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IN GOD



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Nineteen Thirty--Three

The year of nineteen thirty-two
Is numbered with the past.
The glad New Year of nineteen thirty-three
Has come to us at last.
The year that's gone for ever
I never can recall;
How useless are the vain regrets
That come to one and all.

The new year is before us,

With all its untried ways.

I want a heart more thankful,

And running o'er with praise.

I want this year much better

Than the one passed on before.

I want to do much more for God

Than I've ever done before.

For years go by so quickly;
My race will soon be run.
My years will soon be numbered —
My work for ever done.
This year of nineteen thirty-three
Is ours to use, God-given —
So I would spend it all for Him,
And not in useless living.

- Goldie Finch

A Service Of Love

The truth taught concerning punishment of the wicked, of their being cast into the lake of fire and brimstone and there tormented forever is good to use to awaken the sinner that he may seek Christ the way of escape and this truth is good to stir up the backsliders that they might not go on sliding back; but it is wrong for the saved to think of serving the Lord

because they are afraid of torment for such service is only slavish and will cause the soul to become cold, formal, a withered branch.

The healthy, spiritual soul will want to obey, will resolve to obey, strive to obey and enjoy obeying. The love of God constraineth us. We love to obey because we love Him. "He is our husband and we love and reverence Him and we are always anxious to know how we can please Him most." The true Christian's service is a glad, willing, loving, service. Jesus says, "If ye love Me keep my commandments." He does not say, if ye do not keep commandments I will thrust you into hell-fire.

Hell, the lake of fire and brimstone was made for the devil and his angels. People are subjects of Satan and are doomed for eternal torment because they reject Christ, the only hope of man, and they love the world. They love their own selfish ways, they love their own lives and will not yield their life up to God that He through Christ might save them from a sinful life and give them a pure, clean life, filling their souls with God's love which causes them to love to keep His commandments. Loving service is joyful service. "For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments, and His commandments are not grievous." (1 John 5: 3).

The love of God filling your heart is more powerful than all of the surrounding elements and powers of this world. "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the VICTORY that overcometh the world, even our FAITH." (1 John 3:4).

God manifested His great love to sinful man when He gave His Son as an offering for sin. Through the gift of His Son He opened a way to heaven for those who otherwise did not love Him. Christ is the author of eternal salvation to everyone that serves Him with a loving and willing service.

A saved soul should always have the thought uppermost in their mind what they can say or do to please Jesus and not think whether this or that will be to my own good self-interest. In doing this you will give room for God's love to fill your soul.

A man who lives in sin will feel good in his soul when he does a good deed. That good feeling is the manifestation of the approval of God. He is leading you to repent of all evil and get into Christ where you can do good all the time and feel good all the time. "The goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance."

When a man does a wrong deed he will feel bad about it, and that is the manifestation of God's spirit convicting them of being a sinner, letting them know that the displeasure or wrath of God is upon them. When a man confesses to God that he is a sinner, implores His mercy and forgiveness and accepts the sacrificed life of Christ as an atonement for his sins God will pardon him, blot out his transgressions and east them from Him as far as the east is from the west and will remember them against him no more forever. He will then have peace with God through the Lord Jesus Chist. To have peace in the soul, be in harmony with our Creator, is the happiest state that any mortal man can be in. The assurance of heaven and eternal life with God the Father brings joy untold and contentment with our present circumstances that the worldly minded knows nothing about. "For thou, Lord, wilt bless the righteous; with favor wilt thou compass him as with a shield." (Psa. - Fred Pruitt. 5: 12).

The right of Jesus to our love, to our best love, to all our love, is coming plainer and plainer to us. His exceeding loveliness is growing more and more attractive because it is revealing itself to us every day, like a new revelation. What depths there are in Jesus, and how wonderfully He lights them up with the splendors of His eternal love!"

THE RIGHT ROAD

What matters if the stones are sharp?
His life for us He gave;
He bore our cross, gave us a harp,
Died for us that we might live.

No blooming flowers and the hill be steep;
He climbed this hill, and O, such a load—
Our sins so heavy, the road so bleak,
But to walk with Him is the right road.

— J. P. Reynolds

WILL YOU ANSWER, "I WILL GO"?

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus: Truly I am thankful for the blessed Savior who came here as a volunteer to die for me; to set me free when in sin and rebellion against the Lord. Truly it was a great love toward mankind for Him who knew no sin, nor was guile found in his mouth, to leave heaven and come to this wicked world to die for sinners lost. He trod the path, warring against sin, to make a way for as many as would hear His Spirit's small voice to come and volunteer to serve Him and do His will. Truly His spirit is calling for people to come unto Him and He will give them rest. Seek Him while He may be found. Ask and ye shall receive salvation. O will you come and volunteer in His service now?

It is truly sad to think of such a prize up in heaven and such a mansion at the end of the way for His soldiers and to see so many saying, "no" to His call. But it is still sadder to see so many that enlist and then give their part of the battle up. O dear souls, the battle surely is raging on every side.

Satan is rejoicing at the condition of this old world. As the years go by we see some on one side and some on the other side giving up, and Satan takes them in his service. O what an awfull prize at the end of his journey. It is eternal fire unquenchable. Think of it for a few minutes, please. Imagine the rich man in hell. How long he has been there, and then think of eternity not yet begun!

Dear souls, come and volunteer in Jesus' service now. Today is the day of salvation. Tomorrow may be too late. Will you come while He is calling?

Truly, it is a sad sight to see people come and start to heaven and go back. We see the cares of this world are capturing more souls than most anything nowadays. People are too vain and proud to humble down to God's way. We see so many people building again the things they once destroyed. We now see things being allowed in congregations most everywhere that twenty years ago would not have been allowed at all, such as silk dresses, flashy and gaudy materials, neckties and other adorning articles that would cause the world to think you belong to its spirit. Let's be careful not to get too near the world, but volunteer to do His will in all humility and humbleness of heart.

I am truly thankful for a few ministers who still preach the truth. We had a wonderful meeting here in our community a few weeks ago. Quite a number volunteered in the service, but the enemy is raging and trying to capture as many as possible. I often

think of this battle as a literal war, but our weapons of warfare are not carnal. Yet it makes me think of the armies in war where the truth goes out and a few new soldiers enlist, then Satan begins to roar and gathers everything he can around that place to discourage and to pull down and to false-accuse and to sow every evil thing; to get every soul he can to get their eyes off of Jesus and to put them on some vain thing and thus capture their soul. Pray much for us that we can keep our post and do our duty, and be always up and doing what we can to help others along the way. I need your prayers very much.

