

FAITH AND VICTORY

THIS IS THE VICTORY THAT OVERCOMETH THE WORLD, EVEN OUR FAITH. — I JOHN 5:4

HAVE FAITH
IN GOD

GOD IS
LOVE

YE SHINE AS LIGHTS
IN THE WORLD.
— PHILIPPIANS 2:15

JESUS
SAVES

A PAPER
FOR ALL
CHRISTIANS

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When Christ Was Led To Calvary

When Christ was led to Calvary
To die the shameful death,
The Jews felt so victorious —
The apostles so bereaved.

A crowd soon gathered 'round Him
To see what would be done;
Some stood around Him weeping,
And others making fun.

Being numbered with transgressors,
He hung between two thieves,
While others far more guilty
Were mocking in their sleeves.

Knowing not, that it was Jesus —
The holy Son of God,
Dying on the cursed tree,
To save them by His blood.

Behold, the great Life-giver died
Upon the cruel cross.
The blood flowed freely from His side
To save poor sinners lost.

They placed His body in the tomb,
And tried to make it sure.
With stone, seal, and Roman guard,
They felt it was secure.

But lo! an angel from on high,
Came down at dawn of day;
Ere the women had drawn nigh,
He rolled the stone away.

The Savior came forth from the dead —
With victory and power.
Though once was slain, He rose again;
And liveth evermore.

— Ulysses Phillips.

Prejudice

If there is any one evil principle that seems to have a death-grip on the soul, and hard to loosen, it is prejudice. As a giant evil spirit today, it stands out and defies the people of God; and even the strongest saints seem to fear his mighty threat and daring challenge. In God's precious Word, we read: "Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous." (1 John 3: 12).

In the beginning there was two distinct classes of people, (or two people) the righteous and the wicked. (Cain and Abel). The one stood ready to live and die for God and humanity: whose happy life was filled with divine love. The other was ready to kill, but not ready to die: whose heart was filled with prejudice and sin.

We have the same today, with a very little exceptions; truly: God accepts one class, but rejects the other. Love rules one, but prejudice the other. Whosoever loveth, is of God: for God is love. And yet, whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause, is a murderer.

Old *Prejudice*, surely started a long way up the road: and is as mean as he is old. His record shows a bloody lane down through the ages, from the blood of Abel, to Christ. *Prejudice* caused the Scribes and pharisees to murder our Savior. God spoke to Cain and said, "The voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground." Thank God. The voice of innocent blood, precious blood, holy blood now loudly cries unto all; not only from the ground, but from the cross of Calvary. God has not only heard Abel's cry; but in answer to his prayer, now offers through the voice of blood, pardon and forgiveness to the many guilty sons and daughters of His brother, Cain.

Dear reader, to which class do you belong? or which do you consider is the living class today? We

read in the Word of God, "Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you. We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death." (1 John 3: 13, 14'. Hatred is but the extreme of prejudice, a principle or enemy that opposes everything that assures life eternal to the human family. The love of God, is the spirit of God; the spirit is the voice of the Son of God: the Lamb that was slain from the foundation of the world, whose blood today, cries unto us, saying, "Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light. Love and prejudice cannot dwell in the same temple.

It is a sin to preach love and yet act prejudice. If we ever conquer this evil, we must even suffer to retain that pure, divine love the Father has bestowed upon us. Friends, the love of God in fully consecrated and sanctified hearts, will surely conquer the giant with a most glorious victory. Try it: and see.

When I made room in my heart for the truth, and yielded my carnal will to His spirit, prejudices disappeared, and God's love now only rules my life, and constrains me to know that I am yet my brother's keeper: and the voice of his blood I must heed. (Gen. 4: 10).

Abel's lamb was a type of the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sins of the world. Abel's blood cried unto God from the ground. Jesus' blood cries unto us from the cross. Thank God! for the truth.

Fight prejudice with love,
 God-given from above,
 He sends it down to prove all His own.
 Though often pushed aside,
 Omitted and denied,
 It is true and tried rejected stone.
 It is a stone that fits the sling
 Of every David boy.
 Carefully thrown 'twill always bring
 Great victory with joy.

— G. W. McMillian

Freed By The Judge

In Kansas City, I had entered a business line with a man that was called a brother. After some time, we came to dissolve our partnership. Since Bob was a man of small literary attainments, the book-keeping had fallen to me hence the final statement also came from my hands. But Bob would not accept that summary of our business affairs. I proposed that we each choose a brother in the Lord, of business experience, and these to choose a third

as a Christian arbitration committee, Bob and I to accept their decision. Bob would not agree to this proposal, so I then suggested that we employ an accountant and I would pay the bill, but even this my partner would not agree to. He had one and only one, settlement; I was to take all the liabilities, and he the assets. Now, what would you have done? What would the apostles have done? What would the Father have Christ IN me do? The Psalmist said, "The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple" and I've found it so, for after prayer for Divine wisdom and light, I was led to the commandments of the Lord Jesus Christ, even to "CHRIST Speaking IN" Paul as found in 1 Cor. 6: 1-7; "Why do ye not rather take wrong? why do ye not rather suffer your self to be defrauded?" Hence, I obeyed the heavenly vision, took the loss, allowing myself to be defrauded of mere dollars and cents, but received that blessed commendation of "Well done, good and faithful servant" of the Christ-IN-me.

A few days later, in conversation, Bob punched me in the eye, and then, in a fury, seizing a large stoneware meat platter, he raised it high above his head intending to brain me with it. I say the truth in Christ and lie not, when I declare that the attack was made solely on Bob's part, and that as soon as he struck me there was One in me who caused me to hang my head and pray, "Father, forgive Bob, for he doesn't know what he is doing." My prayer did not end there, and having moved my business affairs to another building, I was so burdened as to cause me to arise four A. M. to cry to God for Bob. One day a business friend, himself a professing Christian, said to me, "M—, how can a big fellow like you stand to be cursed and vilified by a runt like Bob? Here he is going about with a loaded revolver threatening to kill you, and you taking it all. You ought to knock him down and give him a good thrashing."

I agreed to all that, and being the said "big fellow," of six feet seven inches and weighing over two hundred pounds, I was surely capable of administering the thrashing but I told Hermann that I dared not be a thief, because "Vengeance belongeth unto ME... saith the Lord." As to the thrashing, I could leave that to the Lord' (and He surely gave it later), and as to taking all that abuse I can joyously say that it was but another manifestation to the Truth of "the LIFE also of Jesus made manifest in my mortal body."

This manifestation of the REALITY of Christ in me culminated in an appearance in Police Court.

