

# 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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## From Sin To Grace

I once was bound in sin's domain,  
And Satan was my Lord;  
Although I cared not for his name  
Nor longed for his reward.

The pleasures which I often sought,  
Were like the rainbow's end;  
Though seeming near, I wandered for  
While chasing after them.

Then weary with my vain pursuit,  
I ventured to return.  
For sadness, sorrow, pain and grief,  
Was all that I had earned.

I turned to make my homeward flight,  
And found that I was lost;  
I did not know which way to go,  
My soul was tempest tossed.

I cried, and groaned beneath my load  
I could not lay it down,  
Although to do so, much I tried,  
The thing was to me bound

But Jesus heard my woeful cries  
And came to my relief;  
And breaking every strap and band  
He gave me joy, for grief.

He put his grace into my heart,  
And caused my tongue to sing,  
A song I ne'r had sung before;  
'Twas praises to his name.

"Grace of God that brings salvation,"  
That grace has set me free.  
From sin's domain, I've rose again;  
With joy and victory.

Sweet grace of God; to me is given,  
By Jesus Christ, his son,  
A light that shows the way to heaven,  
And gives me strength to run.

From sin to grace, oh blessed thought,  
Translated I have been:  
From darkness into wondrous light,  
Now I have peace within.

—Ulysses Phillips.

## Jesus Only

We read in God's precious word, "\*\*\*\*they saw no man anymore, save *Jesus only* with themselves." (Mark 9:8) Our blessed Saviour, with Peter, James and John, went up into a high mountain for prayer service. And while he prayed, he was transfigured before them. His countenance bright shining, and his raiment like snow.

It could have been that the Lord had planned an interview with Moses and Elias, and of course, a great spiritual change in body was necessary to make communication possible.

We know not what the Savior prayed for in this prayer, neither what was testified by Moses and Elias however, here is Peter's testimony, "Master, it is good for us to be here; and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee and one for Moses, and one for Elias. (Mark 9:5)

Peter, though sincere, knew but very little about Moses. The great law-giver came not seeking popular applause, worldly honors, nor praise of men; for he himself in the farewell address to the children of Israel, pointed them to *Jesus only*, saying "The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a prophet—like unto me, unto him ye shall hearken." (Deut. 18:15)

Neither did Elias wish to have any praise of men, nor such like: for he, having been received up into Heaven alive, and returned in power and Spirit again to finish his work, in a last message to the public

pointed to *Jesus only*, saying, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sins of the world". (John 1:29).

And at the breaking up of the little prayer meeting or heavenly assembly; God himself spoke from behind a cloud that over-shadowed them, and pointed them to *Jesus only*, saying, "This is my beloved Son, hear him". (Mark 9:7) And when the cloud vanished they saw no man any more save *Jesus only* with themselves.

Many, many, today are making the same mistake that Peter was about to make. They want to honor Jesus but see so many others, also, to which they wish to build tabernacles and worship. Such has plunged the world into a modern Babylon of confusion and sin.

Dear reader, we have no one to look to for salvation but *Jesus only* is our Saviour and mighty is He to save.

The law was given by Moses, but truth and grace came by *Jesus only*. Truly all that has been said or written in God's holy word, points us to *Jesus only*; the law and the prophecies, through many types and shadows, promises us free salvation, through the blood of *Jesus only*. The human race through old father Adam lost favor with God by falling under a curse of a broken law; the result thereof is sin, the wages thereof death, hell and damnation.

Man's condition then was sad! sad! and in all things most miserable: as one of old time poets wrote, "O, whether shall I go, burdened, sick, and faint; To whom shall I my troubles show, or pour out my complaint?"

Nevertheless, to this man that had fallen so low, a Saviour and Redeemer was promised. Thus, we read: "his name shall be called Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins." Matt. 1:21. Thank the dear Lord: this precious promise fulfilled, brings light out of darkness, peace out of confusion, hope out of despair and life out of death. Praise his dear name. The heart that has once been a wilderness of sin, may now bloom with roses of righteousness; and for the soul that abides in death, freely flows a river of eternal life; for the "wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." No blood of rams or bullocks then, could save dying world from sin; but *Jesus only* died for me, on the cross of Calvary. —G. W. McMillian.

"He that covereth his sins shall not prosper."

The devil wants every thing but a High way. It is better to be called a fanatic by the world than to be its best friend and a wilful hypocrite at heart.

## The Comforter

Most all people know what it means to be comforted in a literal sense, to have the comforts of this life, or to be in comfortable, easy circumstances, in other words to possess this worlds goods and have what they call a sure income, being at ease as to their future needs. Most all people know what it means to have a good warm comfort over them on cold nights.

Now, the Comforter which we are going to write about is far superior to all literal comforts. Jesus in teaching the disciples, told them to, "take no thought, saying, what shall we eat? or, what shall we drink? or, wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek)" (unsaved people). He said our heavenly Father knoweth that we have need of these things, He told them to, "seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things, will be added unto you." Matt. 6: 31-33. Surely a comforter of that kind, that would assure us of all literal needs being supplied and make us able to witness for God also assures us of a home in heaven, would be far greater than any earthly comforter.