Truly the harvest is ripe And the laborers are few. Who will stand for the right And thus dare to be true? Soon He will come for you and me, Where we can ever be happy in eternity. Truly He died upon the cross: He died for sinners lost, like me. He died to make us happy and free, To forever from all bondage be. Soon life will leave our aching breast To go to heaven where all is rest. When we shall lay our armor down, Then we shall have a bright glittering crown. We are all striving hard to win a prize Forever bright up in the skies. For there is where our hope now lies, Far above the clouds now in the skies. When Jesus comes, His own will rise To ever be with Him in the skies. - W. A. Shoemaker. A Brother, Louin, Miss.

Jesus' Last Prophecy

After that awful night of betrayal, sorrow and agony they brought Jesus to Caiaphas the high priest, the chief priests and all the council. They mocked. struck Him, spit on Him and condemned Him to death. In the morning they brought Him before Pilate for trial. The awful torture is repeated and increased ten fold. Will we ever know what Jesus suffered to bring us out of spiritual, eternal death?

Emaciated, faint, broken-hearted on His way to Calvary He turns to speak to the weeping women. Listen to this, His last prophecy. "Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children. For, behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed are the barren,

and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck. 'Luke 23: 28-30; Mark 8: 38. Following these words He says, "Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us." Is it a sign of the end of this world when thousands of young women are slaughtering their innocent babes? Isaiah, Jeremiah and Ezekiel tell us that Jerusalem was filled with innocent blood in the days o' her destruction.

When Jesus spoke this prophecy His own innocent blood was ready to be poured out. Woe unto them who shed the blood of God's holy prophets, the Son of God, His holy apostles, sainted martyrs, and sweet innocent babes. What shall this army of murderers say at the Judgment bar — when they face Jesus who spoke this prophecy? — Mrs. Ed. Wetzel

IF WE KNEW!

If we knew the struggles

Many have to do what's right;

We would fly swift to their rescue
In the earnest, noble flight.

If we could but read the pages
Of the hearts around us here,
Where we often utter censure
We would give but words of cheer.

Could we only know the heartaches
Some among us always bear,
We would strive to soothe their sorrow,
And their burdens help to bear.

If we realize how heavy
Dread affliction's hand can be,
We would often shed more freely,
Tears of loving sympathy.

Could we guess the hidden meaning
That deep miseries sometimes hold,
Many an act unjustly numbered.
Would a motive pure unfold.

If we would but solve the problem,
Many a life we count but naught
Would be found to sum up grandly,
Found with golden deeds well fraught.

If we'd only seek more closely,
We could find the key of love,
Which would help unlock all secrets,
Kindly lent us from above.

—Selected by Susie Whipple

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Co-operation of our readers is solicited, and will be appreciated in any way the Bible and the Holy Spirit teaches you to do or stirs your heart. Read Exodus 25: 2; 1 Chronicles 29: 9; 2 Cor. 9: 7, and Luke 6: 38.

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EDITORIALS

Bro. C. E. Orr of Hammond, La. Box 370, has sent us manuscript for a 32-page booklet entitled, "The More Abundant Life". The reading of this book will be very inspiring and strengthening to your soul. He is sending them out free of profit. Order from him a copy for your own soul's good and get a "ew copies for your friends. It will be well to enclose stamps for postage, if you can. —Editor.

We enter upon the New Year of 1933 with joy and gladness in our souls from the Lord. The victory which He has given us through faith during the old year of 1932 encourages our hearts and gives us increased confidence in Him who never leaves nor forsakes His trusting children, but causes them to flourish like a watered garden.

The Faith and Victory paper has visited many new homes during the last year, and letters coming to us from various parts of the country gives us knowledge of it being a welcome visitor, and of the lasting good that it is doing.

Since the last issue went out we have received a number of warm letters from those who appreciate the merging of the Path of Life and the Faith and Victory papers. They are encouraged to see the unity and oneness that is prevailing with divine love and harmony. One brother wrote us that he would be glad to see the paper printed and sent forth twice each month and would be willing to pay the extra subscription price for all the addresses he was sending in.

If the Lord sees fit to make Faith and Victory a visitor in your home twice a month, we had not tho't of increasing the subscription price but just leave it at 25 cents per year and look to the Lord to supply the work with free-will offerings. By holding the subscription price at such a small sum we believe that the circulation would be much larger, giving us a chance to reach a great many more souls with the gospel. There are a great many poor people in the world who are not able to pay hardly at all for the literature, and others whom God is blessing with earthly substance will be willing to give to the cause, so these crushed and bruised ones can have the gospel preached to them. Jesus said that "He was anointed to preach the Gospel to the poor." Luke 4: 18

We feel that we are anointed to preach the gospel to the poor. The Lord has led us to carry the gospel into jails, to county alms houses and generally to those that have very little of this world's goods. Many of them have been made rich with the grace and love of God, captives have been set free, the spiritually blind have seen, and bruised ones have been healed and set at liberty by the gracious goodness of God.

We just returned Saturdy the 10th of Dec. from Major county Oklahoma which is eighty miles west and some north of Guthrie. The Lord gave us some precious meetings there with the saints. We were glad to be with them for a few nights, being gone from the office work just a week. The saints there have been having some trials and griefs that are common to pilgrims, but they see nothing to go back to and are cleaving unto God with a true purpose of heart. There is no comfort like the comfort that God gives to those who nestle up under His wings of love. He is a shield, a buckler, a strong Hightower, a shelter in the times of storm and distress. Earthly things may fail and will fail, but God never fails. He has power, wisdom and strength above all created things. To abide wholly in Him means freedom from fretting and worrying, and brings a sweet peace that flows deep like a river.

By the time you are reading this paper the saints at Guthrie and many from different parts of Okla. and other states will be gathered together here at Guthrie in the annual State Assembly meeting which lasts through the holidays. We are praying that God will have His own way in this meeting, keeping out all compomising elements, and also that the saints who stand against weak, flabby, drifting measures will keep balanced in the Spirit of Christ and not run to extremeism and ride hobbies, pressing some minor point of truth beyond the needed fundamental truths that give life to the soul and puts men in a position to be taught of Him and led into all truth.

There is such a thing as "holding the truth in unrighteousness". A carnal display of truth is very grievious to a soul filled with the tender compassionate love of Christ. It is often true that the one who thinks he knows the most knows the least, and let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall. It seems to us that there are entirely too many preachers around who are anxious to be looked upon as a Paul or a Peter. The enemy uses the cleverest tools he can get to drift the saints toward the world. There is such a thing in the world as "intellectual wickedness", and it takes the place of heavenly light that once filled the soul, as light becomes darkness.

Let each saint keep filled with the meekness and gentleness of Christ that there be no divisions and uprisings among us, that the Church of God may shine like a city set on a hill that cannot be hid. We are expecting this Assembly meeting to be honored owned and greatly blessed of God.