Bob, being unable to sleep from a guilty conscience, would arise and walk around my new quarters, and then he would hear my prayers to God for mercy on his soul. This further angered him, and as I was now afraid of the wrath of man, or of his gun, he had me arrested. When standing before the judge, a Roman Catholic, I was asked guilty or not guilty? Replying that I knew not the charge against me, the Judge had the Clerk read, "Disturbing the peace," and I was again asked as to whether I were guilty or not guilty. Replying that I did not know how I had disturbed the peace. Bob was called and the judge asked:

"Did this man disturb your peace?"

"Yes sir," Bob replied.

"How did he disturb your peace?"

"By singing and praying."

Now singing was nothing new to the police judge for drunken people often sing, but "praying,"—! well, in amazement he asked: "Whom does he pray for?" and Bob replied, "For me."

Many of our new-fangled "Dispensational" teachers throw all the four Gospels into the discard as "Jewish, and NOT to the Church," being willingly ignorant of the statement of Paul, whom they profess to teach, as to the "wholesome Words" of our Lord Jesus Christ, but Matthew 10: 19 has been proven true in my life in every time of need. Please read the passage in the light of what follows. Turning to me, the judge then asked,

"Is this true?"

"Yes sir."

"Do you think he needs praying for?"

"My Lord and Savior says, 'Pray for those that despitefully use you. . . . Bless and curse not,' yes sir, he needs praying for," were the words given to me without a moment of hesitation.

The judge looked first at one and then at the other of us without speaking, then he said to me these words, "I wish we had ten thousand more like you in Kansas City. Case dismissed."

—"*The Reality of Christ in You.*"

Instruction

This is an evil day when so many are drunk on the world and the spirit thereof. The wicked are waxing worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. It seems that so many that profess to know Jesus are not satisfied with the Lord's plain, humble, holy way. They profess to be saved and dead to the world, but in life they deny it; claim to be separate from the

world and yet they have it hung, stuck and tacked on. Jesus says in Matt. 7 :14, "Strait is the gate and narrow is the way." Also in Luke 13 : 24 He says, "Strive to enter in at the strait gate, for many will seek to enter in and shall not be able." It is so strait that nothing crooked or unclean can enter. It is so narrow that none of the bumps and knots of the world, such as fashions and styles, consisting of such unnecessary articles as ties, ribbons, lace, jewelry and other adornments of the world, will let you in. You have to unload, discard some attire and dress up in a decent, modest way and let Jesus and the Holy Spirit have their way. Many are wanting and seeking to enter but will not be able because they will not do this. It's broad enough for Jesus, the Holy Spirit-filled, blood-washed, gospel-trimmed saints of God, but too narrow for any other to walk there. It is only for the holy people, the redeemed of the Lord (Isa. 62: 12.) It is a highway, the way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it, but the redeemed shall walk there. Isa. 35: 8, 9. To live soberly, righteously and godly in this present world (Titus 2: 12) takes much carefulness in life, words, acts, associates, dress, drinks, eats, habits and many other things. All should be done to the glory of God (1 Cor. 10: 31). Read Matt. 6: 21; Luke 11: 34, 35. We are commanded not to conform to the world (Rom. 12: 2). Commanded to adorn in modest apparel with shamefacedness and sobriety. (1 Tim. 3: 9). Also read 1 Peter 3: 3. Read Isa.

May the dear Lord help precious eternity-bound souls to see the need of humbling their hearts before the dear Lord, forsaking sin and evil, getting their souls washed by the precious cleansing blood of Jesus and enter and walk in this strait high and holy way and lift up Jesus before this sinful world, is my humble prayer. May the good Lord bless these few words to the good of some precious soul. Your Brother saved and on the Bible route, a member of the one Body, the Church of God,

— A. Newell.

A MOTHER'S PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE

Father, thou hast given me three children and bidden me bring them up in thy fear. To do this I need wisdom and grace from above. I would be always kind and gentle among them showing a spirit of patience and forbearance. Help me to be firm in my principles, and just in my dealings. Give me a discerning eye to see and know and understand my children. Help me to be a comrade with them, and keep their confidence and respect. May my life be a living example of genuine Christian womanhood. For their good and thy glory I dedicate myself to the vocation of motherhood. So help me, Lord.

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"Work on, work on, nor doubt, nor fear.
From age to age this voice shall cheer:—
Whate're may die or be forgot,
Work done for God, it dieth not."



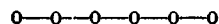
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EDITORIALS

We mentioned in the last issue of the paper about a meeting which we were commencing at the "Oak Glade" school house, south-west of Lahoma, Oklahoma. The meeting continued for nearly three weeks and it was a very successful one. Night after night souls came to the altar of prayer, and some bright and definite experiences were manifested. Some got saved in their homes as God's Spirit dealt with them. We find that the gospel effects people just like it did nearly two thousand years ago, when Paul preached it. Paul said, "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." When Christ is lifted up and the cross is preached, the Holy Spirit works freely upon the hearts of the people. It is the power of God unto salvation unto those that believe.

Some of the first fruits of a saved soul is that they want to get others saved. When Andrew knew the Lord he findeth his brother, Simon, and brought him to Christ. When Philip came to the Lord he findeth Nathanael and said unto him, "We have found him of whom Moses and the prophets did write, Jesus of Nazareth." Read the first chapter of John.

Those souls today that are alive in God are anxious about others finding the Lord and they are giving tracts, sending papers, using their means in the gospel work, sacrificing and doing all they can to introduce souls to the Lord Jesus Christ who has given eternal life to men through His death on the cross. There are many thousands of souls in foreign countries without Christ and there is a great and mighty work to be done right in our own towns, country and villages. Let each and every reader awake to their responsibility of getting the clear light of the gospel to their neighbors and friends and do all you can by giving tracts, sending papers and praying for the lost. Ask the Lord if He would have you send some offerings here to the office to help meet the expences of printing tracts, papers and booklets and sending them forth to the many perishing souls. This work is purely a faith work and is not run on a commercial basis at all as the small subscription price on the paper is not near sufficient to keep up the expence of the work.



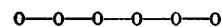
The titles to four new tracts which we have added to our long list of tracts kept in stock are: "Millennial Dawnism", "My Experience", "Insure Your Life," and "A Remarkable Experience." We send out a free sample of the sixty or more tracts and paper to any who will ask for them. Many are taking

advantage of this offer and thus the tracts keep moving and doing good.