The Comforter coming into the soul makes him righteous and pure before God for Jesus says, "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you." John 14:26. It would be a precious thing to possess a Comforter or Holy Ghost that would do all this for us.

The Comforter is also called the "Spirit of Truth" Read John 15:26 "But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth which proceedeth from the Father, and He shall testify of me", and in John 14:16 and 17th verses you can read some more about the Comforter how he will abide with us forever and is called the "Spirit of Truth" whom the world (unsaved) cannot receive and he says the comforter shall be in you. While Jesus was with the disciples he was their comfort and hope but when he went away he promised to send them another Comforter, the comforter is promised to those that love and seek to obey Him. Acts 5:32, Heb. 5:9. Turn to the 16th chapter of John and you will see that it was expedient that Jesus go away for if he went not away the Comforter would not come, but Jesus says if I depart I will send him unto you. He said when the Comforter comes he will reprove the world of sin, of righteousness and of

judgment. He would reprove the world of sin because they do not believe on Jesus, if they believed on Jesus and obeyed him they would also receive the Comforter. Acts 5: 32. He says of righteousness because Jesus was going to the Father and the Holy Ghost would take his place here and prove to the worldly minded that their righteousness was not of God therefore, they were sinful as their morality or what they called right was unholy before God. When the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost comes into our hearts he would reprove the world and show to the world by the holy scriptures that their judgment was wrong for the Prince of this world which is Satan would be judged. That is why the saints will judge the world in righteousness (1 Cor. 6:2) for when the word is preached under the anointing of the Holy Ghost, which is the Comforter a preliminary judgment is going forth. Those who receive the word as truth and begin to obey it will be saved and those who reject it and refuse to obey will be judged as lost. For instance in Mark 16:16 it reads, "He that believeth and is baptised shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." The word is judging men already and just as sure as man does not believe that Jesus is the Son of God and obey him he will be damned but, on the other hand if he believes and is obedient to be baptised, the word says, "he shall be saved". Truly, this is plain judgment.

In the 14th chapter of Romans we find what the kingdom of God is. In other words, those that are in the kingdom of God have righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost or the Comforter that dwells in them. Turn to the 15th chapter and read the 16th verse and you will find that we are sanctified by the Holy Ghost. When the Comforter comes in which is the Holy Ghost, he cleanses us from all evil or pollutions of Satan and begins to dwell in our hearts, hence we are baptised by the Holy Spirit and the Comforter which is the Holy Ghost comes in to stay, to abide in us.

In Acts the first chapter and fourth verse we find these words, "they should not depart from Jerusalem but wait for the promise of the Father" and he went on to tell them, "John baptised with water but ye shall be baptised with the Holy Ghost not many days hence" and he told them that they should receive power after that the Holy Ghost, which is the Comforter, is come upon them and they should be witnesses. According to this the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, will enable us to witness for Jesus. It gives us power to speak and witness, which is a

good evidence of the Holy Ghost.

Turn to Acts 2\*and you will read about the promise of the Father, the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, and how that God or Jesus fulfilled his word and sent Him down into the hearts of the disciples, there being a hundred and twenty (Acts 1:15) of them that were filled with the Comforter which is the Holy Ghost. There came a sound from heaven as a mighty wind. The disciples were sitting and it filled all the house, cloven tongues like as fire sat upon each of them, which indicated the cleansing and purging and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues (languages) as it was the work of the Spirit uttering these languages through them. The scriptures go on to say, that devout men out of every nation under heaven were there and they said, "We do hear them speak in our tongues. the wonderful works of God". (Acts 2:11) Through this voice the gospel was carried to every nation. When the Holy Ghost, which is the comforter came in to abide He begin to speak through them the wonderful works of God and by his power they were able to witness for the Lord. In Acts 4:31 we find that the disciples were together and had prayed, the place was shaken and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and they spake the word of God with boldness.

In Acts 2:38 we find how folks can get the Holy Ghost, which is the Comforter. Peter told them to "Repent. and be baptised, every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ. for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost". When the gift of the Holy Ghost comes in, he is the evidence Himself and he will lead and guide us into all truth (John 16:13) and will enable us to truly witness for Jesus.

When the scriptures speak of a pure heart or heart purity we understand that the Comforter which is the Holy Ghost, has come in and cleansed and made your heart pure. When the scriptures speak of being sanctified we know that we are sanctified by the Holy Ghost and so it refers to the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, the promise of the Father. It is wrong to single out heart purity or sanctification, Comforter, Spirit of Truth, the promise of the Father, perfect love, or baptism of the Holy Ghost and make a hobby of one separate from all others when all refer to the work of Comforter and one evidence means as much as another. There are many sects and divisions made in this way and precious souls are mixed up with foul spirits by Satan's devilish work.

—Fred Pruitt

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From age to age this voice shall cheer:—

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## EDITORIALS

The apostle John says, “God is *love*, he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.” The apostle Paul says, “And now abideth faith, hope and charity; these three, but the greatest of these is *charity* (divine love).” 1 Cor. 13: 13. You can see by the above scriptures that if you have divine love abiding in your heart, you have God in your soul and this divine love abiding in your heart will be a propelling power to cause you to do righteous deeds, being long-suffering, yet being firm for truth and right and in this way holding the truth in righteousness.