The old year of 1932, which is coming to a close, has been a good year for the *Faith and Victory* as far as getting the gospel message to the souls of men. We

are now entering in upon the new year with courage and great anticipation of another greater year's usefulness in the Lord's vineyard. We want to speak an encouraging word to all our readers who have been praying for us and the printing work during the last year. We want to encourage you in believing that your prayers and your giving have not been in vain, as the all-seeing eye of God is upon you and your deeds and He has them recorded in heaven. The good that is being done through the circulating of the Faith Pub. House literature will only be known to us when we inhabit the mansions in the skies where we can meet those who have been saved through the reading of a tract or a paper.

"And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." Gal. 6: 9.

We ask our readers to continue to pray for us and help us to get the paper to going to as many addresses as possible. Our time is short here on earth, and we should always be at our best for God. Continue in His love and covet the "more excellent way". "The just shall live by faith, but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him." Heb. 10: 38. Stand by the cross, dear one, and share the shame, reproach and sufferings with Jesus. He will whisper to you there and comfort your heart.

An Earnest Exhortation

We are coming to the saints scattered abroad with a message from the depth of a compassionate heart.

Since the Old People's Home was built—two units of it—in 1928, I have done all possible to see that the inmates were as com'ortable as possible, as I had a stated income that could be portioned out to cover urgent needs.

The taxes—about \$75 a year—I have paid regularly with just a little help one year. The incidentals—water, light and gas— have also fallen to my portion. There has been help given in furnishing eatables from those around interested in the aged. Also clothing and a little money. After a call for help at one time through the paper, quite a little assistance was given.

The death of my husband in 1931 and the financial condition of the world has made it impossible for me to continue this liberality at the present time. Our estate, composed largely of mortgages on orange groves, is not paying interest and the payment of taxes comes upon us. Should conditions remain the

same very long, the estate would be lost, but as the Lord has so graciously answered prayer in giving me part interest therein, I leel quite confident He will protect that interest for the good of His cause.

What help is given now will be most highly appreciated by all concerned here and many prayers will arise from devoted hearts that God will bless the donors and prosper them in His own best way.

Yours in love to all, — Jennie C. Rutty, Corresponding Sec., 1355 S. White Ave., Pomona, Calif.

DO NOT FORSAKE THE ASSEMBLING OF YOURSELVES TOGETHER

Heb. 10: 25, "Not forsaking the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is."

The Lord has chosen His children out of every walk of life and placed them in one family (Eph. 3: 15) that He might reconcile all unto God in one body, being members of one another, having the same care for one another. (12th chapter of 1st Cor.). These are all in one house, and being a family, some are older than others and have some responsibility. they live in the same house they have the same Father and the same mother. That should be a happy family. They talk with one another in helping about the daily duties. They also go to their Father for instruction. Their mother is a beautiful, duti-ul, careful and loving woman, and her children admire her. At the time of worship they all love to assemble together and hear Father's loving instructions and encouragements. Their Father never gives them a command that is too hard. Not as a slave, but as a Father to a son. Obedience to His commands is attached a promise of a reward, as being His heirs. Their labour is with love rather than the reward. The harvest yields them a share in the increase of the land. Their residence is beautiful and large, situated in a pleasant location. The mother loves the Father. They both love the They also love the parents. They speak often one to another, and the Father is pleased. (Mal. 3:16). If one gets out in the rain, cold, or dark, the rest are concerned until they return.

The Father took a trip, a short stay, leaving instructions with the house, telling them to remember what He said, that they keep themselves pure from the evils that other people have, take care of the place, keep the fences up, and land clean, and the buildings in good repair, the stock well fed; the mother to keep the children well clothed, the boys to watch after the purity of their sisters, and especially to keep the babies

from all harm, and last, not to forget to assemble themselves together in family worship. "This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the Church. This in the Lord's doings and it is marvelous in our eyes."

Thank God for such a wonderful Father, and mother, and home. It makes our hearts rejoice to think o. it. Who would leave such wonderful home and family? Who would want to join himself to another family where there is nothing beautiful or pleasant? How can one stay in a house of confusion and hate when He has such a lovely home? How can he go to the swamps to farm and fight insects and other pests when there is a fertile field already cleared and fenced, also with buildings? What children would want to run away and go to some less respectable home? Only those who have lost youthful purity out of their heart. How sad for a home of this sort to break up, yet that is just what is taking place in these days of corruption. The spirit of the world, discontent, coldness, levity, indifference, formality, are all harmful.

The text is: "Forget not the assembling together." Love begets love. Ceasing to assemble is a sign of lukewarmness. Remember your first love, when you could hardly wait until prayer meeting? Is it a little less fervent? Assemble together in earnest prayer, requently and renew or stir up yourselves, and it will grow. The greatest reason now why we should meet more often is "because inquity shall abound and the love of many shall wax cold." You have to build your lire hotter as winter comes, even so you have to assemble more "as ye see the day approaching." "As the manner of some is." Some seem to think we ought not to come together so often. Say, twice a month. This is a deceitful and sad mistake. Acts 2: 42, "And they continuing daily with one accord." It isn't always possible to do this, but as much as possible; not to visit altogether, but to worship God, and to sing from the heart. Amen. Why not stay alone and worship? The New Testament abounds with testimony of the saints' practices, because of their love one toward another. God put the yearning of companionship in our hearts, and especially in salvation, the addition of God's love shed abroad in our heatrs. You just as well say a devoted newly married couple will willingly stay apart for long periods as to say saints need not assemble often. Their assembling in true worship is needful to agitate the sparks for more of love and ellowship, that it may grow exceedingly and bear forth fruit unto God. "To do good and to communicate forget not." This acquaints us of the need of selfish forgetfulness, and a rememberance of the need of

others. "So much the more as ye see the day approaching." You and I need, by God's grace, now as never before, to refresh ourselves in rememberance to keep fervent in spirit, serving the Lord.

"Let us love each other,
With a heart that's warm and true,
Lver doing to our brother,
As to us we'd have him do."
This is the Law and the prophets. — A. E. Harmon

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Anything that offends is an offence.

Any congregation of saints can tell when the unity of the Spirit is broken, caused by an offence coming in.

"But woe be to that man by whom the offence cometh." Matt. 18: 7.

Has there been harmony and fellowship in the different congregations of the saints in the past years? Is the same prevalent everywhere today? If not, there is a cause for it. Is there an offence trying to over-power the saints, and trying to deceive the very elect?

When the enemy of all souls finds a place to start working, it only takes one or two or three people to bring in an offence, but soon others will join the ranks, seeming to be eager to get hold of something "new".

The woe is pronounced upon everyone who helps to bring in, or continue the offence. "... and shall gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and them that do iniquity; and shall cast them into a lake of fire." Matt. 13: 41- 42.

"It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were east into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones" Luke 17: 2.

Any liberal conscience movement is started at first by just one thing, but is always an offence to all who love the "strait and narrow way".

In any place where the above might be the case, there is just one thing to do; and that is for each one to get out of that thing, and get that thing out of us, (who have imbibed it) and clear ourselves before God and men of the offence which has been caused. All things will be as they were, and love and unity will prevail as in the past.