Jesus says, "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." To bear the mark of a disciple we must "continue in His Word" and in doing so we become free. Another mark of a disciple is the love we have one for the other. For Jesus says, "For by this shall all men know that ye are my disciple, if ye have love one to another." There is a vast difference between having love for another and having it to another. You might have a dollar for your brother but if you never give it to him it would profit him nothing. You may say you want the gospel to go to the people but if you never do any thing to spread it forth you would profit no one. John says, "Let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth." It will profit no man any thing just to seem to be religious. They that hear and do, are blessed in their deed. "Faith without works is dead being alone." James 2: 17. Just let the love of God work through you freely in doing, giving and in otherwise sacrificing to get the truth of the Bible to your brothers and sisters who knew not the way. The more that loving deeds issue out of us, the more will God pour in. Jesus says, "Give and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down and shaken together, and running over, shall men give unto your bosom. For with the same measure that you meet withal, it shall be measured to you again." Luke 6: 38.

In the March issue of Faith and Victory we advertised a three months subscription to the paper at the rate of five cents, or twelve subscriptions, 2 months, for fifty cents. *This same offer is good until the 20th of April.* Many of our readers are exercising themselves in the Lord's work and sending in subscriptions. Some have sent in 36 names or more, and it encourages our hearts to know that our readers are interested in getting the truth to souls. They have a real godly love for the lost ones and are glad to co-operate with us to the saving of the lost. You would be working a great ill to your friend or neighbor if you did nothing to point him to the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world. As this offer continues to the 20th of April, we are again sending out subscription blanks in this paper for your convenience in sending in names and addresses for the paper three months. The Lord is impressing us that the paper is to contain articles mostly on the subject of salvation; articles that will teach the unsaved how to find the Lord. This will give you a

good opportunity of doing real work for the Master. We have the printing press and equipment to print the gospel and if you will co-operate with us, supplying us with names and addresses, we can be workers together with God in sowing the good seed and we will all pray that God will give the increase. Remember that when you are doing this, that you are working for the Lord. A service out of love is easy and pleasant. Help us to swell this number to a few thousand new subscriptions for the three months. We want to hear from each reader with a good list of names before the 20th of April.



Those sending in testimonies to be printed in the paper should not make them long as we do not have space for long testimonies. If you have a long testimony or article which you think or believe ought to be in print, we will be glad to make a tract out of it for you at a very small cost.

If your article or testimony does not appear in the paper, do not be discouraged about it as we do not have space for near all which we receive and we seek wisdom from God as to which ones to insert.

During the next three months while the paper is going to a large number of new three months subscribers, the Lord has impressed us that most all the articles should be more or less directed to the unsaved, and we ask all our readers to be agreed with us that many souls will be brought into the fold through these efforts.

Several of the workers at the office have been quite busy writing down the names and addresses of the new five-cent subscribers, and it is encouraging to all of us the way our readers have been exercising themselves in sending in three-months subscriptions. We are expecting that a great many of these subscribers will continue to take the paper after the three months have expired.

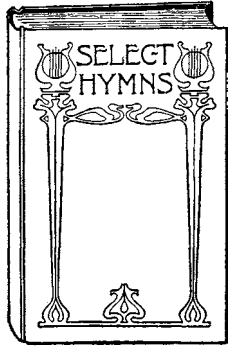
Obituary

Ruben Lee Chrisman, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Chrisman of Enid, Okla., was born Dec. 12, 1917 at Branson, Colorado; departed this life Feb. 21, 1934 at the age of 16 years, 2 months and 9 days. He leaves to mourn his departure, father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Chrisman; five brothers—Delbert, Sam, Dee, L. D., Billie, Carl, Ray; six sisters—Mrs. Della Bell, Mrs. Marella Arnold, Zula Lee, Earnsteen, Florence, Opal E., all of Enid, Okla.; one grandmother, C. A. Chrisman of Enid; one sister deceased, Lulla May.

Funeral services were conducted by Fred Pruitt at the Shaeffers Funeral Home in Enid, Okla. and the remains were laid to rest in the cemetery west of Meno, Okla. Text, Eccl. 8: 8.

Select Hymn Song Book

We are again advertising the "Select Hymn" song book (pictured at left) which is cloth bound, containing 633 songs in shaped notes. We will postpay this song book into the fourth zone (which covers a radius of six hundred miles from Guthrie) for 75 cents each. If you want them by the dozen or more, write for special prices. If you live east of Indiana we will have them sent to you from Anderson, Indiana.



Notice

As the Old People's Home here in Pomona, Calif. is not self-supporting and as there are three dear old saints there who are worthy of being cared for by the Church, we take this responsibility to ask all the dear saints to pray for them and send them a little as the Lord prospers you, to feed and clothe them. I am sure it will be greatly appreciated. Send direct to Bro. Hale Loyd, and Bro. and Sister J. M. Whiting, 880 W. Grand Ave., Pomona, Calif. — G. E. Harmon

PRAYER REQUESTS

Sister Dan Eck of Meno, Okla. is much better, but still needs our prayers, as the enemy is trying to impose upon her. Saints, please keep her upon your hearts until she gets complete victory, for her body is so frail that she can't stand many more of his fiery attacks.

Remember Mrs. C. M. Bradford who has been bed-fast for one year. Her feet are paralyzed. Her address is, Box 34, McLoud, Okla.

Pray for Mother Tacker of Shawnee, Okla. Limbs are swollen and water dripping from them.

Pray for Sister Tom Melot and husband's healing. He has steel in his eyes. They have faith in God for healing.

If you are receiving the "Faith and Victory" paper without subscribing for it, it is the kindness of a friend having it sent to you and the subscription price is paid.

The Doctrine Of Christ

"The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening Spirit." 1 Cor. 15: 45. The first Adam was created in the image of God. Gen. 1: 27. Formed from the dust of earth. "The second man is the Lord from heaven." Notice the close relationship between Adam and his wife. Gen. 2: 21- 24. God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, took a rib from his side, made a woman and brought her unto the man. Adam recognized her as "bone of his bones and flesh of his flesh." He saw his own image depicted there—no introduction needed. O what a beautiful type of Christ and His church, Bride and Bridegroom. She bore His image there in the garden of delight; we bear His image here in the Church of His delight. We delight in Him and He in us. Sweet fellowship Divine! She delighted in him there in the garden and her "desire was to her husband." Alone with him. Our desire also is to our husband (Isa. 54: 5). God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and multiply and replenish (fill) the earth," and it was so. We also should be 'fruitful.' Col. 1: 10. Now that we are "married to Him who is raised from the dead that we should bring forth fruit unto God." Rom. 7: 4. The first woman was made from the broken side of her husband. Therefore, every true wife stands by her husband's side, leaving all others, cleaves to her husband and so fulfills the marriage vow. So also the bride, the Church, is formed out of the pierced side of Christ, the Bridegroom, whilst in the death sleep, and by faith vitally uniting her to Him in His death and His resurrection. She is "bone of His bone and flesh of His flesh." Eph. 5: 25- 30. The marriage consummation is not the end but the beginning of duty. She bears His image "who is the express image of His person," and thus we will be like Him; in His likeness or image (1 Jno. 3: 2). "They pierced His side and forthwith came there out blood and water." Oh, the blood, that precious blood, and the water that represents His Word. Thus "a fountain is opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness." Zech. 13: 1. "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony." Rev. 12: 11. "God breathed in his nostrils the breath of life and man became a living soul." Gen. 2: 7. When we look upon Christ we view His 'pierced side.' Zech. 12: 10. We mourn for Him as one mourneth for his only son. It brings bitterness and sorrow to our hearts since we know His suffering was all for us. He was broken-hearted. We have a broken and

