

DAD'S CONFIRMATIONS THAT THE "REVOLUTIONARY RULES" ARE FOR TEENS & ALL OF US TODAY

"REVOLUTIONARY RULES"—A MUST FOR DISCIPLES TODAY!

WHAT DO YOU THINK I WROTE "THE REVOLUTIONARY RULES" FOR? I tried to make it sound as tough as possible so nobody would even want to join unless they really meant business! (334A:28)

I TRIED TO MAKE IT SOUND TERRIBLE & HARD. But there are still some of these people who think that the "Revolutionary Rules" were just for the days when we were on the road. (334A:29)

THOSE RULES HOLD TRUE TODAY JUST AS MUCH AS THEY EVER DID! They're just as right as they ever were & they'd better stick to them just like they ever did or they're going to have trouble! If they start taking in namby-pamby cases & people like that, they're going to have big problems. (334A:30)

WE WERE TOUGH IN THOSE EARLY DAYS, but in the days when we were the toughest we got the most real disciples! You need to go back to those Letters of those days when the disciples were pouring in & comb through them & see what we had to say about it then. (334A: 106)

DON'T GUARANTEE TOMORROW!
WE'RE NOT GOING ON AN ALL-OUT DRIVE FOR QUANTITY—WE WANT QUALITY! There's plenty

of quality around, & we can find it! You can just let them know that it's a tough, hard life & they've got to be willing to give up everything & prove it in every way, & if they don't, there's no guarantee they're going to be able to stay forever! (334A:107)

WE'RE NOT SIGNING ANY LIFE CONTRACTS WITH ANYBODY! Their place is not guaranteed! The Lord guarantees salvation but He doesn't guarantee rewards, places of service or anything else. You're not guaranteed very much, but He says, "Having food & clothing therewith be content!" 1Tim.6:8. (334A:108)

NEARLY EVERYTHING IN "THE REVOLUTIONARY RULES" IS BASED ON SCRIPTURE or quoting Scripture all the way thru, & it's all right there. It's still just as good today as it ever was, & it ought to be applied as a standard rule to each new disciple just like it always was. (334A:109)

STICK A COPY OF IT IN THEIR HAND & SAY, "SIT DOWN & READ THIS & BEMARE! This is a hard life & not for everybody. You may not even like it, & we may not like you!" when they get through & they have read the whole thing & you've warned them & everything else, they may still insist that they want to make it & they can take it. (334A:110)

(The above was re-affirmed & reprinted again in Jan. 1978, in Letter 657:27.)

FAITHY'S CONFIRMATIONS OF REVOLUTIONARY RULES FOR TEENS IN 1985:

Thank the Lord that we're ruled by love & most of the time we do follow & obey out of love & respect for the Lord & His Prophet, but sometimes we need the rules to help keep us in check & keep us in line, especially where we have weaknesses or have formed bad habits.

It brings to mind the foundation rules, the "Revolutionary Rules" by which we even joined the Family, & in examining these rules carefully again it proves that we haven't changed as a Family since those early days. And the Lord is still going to require those qualifications & the Lord is going to require us to continue to keep the rules of this Family & His Revolution no matter how long we've been "in the way".—Hal which for some of us has been quite a few years. So it's good to refresh our memory & remember why we joined the Lord's

Army & what were the conditions on which we joined.

But we think back on what really made the Family what it is today & how we survived & why we survived through very difficult circumstances & conditions, it's because everyone had that willing & sacrificial spirit, exactly what it says in the "Revolutionary Rules". And we really followed that, which made for very obedient & disciplined disciples who could really follow & who really wanted to follow no matter what the cost. And I know it does me a lot of good to remember & reflect on those days, & the best gifts that we can give our children will be to teach them that same sacrificial willing-spiritiveness in every area of our lives. So we must set the sample for them. PTL! (From FSM 13 pg.10)