

3. I've been talking to Maria & asking God, "Why did You let it happen at all?" But "all things work together for good to them that love the Lord."—Rom.8:28. One thing I'll have to say for him, he sure is a good salesman!—He knows how to sell himself, & he sure talked his way into here. He must have wanted to come awful bad, although I don't know why! I can't imagine anybody who would want to come work with us!—That's the toughest job there is, as far as I'm concerned, & the most dangerous!

4. I guess it's pride, because he wanted to be lifted up to the highest & say, "I have worked with Dad!" Well, pride comes before a fall & you are never so near the abyss as when you are on the brink! Satan said, "I will be lifted up! I want to become as the Most High"—& that was his downfall!—Isa. 14:14.

5. They never told us about all their problems! Everything was rosy! Everything was perfect! They said the children were never sick a day in their lives. I don't know whether that means that they weren't in the hospital in an operation or what, but the children were never sick.—That's about all they were when they first got here! I can't blame the poor kids for that, it's always difficult to move to a new climate, but to say they were so strong & never sick & never to tell us anything about all the serious problems they had was deceptive!

6. So they really came under false pretences, hiding their evils & hiding their faults & frailties & not being very honest with us. If you're not honest, then you are being false. And if you're claiming to be righteous when you're not, then you're a hypocrite. I must say that I did hesitate several times & I always feel it is wiser to prove people at some other Unit before they come to us, but it seemed like they had proved themselves there. But you see, they were there on their own & alone & with nobody to report anything to us. I'll tell you, the proof of the pudding is in the tasting, & being time-tested in a position where people have some months or years to be tested!

7. But Don & Liz had never really worked under anybody that we knew or had any experience with that I know of. Well, he talked his way into this job & he has also talked his way out! And frankly, before I even got your note, Sara, I was already talk-

ing to Maria about how to get rid of them. In fact, we've been talking about that & what to do about it for quite awhile, & that's one reason we're shopping around for another place for you to park your trailer. It was my conviction that the safest thing to do was sort of withdraw slowly from them & try to avoid an explosion if we can.

8. Anyhow, they are on their way back to their former field, as far as I can see. We don't have to tell them all their faults & why they're being fired, literally, or even that they are being fired. Please, let's try to keep it on a nice "dehiring" level, if you know what I mean. Nowadays when big corporations want to get rid of an executive, all of a sudden they lose their secretary, then they find out they've lost their big desk & they've been moved to a smaller office, & by & by, when they even take away their executive restroom key, then they know that they are really not wanted any more. By that time they quit, they don't have to fire them.

9. My Mother used to say, "I never fired anybody, ever! I just prayed them out!" And as Maria knows, & some of you who have worked with me from way back know, even in our Soul Clinic schools, somebody that just didn't work out with us & didn't work well with us, we simply would sit down & have a chat with them & say, "Well, I suppose you see that you are not happy in this situation or that things are not going quite as well here as they did where you were before. You were such a huge success back in your former area, from all the things you wrote, everything was so great, that we believe you will probably be happier there."

10. But the first thing you have to tell them is that, "We're very sorry, but due to a certain security situation, we're all moving!"—Which is certainly true! He's the problem, but you don't have to tell him that. So break the news that due to a security problem that has arisen, you have to move today—now! Sorry! You know them well, Peter, you lived with them & you are the top officer & it's your duty to be my hatchet man when you have to be, & I'm glad you can be kind & loving & sweet. It might be a good idea to say that not only Alf & Sara are having to move, but we're all having to move!—And that's true! We're all moving right away, very soon.