a contrite heart. God saw the travail of His soul and was satisfied. The words, "Peace, be still," comes as a soothing balm to our aching heart. "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus." Rom. 8: 1. Christ "now is our life." Col. 3: 4

Oh blessed unity that binds our hearts in one,
That earth or hell can never break
Until heaven's crown is won .

Oh sacred bond from heaven made—
The union for which our Saviour prayed.

Many are they who write on the doctrine of Christ who dare not write on this all-important question that Jesus prayed for in the 17th chapter of John. Carnality is the cause of division. When husband and wife are both sanctified, there is no cause for division. They would suffer most any thing rather than be separated. Oh, that all professed saints could feel that nearness to each other, but when the love of God gradually leaks out, by imperceptible degrees the world creeps in. The wife does not flirt with the opposite sex while her heart is full of love for her husband, neither does the Church while filled with the love of God allow anything that would wound the 'conscience' of a brother. Ignoring the conscience of others has been the cause of most all divisions. Oh, how shameful to ignore that notable prayer of Jesus just for filthy lucre's sake. Sometimes the only way to keep from having division is to do as Adam did. Eve compromised with Satan and he compromised with her.

Another grand doctrine of Christ in addition to being saved and sanctified is Divine healing which is hard to write about except we teach and practice it. When unity of the Spirit and of faith is kept by power and love Divine, then it is much easier to trust and believe for the healing of our bodies which is the "children's bread."

— G. E. Harmon.

DESTRUCTIVE AND CONSTRUCTIVE ELEMENTS

I am a solid, ten-inch cannon ball, made to be fired out of this monster, smooth bore, Columbian, muzzle-loading cannon.

I have been lying here idle in Fort McHenry since the days of the Civil war, but I was not here when the British fleet bombarded this place in September 1814.

I am a weapon of destruction. I help to fight and win battles, settle disputes and give peace (?) by force of action, and recognize no authority, but the god of war, which has brought more destruction, distress, hate and misery to mankind than any other agency since the dawn of history.

CONSTRUCTIVE ELEMENT

I am the BIBLE, the Word and message of the Lord God Almighty, and am known as the greatest power and most destructive agency against sin or all allied works of unrighteousness that has ever been known since the days of Adam and Eve.

My methods of warfare are entirely different from the other fellow, for they are not carnal. Perfect obedience, love to God my author, is the mighty weapon that overcomes Satan.

I am little understood by most everyone except those interested in God and the peace and welfare of their soul, for there is nothing artificial about me. I do not seek to appear to men more than I really am. I am just the same old time message and old time religion. I change not, for my teachings means the same today as it did in the beginning.

My greatest object is salvation from sin, peace, good will and glad tidings to all mankind, and I have come to you through great trials of fire and blood, but I shall endure as long as time shall exist, for I positively cannot return to my author void of righteous works.

I am the great power of God that unlocks the gates of life and bids all to freely enter into the realms of unfading glory, eternal peace and happiness.

I will give you power to master your tongue, control your temper and passion, and be a master of yourself, which alone you cannot possibly do.

I am as a towering lighthouse on the rock-bound coast that warns the weary seaman of danger and destruction ahead.

Within my sacred and holy pages you will find the greatest hope and consolation to the sad and weary at heart, or the sin-sick soul.

I am as a great danger signal whose red light is constantly warning the traveler on the great highway of life of mighty perils ahead. If you scorn and reject me, I must be a witness against you on the Judgment morning.

— John H. Griffith

Keep Your Eye On Jesus

Dear young saint, how is it with your soul at the reading? Are you ready? Has God given you a work to do since you are saved. Can your Master depend on you? Let us ask ourselves these questions. Am I worthy of the confidence the saints have in me? Do the saints in my community trust me? Can God trust me like saints trust me? No doubt your desire is to do all you can for the Lord. You are willing to lay off everything that doesn't correspond with the Word, and are measuring up to

shines on your pathway. We, the young saints, are determined to follow the Lord all of the way. We are intending to go through at any cost—through tests and trials. No matter how heavy the burdens get, we mean by the grace of God to go all the way.

So often we think of the saints that lived before the great compromise—how devoted they were to the Lord. They seemed to be so consecrated, willing to go through no matter what the cost, death or life. They were determined to make it through the Bible way. It is so sad to see that so many of these have now fallen by the way. At one time they had the desire like you and I have it now. Let us take warning lest we become just a little careless in one point. The devil always tempts us on our weakest points. Thus we can see our weakness and ask God to strengthen us in these points. "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man. And God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it." 1 Cor. 10: 13. Praise God for the wonderful promise that God will not let us be tempted above that we are able to bear. Some may think that temptations hurt us. No, not so. When in a deep trial, God is very near. He pities His children.

Just lately Satan put such a trial on me for several days until it seemed he would not leave me alone at all any more. I would go to secret prayer and pray while working but he came again and again. I couldn't understand why I couldn't get rid of him (Satan). Just then the Scripture came to me that Jesus was tempted forty days and nights. How much better is He than we are! This made me feel very much ashamed to think that we were not willing to suffer as our Savior suffered. Jesus was tempted and He knows. Just to know that He knows, is a great consolation. When we said, "Yes, Lord, let us suffer," it seemed God was there in person. Oh, how wonderful to feel the love of God—such calmness and peace. Truly our Lord knows and He cares.

Shortly after I was saved, my sisters and brother, three cousins and about nine or ten of our friends got saved. Oh what joy that was to us. I wanted every unsaved person to get saved. I wanted to help them keep saved, yet I couldn't do one thing. Soon one got discouraged, then another fell. It was so sad. It looked so very dark. It looked like we would be left alone. I had already promised though all should fall I was going on. It seemed hard and I felt badly. My trouble was that I was looking at those who fell and those who were going backward and seemed to

forgot the ones who were saved. I just looked on the dark side of life. But praise the Lord, there is a sunny side to life. Keep on the sunny side of life. It will help you all the way; it will keep you all the day.

