

In life, 'all or nothing' is an impossible goal

HUMAN perfection is considered to be a goal of existence. Yet it is possible to become so obsessed with the grand ideal of human perfection that we lose sight of lesser goals. Striving toward perfection can sometimes become an impediment to a meaningful life.

We often hear people say, "If I cannot do it 100 percent, then I will not do it at all." Little do they realize how much of a delusion that attitude is, and how precious years can waste away succumbing to the myth of total perfection.

PERFECTION can, of course, be a noble goal. But when it prevents us from making any progress at all, and when it keeps us from even starting on the road to personal improvement or achievement, then it becomes our master and we become enslaved.

When a repairman comes to a home, he gives you an estimate of what the job will cost. No homeowner will demand a perfect accounting of cost before the job is completed.

The Salk vaccine proved effective on 80 percent of the original testing. What would have happened if the researchers had insisted on a 100-percent effectiveness before they permitted the vaccine to be issued to the



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moral perspectives

public? Many lives would have been lost.

JUST BECAUSE one can't be an Einstein, it doesn't follow that one should not attempt the study of mathematics. Just because one can't be a saint, it doesn't mean that one should not try to be a better person.

There is no place in our world for the attitude "all or nothing" because we should be able to make progress at all, if we insisted on maximal standards.

All of this, of course, does not imply that we must cease striving for ultimate greatness. We should labor zealously toward the realization of our highest ideals. But we should also realize that a partial goal is deeply rewarding and valuable.

PROGRESS is often made by means of small satisfactions along the road of life. Sometimes an interim or provisional achievement encourages us to keep up our struggle for improving.

An ancient legend declares that when God made the world, he left it in an unfinished state. God did not create a perfect world, according to this explanation, but left it for man to improve.

In this way, man becomes a partner with God when he strives to bring the world toward its ultimate perfection — when wars will cease and poverty will be abolished; sickness cured and hatred overcome.

Man must struggle for this in an imperfect world, but he dare not surrender just because he cannot clearly envision the ultimate perfection.

EVERY LITTLE accomplishment adds to the ultimate harmony and perfection of the universe. Every partial fulfillment, every achievement, no matter how limited, is vital in this struggle for perfection.

Man can only narrow the gap; he will not complete the task. But at least he should constantly try.

Perfection is the end of the journey. The fool will not start out for fear of not reaching the end.

The wise person will travel as far as he can.

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Teens' parents find refuge in 'quiet room'

(AP) — The Palace of Auburn Hills has come up with a way to reconcile parents' concern for the safety of their children and kids' fondness for ear-splitting rock music.

The Palace introduced the "Quiet Room" at a March 4 concert featuring the heavy metal rock band Poison, said Patrick O'Connor, a spokesman for the stadium. About 125 parents used it.

"A quiet room for a concert like Poison makes sense," O'Connor said Friday. "We actually got a lot of calls from parents saying they were concerned about letting their kids go to the show. . . . The Quiet Room is a way to alleviate those concerns."

In the Quiet Room, parents can peacefully kill time while their kids enjoy the show, O'Connor said. It solves the problems involved with dropping off the children and returning to pick them up, he said.

Parents need not buy a ticket to use the quiet room — actually a banquet room. They can read, watch television, or even catch the concert on the in-house closed-circuit monitors, he said.

After the concert, parents catch up with offspring at a designated meeting place, O'Connor said.

"It's just a way to let people enjoy the show a little more," he said.

The room will be available for a Thursday concert featuring another heavy metal group, Cinderella. The Palace is the home of the NBA's Detroit Pistons.

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7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service
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8:15 a.m. Easter Breakfast
9:40 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Easter Worship
"Now I See You"
Easter Cantata
Combined Choirs
6:30 p.m. Evening Worship
Easter Film

MAUNDY THURSDAY, MARCH 23rd
7:30 p.m. Holy Communion

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE, March 24th
12:30-2:00 p.m. At the Plymouth United Methodist Church

St. Michael Lutheran Church
7000 Sheldon Road
Canton
459-3333

Maundy Thursday
Communion Service 7:30 p.m.
Easter Morning Communion
7:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Good Friday
Worship 7:30 p.m.

