

Remember Always – a Christian Life
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The first thing that enters my mind is that life when I graduate will be a type of heaven and hell. Heaven! That High school building has been torture for four years and book learning has been had up to here. “Let me out!” is my cry and I think the cry of most of the seniors; and soon after that it is “Hallelujah!” at graduation day. But another cry, probably the most worrisome, is of fear and uncertainty. That’s the “hell” part. Although one wants to meet new people, envisioned in his mind is a mass of people looking at him as a person, by himself. What people think of him is of all importance because their thoughts will govern his progress.

After this initial shock, I believe that reasoning evolves. What am I going into? College? A job? Overseas work? How much work am I going to up out to achieve.

In either college or job, considerations of himself as a person in all aspects is necessary. Appearance, personality and ideology are all important but they still remain one aspect. Another which is often forgotten, and yet to be remembered throughout, is that his is a Christian life. No matter what happens in life, I do not think God can be forgotten. The danger will probably be that those first years of being “liberated” can be difficult, especially with campus life, studies, and politics staring right at him. What I have heard is that too many times studies or simply the “student life” will take one away from church on Sunday. Even accepting this situation, I still don’t feel that Church has to be forgotten. I feel sure that being a Christian is not synonymous to a “goodie-goodie”; but it means that in the outside world one must live earnestly try to continue the Church’s way, the Christian way.

As the world thunders into the senior, and hallelujahs can be heard in the next town, his Christian life and what part it is to play in his life has to be thought about; and all this because it’s his decision only, when the world is looking at him, which tree he shall climb – individually.