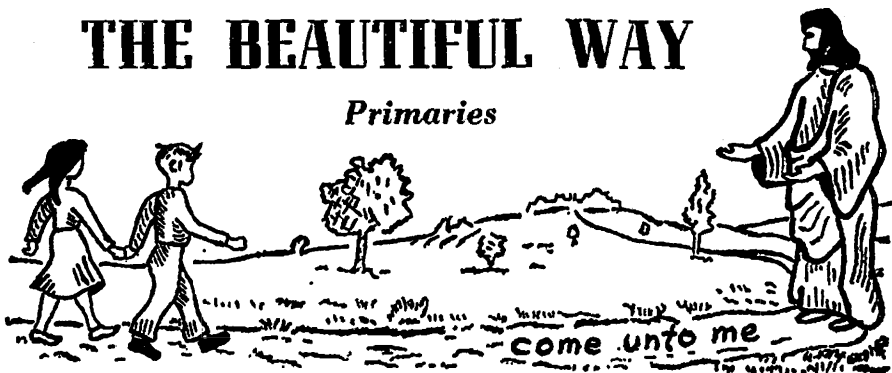


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Part 14

Oct. 3

## JOSEPH

Genesis 37:3, 4; 39:20-22; 45:3-8

Joseph was so happy to have a coat of many colors. I am sure he thanked his father for giving him such a pretty coat. God wants all boys and girls to be thankful for what their parents do for them.

One day Joseph's brothers sold him as a slave. He was taken into a far country. But Joseph loved God. He believed that God was with him even though he was far away from his father. He prayed to God. God blessed him and he was a good slave. Later he was put in prison because someone told a lie on him. He was a good prisoner. He still loved God and prayed. God blessed him.

One day Joseph told the king what his dream meant. The king made him a ruler. Later his brothers came to his country. Joseph saw them. He told them who he was. Joseph forgave them for what they had done to him. He told them that God had sent him to that country. Joseph asked his brothers and father to come live with him. He took care of them and kept them from starving. He returned good for evil. Joseph was a good man.

*Memory Verse:* But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive. Genesis 50:20.

## A Coat of Many Colors

Perhaps your mother can help you make a coat of many colors like the one Joseph had. I think it would be real pretty. I am sure all of you girls can make one if you will try. One day I made a little coat of many colors for my Bible class. I made the sleeves red, the collar white, the back gold, the front green and then put a blue border all around the bottom of the little coat.

I like to think about the red sleeves standing for the precious blood of Jesus. Because Jesus died on the cross and gave His blood for our sins, we can now be saved from our sins. Oh, how all of us ought to love Jesus for dying for our sins! Sin had to be punished. We all sinned. Jesus took our whipping or punishment for us. How we ought to love Him for doing that for us!

Now the white collar on the little coat would stand for purity or something very, very clean. When Jesus forgives us of our sins, our hearts are white and clean. Our lives are clean. We won't tell a lie nor take anything that doesn't belong to us. We think about nice and good things. Our minds are clean and pure. God smiles down upon us when we are clean in our hearts.

We will turn our little coat around and the back is gold. That makes us think of the crown of gold that we will wear in heaven. Heaven is a beautiful place. The Bible says that the streets are paved with gold. That is one way we can know how pretty heaven will be. I want to go to

heaven, don't you? I want to wear a crown of gold and live with Jesus forever, don't you?

Now the front of our little coat is green. That is my favorite color. I think it was God's favorite color, too. Can you name some things that God made green? I like for green to stand for peace. When we are Jesus' boy or girl we have peace in our hearts. We want to be at peace with others. We love to make peace. We love kindness, goodness, love and peace.