Some think it is impossible to live holy in this evil and sinful world. I read in one of Bro. Orr's books where he gives a good illustration of the saint. A company of tourists were sight-seeing in a coal mine. Amid the 'black dust there grew a beautiful white flower. "How can a flower keep such pearly whiteness amid such black dust?" was asked by the party. The guide took a handful of dust and threw on the flower. The dust rolled off, leaving the whiteness unstained. Then a tourist threw handfuls of dust but the little flower smiled in its snowy whiteness. Temptations cannot hurt us. The world may mock us but His grace is sufficient to keep us sweet. Sin may be on every side, yet if we have the blood of the lowly Lamb of God applied, He keeps us from harm and danger. "I'm never alarmed at the overcast skies; I know that my Lord ruleth over everything and all of my worries are vain." — Selma Hiebert.

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Marshall, Mich. — Dear saints of God: I am indeed a sinner inasmuch that I feel that I must have the help of all the saints who read your dear paper everywhere, to pray for the salvation of my soul. I ask all to pray that I may gain victory over the devil for salvation. I am not ignorant of the true light of God. I was brought up and taught by my parents, dear holy saints of God, Mr. and Mrs. William Vauzanett.

Through my mother's prayers I have seen and experienced some most wonderful healings. When I was sixteen years old I was healed instantly of typhoid fever. I had a relapse, and hemorrhages. After the doctor gave up I turned to the Lord. Mother prayed and I got right out of bed, having had fever 21 days, and went to the organ and played the song, "He Will Do the Same For Thee," and sang it. Mother had supper ready and I ate a normal meal, and all who heard of it said I would surely die, but I am still here to tell of it which has now been twenty years since. O why dear saints of God, can't I get what I so much desire?

I have a little one, only two years old, and I want to bring her up for God. Also I have a wonderful husband who needs the Lord for His helper too. I want to be a true, holy saint in my home, one to set an example or I don't want anything. My whole desire is for salvation. Pray, dear readers, for me please.

Yours, in need of much prayer, — Mrs. Chas. Pec.

« Young People's Section »

After

We know that when the clouds look darkest
 And spread their shade around—
 If we could look beyond their portals,
 The sunshine would be found.
 And when the storm beats o'er us fiercely,
 Crushing our flowers to earth—
 That when the tempest's reign is over
 They will have fairer birth.

So, when life's cares almost o'erwhelm us,
 And we sink down dismayed,
 When hope's fair promises all fail us,
 And—even trust betrayed—
 Fairer for having been o'ershadowed,
 Our blessings will shine forth
 After the storm is over. Its coming
 Has proved true friendship's worth.

— Anon.

EDITORIALS

“It is high time to awake out of sleep.” Rom. 13: 11. All of the unsaved are in a state of sleep in sin. They are thoughtless and careless of their soul and eternal things. They do not consider the rich provision which God has made for their salvation through the gift of His only Son. The one great end of life is not considered. Sin has deceived them. Their own evil hearts have deceived them.

Yonder is a man sitting in the pew. A number of years ago he was born into this world for the purpose of glorifying his Maker, keeping His commandments and thus saving his own soul. Yet he lives to do his own will, disregarding God's will and lifts up himself. The path he takes leads amidst dangers great and many, yet he heeds them not. Voices from above, around and within warn him of his dreadful condition. Once he starts up in terror and is almost decided to wake up and flee from the wrath to come. Again he closes his eyes and cries, “A little more sleep, a little more slumber, a little more folding of the hands to sleep.” Dear unsaved friend, who ever you may be, if you are like this picture, may you be aroused from your slumbers and awake to a sense of your danger and your duty. “It is high time to awake out of sleep.”

Queen Elizabeth, on her dying bed, exclaimed:

“Millions of money for an inch of time!” Yet she had lived to be seventy years of age. Time was precious when she knew she had none. The value of time is acknowledged by most people when their last hour has come, and prize the day of grace when their own has gone.

Let me warn you with this thought. The longer you continue asleep *in sin*, the harder it will be to awake. “Sinner, awake, your soul is at stake.”

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If you find a ‘5-cent offer’ subscription blank in your paper, it is for your benefit in securing and sending in 12 addresses at the special low subscription rate in order for you to have a part in the spreading of the gospel. Remember that we are passing this way but one time, and that an opportunity just knocks once and then turns away forever. — L. D. P.

Unrest

For some time my heart has been burdened for the young people, both the saved and unsaved. When I think of the precious young saved girls and boys my heart breathes a prayer to God, that He will help them to ever stand true and let their light shine out to this world, so that God will get glory out of their lives. May the dear Lord bless the dear young unsaved people and help them to take courage and seek the Lord and live a new life. Oh! how sad, when the last hour of youth is gone, when its opportunities forever are gone; neglected, unimproved moments to see the Lord. There is nothing that can be done to repair the harm.

Some things God gives to us over and over. The seasons return again and again, the flowers bloom over and over, but youth comes twice to none of us. Thus each period of life has its own closing. The last hour comes in which work is ended, whether well done or neglected. Today is your day and mine; the only day we have. Finish every day so you can look back at its closing and know you have done what you could.

Some blunders and mistakes, no doubt, crept in. Forget them as soon as you can and think tomorrow is a new day; begin it with new courage. Youth is a definite season through which we can never pass again. May we spend each single day of youth as in after years we will wish we had. We are in a world of trouble. Many snares are by the way. *Unrest* is every

where.

When we were at the ocean a few weeks ago, it impressed me as I watched the angry waves rolling and tossing against the breakers, "What a perfect picture of unrest." No doubt, it was something like this that the prophet had in mind when he said, "But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it can not rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt." Isa. 57: 20. How true it is when the soul is away from God. It is in a constant state of unrest. It seeks for satisfaction in worldly amusements and past-time, in revelry and foolishness, but poor soul, it can not rest. There is nothing that can satisfy the longing of the soul but Jesus. The pleasures of the world may seem to satisfy for a short time, but soon the soul comes to the realization that what seems to be pleasure is followed by sorrow and tears and anguish. Oh, it pays to serve the Lord for "The blessings of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it." Prov. 10: 22. We do not have to be as the troubled sea if we will just give our hearts and lives to Jesus. I am so glad the Lord saves the young people the same as He does the older ones, if they will only yield to Him.