God first manifested His immense love for us in giving His son a sacrifice that we, through believing, might have all our sins blotted out of His book. Jesus manifested his matchless love to us insomuch that He resisted evil unto the giving of his precious blood, striving against sin and Satan and finished a plan for our full redemption and restoration to God.

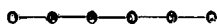
Jesus said, “Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.” John 15: 13. The limit of man in his natural state is to lay down his life for his friend. Christ's love reached much farther and deeper than man's love and He laid down his life for his enemies, for those that hated Him. Brethren and sisters, do we possess the love of God? Are we giving our very lives in service of rescuing precious eternity-bound souls? How many souls would hear the gospel if no one did any more than I do? Am I living for others or for my own interests? Am I laying up treasures in heaven or on the earth? These and similar questions should every saved soul ask themselves. Each one should be doing their very best to reach every soul possible with the pure gospel. You are only a steward over those things which you possess. You shall have to stand before a just and righteous Judge some day and give an account of how you have used the substance He has placed in your hands. There is much vain religion in the world today, but the doers of the Word are the ones reckoned righteous in His sight. Divine love in the soul will set a man to work for God and he will continue to be active in His services as long as it remains.

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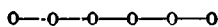
We have been asked the question, “Did God create sin”? “Sin is a transgression of the law.” 1 John 3:4. God did not create sin for sin is only the effects of evil in the heart and evil seemed to have co-existed with God. God cannot be the author of evil

but evil is shown to be evil by his light and goodness. There is just two powers in the world to-day, the power of God and the power of Satan, God's power is the greatest and is pure, when his power comes into our souls it gives us power over the power of Satan and then we can do right and no longer evil. Before we are saved and under the power of Satan we do evil and are not righteous. "Men love darkness rather than light, because their deeds are evil." John 3:19.

This is why so few will hear the pure clean gospel of Christ as the light makes manifest that their deeds are evil so they turn away from the truth and go to hear adulterated teachings. Josephus, the Jewish historian in speaking of Jesus said, "He was a teacher of such men who had a love for the truth." All men that really have a love for the truth will delight to hear the real clean and pure gospel of Christ.



Shall we know each other when we get to heaven? I am fully persuaded that the scriptures teach us that we shall know each other in heaven. In the 17th chapter of Matt. the scriptures tell about Jesus being transfigured and Moses and Elias, who were in glory, talking with him. Peter knew them. We will not only know each other in heaven but folks who are in hell and are being tormented will know. Divies who was in hell being tormented saw Abraham and Lazarus in his bosom and wanted Lazarus to be sent with some cool water to cool his tongue for he was tormented in this flame. When we lose this mortal body and put on an immortal body we can see spiritual beings and recognize them even as we know each other here in the flesh.



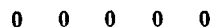
It seems to be a great question with some as to what the rule of a saintly life is? A true answer to this question would be the teaching of the New Testament. Then the question would be: what does it really teach? Right here is where the devil gets in his work and confuses souls. Satan's teachers and preachers will generally wrest the scriptures a little and make them mean less or more than was intended by Christ our Lord. Many times they fix them around that they do not mean anything at all and thereby ease men in their consciences. Jesus said to his disciples, "Teach men to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, (Matt. 28:20) and lo, I am with you always." There are many teachers and preachers coming short on this line and then they wonder why the Lord is no longer with them.

Paul, Peter and John, the three greatest and most admired and approved interpreters of the New Test-

ament gospel, all taught against friend-ship to the world and worldly conformity. Jesus himself said of the disciples, "They are not of this world even as I am not of the world." John 17:16. In describing the rich man that went to hell and lifted up his eyes being in torment, he said that he was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day. Paul exhorted women to adorn themselves in modest apparel with shamefacedness and sobriety, he said "not with broided or plaited hair, or gold, or pearls or costly array." 1 Tim. 2:9. He wanted women to show themselves godly which would be in harmony with their profession. In first Cor. he teaches against women bobbing their hair and says that long hair is a glory to her and that her hair was given to her for a covering. 1 Cor. 11:15. He teaches that it is not good for a women to pray unto God uncovered, read the 13th verse.

Peter in speaking of our adorning says, "Let it not be that outward adorning: but let it be the hidden man of the heart, the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit which is in the sight of God, of great price." 1 Peter 3:3.

John says, "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." 1 J. 2:15. Preachers who have a tendency to compromise with the world and endorse worldly conformity will often brand those who are standing steady in the sweetness of the spirit as hard and cruel. It is possible for one to become hard and cruel and it is sad to think that some have even done this, yet, the true christian dare not lower the standard of truth just because some hold the truth in unrighteousness and bring reproach upon the cause. It is generally conceded that the most dangerous compromisers are not always the ones that put on adornments, as one can compromise in many other ways. It is not heavenly wisdom to make an article of dress a test of fellow-ship as some may not have received light and knowledge to the degree of others. On the other hand it is possible and is sometimes the case that one could have no adornment on at all and yet be possessed of a very unholy spirit, hard, harsh and exacting. Those who are the most established are holding to the Truth in love, with firmness and in wholesome ways.



