful, sober mood for classtime, (the children too!), no matter what the theme of the class.

This is something we brought out in the Teen Training Handbook counsel, that teens need to learn to reverence the Spirit, they must be taught these things through your sample & lectures or reproof if necessary! You have mentioned in your reports that the teens just have not yet learned the fear of the Lord, & they're not going to learn it, either, if they haven't been taught it there by all you adult leadership's example, & one sure way to get the point across is with an open rebuke when warranted! It's better to



let them have it when they deserve it, even if it's not delivered in the "perfect" loving tone of voice or spirit.—You've got to let them know how strongly you feel about it, or they may not get the point. If you don't get upset at the evil, they may not get moved to repentance! The important thing is that they learn their lesson & understand all the why's & wherefore's & consequences & repent! Loving reminders usually are simply not enough, especially time after time, again & again, day after day. Dad & Mama both are extremely sweet & loving to the children, but when teens or kids are uncontrolled or disobedient or disrespectful, we don't just "mention" it to them or have a little talk about it & continue reminding them gently scores of times—that's nothing but detrimental to their training & we'd have scores of problems on our hands as a result!

"There's nothing wrong with disciplining in righteous (loving, controlled) anger over wrong-doing. God does that! We should get angry over sin! There is such a thing as having too much patience! There are a lot of times you shouldn't have patience, because you need to nip things in the bud & not wait too long. You need to get stirred up & angry once in awhile & you need to immediately punish disobediences & correct problem situations before they go too far!" (Dad's Guidelines on Discipline:FSM 25)

Those kids there know the rules, they agreed to obey them, & all they deserve is one stiff warning! If the warning is clear & firm & the kids know you mean business & you'll surely carry out your promised sentence, a stiff warning is all it usually takes to reprove a misbehaved child or teen! But the promised sentence has to be carried out! Repeated warnings usually become nothing more than "reminders" with about the same effect, & that's when the battle of nagging & disciplinary problems really begins! One clear, firm warning, & if not heeded, those teens need to be jerked up for major offenses & punished for an absolute downright disobedient or criminal offense, such as we mentioned above, & they need to get a good rebuke for it, even if it should happen in front of others! If they are going to act like teen terrors, they're going to be treated like them too. Especially delinquent cases need to be punished in such an effective fruitful way that they'll learn their lesson & desire to change!

There are reports that the pool is a very rowdy place, especially when groups of boys have Get-Out. We're glad to hear your lifeguards blow a big whistle for signals, to save their voices & strength, so they don't have to bawl the kids out more often, but we've continued to hear about this rowdy, dangerous behaviour & offenders don't seem to even respond to reproofs & one lifeguard with a whistle! If those kids are rowdy in that pool & acting up, you're going to suffer for it by having a serious accident. Swimming is one of the most dangerous sports there is! It wouldn't hurt those misfits who won't obey the rules or listen to warnings to be yanked out of that pool by the hair of their heads or nape of their neck if they won't heed your first clear warning, & would help save them all from having some terrible accident. God will not bless disobedience, so you'd better make sure that those who don't heed warnings & reproofs get a sentence executed speedily!

"You've got to lay down the law & let them know that this is right & this is wrong. And if they do the right thing you'll reward them, just like God does, but if they do the wrong thing, you warn them in advance that you're going to punish them, & you hope that this fear of punishment or retribution is going to deter them, or keep them from doing it."

"My kids knew when I told them, 'Next time you do that, you've had it!'—that I meant it! And that's the only kind of discipline that works: The kind where you mean what you say & you keep your word & your kids know it & they know if they do that & get caught they're going to get it!" ("Train Up A Child", M.#1142)

Any adult who does not correct & stop that kind of behaviour right quick & let those kids have it would be a delinquent parent! If they've had one stiff warning for disobedient rowdy play in the pool, you



should call them out the next time & ground them on the sidelines so they forfeit their Get-Out & suffer public humiliation for it, & they may even have to forfeit their swim for the next three days or so if they haven't gotten or received the correction well, & so that everyone else gets the point too!

As soon as the lifeguard sees any uncontrolled behaviour cropping up, that's the time to warn everyone to beware & calm down so they'll make the right decision then to obey & get control of themselves! But woe be to the unruly who even start off with violent, rowdy disobedience & knock some other child in the head or almost hurt someone. He knows already not to break the rules, & doesn't deserve a warning! Your prayer before Get-Out time also serves as a good warning in advance, so he's had his chance to get in order & behave, he knows the rules & he broke them, so out he goes, with a rebuke &/or punishment, whatever the situation merits!

