

thing he likes better.

**30. I don't want to hear any complaints about the gift horse or about its bad teeth!** That's where the old adage "Don't look a gift horse in the mouth" comes from! You tell a horse's age by its teeth & its physical condition. So here you give somebody a horse & they start looking in its mouth & telling you, "Well, it's pretty old & it's pretty decrepit & it's got some bad teeth!" What do people think of gifts, anyhow?

**31. They brought themselves over here—they wanted to come & we offered them the opportunity—now let's see what they do with it!** And if they take themselves out of it, then it's their responsibility what they do from there on. If he doesn't respond to treatment & obey & show a good attitude & behave himself, he'll have to go, & if she doesn't keep honest & leveling with us & reporting constantly on his behaviour & attitude, then she'll have to go with him!

**32. But if she does & she stays honest, then she'll have a chance to stay regardless of what happens to him.** She'll be welcome if she shows the proper attitude & she shows where her loyalties are, first to God & His Work & us, & last of all to her husband! That's spelled out time & time again in the Letters, particularly in "One Wife" & a few others, & I suggest she read some of those over again, particularly those references we made about violence!

**33. We said before that if anybody failed to report a crime, it was a crime!** She's been committing crimes by failing to report his crimes, & she's absolutely guilty for covering for him. Well, now she's going to have to redeem herself, because she has endangered us, God's Work, & my personal security by letting him come here in that condition. The only thing I can think of is that it was the mercy of God to try to salvage her—& maybe him, I don't know, it depends on what happens.

**34. You can give people mercy on a few mistakes & a few little things, but if he continues in the same behaviour, in the same attitude & the same treatment of her & grilling of her & giving her the 3rd degree, wanting to know everything that happened & what she's been telling us & blah, blah, she should just tell him that what happens between her & us & at the house is**

none of his business! It is her job & her work & we have given her absolute instructions & forbidden her to report anything from the house whatsoever.

**35. And she must remain loyal to the Lord & His Work & us & these instructions & keep them to the tee, not covering-up for him or hiding anything again!** Let me tell you, God is faithful, it always comes out! "Be sure your sins will find you out!"—Num.32:23. I sense it in the Spirit, I know it's happening somehow even if I haven't got a thing to show it to me! If you're not in harmony & right with the Lord & something's wrong with your spirit, the Lord shows me, I'll sense it & we'll know it!

**36. If she toes the line & obeys all of these instructions & keeps a careful watch on him & reports faithfully, & proves herself very worthwhile & useful & dependable & faithful & helpful & a real blessing to the Home, then we will definitely consider keeping her. Then she will have to consider—depending on what's happened to him—whether she wants to stay without him or not, in case he doesn't make it.**

**37. God's giving them their last chance with us as far as I'm concerned.** If people couldn't work with us, we've very seldom found that they've ever been able to make it any place else! But we'll just hope that they're going to learn their lesson & maybe they'll both make it!

**38. And helping him make it is not covering for him!** Deceiving us or lying to us or not reporting to us is not helping him make it! To report to us everything he does & says & his attitude & his looks & everything else, that's now what she owes us for having failed to tell us for the past three years!

**39. If he doesn't make it, then he's cut off & he doesn't come to the house any more.** Even if she's working there, he's forbidden to come there. That's our property & it will be off-limits to him. He'll have to stay out at his trailer & do something else. If she wants to still go out there & live with him, even if he doesn't work out, we might consider a compromise where she could stay with him at night.

**40. But if they live on the outside & they've left the Lord's Work, how can you be unequally yoked together with unbelievers?**—2Cor.6:14. He may be saved, but he's an un-