



**Ordinary People
Extraordinary Things**

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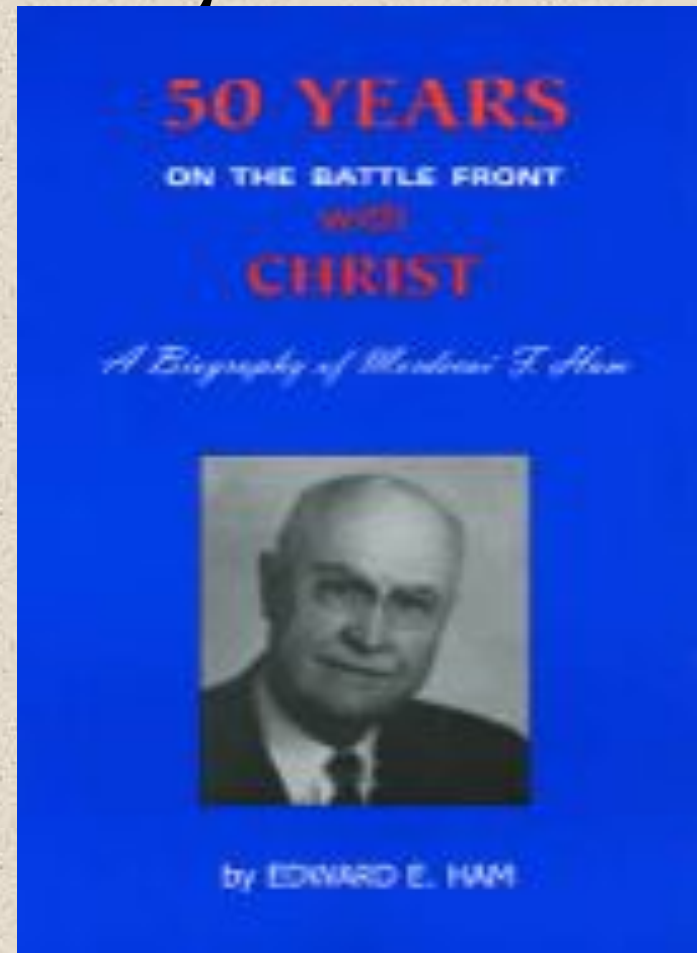
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May, 1934

...”out of Charlotte the Lord would raise up someone to preach the gospel to the ends of the earth.”

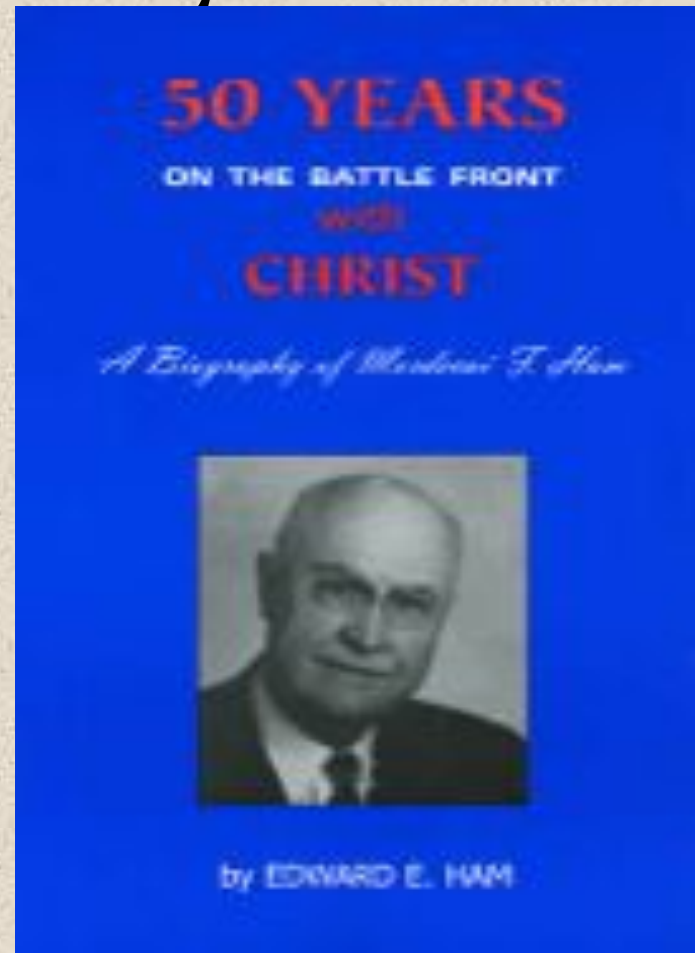
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Mother's Bible Study

Father's accident

Mordecai Ham visit

1936 Graduation from High School



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1938 Decision for ministry

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In the night walks alone he tussled with excuses. His indifferent background would indeed keep him a mediocre preacher “somewhere out in the sticks.” Yet any sacrifice appeared trivial beside Christ's sufferings or the world's needs.

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As for eloquence, the Lord had told Moses, “Go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.”

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One night in March, 1938 Billy Graham returned from his walk and reached the eighteenth green immediately before the school's front door.

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“The trees were loaded with Spanish moss, and in the moonlight it was like a fairyland.” He sat down on the edge of the green, looking up at the moon and stars, aware of a warm breeze from the south.

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The tension snapped. “I remember getting on my knees and saying, ‘O God, if you want me to preach, I will do it.’ Tears streamed down my cheeks as I made this great surrender to become an ambassador for Jesus Christ.”

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...a chosen instrument to shine forth His light in the darkness. Men like Luther, John and Charles Wesley, Moody and others who were ordinary men, but men who heard the voice of God.

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It has been said that Luther revolutionized the world. It was not he but Christ working through him. The time is ripe for another Luther, Wesley, Moody. There is room for another name on the list.

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Ruth Bell



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August 13, 1943



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October “Songs in the Night”

October, 1944 Army Chaplain

Youth for Christ

“Geared to the times; Anchored to the Rock”



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Crisis over the Bible

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Charles Templeton



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Poor Billy. If he goes on the way he's going he'll never do anything for God. He'll be circumscribed to a small little narrow interpretation of the Bible, and his ministry will be curtailed. AS for me, I'm taking a different road.

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So I went back and I got my Bible, and I went out in the moonlight. And I got to a stump and put the Bible on the stump, and I knelt down and said,

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“Oh, God, I cannot prove certain things. I cannot answer some of the questions Chuck is raising and some of the other people are raising, but I accept this Book by faith as the Word of God.”



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Sensationalism

Emotionalism

Emphasis on prophecy

Anti-intellectualism

No follow-up

Anti-church, anti-clergy

Too much pay

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Contributions

- Invitation
- Radio and Television
- Integrity
- Extending revivalism

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