On our little coat we have a border all around the bottom. It is blue. When I think of blue, I think of the sky and the ocean. God spoke and the heavens were made and the water all went into oceans, lakes, and rivers, and the dry land appeared. I think the blue should stand for the Bible. The Bible is God speaking to us. We want to obey the Bible. God will bless us if we do as He tells us to do and will take us to heaven when we die. I think Joseph had a pretty coat, don't you? —Marie Miles

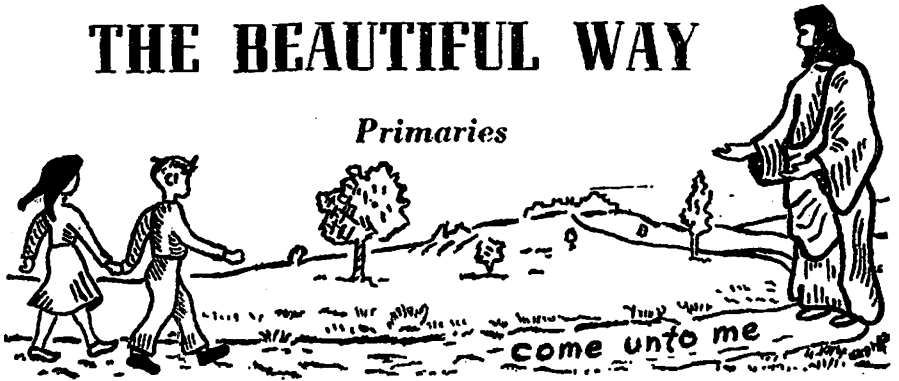
### QUESTIONS:

1. Why did Jacob (or Israel) make Joseph a coat of many colors?
2. Did Joseph try to run away, or did he make a good slave?
3. How did Joseph act while in prison? Did he forget God?
4. Did Joseph forgive his brothers?
5. How can we be like Joseph?



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Part 17

Oct. 24

## CALEB

Numbers 13:30-32; Joshua 14:6-12

The people came running out of their tents when the word was passed around that the 12 spies had arrived. What kind of a report would they bring from the land of Canaan they all wondered. God had promised to give them the land of Canaan.

"The land is a good land," the spies said. The people were surprised to see two men carrying one big cluster of grapes between them on a rod. The land must be a wonderful land. One spy said, "The cities are strong and have big walls around them." Another spy said, "We saw giants and we were just like grasshoppers beside them." The people began to cry, "We can't fight against them. They are too strong for us. We wish we were back in Egypt." One of the spies stood up and told the people to be quiet while he talked to them. This spy's name was Caleb. He was a man of faith. He said, "Let us go up at once and take the land. We are well able to fight against them." Caleb counted God in with His people. God can do anything, can't He? Caleb and Joshua were the only two spies who believed God would help them.

*Memory Verse:* I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. Philippians 4:13.

## A Man of Faith

Our lesson today was about Caleb, a man of faith. I want to tell you about another man who had faith. His name was John Paton. He was a missionary to some islands where people lived who ate other people. That would be an awful thing, would it not? John Paton wanted these people to know about God and know that Jesus would save them from their sins and make them ready to go to heaven when they died. God took care of him while he was on this island but he had some hard times. At different times some of the natives tried to kill him, but God would not let them.

One time in the night he heard someone stealing his chickens. His milk goat was driven away but he did not dare go out in the night. He was sure to be killed. Another night someone stole all of his cooking pans, dishes and food from a locked house just outside the mission home. He went to the chief and told him about it. The chief flew into a rage and said the thief would be found but he never did anything about it and nothing was returned.

John Paton prayed to God to help him. He just had to have a pan to boil his water in. If he drank the water without boiling it he would get sick. So he offered a blanket to anyone who would bring back his kettle. Finally one brought it back and of course said he had a lot of trouble getting it away from the thief. But he said he could not get the lid because it was on the other side of the

island.

One day a big ship came steaming up toward the island. The natives were afraid. Some ran up to him saying, "Missi, Missi, there is a God, or a ship on fire, or something fearful coming over the sea! Is it a Spirit or a God? What is it?" Different groups hurried to ask him. He told them he could not go at once to see as he needed to dress to meet the Man of War. "They will probably ask me about your conduct. They will want to know if you have been stealing from me," John Paton told them. They begged him not to tell the Man of War about them.

The people were stirred and soon began bringing back the things that had been stolen from him. He told them to pile them outside as he did not have time to talk to them. Soon almost everything was there except the lid to his kettle. The chief assured him they had sent for it and it would be there the next day.