We had to reprimand our teens for getting too rowdy at Get Out a few times.—One or two warnings & if they blew it, just like we told them, in they went! They sat on the sidelines or went inside to do dishes. You make sure those lifeguards blow that whistle & tell those boys, "Out you go, so-&-so, you miss the blessing because you disobeyed!"

"Obey them that have the rule over you, & submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, & not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you." (Heb.13:17)

Our children & teens should learn to obey on command just as any disciplined disciple should. They should have the love & respect to obey their leadership & to be thankful for discipline & correction! How could you possibly risk having to repeat yourselves about this dangerous, disobedient play in the pool with this big group of kids? Just because they're new to the Family & not so used to discipline is no reason to let them break the rules, & even worse, infect the other more obedient teens with the idea that there's nothing wrong with disobedience or ignoring reproofs from leadership! The evil or negative influence always infects the good, & you sure don't want the well-behaved ones to pick up on any delinquent behaviour at the TTC! So thank God you have some good lifeguards there with a big whistle to call those teens down. You be sure to ground them on the sidelines or put

them on "hard labour" as a punishment, &/or deprive them of the swimming privilege for three days or so if they're going to disobey or not heed warnings & reproofs. Once they're aware of the rules & receive even one stiff, clear warning & they disobey again, that's it, they went too far & the rest is up to those supervising adults to execute sentence! If they disobey, out of the pool they go.—And if they sulk or murmur about it or don't receive this correction, give them a demerit or two &/or deprive them of swimming for a few days. They can do KP or hard labour if they choose to be a disobedient rebellious soldier!

We've also learned from your reports that you've battled with trying to keep the noise level & confusion down at mealtimes, especially dinner, so that it's hard to even digest your food. You've tried to make a positive push on it with Good Habits Week & made slogans & reminders about it, but you're going to have to do something to enforce it now if the problem has persisted, & stop the nagging & lectures. You say on your reports you "can't get them to have that real respect & fear of the Lord in their leadership, which they're going to need if they're really going to learn to be obedient!" & we agree! You must now, if you haven't already, put a tighter control on that loud noise & confusion at mealtimes & even punish the main offenders after your final warning, perhaps by an open reproof by the Room Shepherd at the individual tables.—You'll get results! We understand it's not easy of course to keep a big group toned down, but we've had big groups in our Family before at TSC, London & Amsterdam, Family schools with lots of children & even at GAFMs, etc., & someone just has to keep the noise level controlled! You can't let the teens' "Demerit Dumps" scare you away from enforcing your standard of behaviour at the TTC! They may not like it, but they'll learn & obey & fear the Lord's judgement if you have a new rule of absolutely no talking—a silent dinner—for one or two nights! Try it! Teens like a challenge, they may find they like quiet dinners too!

Almost more than for the sake of the teens, it's very detrimental for the attending adults & leadership that are there for training if most of your adults are too soft or lenient most of the time & disciplinary action is not carried out for these major offences! It's harmful for the adults who will be returning to various fields who could spread this if they got the wrong impression & use too much "love & mercy" to an extreme. They will have been trained to

take care of 110 teens for two months but without a real living sample promoted & encouraged by leadership to crack the whip when needed, on these extreme cases especially! They're not going to learn the lesson either & think that rebukes are not "approved" or helpful, & promote these misled ideas wherever else they go!

Each adult at Teen Camp or in any Family situation has got to have the right balance between loving, sweet encouragement & the other needed side of controlled, firm, disciplinary action! If one parent or helper is always sweet & forgiving & the other always the "hatchet man" for reproofs or punishments, the kids will of course prefer the softie, & they'll be confused as to who's right & who's wrong! Everybody has got to keep the same good standard on both sides on the coin—& all manifest both loving, gentle understanding, guidance & encouragement as well as the firm conviction & effective disciplinary control & action, with some bark & bite to it! All parents & adults must pray for this fair balance & wisdom, to be well-rounded with the discipline of our teens & children, just like the Lord both chastens & encourages us.

It's all love, whether it's forgiveness or chastening, soft or firm, but we simply cannot be divided in our standard & convictions when it comes to disciplining & training our children! We can't assign or allow one adult to be the sweet, loving, friendly helper & the other the "executioner" or "disciplinarian"! Our children must see our adults united in carrying out the same fair, firm standard. That's why we make & agree upon the rules all together beforehand, because then we all must adhere to that standard, adults & children alike, or it only confuses & damages the children!