God cannot get us together, nor keep us together as long as there is anything in the way. "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all." Jas. 2: 10. "... one

thing thou lackest." Mark 10: 21.

The man who will tell you he is not for an evil thing and does not indulge in that thing, but who stays with those who are for it, is like a man who does not eat lish, doesn't like them and thinks it is wrong to eat them, and yet he himself goes fishing every day and catches many lish because he likes to see others eat them. This is a dangerous person, and an unsafe guide.

May we sound a solemn warning here. There are but few who go back on light, or turn down any principle of truth, who ever get back to the standard. They usually drift from one false doctrine to another.

May God stir our hearts until we are submissive in His hands and to each other.

In Christian sincerity, — Erle E, F.

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Missouri — Dear Brother and Sister Pruitt: Greetings in Jesus' dear name. I am glad I am saved from sin, for it is so sad to see so many neglecting their sours, and being blinded by the devil. My prayer is that they all could see as we do. I am so glad for the way of the good Lord, and I like it better the more I learn of it. I am so glad He had mercy on me and saved me and I want to do all I can to please Him and let my light shine that others may see and know I love Him. I ask the prayers of all His children.

There is not very many of the saints but we are a happy little band. We meet every Sunday night when the good Lord is willing, and how happy we are! We hate to part to go home and leave one another, but we have such a great promise in the next world where we never will have to part any more. Won't that be a grand and glorious meeting?

Yours, all for Jesus, — Lucy Sipes

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Vigo, Ohio — Dear Brother Pruitt: Greetings in Jesus' name. I have been enjoying the good articles and sound, strong "meat" in the "Faith and Victory". Especially did I enjoy the article, "Barabbas," in the October issue.

I am one "contending for the faith once delivered to the saints," and I know that in these "last days" we have modern sects, some professing to be the true Church of God who are even more sectish and deceitful, but the true Church is just as pure and clean as she ever was, and God is raising up sons and daughters who are living the Bible Standard, even though they are few in number. Jesus said, "Many are called, but few are chosen." Brother Pruitt, I am glad and thankful to God that I am among the few.

Yours, for a home in heaven, — C. L. Robertson

San Bernardino, Calif. —Dear friends in the Lord: Your little paper was handed me a few days ago, so I am sending you 25 cents in stamps for one year's subscription.

I also want to mention that a few days ago I was prayed for by Bro. Gus Amast and his dear wife. God bless them. The Lord truly did touch my body and healed me and made me clean by washing me in the blood of the Lamb (Jesus). Praise His holy name. I had eczema of long standing but the Lord has taken it away.

Please pray for me that I will stay in the Lord's will. Dear ones, I am so thankful to the Lord that I don't know how to express myself on paper, but the Lord, my healer, will understand me.

- Effie Darling.

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Fresno, Calif. — Dear Sister and Brother Pruitt: Greetings in Jesus' dear name. May the Lord ever bless you and make you a blessing to other dear souls is our prayer. This leaves husband and I both feeling fine in both soul and body, for which we give God all the praise and glory. The dear Lord instantly healed me of the flu last Monday morning. I was awfully sick: just taking the flu and the dear Lord so marvelously healed me in answer to prayer that I can not get through praising Him for it. O glory to His precious name. I never can thank the dear Lord enough for this highway of holiness, and that I was permitted to hear these precious truths preached in its purity. Most of all, that He gave me a willing mind and heart to accept them. Praise the Lord. And that I have ever learned to take Him as my all and in all, that I can live every day free from sin.

Surely hope you are well, and may the Lord ever bless you in your work is our prayer.

Remember us in your prayers at all times.

Your saved sister. — M. L. Herfurth

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Richland, Mo. — Dear Brother and Sister Pruitt and all the saints of God: I send you greetings in the precious name of Jesus. Today finds me saved and decided to make heaven my eternal home at any cost. I just want to do more in God's service and get closer to Him and be a blessing to some who are going on in sin. I am glad I ever found this true way. I was saved in the Baptist church but I saw they were not teaching all the Bible doctrine. I heard the saints preach eight years ago near where I lived. I accepted the truth then. I am asking all of you to pray for me to keep in the strait and narrow way. I have

many trials and persecutions, but we read that the righteous will cry and the Lord will deliver them out of all their troubles. Praise His holy name. I also want you to pray very earnestly for my husband and my son and daughter to get saved. If I could see them saved I would be willing and ready to go to my home in glory to be with Jesus. Oh, let us be busy working for lost souls as the devil is on every side seeking whom he may devour.

I am glad I can read the "Faith and Victory" paper, and it helps me so much. I pray for the good work to go on, and that the needs will be supplied at the office. May God bless every one who reads this.

Your saved sister, — Julia Brown

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"There are those who have too few enemies, as well as those who have too many, those who yield where they should be firm, as well as these who are obstinate and contentious, bringing trouble needlessly upon themselves."

"Very much depends on the way things are put, on the spirit in which they are done. Some people go through life jamming their sharp elbows into every one's sides, hitting everyone's sores and treading on everyone's corns; then they wonder why they are so unpopular and talk about being martyrs to the truth."

"The inner side of every cloud
Is bright and shining;
Therefore I turn my clouds about
And always wear them inside out.
To show the lining."

" If God has some way to let the millions who have never heard the name of Christ pass judgment, the fact will not mitigate in the least the punishment of those who have heard the glorious and gracious invitation to come to God in the name of Christ and have rejected it. There are thousands of church members today who, though they profess the Christian name, are living lives of open sinfulness; and who because they cannot see how God can justly condemn the heathen who have never heard of Christ to endless punishment, expect that some way they shall escape hell. What an awful fatal error! The light of God which has shinned upon them so clearly for so many years will distinctly reveal them at that terrible day. If they shall attempt to hide away or slip through with (which they will not) that great crowd which shall have come up out of dense darkness, the very light of God which has illuminated their heart will itself both discover and condemn them. 'If ye were blind, ve should have no sin: but now ye say, we see; therefore your sin remaineth.' ''

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The Baby New Year

The New Year, like a little babe,
Is innocent and sweet,
Not knowing where the days that come
May lead its growing feet.

And as the tiny baby learns
The ways of good or ill,
From those about it day by day,
The little New Year will.

We try to teach the baby mind
The good things it should know,
And keep the evil from its heart
The while we watch it grow.

And so with this new baby year
God places in our care,
Ours is the chance to make of it
A lovely thing and fair.

- J. Don Moon.

EDITORIALS

Through the mercy of the Lord we have now begun the second year of the publication of this young people's section. It was first printed in the December issue of 1931. Several of the saints, young and old, have expressed their appreciation for the encouragement, help and mutual benefit derived from the reading of this section. Many, no doubt, have been benefited, though have not expressed to what extent. We thank the Lord for all His benefits in the past, and trust that all the future issues will be to His glory alone. By His favor, let us each one pray and work together to make this section this year much more helpful than that of last year. The greater effort we put forth, the more of a blessing the Lord can make it. Be a surrendered vessel!