Paul's admonition to Timothy is applicable to all. "Let no man despise thy youth: but be thou an example of the believers in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." 1 Tim. 4: 2. The dear Lord saves the young people too and wants them to be so pure and holy that when the waves of trouble roll there will be no "mire and dirt" for them to bring to the surface. It is possible for young people to live just as holy a life as the older saints. The price of salvation is just the same to all. The reward is the same. He is no respecter of persons. May the Lord encourage your young hearts to stand true. You who are young now, must soon take the place of the older ones, for in a few years the Lord will call us home to glory if we keep true to Him.

May the young people keep prepared for the future work, is my prayer. — Mrs. Artie Bowers.

Boley, Okla. Dear Saints: I feel the leading of the Lord to add my testimony to the young people's section of the "Faith and Victory" paper. I am praising the Lord today for salvation. Since I have been saved I have no desire for the pleasures of this world, realizing there's nothing back there but sin.

Young Saints, let us keep ready because we don't know when we will be called from this life. Therefore let us keep clothed with the wedding garment which is the robe of righteousness. We read in 2 Cor. 5: 1, "For we know that if our earthly house of this

tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God and house not made with hands." Pray for me. Your sister in Christ, —Ethel Carter.

Guthrie, Okla. — Dear Young People: I feel led to write to you through the paper. I am praising God for full and free salvation. God has had mercy on me and saved my soul and has given me grace to live for Him. I truly, thank Him for this great love He has shown to me. I mean by the grace of God to stay faithful unto the end. We will not receive our crown until the last battle is fought and the last victory is won. So let us be encouraged to press on and win that prize that is waiting us.

I was thinking of the scripture in Romans 14: 7, "For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself." Some people act as if they feel they are the only ones to be considered. That if they want to do something it is no body else's business. They don't seem to care if they do something to offend their brother or not. But we can't do this. We can't live to ourself. Others are watching us and our lives. Maybe we could do some things and feel alright about it, but others couldn't and so we must be careful.

All of us have an influence on some one. Whether that influence is for the good or bad, someone is being influenced by you. Some one is watching you. If you fall, someone is going to fall. If you win, someone will win. Oh, how responsible we should feel before God and our fellowmen. Let us be sure that our influence is for the good, that when people converse with us, they will think of things pure and holy, and be influenced for the right.

I know when I was going to school and I would come up to a group of girls and if they had been telling jokes that were not fit to hear, they would stop and would feel agitated and guilty. Why? Because they knew I didn't approve of that and they knew it was wrong, because of my not doing that, and not listening to it, brought forth in them, at that time, that finer quality which rejected such thoughts. God will always condemn the wrong at every opportunity if He can. Some people are so hardened that they can't feel it, but He will use our presence to do it if we will obey Him. So dear young people, let your light shine and keep your hearts and minds pure before God and He will use your influence to His glory.

Remember, no man liveth to himself, but others are influenced by our lives. Are you influencing people for the wrong or right? Yours in Christ, — A. Marie Pruitt.

Meno, Okla. —Dear saints in one body: Greetings to you in Jesus' dear name. May the Lord bless you and keep you is my prayer.

I am thanking the Lord that I can report victory in my soul and that the Lord has been blessing me so much. I can not even count, or wouldn't even try to count them. My heart's desire is to live closer to the Lord and that the Lord may use me as He will.

I sure do thank the Lord for the meeting we had here some time ago. Praise His holy name. It sure was encouraging to my soul. The Lord knows my heart's desire for helping souls to Christ. Although I have many trials, yet this verse comes to me, James 1: 2, 3 where James says, "My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations, knowing this the trying of your faith worketh patience." The Lord encourages me to live closer to Him. Also when trials come thick and fast this song flows over and over in my heart.

"And when the furnace door was open
 Within its fiery walls enclosed,
 The Son of God was still beside me;
 Upon His bosom I reposed.
 When in my heart he saw reflected
 His image pure as bright as day,
 He led me forth with joy abounding
 Again, I whispered, 'All the way' "

This is my determination, just to follow all the way with my blessed Savior. He is all and in all to me.

I desire the prayers of the saints that I may draw closer to Him and live the life before the people so that they may know the way of Christ, and that they may not only profess, but possess.

Your Sister in one body, — Inez D. Eck.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mizpah, Minn. — Dear Bro. and Sister Pruitt and family: Greetings to all of you in Jesus' name. It has been on my mind for some time to write to you and others down there. I am still thanking and praising God for victory in my soul, victory over those evil habits that I used to be a slave to. Also for guiding and keeping me and supplying my every need.

I am doing all of God's will as far as I know, and have been doing all I can to make restitution and have been to every one as far as I know and confessed my wrongs and the Lord has blessed me in doing this.

I thank God for the help and encouragement you and all the saints have been to me. I pray that the Lord's richest blessings may be upon all of you.

My mother and I are sending in some (36 addresses) three months subscriptions to *Faith and Victory*.

I am also sending a little offering that you may use as the Lord directs. Pray that the Lord might revive His work in this state. Also pray that the Lord may open a prayer meeting of saints in this place. Continue to pray for me.

Your Bro. in Christ, — Charles H. Foster

Shafter, Calif. — Dear Brother Pruitt, I guess you will wonder what ever became of us. We have been traveling afoot and preaching practically all the time since we left Oklahoma in Dec. of 1931.

We were through twenty-four states last year in the Lord's service. To make a long story short we have become known as hitch-hiking evangelists, having traveled more than twenty thousand miles by this method, covering the larger part of the United States. We have traveled through mud, rain, sand storms, snow storms, and our traveling has been by the way of trucks, boats, freight trains, airplanes,—the latter method including a crack-up which occurred in the Sawtooth Mountains of New Mexico near the Continental Divide. This was handled by the papers all over the U. S. Only the hand of the Lord spared our lives and even our bodies, for we came out without so much as a scratch on us except for a little bruise on my little finger nail. Many were our experiences in meeting different characters, sleeping in depots, box cars and wheatfields. — Jinks Harris.

Shawnee, Okla. —Dear saints, greetings in Jesus dear name: It is by the Spirit of God that I feel led to write my testimony. I am saved, sanctified and satisfied in Christ. Praise God.

We certainly had a good meeting here at Shawnee. Bro. W. J. Hawley preached for us about two and a half weeks. Several were saved, some sanctified and five followed the Lord in baptism. About seventy partook of the ordinances of feet washing and the Lords' supper. Praise the Lord. The saints are encouraged to press on. Please pray for the work at this place.

Let us pray for one another. Pray for me that the Lord will open up the way for me. My whole aim is for His glory. Dear ones, let's do all we can for precious souls who are lost in sin.