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The Rev. Thomas V. Waber, preaching

GOOD FRIDAY, March 24 - 1:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Tenebrae
Seminarian Timothy P. Halboth, preaching

EASTER SUNDAY, March 26 - 7:30 a.m., 9:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
The Rev. Victor F. Halboth, preaching
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Maundy Thursday-Holy Communion Service-7:30 p.m.
Good Friday-12:30 p.m. & Tenebrae Service-7:30 p.m.
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Easter Festival Communion Services-8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

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Breakfast Following
Easter Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:45 a.m.

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Good Friday, 7:00 p.m. - Liturgy for Good Friday and Communion

Holy Saturday, 7:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil with the lighting of the Paschal Candle and the Eucharist of Easter

Easter Sunday, 8:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist
10:30 a.m. - Festival Eucharist and Holy Baptism

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GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE
"A Vigil of Darkness"
March 24th, 7:30 p.m.
An ancient celebration dating back to the 7th Century A.D.

EASTER MORNING SERVICES
7:30 a.m. Sunrise Service
8:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION: March 22, 7:00 p.m. (RITE IV - non-sacramental prayer service)

INDIVIDUAL RECONCILIATION (confession)
March 20, 7:45 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
March 21, 7:45 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

HOLY THURSDAY - Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY - Solemn Liturgy 1:30 p.m.
Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY - Food Blessing 1, 2, 3:00 p.m.
Vigil of Easter 8:00 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY - Eucharist 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.
1:00 p.m.

"Let us praise our God, for He has done wonderful things for us!"

UNITY
in Livonia, in its 26th year of celebrating Easter, WELCOMES everyone to be a participant with us.

March 26th, 11:00 a.m.
Clarenceville High School Auditorium (On Middlebelt, North of 7 Mile Rd.)
"A LIFE ELEVATED IN CHRIST"
Gene Sorensen, Minister
The Easter Choir and Special Music
Youth Education 10:30 to 12:30 at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile Road 421-1760

Alpha Baptist Church
In Faith We Grow COME GROW WITH US!

First United Methodist Church of Plymouth
45201 North Territorial Road, Plymouth, MI (313) 453-5280

MAUNDY THURSDAY
Holy Communion Service - 7:30 p.m.
"I am the Bread of Life"

GOOD FRIDAY
Combined Service with First Baptist Church at First United Methodist Church of Plymouth 12:30-2:00 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY
Sunrise Service - 6:30 a.m.
Easter Breakfast - 7:30 a.m.
Morning Worship Services - 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.
"I am the Resurrection and the Life"
John N. Grenfell, Jr. preaching
Nursery available - all services

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MAUNDY THURSDAY
7:30 Candlelight Communion Service
Special Music by the Sanctuary Choir
Meditation by Dr. William A. Ritter
Nursery Available

GOOD FRIDAY
12 noon-1:00 p.m. Meditations by Rev. George Kilboorn and Rev. David Strobe
Nursery Available

EASTER SUNDAY
7:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service
An Ancient Liturgy of Word and Water, Bread & Cup, Led by Dr. Ritter, Mr. Hooks and Lay Readers
Breakfast Buffet from 8:30-9:40 a.m.
Reservations Encouraged
9:15 & 11:00 a.m. Easter Festival Services
Festival Music by the Sanctuary Choir, Organ and Brass
"How to Respond to a Dead Threat"
Dr. William A. Ritter

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Mar. 23 - MAUNDY THURSDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE AND HOLY COMMUNION
7:30 p.m. - LIFE'S GARDEN" - Dr. Bartlett L. Hess

Mar. 24 - COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE
12:00 Noon-3:00 p.m.
"FACES AROUND THE CROSS" - 7 Pastors participating

Mar. 26 - EASTER SUNDAY
7:00 a.m. - Sunrise Celebration Service and Breakfast in Knox Hall - Rev. Paul Hansen
8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 a.m.
"EASTER EMOTIONS" - Dr. Bartlett L. Hess
7:00 p.m. - "THE CALL TO SALVATION" - Rev. Richard Alberta

Easter service broadcast 9:30 a.m. WNUZ-FM 103.5
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EASTER SUNDAY SUNRISE SERVICE 7:00 a.m.
FESTIVAL SERVICES 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Easter Breakfast served from 8:00-11:00 a.m.