The Lord's service demand's a life spent for others and not for ourselves. It is not enough to sit idly content when we are fully encouraged and blest. When we receive heavenly blessings of encouragement, then we are in a position to lift and help our downcast brother—the one who is fainting through the discouragements of Satan. The devil is at his business of bringing discouragements, so we should

be just as much at our business of resisting the devil and his discouragements wherever they are found. Let us be workers together and bear one another's burdens. Perhaps your testimony or short article would bring light and hope to that fainting one along life's road. Put yourself in their condition, for instance. Wouldn't you appreciate a word of hope and cheer? Then, let us not forget the Golden Rule: "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Matt. 7:12.

Dear young people, may this year be one of spiritual growth in our Christian life. May our conduct reflect Christ more fully. We must grow more like Christ or soul decay will be the natural result. A year ago we were less responsible than we are today, because light has been increased. Light always increases and never fades except when we fail to walk in the light. We are responsible to walk in the light of the present. Where are we walking? In light or darkness?.

It may be that some of our young readers have some suggestions to offer in regard to making this section more useful and helpful. Perhaps the addition of a Bible story or a Question Box and answers would be worth while. Pray about and consider these matters, and be free to make suggestions and contributions of manuscript for the same.

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For your spiritual good, we would advise you to study thoroughly the Sunday School lessons which you will find elsewhere in this paper. Also, those references for home study are excellent to follow in your daily devotional reading. This is a means of growth.

We earnestly request your prayers and co-operation through this new year. May His hand lead you in everything. We pray that every blessing may be granted for your soul's prosperity, whether the blessing comes through sunshine or shadow.

-- L. D. Pruitt.

Mass. — Dear Young People: I would like to encourage every young peron to keep moving on with the Lord. Take all your problems to Jesus for He is the best friend you have. The Lord may separate you from much — loved ones, legitimate pastimes, but would you know the reason why this is? It is because the Lord desires our love. In every heart

He wishes to be first. We must humble ourselves and become obedient unto God. For truly it is:

"Across the will of nature,
Leads on the path of God;
Not where the flesh delighteth
The feet of Jesus trod."

For over a year now the Lord has wonderously taken care of our little family while my husband has been unemployed; "above all that we ask or think," (Eph. 3: 20) so may we all be encouraged to "run with patience" whatever the race that is set before us, and look only unto Jesus the Author and finisher of our salvation. He knows the process each soul needs.

Praise God, we will go on!
In His mercy, — Mildred G. Ball

True Wership Of God

We find in St. John 4: 24, "God is a spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth." We who have the spirit of God dwelling within, must worship Him in spirit and in truth. In 1 Cor. 10: 31, we read, "Whether therefore ye eat or drink or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." We find here that whatsoever we do, if we eat or drink or whatsoever, we should do all to the glory of God. This takes in all -our conversation, thoughts deeds and many things we could mention. Our conversation should be holy; not say any thing that we wouldn't want to say if Jesus was by our side. He knows our very thoughts and intents of the heart, 1 Pet. 1: 15, 16, "But as He which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation, because it is written, be ye holy; for I am holy." He wants us to be more and more like Him. He is a silent listener to every conversation, an unseen guest at each meal. Dear ones, I am glad it is possible that we can each day of our life be more like Him. He left us an example that we should follow His foot steps who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth. He wants us to be sober and live very carefully and prayerfully before Him at all times. Live each day as though it was our last day upon earth. How wellpleased He is with us when we live in this attitude before God!

Dear ones, He wants us also to render praise unto God. Eph. 5: 19, 20, "Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord. Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." He wants us to sing praise unto Him and give thanks always for

all things. It says to give thanks always for all things so it takes in all things. Some times it may seem somewhat difficult, but if we commit all to Him and say Lord, thy will be done, it will work out for good. We know He knows what is best, so why should we sometimes complain? Heb. 13: 5, "Be content with such things as ye have; for he hath said, I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." This is a precious promise. He will never leave us nor forsake us if we fully put our trust in Him. Just to know His guiding hand is over us at all times! His eyes are over the righteous and His ears are open unto their prayers.

Dear ones, you who have the opportunity of going to meeting and assembling yourselves together, do all you can for the Lord and His glory. Some of us don't have this opportunity very often. Time is short and eternity is long. We haven't long at the longest.

Yours, saved to serve, — Elizabeth Glass

THOUGHTS

When upon life's troubled highway, Where trials were most severe, I thought of my Redeemer And how He loved me still.

I thought of His sweet promises I put my trust in Him,
Then the devil had no room
And victory reigned within.

We think of Christ's persecutions And that cross He had to bear, Why should we be discouraged, When things don't seem so fair?

Remember when things aren't just so, And you are apt to doubt, Just see that God has planned it so, And all things will work out.

Of course the devil's on hand To see what he can do. So to my body sickness came, With sorrow, that came too.

There with sickness and with trouble There with sorrow and distress, I turned to Matthew, 20, 26. It brought joy and happiness.

Dear ones, if we will trust in Him,
And leave this world aside.
He'll ne'er forsake you, this He's said,
And now and forever be your guide.

— Helen Atha.

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"Odors From Golden Vials" is a cloth bound book of 155 pages. This book is our own writing. It sells elsewhere for 75 cents. Our price is 40 cents, postpaid.

The Lord has laid it on our heart, we believe, to write four booklets during the year 1933. The manuscript for the first one will be in the hands of the printer, the Lord willing, before you read this. title is, "THE MORE ABUNDANT LIFE." titles of the other three are; first, "The Sanctified and Blameless Body, second, The Sanctified and Blameless Soul, third, The Sanctified and Blameless Spirit.'' The Bible calls for these. Read 1 Thess. 5:23. These booklets will tell you the place the body, the soul, and the spirit occupy in the great plan of God for man. These booklets will be printed on good paper and contain 32 pages each, the pages about 5 by $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches. We expect to send them out ree. We believe the Lord, in His own way, will supply the means to pay for the printing. All we are asking the Lord's people to do in helping get these booklets out to readers is to do only what the Lord says to you. Send for one of these booklets, and after reading it, you feel like it would be helpful to others, then order as many as you can distribute to profit. We advise that you pray the Lord to lead you in the distribution. While we send the book out free, we suggest, since we do not always have stamps, that you enclose stamps for mailing. Send us your order at once and we will fill it as soon as the books arrive.

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We have no income only as the Lord sends in. We depend upon Him for our daily bread. Every dollar and every penny that comes in over and above our daily needs, we put right back into the work of the Lord. There are some very poor, worthy saints in these parts whom we are expecting to help as the Lord helps us, but the greater portion the Lord sends us we shall send to Faith and Victory office to help get this good paper out twice each month. Getting this paper out twice each month is one of the best ways I know of doing something more for God this year. No other one thing will do as much good that we know. Will you ask God what He would have you do in this matter? Let us pray and work to this end for the sake of Jesus and souls.