Your saved Bro. in Christ, — A. A. McGlasson

Bristow, Okla. —Dear Bro. Pruitt: Greetings in Jesus' name. We are yet saved and encouraged to follow on.

I received the tracts and paper, and thank you very much. We didn't get to have the meeting on account of bad weather, but the tracts are a big help.

I do believe we need to do more for the salvation of souls. I am trying to labor among the people that they may see and understand something about the Lord. I am among the saints in the Bristow congregation. Wish you could come over some time and help us. All the saints are well here.

Herewith are 12 subscriptions for three months which we are sending to help people.

Your Bro. in Christ, — Z. E. Francisco.

Jennings, Okla. — Dear saints scattered abroad: Greetings in the precious name of Jesus. I am much encouraged to testify through the paper. I am saved, sanctified and all on the altar for the Lord. I am thankful for what the Lord is to us through sickness and afflictions. We have had serious sickness in our home ever since Christmas night, but we have received much encouragement out of our sickness and afflictions. The dear Lord has saved six of my children since Christmas and we are much encouraged with the Lord's ways.

I was at the recent Boley, Okla. meeting, and the ministers felt led to call a meeting here at Silver City which began on the 26th of Feb. and ended on the 4th of March. Ten were saved and six sanctified. The saints were all much encouraged. Six ministers filled with fire were present: Bros. Douglas, and Bray of Tulsa, Okla.; R. Johnson of Mannford, Okla.; H. Robinson, Sisters Bell and Edwards of Okmulgee, Okla. Also Bro. Sam Barton and wife were with us in the meeting. The enemy came against the meeting concerning women preachers, but the truth won the victory. Saints, pray for the success of the work in this place.

Your Bro. in the one body, — Enoch Jones.

Tryon, Nebr. — Faith Pub. House. Dear children of God: I am sending this small amount for *Faith and Victory* paper. We have been reading some papers I hid in the attic when the enemy put me out of my home. God laid his hand on my home and put me back here. Although those papers were ten years old, the truth was just the same. How I thank God He is the same yesterday, today and forever! He brought me a blind brother and I read the papers to him. He is saved. I have a father-in-law and a Syrian man, both unsaved.

The blind man wants to agree in prayer with you folks for healing of his eyes. He can see a little.

We have no preaching here except a Methodist minister who preaches education and science. We ask an interest in your prayers. Saved to serve the Master,
— Iva Shriver

Bible Lessons For Sunday Schools And Home Study

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Sunday, April 1, 1934

HOME STUDY FOR THE WEEK

- March 26—Confessing Christ. Matthew 16: 13- 20.
 March 27—Following Christ. Matt. 16: 21- 28.
 March 28—Confession and Salvation. Rom. 10: 1- 15.
 March 29—Preaching Christ. Acts 4: 5- 12.
 March 30—The Cost of Discipleship. Luke 14: 25- 35.
 March 31—The Goal of Discipleship. Phil. 3: 7- 16.
 April 1—Devotional Reading. Isaiah 53: 7- 12.

SUBJECT — Confessing and Following Christ

Lesson Text, Printed Portion—Matt. 16: 13 -26;
 17: 1- 13.

Verse 13. When Jesus came into the coasts of Cæsa-rea Phillippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?

14. And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets.

15. He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?

16. And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

17. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.

18. And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

19. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

20. Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ.

21. From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day.

22. Then Peter took him, and began to rebuke him, saying, Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be unto thee.

23. But he turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offence unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those

that be of men.

24. Then said Jesus unto his disciples. If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

25. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.

26. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

17: 1. And after six days, Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart,

2. And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.

3. And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him.

4. Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses and one for Elias.

5. While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.

6. And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their face, and were sore afraid.

7. And Jesus came and touched them, and said, Arise, and be not afraid.

8. And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only.

9. And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying, Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of man be risen again from the dead.

10. And his disciples asked him, saying, Why then say the scribes that Elias must first come?

11. And Jesus answered and said unto them, Elias truly shall first come, and restore all things.

12. But I say unto you, That Elias is come already, and they knew him not, but have done unto him whatsoever they listed. Likewise shall also the son of man suffer of them.

13. Then the disciples understood that he spake unto them of John the Baptist.

Memory Verse — Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. Matt. 16: 16.

Central Thought — The Deity of Jesus at His baptism in Jordan and on the Mount of Transfiguration—God's own testimony. Praise His name.

Practical Truth — He speaks; hear Him. He commands; obey Him. He leads; follow Him.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

The Divine, the teaching, the revealing, the commending, the building, the prevailing, the atoning, the sovereign, the sacrificial Christ—these nine characteristics of Christ all summed up make Him the 'all and all' to every believing soul. Praise His name. Read carefully the Home Study scriptures.

Commit to memory the memory verse, the central thought, and the practical truth, and may the Lord make us followers of the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of peace.

Sunday April 8, 1934

HOME STUDY FOR THE WEEK

April 2—The Child and the Kingdom. Matt. 18: 1- 6, 19: 13- 15.

April 3—The Worth of a Child. Matt. 18: 7- 14.

April 4—Safe-guarding the Child. Exodus 2: 1- 10.

April 5—Make the World Safe for Childhood. Zec. 8: 1- 8.

April 6—A Child Serving. 2 Kings 5: 1- 7.

April 7—A Child in the Temple. 1 Sam. 1: 1- 9

April 8—Devotional Reading. Luke 2: 8- 16.

SUBJECT — The Child and the Kingdom

Lesson Text, Printed Portion — Matt. 18: 1- 14; 19: 13- 15.

Verse 1. At the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?

2. And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them,

3. And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

4. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

5. And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.

6. But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

7. Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh!

8. Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire.

9. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and

cast it from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire.

10. Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

11. For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost.

12. How think ye? if a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh that which is gone astray?

13. And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoiceth more of that sheep, than of the ninety and nine which went not astray.

14. Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish.

19: 13. Then were there brought unto him little children, that he should put his hands on them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them.

14. But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.

15. And he laid his hands on them, and departed thence.

Memory Verse — Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me; for of such is the kingdom of heaven. Matt. 16: 14.

Central Thought — Jesus' care of children.

Practical Truth — Our care of children through Jesus.

Suggestions to Teachers

Jesus blessing children. Jesus and His smallest friends. Entering and growing in the kingdom. The sin of neglecting and misguiding children.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Jesus takes note of the home life, and dear parents will do well to give heed to the suggestions of Jesus in this lesson as to the relationship of God's children to the child-likeness of little children. How they rely on their parents! How they have faith in their promises! Dear parents, don't betray your child's trust in you. God will never betray His child's trust. He is a mighty Savior. Notice his severity in removing the maimed member rather than allow us to go on in sin and die eternally. Be submissive to His tender love in every way.