A few weeks ago, wife, my son, Lawrence, and I drove up to Wichita, Kans. to visit the Central Type Foundry Co. and see about purchasing a sixteen inch Paper Cutter, a machine which has long been needed,

as we have so much tract trimming to do. While there we examined their lead, rule & slug cutter and finding it to be just what we needed in the Lord's Print Shop, purchased one of them. So by the kindness of our heavenly Father working through some of his consecrated servants we have the two machines in the print shop at work for the Lord. This is very encouraging to our hearts for we rejoice in Him always, humbly giving thanks for fitting the shop better in carrying out the burdens he has laid upon our hearts, to get the pure gospel to men by the printed page. Let all of our readers thank the Lord who has made it possible.

There has been about fifteen of our readers sent in means toward the purchasing of a folding machine which is a beginning toward the sum needed. We are continuing to pray and ask God to supply means to purchase the folder and also the C. and P. Job press which is so much needed. Dear children of God, let us not give up but continue to seek God until He supplies this need that the Gospel may not be hindered.

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—NOTICE—

To the dear Saints: We wish to express our appreciation and thanks to the Lord and to the dear saints of this state for their Christian sympathy and kindness in paying the funeral expenses of my husband, Bro. H. Robinson. It lifted quite a burden from us.

Sister Corine Robinson,  
Okmulgee, Okla.

**PRAYER REQUEST**

Pray earnestly for a sister in Ky. whose husband has deserted her and she has lost faith in God, she is miserable and feels like her heart will break. He has divorced her and she feels that she is disgraced. She did not believe in divorcing and prayed against it. She is going to fast and pray the 2nd day of March and wants all that will to join her in this fast and prayer.

**OBITUARY**

Ruben Winn, son of G. W. and Carrie Winn was born in Navasata, Tex., April 9, 1875. He departed this life on Feb. 11, 1936, at the age of 60 years, 10

months and 2 days.

In 1897 he was married to Miss Emma Jackson. To this union were born three children, two sons and one daughter, George, Willie and Mrs. Ruby Stearns all of Dallas, Tex. His wife preceded him in death. He leaves a widow, Mrs. Henryetta Winn, his father and mother, four brothers and one sister, also a host of friends and relatives.

A short time before his death he made peace with God and often testified to this fact. His aged father and mother are much comforted over this change in his life and rejoice that their prayers at last were answered and they have hope of meeting him in the glory world.

Funeral services conducted by Fred Pruitt. Text John 5:28,29. The remains were laid to rest in the Summit View Cemetery at Guthrie.

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*Preach The Word*

Servant of Christ, called of God, are you adorning the gospel of Christ in your manner of dress. Does your example promote humility, fellowship, spirituality. Shepherd of Christ's sheep are you leading the lambs into temptation or does your life reveal even a higher standard than your preaching? "Be thou an example of the believers in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." 1 Tim. 4:12. We sometimes think too much is expected of the ministry, but God himself is looking for a crucified, spirit filled people for leaders in the church of God. How necessary that they be examples to us in all manner of conduct. How needful to be led of the Holy Spirit even in dress, for in few ways do we display our real self more than in the way we clothe our bodies. I can not conceive of a self crucified spirit filled woman who is called of God to preach the gospel adorned in worldly unbecoming attire. One filled heart and soul, with an all consuming passion for lost souls and a fervent desire to be an example to the weaker ones, has little time for the frivolous things of the world. Her affections are centered above. One might be saved and yet be entirely too worldly, but a person who is wholly given up to the Holy Ghost as every child of God should be is not given to worldliness. You are judged by your dress, no matter who you are. If you have more time and concern for costly, worldly, array than for secret prevailing prayer for the lost, your spirituality is at a low ebb. There are preachers who are doing all they can by precept and example to pro-

mote the spirit of Christ in the church. Oh be careful that you are not the one that comes to that congregation, clothed in such a way as to hinder that one's efforts. Some sincere ones will be discouraged and some weak ones made weaker, and more free to conform to ungodly fashions and your preachers liberty will be hindered in preaching that part of the gospel. The meek and lowly spirit of Jesus will not lead you to dress in such a way as to cause others to feel humiliated because their clothes are not as fine. You may find many excuses for extravagance in dress, but you can not prove to those spiritual that you are dead to the world. If you will ask Christ to help you to please him in all your ways he will lead you safely. Ask God in secret closet, "Am I exhibiting to the world the spirit of Christ in my dress as a spirit born spirit filled, spirit led child of God?"

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### Our Garments

"Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments and stood before the angel, and he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment." Zech. 3:34.

These filthy garments refer to the sinful condition of Joshua and before he could stand before the Lord, without sin, he needed a change of raiment; hence, the command, "Take away the filthy garments from him," was obeyed and he was given a change of raiment, which is the garment of salvation, clean and white. Rev. 19:8. For any of us, as responsible individuals to be at peace with God and enter heaven, we must be born again, because all of us have sinned and come short of the glory of God (Rom. 3:23.) through which process we become new creatures in Christ, old things pass away and, behold, all things became new. 2 Cor. 5:17. In other words, we have laid aside our filthy garments of sin and have put on a change of raiment. Then we rejoice with Isaiah, "I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God, for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness" Isa. 61:10. And we stand before the Lord with our sins forgiven, clothed in our wedding garments, ready for sacrifice or service, ready to go to the marriage supper of the lamb any time the call is made, "Behold, the bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet him." Praise His name

forever!