We received our first dollar this morning to go to help paying the printer for printing the booklet. If the Lord wills you to send an of_ering, please state that it is for this fund.

STUDIES IN THE LIFE OF JESUS

Since the life of Christ is the pattern for all human life, we should thoroughly study it, and closely practice it. While in prayer the thought came to our mind to give a series of studies in the life of Christ. If the Lord so wills, we will give a study each month, possibly throughout this year of 1933. I do not know what subject we could study to more profit, and no example could we follow that would be of such great worth to us in life. We will begin our first study with,

Jesus Leaving Home

The life of Christ, for the most part, before entering upon His life's mission was spent in the little village o. Nazareth hidden among the hills of lower Galilee. Look it up on your map. By trade He was a carpenter. (See Mark 6: 3). One day He takes leave of His home and the little village to take up the work He came to the world to do. God had an appointed work for Him to do. (See John 17:4). God has an appointed work for all His children. Oh, that we might do it as faith ully as Jesus done His! Let us try and imagine the feelings of Jesus, and the thoughts that were filling His soul that day when He bid good-bye to His home and native village. If you had asked Him any time before this, where was His home, He would have pointed to the cottage where Joseph and Mary lived, but this day He would have told you "that the loxes have holes, the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of man hath not where to lay His head." Matt. 8: 20. He never looked upon that cottage where He had spent so many years again as His home. Did He ever enter that home again?

He is now about thirty years of age. (See Luke 3:23). He is on His way to the river Jordan. What was the purpose in His mind and heart for going to this river? He had a purpose in all He done. We should have. In Matt. 3:13 we are told what was this purpose. Read it. His being baptized stands at the threshold of His public life. Here was the beginning of the ministry of Jesus, which ministry was to change the world. Why does He have need to be baptized? He had a need. What impression does this make on your mind? Can you feel in your soul something of the vast significance of baptism? Read

what Matthew, Mark and Luke have to say about this baptism. What word does Luke use that the others do not? John hesitated to baptise Jesus. Why? Did John hesitate after Jesus told him the purpose of His baptism? John must have grasped the meaning of Christ's words. Do you? Do you know what is the meaning of the words, "fulfilling all righteousness"? Do you cry and pray to God to teach you what they mean. It is important that you know what they mean. Please notice the word "becometh". Jesus said that He needed to be baptized, "for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness." Do you know what "becometh" means? Study the word. We have the word in Phil. 1: 27 where we are told to let our conversation (conduct) be as it becometh the Gospel of Christ. We have the word again in 1 Tim. 2: 10 where women are told of the adorning of their lives with good works (not gold, pearls and costly array) which becometh women professing godliness.

Jesus here makes a statement. His statement is, that His baptism was for the purpose of fulfilling all righteousness. There is always something far deeper in these words of Jesus than mere statements. Some to their shame have taken the statements of Jesus and made them the theme of their ministry and never arrive at the scope of His meaning.

Do not fail to here get some insight to John's passion for righteousness. He hesitated to baptize Jesus until he understood that it was to fulfill all righteousness, and then he hesitated no longer. He loved righteousness. He was willing to do that which was a fulfillment of righteousness. Jesus says that John was in the way of righteousness. (See Matt. 21: 32). At the time of Christ's baptism the Spirit like a dove descended and rested upon Him. What does this signify? Had the Spirit never rested upon Him before? God spoke out of heaven, saying, "Thou art my beloved Son." Was it in this act that Jesus became His Son? Was Jesus conscious before this time that He was the Son of God? What does it all mean? His baptism signifies two especial things, and these two things are the fulfilling of all righteousness as love is the fulfilling of the law. These questions will be fully answered and explained in our booklet, "The Sanctified and Blameless Body," the Lord helping. Save this paper so you can have it at hand to help get the connection between this study and the second one next month. Our Sunday School Lessons have to do with the life of Jesus for the first six months of the year. Be sure and study them, and do not fail to read the Scriptures for home study. I pray that you will take an interest in the home studies for they

will be for the good of your soul.

How To Pervent Thirsting

"Whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst." John 4: 14. What wonderful words! They were spoken by Jesus. It was said of Jesus that grace was poured into His lips. (Read Psa. 45: 2). Surely these words are full of grace. Again it is said that the "lips of the wise disperse knowledge." Prov. 15: 7. Jesus is the Wisdom of God, and His lips in the above words has dispersed the most wonderful knowledge ever imparted to man.

Jesus was talking with a woman at Jacob's well. She had come there to draw water. We can here get an insight into the mind and heart of Christ, of which we will do well to have written into our hearts and minds. In seen things He sees the unseen. In the vine and the branch He saw the unseen. In the fields of waving grain He saw the unseen. When He saw the birds flying in the air, and the lilies blooming in the field He saw that which they typified. Every thing we look at in this material world is a type of something in the spiritual world. Alas, how many see the seen thing, but never see that which it typifies. Oh, God help thy dear saints to look in the seen things for the unseen!

This Samaritan woman was drawing literal water. Jesus saw, not only the literal water, but saw also the unseen "living water." The woman did not see this "living water." Multitudes are as blind as she was. Little did that woman know when she left her home that day what a great change was going to come into her li e be ore she came again to her house. We never know what a day may bring forth in our life. One thing is certain that if we have a talk with Jesus each day there will be a change. Every talk we have with the Son of God changes us more into the likeness of God. Dear reader, you will acknowledge that this is true, but will you be so impressed by this fact that it will move you to action? You will read and then pass on as prayerless as ever. Talk face to face with Jesus every day. This woman exchanged literal water for spiritual water. Dear soul, make some exchange with Jesus every day. Carry on a commerce with Him. Have something to export to heaven every day and receive some imports from heaven. went out to seek for asses and found a kingdom. This woman went out for literal water and found the water of life.

Christianity is the partaking of the Divine nature.

It is the receiving of that which Christ has to give. He gives Himself. He died for us, and now He lives for us. He gave Himself for us, and now He gives Himsel to us. Before His death He warked with His disciples, now He walks in them. He dined with them in the upper room, now He dines with us in our hearts. This is Christianity; this is the living water Jesus has to give.

The secret of preventing thirstiness is to keep this living water springing up continuously in the soul. There can be no thirsting for earthly things while this water of life is springing up in the heart. If you find yourself beginning to thirst for earthly pleasures, earth's conveniences and comforts, something has gotten into your life and checked the flow of the "living water." Let us read the words over again. "But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst." As you read these words, do they deeply impress you? or do they trip so lightly over your mind as to make but little impression? They are words you have read many times, and has this familiarity robbed them of their power? There is in them a very unworldly, heavenly atmosphere, and if we will let them into our hearts in their strength, they will change the atmosphere of our lives. If this "living water" is a "well in you springing up into everlasting life", you are not taking very much thought about earthly things. That springing up water is bearing such heavenly joys and eternal peace into your life that you are not fussing about amid the things of the world with any love for their own sakes. That springing up water enables us to trip very lightly over all life's circumstances.