The teens should obey a woman just as much as they would a man too. We have lots of women leaders in our Family & everyone has to learn that eventually, so we don't recommend assigning a "hatchet man" to do the dirty work for the female overseers. We're all executioners when it comes to carrying out disciplinary measures, & these are all lessons you'll need to stress to everyone there at TTC, OK?

Those teens there need to learn the fear of the Lord about some important areas & need correction & even punishment when they're downright disobedient & out of the Spirit, & certainly when behaving like criminals! That's exactly when they need discipline & punishment, not a personal talk or a demerit. Forget demerits when it comes to outright crimes or disobedience or evils

which endanger the whole work of God or affect the whole class & break the Spirit & teach others by their bad works! Demerits are quite effective to punish normal little problem areas & offenses, but lots of times discipline & "child training" or CHASTENING is needed for major offenses. Adults surely shouldn't feel condemned for raising their voices or scolding those teens when needed, because what's more important than "demerits" is that you get a tight control over the entire group & not let one opportunity slip, so they'll learn & repent & change & grow for the better!



That's what Boot Camp's all about, learning to obey on command & "learning obedience through the things which they suffer," & learning to get used to it & receiving it well & realising it's from the Lord Himself is a very important part of our discipleship training! Your Room Shepherds & even leadership at TTCs have all had at least some experience at raising kids. But those parents returning to their fields are going to feel like real ogres if they even raise their voice or bark out a command to the teens while at the Camp if the leadership there don't at least promote it & maybe even show some kind of sample of it too. That's where obeying orders & regimented behaviour is taught & carried out, is in a Revolutionary soldier's Boot Camp. The teens should have learned it by now after a month already, & even be used to it as part of their training, or they'll think later on in their new field or parents' home that as soon as an elder reproves them, "No one understands me! They never did that at TTC! You just mistreat me here, blah, blah!"

Learning the fear of God is one of the most important aspects of Teen Training! How else will they learn it if they don't experience it, & as a result, decide to put

away their childish ways & grow up for God! That's what discipline is all about, it's training them to fear God & their leadership & be afraid to even try those evil antics, especially when they're taking the whole leadership & TTC's lives into their own hands, such as with arson! Those guilty little teen terrors needed a good stern rebuke about that, & I hope you gave them one! I shudder to think what Dad would do if our teens here got together & played with fire, lighting aerosol spray & setting alcohol on fire in the bathroom. What do you think Dad would do about it if our group of teens had done that even once, & then, horror of horrors, two or three times?

So whatever it takes in discipline, whether it's demerits or not, don't fall in a Teen Training Camp to catch those kids every possible time they're out of line. Forget demerits if it's any kind of controversy or trouble, & just make sure the overseeing adults are not only "reminding" but disciplining & training those kids to follow & obey & do things right for Jesus! The Demerit Chart was to save time & patience, & most of all so you don't have to drag them over one by one in the corner & deal with them individually, but it's not sufficient for dealing with group lessons & crimes & outright offenses. We believe it will bear good fruit in the lives of every teen & adult there for training if the overseers learn to use guts & conviction to deal with offenders when they deserve it, even if you lose your patience, even if you scream at the top of your voice! If that's the only way they're going to get the point, then use it, but don't abuse it!

It's better to do something about it than to let it pass or lecture about it for the tenth time! Something must be done about it, some disciplinary measure has to be executed speedily. Sure, we all need to learn lessons on love & mercy, but they've had plenty of it by having the rules already laid down for them.—That's plenty of love & mercy to let them know in advance what's expected of them, & it's also a form of Love to execute punishment as a result of their disobediences.

Discipline in a Teen Training Camp is of utmost importance, they must learn to do things in decency & in order & to reverence & be convicted by the Spirit & to learn the fear of God, to obey right away. They need that sentence against an evil work executed speedily in all areas of evil disobedience, mischievousness, & certainly for instigating & purposefully causing near serious accidents or crimes, especially after warn-

ings!

"And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of Him: For whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth, & scourgeth every son whom He receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?"(Heb.12:5-7)

We wouldn't be surprised if the Lord even purposely brings these situations up as a dandy bad example to the whole Camp. That's what POW-HOWS are all about, as you Searchers well know, is to have your boobies dragged out in front of everybody & that's when your bad behaviour stops! Making a public example out of the guilty ones before the whole body would do the kids a lot of good & let them all know & see just what consequences result from evil deeds!