Now, instead of increasing in the Lord and growing in grace, and as light comes, go on to perfection (but one does not grow into perfection or sanctification, for it is a definite second work of grace), many dear ones become careless about watching and praying and studying His word, and when temptations arise have little overcoming power, and while perhaps they may not altogether yield, for instance, to anger, but plainly manifest impatience; or to joking, but it becomes quite easy for them to laugh at them: or to dressing worldly but are leaning awfully close to it, etc. in other words, there isn't a disgust for sin as there used to be. Their garments are worn threadbare, and with just a little more pressure from the enemy a hole is worn clear through. And unless they see themselves slipping (Psa. 73:2), they soon become a victim of sin. Perhaps sometime later there is an awakening and they see themselves void of the grace of God and instead of throwing down their old profession and again getting a change of raiment through repentance, they patch up the old one with a patch of renewed decision, or turning over a new leaf, and it being new and the garment old, it soon tears out and the rend is made worse, for what does the Lord say about patching? "No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to fill up, takes from the garment and the rend is made worse" Matt. 9:16. And as the patching habit is formed, the garment becomes tatters and patches—no victory, no overcoming grace, left with merely an intellectual knowledge of salvation and the truth, and they call that salvation, which is far different from the Lord's garment described in John 19:23; "Now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout", which is a symbol of our garments of salvation—no seam, no stitch, no patch. What a difference between the first garment which is complete and the last, tatters and patches!

And being dressed in our clean white garments, we have no business meddling with the flesh pots of Egypt, for how easy it is to rub too close and get a black spot on our garments, which are clean and white, then soon another, and another when, lo we find ourselves again clothed in filthy garments. And the blood of Jesus is all that can remove these spots through the washing of regeneration. "Hating even the garments spotted by the flesh." Jude 23.

Again, some are wearing moth-eaten garments (James 5:2), which are garments which were carelessly laid aside and neglected. By failing to use their

talents, strength, time, means, etc. duty on different lines, retreating at a time of burden-bearing, sharing responsibilities, and so on, they are left with moth-eaten garments. "And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth; lo, there thou hast that is thine." Matt. 25:25. When a financial need arises, instead of doing their part they shift the responsibility on others by giving a very meager sum of their bountiful possessions, thinking well, it will be raised and this is enough for me, or I will not have enough left to buy that car, and everybody knows I need a new suit of clothes, then again, I had better plan ahead a little for my children's education, etc. We are merely stewards and really own nothing, all belongs to the Lord, and I've heard it said that what we give while living on earth is all we have laid up in heaven. And the more possessions the Lord intrusts into our care the more he requires us to give. 1 Tim. 6:8-11. The widow gave more than they all, because she gave of her penury and had nothing left, and they of their abundance and had much left, hence her reward was the greatest because she gave the most. If we have a little we have the privilege of giving a little, if we have much, much is required. All of us can give something, if we have no money, the Lord blesses us with something else that we may give. Praise the Lord! none of us need be left out of this wonderful privilege. It is an evident fact, that the closer the dear saints live to the Lord, the more we want to give, and the farther one gets away the tighter they hold to the dollar. It takes a giving up all in order to enjoy sweet communion with the Lord, I'm not talking about formal worship. It doesn't take long for a covetous spirit to eat a *big* hole out of the garment of salvation.

When we become unwilling to sacrifice of our time to God's service, soon another hole is eaten out. It soon gets too cold, too hot, too rainy, too something else, perhaps a slight headache, to go to services, especially prayer meeting, when everything was quite favorable that day to go to town, fix fences: and perhaps your wife washed, ironed and scrubbed all in one day, but now it is too hot or too cold in the meeting house, or you are too tired, when if we needed advice on farming, dress making, etc., we would go without hesitation. And, maybe, we worked in the rain most of the day, but it is too rainy to go to prayer-meeting. Just see how tricky the devil is to get us to yield to the flesh. Just so he succeeds in keeping us out of heaven it makes no difference to him how he does it. But we must crucify the flesh with its affections and lust. Gal. 5:24. Perhaps the Lord

has called you to preach the gospel or to some other service, and the enemy suggests to wait until the children are grown or you had better lay up a little money, or you might starve while preaching the gospel. When God's service becomes secondary with us, this moth of negligence has eaten several holes out of our garments.

In God's service, we must be willing to sacrifice all—means, time and strength. Too many practice the following: If there is any money left after we have all we need, Lord, I'll give you a little; if there is any time left when the day's work is done or when life's day is near spent, you, Lord, may have the rest; and if there is any strength left I'll give you that. The Lord calls for the first and the best. He wants plenty of time for worship and secret prayer, plenty of time for prayer meetings, and all other services, preach the gospel, visit the sick, etc. And then we'll still have sufficient time left for every other duty that needs to be done in our every day life. Any other kind of service is moth-eaten, with so many holes in it that it is equal to a sieve and the Word of God runs right through it like water and leaves no effect. Patching can't help this condition either. Not so long ago a sister showed me a woolen garment that had so many moth holes in it that it made one think of a sieve beyond repair. There is only one thing for her to do in order to have a woolen garment and that is to replace it with a new one, which is the only cure for a moth-eaten experience.