Sunday, April 15, 1934

HOME STUDY FOR THE WEEK

April 9—Duty of Forgiveness. Matt. 18: 15- 20

April 10—The Measure of Forgiveness. Matt. 18: 21- 35.

April 11—A Prayer for Forgiveness. 1 Kings 8: 27-34

April 12—Forgiveness and Restoration. Hosea 14: 1-9

April 13—Jesus Forgives a Sinner. Luke 7: 41- 50.

April 14—The Forgiving Spirit. Acts 7: 54- 60.

April 15—Devotional Reading. 1 Cor. 13: 1- 8.

SUBJECT — Jesus Teaches Forgiveness

Lesson Text, Printed Portion — Matt. 18: 15 -35.

Verse 15. Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother.

16. But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.

17. And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell it unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican.

18. Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

19. Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.

20. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

21. Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times?

22. Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven.

23. Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants.

24. And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand talents.

25. But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made.

26. The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

27. Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.

28. But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellow-servants, which owed him an hundred pence: and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat, saying, Pay me that thou owest.

27. And his fellow-servant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

30. And he would not: but went and cast him into prison till he should pay the debt.

31. So when his fellow-servants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done.

32. Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me:

33. Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellow-servant, even as I had pity on thee?

34. And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him.

35. So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

Memory Verse — Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Matt. 6: 12.

Central Thought — This whole lesson is on forgiveness. How can we hold aught against any one, knowing we will be held guilty before God if we do?

Practical Truth — We can carry this spirit of forgiveness home with us today and realize more fully God's loving heart in forgiving us.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This is a wonderful lesson on forgiveness. No one holding a grievance against his or her fellow-man with an unforgiving spirit can ever receive forgiveness from God for his debts to God. Our memory verse tells us how to do it. Let all measure to God's Word. O how precious to know we are, and as we do the blessed assurance sweeps over our soul and the Holy Spirit witnesses that all is clear between us and God. Praise His name forevermore. Forgive Divinely as Jesus does. Forgive in the home life. It may help some one on their feet. They are entitled to it, although they are wayward. Forgive personally. Remember the right Spirit conquers the wrong doer. Forgive repeatedly, even to "seventy times seven." Forgive compassionately; "moved with compassion." Yes, forgive completely with grateful sincerity, and the peace of God will fill your heart with knowledge of all at rest between you and God.

Sunday, April 22, 1934.

HOME STUDY FOR THE WEEK

April 16—The Rich Young Ruler. Matt. 19: 16- 30.

April 17—Treasures in Heaven. Matt. 6: 19- 24.

April 18—Treasures on Earth. 1 Tim. 6: 9- 19

April 19—Poor Though Rich. Luke 12: 13- 21.

April 20—Rich Though Poor. 2 Cor. 6: 1- 10

April 21—How to Follow Christ. Matt. 16: 24- 28.

April 22—Devotional Reading. Psalms 50: 7- 15

Lesson Text, Printed Portion — Matt. 19: 16- 30.

SUBJECT — Our all for the Kingdom

Verse 16. And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?

17. And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.

18. He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness,

19. Honour thy father and thy mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

20. The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what lack I yet?

21. Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me.

22. But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for he had great possessions.

23. Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven.

24. And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

25. When his disciples heard it, they were exceedingly amazed, saying, Who then can be saved?

26. But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.

27. Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore?

28. And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the generation when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

29. And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.

30. But many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first.

Memory Verse — It is more blessed to give than

to receive. Acts 20: 35.

Central Thought — Those who have great opportunities will have great responsibilities.

Practical Truth — If we use every God-given power for the glory of God, He can trust us with things to use for His glory.

Suggestions To Teachers

Loving Jesus best and giving Him first place.
The right use of money. Stewardship of possessions.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

It was just a short time before the crucifixion when this lesson took place. Jesus was in Perea, east of the Jordan River. The rich young ruler appeared and, in telling of his good deeds, Jesus taught him it was not by works of the Law but by the law of sacrifice that we enter the kingdom. Only God is good, and without the principle of God's goodness implanted in our hearts we cannot see the kingdom of God.

The rich young ruler was very moral—had honored his parents, loved his neighbor and observed the commandments, and asked, "What lack I yet?" Jesus answers: "Sell all that thou hast." Nothing called *good works* can purchase salvation; only a consecration of all can obtain all. But with so many dear souls nowadays, as then, the cost is too great and the way too narrow. Dear eternity-bound souls, the kingdom must be entered now or never. You must meet Bible conditions to obtain Bible salvation.

Sunday, April 29, 1934

HOME STUDY FOR THE WEEK

April 23 — Christ's Standard of Greatness Matt. 20: 17-20.

April 24 — The Greatest in the Kingdom. Mk. 9: 33-37.

April 25 — The Greatest Gift. Mark 12: 41-44.

April 26 — The Greatest Service. Luke 10: 25-37.

April 27 — The Greatest Value. 1 Cor. 13: 9-13.

April 28 — The Greatest Ambition. Phil. 4: 4-9.

April 29 — Devotional Reading. Phil. 2: 1-11.

SUBJECT — Christ's Standard of Greatness.

LESSON TEXT, PRINTED PORTION — Matt. 20: 17-28

17. And Jesus going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them,

18. Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn him to death,

19. And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify *him*: and the third day he shall rise again.

20. Then came to him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping *him*, and desiring a

certain thing of him.

21. And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom.

22. But Jesus answered and said, Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able.

23. And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father.

24. And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren.

25. But Jesus called then unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they are great exercise authority upon them.

26. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister;

27. And whosoever shall be chief among you, let him be your servant:

28. Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Memory Verse — The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many. Matt. 20: 28.

Central Thought — Ministering in preference to being ministered to.

Practical Truth. — Preference in service as greatness through salvation in Christ's way and should be our way.

Suggestions to Teachers

1. How to become great through becoming good.
2. Who are truly great? 3. Greatness through self-denying service.

EXPLANATION AND COMMENTS

Jesus as the sorrowing one, as He nears the climax of suffering on the cross —

While He was trying to get the truth to these, His followers, and in a way prepare their hearts for the sad crucifixion seen, two ambitious followers wanted nearest seat to Jesus, but had no preference and said the seating of folks was not His to do; these places would be filled by those for whom it was prepared. Every provision is made by His sacrificed death for His people to prepare themselves for the places prepared for them, or in other words, a prepared place for a prepared people.