Let us show ourselves to be Christians by springing up into the utmost fulness of the life of Jesus. Let it appear in our daily walk that Christ liveth in us. Let the world see that our joy is not found in things of earth; let them see that we live above the care of this world, and the lusts of earthly things.

SILENT UNTO GOD

"I was dumb, I opened not my mouth, because thou didst it." (Psa. 39: 9). There is a deep and precious lesson to be learned from these words. To the writer of them the sight of God's hand in affliction causes him to lay a law of silence upon his heart and tongue. The Hebrew word signifies, "tongue-tied." David looks through all secondary causes and sees the hand of God as the first cause in all his afflictions. Every saint should have this vision of God and of all life's circumstances. The sight of God's hand in an affliction silences the heart and holds the tongue

still unless it be to give God praise. It may be helpful to us to study the nature of this silence. People may keep silent for different causes. David says that he will keep silent because God done it.

Sunday School Lessons

Sunday, Jan. 1, 1933.

HOME STUDY FOR THE WEEK

Dec. 26 -- John announces Jesus, Mark 1: 1-11; Dec. 27 -- John's Preaching, Luke 3: 7-17; Dec. 28 -- John's Testimony of Jesus, John 1: 25-36; Dec. 29 -- National Preparation, Jonah 3: 1-10; Dec. 30 -- Personal Preparation, Psa. 51: 1-13; Dec. 31 -- Thoroughness in Preparation, Luke 19: 1-10; Jan. 1 -- Devotional Reading, Isa. 40: 1-11.

LESSON TEXT, PRINTED PORTION — Mark 1:1-11

- 1. The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God;
- 2. As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face which shall prepare thy way before thee.
- 3. The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.
- 4. John did baptise in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.
- 5. And there went out unto him all the land of Judea, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptised of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins.
- 6. And John was clothed with camel's hair, and with a girdle of a skin about his loins; and he did eat locust and wild honey;
- 7. And preached, saying, There cometh one mightier than I after me, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose.
- 8. I indeed have baptized you with water: but he shall baptise you with the Holy Ghost. (Spirit)
- 9. And it came to pass in those days, that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized of John in Jordan.
- 10. And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon him:
- 11. And there came a voice from heaven, saying, Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Memory Verse — Last half of verse three.

OUTLINE — 1. Presenting the Son of God, verse 1. 2. Predicting the Son of God, verse 2, 3. 3. Announcing the Son of God, verse 4-8. 4. Identifying the Son of God, verse 9-11.

MAIN THEMES

Primary — How To Please God, verse 11.

Junior — Making Straight Paths, verse 3.

Intermediates — The Might of Christ, verse 7.

Seniors — The Baptism of the Holy Spirit, verse 8.

Adults — Humility, verse 7.

QUESTIONS

- 1. What relation was Jesus to John, and what was the difference in their ages?
 - 2. What does the baptism of John signify?
- 3. What words express the humility of John beside those in verse 7?

THOUGHTS ON THE LESSON

1. The gospel began in the mind of God from eternity. 2. It also had a beginning in the time of creation of the world. 3. It now has a beginning in the human life of Christ. 4. Has it had a beginning in your life? The steam in the boiler has power to move the locomotive. Has the gospel in you the power to move your life? 5. The gospel is the greatest beginning the world has ever seen. 6. Human life is full of beginnings, but if there be no beginning of the gospel, life is in vain.

Sunday; Jan. 8, 1933

HOME STUDY FOR THE WEEK

Jan. 2 — The Temptation of Jesus, Matt. 4:1-11.

Jan. 3 — Jesus Preaching, Luke 4: 14-22.

Jan. 4 — The First Disciples, Mark 1: 12-20.

Jan. 5 — Jeremiah Begins His Work, Jer. 1: 1-10.

Jan. 6 — Isaiah Begins His Work, Isa. 6: 1-10.

Jan. 7 — Paul Begins His Work, Acts 9: 10-20.

Jan. 8 — The Work of Jesus Foretold, Isa. 11:1-9.

LESSON TEXT, PRINTED PORTION — Mark 1: 12-20

- 12. And immediately the Spirit driveth him into the wilderness.
- 13. And he was there in the wilderness forty days tempted of Satan; and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered unto him.
- 14. Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God,
- 15. And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.
- 16. Now as He walked by the sea of Galilee, He saw Simon and Andrew his brother easting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.
 - 17. And Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me,

and I will make you to become fishers of men.

- 18. And straightway they forsook their nets, and followed Him.
- 19. And when He had gone a little farther thence, He saw James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the ship mending their nets.
- 20. And straightway He called them: and they left their father Zebedee in the ship with the hired servants, and went after Him.

Memory Verse - Mark 1: 15.

OUTLINE — 1. Beginning His work of resistance, verse 12, 13. 2. Beginning His Work of Calling His Disciples, verses 16-20.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

Primary - Helping Jesus in His Work.

Juniors — Christ calling for helpers.

Intermediates — Christ winning a victory over Satan Seniors — Promptness in answering the call of Christ.

Adults — The art of catching men.

QUESTIONS

- 1. What is meant by "the Spirit driveth Him into the wilderness"?
 - 2. What was the ministering help of angels?
 - 3. Can we have angels' ministering?
 - 4. What is repentance?

THOUGHTS ON THE LESSON

1. The life of Christ was under the guidance of the Spirit, and He followed though it led Him among the wild beasts. 2. Christ won where Adam lost. 3. When we separate ourselves from the world we will have Satan to resist. 4. Jesus, in resisting the devil, used the Word of God. 5. We can live without sinning, but we cannot live and not be tempted. 6. Christ was victorious over Satan, and all can be victorious who live in Christ and by Him.

Sunday, Jan. 15, 1933

HOME STUDY FOR THE WEEK

Jan. 9 — Working with Authority, Mark 1:21-28.

Jan. 10 — Healing and Praying, Mark 1: 29-35.

Jan. 11 — Preaching and Healing, Mark 1: 36-45.

Jan. 12 — The Prayer Life of Jesus, Heb. 5: 1-10.

Jan. 13 — God's Regard for the Body, Matt. 6: 25-

Jan. 14 — Prayer and Health, James 5: 11-20.

Jan. 15 — The Ministry of Jesus, Isa. 61: 1-6.

LESSON TEXT, PRINTED PORTION — Mark 1: 23-35.