Much more could be said on this line, but feel it is sufficient, so shall close by saying, let us keep our garments always white (Eccl. 9:8)—free from spots, threadbare or worn places, or patches, stitches or seams, for soon the Lord will come for his bride and she needs to be ready, for at such a time as we think not the Son of man cometh. "Let us be glad and rejoice and give honor to Him; for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white, for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints. And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb" (Rev. 19:7-9). Amen.  
—Mrs. Katherine Watson.

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Tex. Dear Ones in the Lord:— Enclosed you will find .35c for which please send me your little paper, "Faith and Victory" which I enjoy reading for I get so much soul food out of it. Please send a sample copy to each of the names I've sent.

Sincerely,  
—Mrs. Tennit Stork.

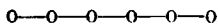


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## EDITORIALS

### *Saintly Living*

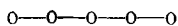
The state governments have quarantine laws which are enforced by city and state officers for the physical protection of its citizens. In case a person or family gets a contagious disease, they are quarantined or separated from society so that others will not be exposed to the disease. In contrast to this, we notice that not much is done to quarantine the moral disease of sin. Especially children and young people are given physical protection through laws and education but how are they protected from the influences and pitfalls of sin? Young people are exposed to it on every hand—no restraint in that direction. Unclean picture shows and bill-boards continually lead in the ways of sin. Dances, worldly parties and such like abound everywhere. And the disease of sin is worse than any physical disease, for it brings death to the inner man, the soul, and separates it from God and all that is pure and holy. The only cure for sin is Bible salvation.



A good old song says, "Heaven is a holy place, filled with glory and the grace—sin can never enter there." Yes, sin is the only thing that will bar any one out of heaven. But God's salvation and holiness is a perfect deliverance from sin. Only holy people will go to that holy place, so just merely believing in the doctrine of holiness is not sufficient. We may be called holiness people, but if we are not a holy people we will not be admitted to that realm "wherein dwelleth righteousness."

The God of heaven is more interested in *quality* rather than in *quantity*. That is, He accepts only those who are real Christians, and not the big crowds which have merely a profession of Christianity. Not many these days are living the holy way, although a great number are termed holiness people. God's people may be few like Gideon's band of soldiers, but they are genuine Christians. God has a clean work rather than a big work, yet people would endeavor in vain to attach Him to their big work. Opinions of men, human systems and organizations, forming of societies and corporations have ruled out the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

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"The liberal soul shall be made fat, and to him that soweth righteousness shall be a sure reward."

Saintliness of life lies in doing the will of God. If you desire to live the noblest, purest and most useful life possible, seek to know the will of God and cheerfully do it when known. If you would live a consistent and acceptable life do not follow impulses and emotions. The great question of life, dear young Christian, is not, How do you feel? but How is your will? Is it set to do the will of God? Do not watch impressions so much as the path of duty. When an opportunity is open to you to do some good do not wait for inward impressions to know if you should do the good.

We wish we could make clear and simple to you, and also help you to know the importance of keeping your affections, emotions and feelings all intertwined with your good common sense and under control of your will which is to be in perfect harmony with the will of God. Here lies the secret of success in the Christian life. Do not think that your affections, and impressions are indicative of the will of God. Many a life has been wrecked at this point. Real true affection and impressions arise out of the will. To allow the will to be guided by affections and by impulses is like going out to sea without chart or compass.

Some years ago we were called, by a young man, to take a walk with him. Seated under the spreading branches of a maple he told me what was on his heart. A few years before he had met a young lady at a social gathering. On shaking hands with her she slightly pressed his hand. A peculiar sensation passed over him. He thought it was love. They married. His life was ruined. His affections and what he thought was love ran away with his will and good judgment. Wait to know the will of God. But how to know the will of God is the question. The will of God does not come to guide you by emotions, sensations, impulses so much as by giving you good judgment, sound reason, and clear understanding. A young lady said to us, "I have a strong feeling that I should do such a thing, but my better judgment tells me that I had better not do it. What," she asked, "shall I do?" We told her that ninety-nine times out of a hundred, if not always, the will of God intertwined with our better judgment instead of with our strong feelings. The will of God is not to be

discerned by inward impressions only or mainly, but by reason, providence, sense of duty, and by the Scriptures.

“But shall we not love?” This question was asked by a young lady. It is expected that we love. God made us to love, but what is love? It is not that peculiar sensation that goes all through you and seems to center at the heart. Not that passion that runs away with your will and good common sense, but that pure, calm, sober, sensible passion that arises out of the will, and is kept under its control. Here is a statement we want you to write down in your note book and refer to it frequently. *The love of God intertwined an intermingled, with your love will never act contrary to, nor seek to control the will of God intermingled and intertwined with your will.* Listen, if you have an impression or a notion or idea, not only in sexual matters, but in spiritual or religious matters that is not consistent with good judgment and reason, do not think that such leading is of the Lord. To follow it will mar the beauty of saintly living.

—C. E. Orr.