Again, we may not be aware of exactly what you have done in these extreme cases, & perhaps it's already been taken care of, but if it hasn't been, you leadership may need to quickly set some kind of example in the area of discipline before it's too late. Somebody or a whole bunch of somebodies should be raising their voices & cracking the whip & punishing those unruly kids when they deserve it, because just a reminder or a mild, loving lecture doesn't always get through to hard-headed teens, especially a wild bunch like those few arsonists from the States! Dad talked about wild, destructive behaviour in "Teen Terrors" & it sounds like there might be a few there.

"These six things doth the Lord hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto Him: A proud look, a lying tongue, & hands that shed innocent blood, An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, A false witness that speaketh lies, & he that soweth discord among brethren. My son, keep thy father's commandment, & forsake not the law of thy mother: Bind them continually upon thine heart, & tie them about thy neck. When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee; & when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee. For the commandment is a lamp; & the law is light; & reproofs of instruction are the way of life." (Pro.6:16-23)

Did you put those boys on probation? "Now

we exhort you, Brethren, warn them that are unruly!" (1Thes.5:14) Did you warn them they might be sent home with one more trick like that? Boy, the System sure wouldn't be so kind to them for a crime! Do they appreciate their Family & all you've tried to do for them at the TTC? Are the Room Shepherds & leaders there for training aware of a strict, firm disciplinary standard required at Teen Training Camp & that juvenile delinquents deserve punishment equal to the crime? Have those boys learned their lesson from all this? Please do your utmost to carry out the right disciplinary standard, just as much as you carry out the right Word standard in your Teen Training Camp, & likewise it will not return void!

Perhaps if you leadership feel that you haven't done as much as you could in this area, you can at least talk to the whole Camp about it & deliver your soul on the subject & explain to the teens now that in any case where they do get a big bawling out, they can't consider it "bad" or not loving & merciful, like the Searchers treated them at Teen Training Camp. The kids need to know that when an elder gets upset or reprovcs them it's usually for a good reason & righteous indignation & nothing to criticize or rebel against or compare to the way they were treated thus far at Teen Training Camp. You can't go to the far extreme now & be screaming & whipping everybody all the time either, but the teens need to be well aware of our Family standard & discipline & what Dad & the Word say about the subject, especially in these extreme cases, & that crime doesn't pay!

We hope you can have a good class with the Camp about this subject & teach them about the fear of the Lord (Psa.34:9-11) & even show them some of it, or read them some heavy Letter full of it. Especially because these major offenses are now in the past, it'd probably be most effective if you could re-enact in a skit the same incident of arson, showing first the dangers & truths of what could have happened if it weren't for God's merciful, miraculous protection & prayer power! You could show Grandpa & Maria really praying for them while the evil-doers follow the Devil's lead & start fires.—Then how the Lord didn't allow the teens to burn their eyes out or kill the whole Camp due to answered prayer & the protection of God! And most important of all, include the rebuke the teen terrors deserve for their evil offense, so that others may fear! Give an example of how to deal with problems firmly & sternly but leaving them with the

feeling of hope & your love & faith that they'll learn their lesson! (See Mexico Class no. 47 on "Discipline" & powerful skit!)

Be sure to praise & appreciate & commend the good teens who haven't caused so much trouble, & you may want to add the extremely important lesson here of "Failure to report a crime is a crime!!"

GBY all with the wisdom & loving insight in these matters! We hate to even bring up the bad, when almost everything has been so wonderful there! WLY & pray for you day & night! If you really love those kids you'll discipline them with love, & we know you will! Love, Sara

"The qualifications of a Christian Revolutionary must be very rigid...He must be willing to endure hardness, as a good soldier, not entangling himself with the affairs of this world, that he may please Him that hath called him to be a soldier.

"The behaviour of the Revolutionary is quiet, orderly, obedient, cheerful, willing, respectful, peaceful, loving...

"The discipline of Jesus' Revolutionaries must be absolute 'obedience to them that have the rule over them, for they care for your souls, as they that must give account', as 'unto the Lord, & not unto man', 'all things for the glory of God'. You must obey implicitly, quickly & without question your officers in the Lord, if you wish to remain a member of this team!" (From "Revolutionary Rules"!)