23. And there was in their synagogue a man with

an unclean spirit; and he cried out,

- 24. Saying, Let us alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God.
- 25. And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him.
- 26. And when the unclean spirit had torn him, and cried with a loud voice, he came out of him.
- 27. And they were all amazed, insomuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, What things is this? what new doctrine is this? for with authority commandeth he even the unclean spirits, and they do obey him.
- 28. And immediately his fame spread abroad throughout all the region round about Galilee.
- 29. And forthwith, when they were come out of the synagogue, they entered into the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.
- 30. But Simon's wife's mother lay sick of a fever; and anon they tell him of her.
- 31. And he came and took her by the hand, and lifted her up; and immediately the fever left her, and she ministered unto them.
- 32. And at even, when the sun was set, they brought unto him all that were diseased, and them that were possessed of devils.
- 33. And all the city was gathered together at the door.
- 34. And he healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out many devils; and suffered not the devils to speak, because they knew him.
- 35. And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place and there prayed.

Memory Verse — Verse 35.

OUTLINE — 1. Jesus in the Synagogue, verses 21-28. 2. Jesus in the Home, verses 29-34. 3. Jesus in Solitude, verse 35.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

Primary — Jesus Helping a Sick Mother.

Junior — Jesus healing divers diseases.

Intermediate — Jesus meeting the needs of man.

Seniors — Jesus casting out devils.

Adults - Jesus in prayer.

QUESTIONS

- 1. On what day was it that Jesus went into the synagogue?
 - 2. What did Jesus do in this synagogue?
- 3. What did he do in the home of Simon and Andrew?

4. What did he do in the early morning? THOUGHTS ON THE LESSON

2. This world is not the devil's world. 2. Jesus can east evil out of humanity. 3. We are to do all we can to destroy sin. 4. We should give it no license to run free in our homes. 5. The word of Christ prevails against the devil. 6. Adam received death from a woman's hand; a woman received life from the hand of Jesus.

Sunday, Jan. 22; 1933

HOME STUDY FOR THE WEEK

Jan. 16 — A Man Forgiven, Mark 2: 1-12.

Jan. 17 — A Woman Forgiven, Luke 7: 40-50

Jan. 18 — Ground for Forgiveness, Matt. 6:6-15

Jan. 19 — Confession and Forgiveness, Rom. 10: 6-15.

Jan. 20 — Conditions of Forgiveness, 1 John 1: 1-10.

Jan. 21 — A prayer for Forgiveness, Psa. 25: 11-22

Jan. 22 — The Joy of Forgiveness, Psa. 32: 1-7.

LESSON TEXT, PRINTED PORTION — Mark 2: 1-12

- 1. And again he entered into Capernaum after some days; and it was noised that he was in the house.
- 2. And straightway many were gathered together, insomuch that there was no room to receive them, no, not so much as about the door; and he preached the word unto them.
- 3. And they came unto him, bringing one sick of the palsy, which was borne of four.
- 4. And when they could not come nigh unto him for the press, they uncovered the roo! where he was; and when they had broken it up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay.
- 5. When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee.
- 6. But there were certain of the scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their hearts.
- 7. Why doth this man thus speak blasphemies? who can forgive sins but God only?
- 8. And immediately when Jesus perceived in his spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, he said unto them, Why reason ye these things in your hearts?
- 9. Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and take up thy bed, and walk?
- 10. But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins (he saith to the sick of the palsy,)

- 11. I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house.
- 12. And immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went forth before them all; insomuch that they were all amazed, and glorified God, saying, We never saw it on this fashion.

Memory Verse — Verse 10.

OUTLINE — 1. Claim of power to forgive, verses 1 - 5. 2. Question of power to forgive, verses 5, 6. 3. Proof of power to forgive, verses 8- 12.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

Primary — Friendly helpers.

Junior — Jesus forgiving sins.

Intermediate — Jesus healing the sick.

Senior—What is necessary to having sins forgiven? Adults — Christ's power over sin and sickness.

QUESTIONS

- 1. What is sin?
- 2. Who will Jesus forgive of sin?
- 3. Can we be healed today?
- 4. Do you know of any one being healed by the Lord?

THOUGHTS ON THE LESSON

1. Sin is a reality. 2. Sickness is a reality. 3. Healing is a reality. 4. Fragrant flowers can not be concealed. The folks knew where Jesus was. 5. Light can not be hidden. 6. Love is invisible, but its manifestations are not. 7. All human needs are met in Christ.

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HOME STUDY FOR THE WEEK

Jan. 23 — The first Sabbath. Gen. 1: 24; Gen 2: 1-3.

Jan. 24 — The Sabbath Commanded. Exod. 20: 8-17.

Jan. 25 — Sabbath Typical of Soul-rest. Heb. 4: 4-11

Jan. 26 — Doing Good on the Sabbath Mark 3: 1-8.

Jan. 27 — Healing on the Sabbath day. Luke 13: 10-17.

Jan. 28 — Worship on the Sabbath, Luke 4: 16-22.

Jan. 29 — The Joy of Worship. Psa. 122: 1-9.

LESSON TEXT, PRINTED PORTION — Mark 2: 27, 28;

3 : **1-6**.

- 27. And He said unto them. The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath:
- 28. Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.

- 1. And He entered again into the synagogue; and there was a man there which had a withered hand
- 2. And they watched Him, whether He would heal him on the sabbath day; that they might accuse Him.
- 3. And He said unto the man which had the withered hand, Stand forth.
- 4. And He saith unto them, Is it lawful to do good on the sabbath days, or to do evil? to save life, or to kill? But they held their peace.
- 5. And when He had looked around about on them with anger, being grieved for the hardness of their hearts, He saith unto the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it out, and his hand was restored whole as the other.
- 6. And the Pharisees went forth, and straightway took counsel with the Herodians against Him, how they might destroy Him.

Memory Verse — Verse 27.

1. An answer to those who condemned Him for plucking corn to eat on the sabbath, Mark 2: 23-28.
2. Healing the lame man on the sabbath, Mark 3: 1-6.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

Primary — The Lord's Day.

Junior — Jesus Keeping the sabbath.

Intermediate — Doing Good Every Day.

Seniors — What to do on Sundays.

Adults — The Jewish Sabbath Typical of Soul-rest.

QUESTIONS

- 1. How should we spend Sunday?
- 2. What is meant, The Sabbath was made for man?
- 3. Why do we observe Sunday?
- 4. What is true worship of God?

THOUGHTS ON THE LESSON

1. All the Christian's time is consecrated time.
2. He spends his time to the glory of God as sincerely on Monday as on Sunday.
3. He goes to his manual labor in the same spirit of devotion to God as to the Public worship.
4. His manual labor is hallowed by the same holy principles as is his prayers.
5. The inward life of the Christian's spirit acts with the outward life of the body which leaves a stamp of heaven on all he does.
6. Jesus Christ exercises the same rule and authority in the Christian's life every day of the week.
7. A man can and should sow grain in his field in the same spirit of worship as he preaches a sermon or prays a prayer.
8. We should go to every meal in the same spirit of reverence as we go to the Lord's supper.