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Okla. Dear young saints scattered abroad:— Today finds me still saved, sanctified and encouraged to live for the dear Lord. Dear ones I really enjoy living for Jesus. I am glad I can say and be a witness that “His yoke is easy and His burden is light.” I’ve found it so. Dear ones I got so much out of last Sunday’s lesson. For every tree is known by his own fruit. “For of thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they grapes.” Luke 6:44. Dear ones this is a place where the gospel has never been and I believe there are some earnest hearts here so pray for me that I may grow stronger.

Your Sister in Christ, —Callie Carter

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Okla. To the Young people scattered abroad:— Greetings in the mighty name of Jesus. Today finds me still saved and enjoying Gods wonderful salvation am more determined than ever to press on in this Christian life.

The Lord has been so good to me and to all the young people here at Tulsa until I just felt led of the Lord to let other young people know that we were still pressing on. When we started our young peoples meetings here there were only two of us and then another dear young soul was added to our fold and many Sunday evenings there would be the three of us out to meeting but the Lord blessed and kept adding to our

number and now we have nine young saved girls and boys and know if we do our little bit the Lord will continue to add to our number so all of you other young people pray for us.

Do not be discouraged and turn back to the ways of sin just because there are only a few saved, for the Bible says that we are few in number, but keep pressing on and God will add to your number and give you grace to carry on. Look to Jesus and he will take you through.

Dear young people, we must work for Jesus for soon the older ministers and teachers will be called from labors to reward and we must be prepared to take their places for truly the harvest is ripe and the laborers are few, so while we have youth and strength is the time for us to be about our Master’s work.

Pray for all of us young people here in this place for we need and want your prayers and encouragement for we do not want to hide our talents under a bushel but we want to make our talents increase and grow for the glory of God. Your saved Sister,

—Dorothy G. Barton.

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Mo. Dear Saints scattered abroad:— I have a decision in my heart to go all the way with the Lord and to be and do that which is pleasing to Him. He is the only one I look to for my help. I thank the Lord for salvation and for the way He has blest me in my soul and body. He is all in all to me. I have no fear what happens in the future because my trust is in the Lord. Each day as I read in the Bible and study what I have read, it encourages me to draw closer to Him. I find that the Lord is a very present help in time of trouble. Pray for me that I do what the Lord wants me to do.

Your Bro. in the Lord, Alvah Lawson.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Mo. Dear Bro. Pruitt and Family:— Greetings in Jesus name. This finds me saved and sanctified, still trusting in Jesus fully.

Many of the Saints would liked to have enjoyed the good meetings at the Assembly but the way was not open. Those who attended last year speak of the wonderful meetings and harmony manifested there.

I enjoy the “Faith and Victory” also book, “God’s Gracious Dealings,” One time especially I was crushed, and God inspired my heart with courage as I read it.

There was a time in my life I wished people could get to heaven an easier way as I knew of people dying without hope. But now I realize how wonderful is God’s great plan of salvation. I am glad it takes

just what it does. A real cleaning up for God, repenting of our sins, making our wrongs right, cleansing ourselves, soul and body, of uncleanness, every binding habit, every selfish disposition, malice, self-pity, jealousy, back-biting, in fact every thing unlike Christ. Now I understand why God permits His own little children to stay in the furnace for we must be purified made white and tried. This is why we suffer affliction and persecutions.

Last month we closed a three weeks' meeting here at Webb. Bro. and Sis. Huskey of Springfield were here with us for which we thank the Lord. Bro. and Sis. Porter who recently moved back here made it seem like old times. Bro. and Sis. Strech were with us one night. We sure enjoyed the presence of the Lord. A few souls were saved, bodies healed, and some of the saints testified they had received more benefit than from any meetings they had been in. One man eighty one years old was wonderfully saved and delivered from the tobacco habit. We had cottage meetings each afternoon, seemed as tho the Lord sometimes blessed even more then, than at night services. I believe they would be a great benefit in every protracted meeting as just the saints usually gather and get hold of God for souls. We pray God will bless you and all our brothers and sisters scattered abroad.

Your Sister in Christ, —Ersa Carrick.

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Mo. I feel led to write to the paper and to let you know that I am still on the Lord's side. Still trusting in the Lord and still feel that I am one of his children. Saved by the blood of Christ and I sincerely desire prayers of all at the office and everywhere for the healing of my wife, as she has not been able to be up for a year. Please find enclosed one dollar for which send, "Faith and Victory," paper to the address given for one year. And use the rest as the Lord directs.

Yours in the One Body,  
—J. R. Atnip.

Pa. Dear Saints:— Sixty-three years ago I sought and found salvation in Christ, and He has been a loving Saviour ever since, ever ready to help in time of need. I mean to trust him until he calls from labor to reward.

I received "Faith and Victory," and like it very much. Am sending my own name and two others for "Faith and Victory". The other 25c use as you think best and may this same Jesus that has been so kind to me bless you and yours, and prosper you in your work for him, and give you many souls for your hire. And if we should never meet in this world I

shall ever pray that in that world where sin and sorrow is unknown and parting never comes, we may meet to know as also we are known.

Your Brother in Christ, —H. E. McElhany

Mo. Dear Brother and Sister and All:— Greetings in our blessed Saviour's name. I am still praising our God for victory in my soul. Oh, I don't see how mortal man can get along without "Faith and Victory" paper. Oh please keep it coming. I can't get along without it. I am still pressing on to glory. Praise his blessed name. I close with love to all. Pray for me.