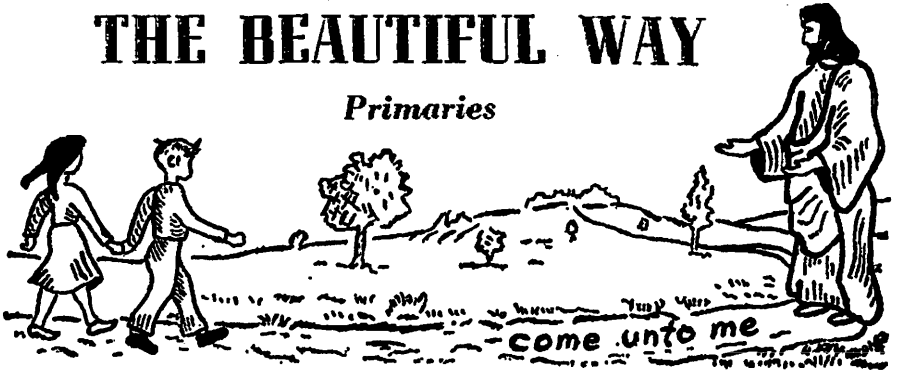
The ship came and John Paton talked to the sailors. God had heard and answered his prayer in this way and he got his pans, dishes, and other things back. He was a man of faith, wasn't he?  
—M. Miles

### QUESTIONS:

1. How many spies went to see the land of Canaan?
2. What did they bring back, carried by two men?
3. What did the people look like in the land of Canaan?
4. What did Caleb tell the people when they were afraid?
5. How big are we when we count God with us?

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Part 18

Oct. 31

## SAMSON

Judges 13:2-5, 24; 16:4, 15-21

“You don’t love me, I am sure,” pouted Delilah as Samson again showed her that he could not be captured since he was one of the strongest men who ever lived. Some wicked men had paid Delilah to find out his strength. Samson began to feel sorry for her. Finally he told her that if his hair would be cut off he would lose his strength and be as other men. While he was asleep she cut off his hair. She then called him to awake because the Philistines, his enemies, were upon him. He got up to go out as before but his strength was gone. Oh, how sad it was that Samson had kept company with a wicked woman! Boys and girls it is better to be with those who want to do right. Samson’s enemies took him and put out his eyes and made him grind wheat for them. I am sure that Samson’s mother and father were very grieved because their son kept the wrong company and got into trouble. Delilah did not worship the true God. She told Samson a lie and caused him to get into much trouble.

*Memory Verse:* He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city. Proverbs 16:32.

## Keep Good Company

A father and his little girl were sitting by a fireplace. There was not any fire in it. The little girl wanted to go and play with some boys and girls who were not good company. They did things that were wrong. Susan's father did not want her to keep company with boys and girls who did wrong things. Susan did not understand why. She said, "Do you think I would do wrong just because I am with them?" Her father reached over into the fireplace and picked up a black piece of dead coal and handed it to his daughter.

"It will not burn you, my child," said her father. "Take it."

She took the black piece of charcoal from her father. She put it into her other hand. She looked at her hand and it was black. She started to throw it back into the fireplace and it slipped and got her pretty white dress black. Susan wasn't very happy about being asked to take the black coal. She said, "I got all black!"

"That is true," said her father. "You see that even if coals do not burn, they will blacken. You may not do wrong but just being with the wrong crowd will cause you to be classed as wrong. If they do wrong others will think you are just like them. So, Susan, do not blacken your life even though you would try hard not to do wrong with others."

—M. Miles

## Who Is Great?\*

"What did you study in school today?" asked Dad as Bill sat beside his father on the divan.

"We studied about the German army taking city after city in World War II," said Bill. "The German army was a mighty army."

"Yes, for awhile they rolled over the country taking city after city," said Dad.

"Do you know what the Bible says is greater than a big army that takes a city?" asked Dad.

"No, tell me," said Bill.

"The Bible says that he that rules his own spirit and is not quick to get angry is greater than the army that takes a city," said Daddy. "If you can control yourself and do the right you are great. But you can't do that unless you have Jesus to help you. So with Jesus on your side you are great and mighty."

"Yes, I know God can do anything," said Bill. "And if he is helping you, you can do right. I had never thought about it that I could be greater than an army that can take a city."

—M. Miles

### QUESTIONS:

1. What is the name of the strongest man who ever lived?
2. What was the name of the wicked woman he visited?
3. How did Delilah trick Samson into telling the secret of his great strength?
4. What harm does it do to play with bad boys and girls?

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