Your Sister in Christ,  
—Cora C. Sell.

La. Dear Saints:— I am writing you to let you know I arrived home safely. I can say I am still saved and sanctified and kept by the power of God. I am still rejoicing over the meeting we had in Guthrie. It did my soul good. I wish I could be with the dear saints often. Pray much for me that I will stay humble at the feet of Jesus and let my light shine where ever I go. I am determined to do all Jesus wants me to do. Your saved Sister, —Viola Delton

Okla. Dear Bro. Pruitt:— I am sending herein enclosed 25c for renewal to "Faith and Victory".

I wish to say further I think the paper is fine. I like it much better each month I receive it. May the blessings of the Lord ever be upon you.

Yours in Christ, J. S. Hawkins

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Tex. Bro. and Sis. Pruitt: Greetings in the name of Jesus. I am so happy this morning because I am saved and on my way to heaven, also because Jesus has promised he would never leave me nor forsake me and to go all the way. Oh glory!

Won't it be wonderful there, having no burdens to bear. Joyously singing with hearts ringing. Won't it be wonderful there.

Dear Bro. and Sis. I do get so much encouragement out of reading the paper, "Faith and Victory". The only thing I find wrong with it, is that it isn't large enough.

I noticed that my paper was out. Please send it on.

There are just three of we sisters here of the same belief. I am asking you to have special prayer for my baby, he has head trouble. I do believe God will heal. Must close by asking you to pray for me and my home. Your Sister in Christ, —Maude Malone

## THERE IS DEATH IN THE POT

We read in God's word that one time there was a dearth in the land and in our land today there is a real spiritual drouth.

Elisha told his servant to go put on the big pot and see the pottage for the sons of the prophets. And a man was there that wanted to help in the making the potage that was not a servant of Elisha, but he ran and gathered a lap full of wild goards, then came, and hastily shred or cut them up in the great pot. The results were that when the men began to eat, suddenly one cried out, there is death in the pot. But we notice he cried to the man of God, not to the man who had cut the wild goards up in the pot. They had in their food something that was death if it was eaten. But the man of God put some meal in the pot then all was well. 2 Kings 4:38-42.

There sure is death in the land today, for there are many whom God never sent that want to shred or put up some of their fanatic ideas or their narrow views that are foreign to the teachings of God's Word into the pot. While there are two great extremes to fight today, namely; compromise and fanaticism. Both mean spiritual death if partaken of. Now wild goard soup or potage is very rank in its nature and we know would sure mean quick death. There seems to be nothing more deathly to a soul than to partake or imbibe the spirit of fanaticism. It means quick death, so dear reader if you have been sipping the wild goard soup of fanaticism let God put some meal of real Bible Truth into your soul and sweeten it with the Spirit of Divine love, mercy and compassion for that is the spirit of Christ. Not a harsh, cruel hold down spirit with no mercy. "If any man have not the spirit of Christ he is none of his." The spirit of fanaticism sure is not of Christ. One fanatic spirit turned loose in a congregation can do more to tear down and destroy than a compromise spirit, yet both mean death in the pot. Brethren, God help us to keep in the center of the road. Stay by the Word of God. Fanaticism is judgment without mercy. Compromise is pretended mercy without judgment. The spirit of fanaticism is without mercy, reason or divine love, and is sure quick death to any who gets under this harsh spirit.

—Cleo Murry

## Bible Lessons For Sunday Schools And Home Study

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Please order Sunday School Picture Rolls, Cards and etc. for second quarter by March 15th.

Sunday, March 1, 1936.

Home Study For The Week

Feb. 24—Jesus in Prayer. Luke 9:28-36

Feb. 25—Jesus in Service. Luke 9:37-43.

Feb. 26—Peter's Vision. Acts 10:9-20.

Feb. 27—Paul's Vision and Call. Acts 16:6-10

Feb. 28—Love and Service. John 21:5-17.

Feb. 29—Prayer and Service. Acts 3:1-10.

Mar. 1—Devotional Reading. Isa. 6:1-8.

SUBJECT—Vision and Service.

*Lesson Text, Printed Portion*—Luke 9:28-43.

Luke 9:28 And it came to pass about an eight days after these sayings, he took Peter and John and James, and went up into the mountain to pray.

29 And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment was white and glistening.

30 And, behold, there talked with him two men, which were Moses and Elias:

31 Who appeared in glory, and spake of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem.

32 But Peter and they that were with him were heavy with sleep: and when they were awake, they saw his glory, and the two men that stood with him.

33 And it came to pass, as they departed from Him, Peter said unto Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias: not knowing what he said.

34 While he thus spake, there came a cloud, and overshadowed them: and they feared as they entered into the cloud.

35 And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.

36 And when the voice was past, Jesus was found alone. And they kept it close, and told no man in those days any of those things which they had seen.

37 And it came to pass, that on the next day, when they were come down from the hill, much people met him.

38 And, behold, a man of the company cried out, saying Master, I beseech thee, look upon my son: for he is mine only child.

39 And, lo, a spirit taketh him, and he suddenly crieth out; and it teareth him that he foameth again, and bruising him hardly departeth from him.

40 And I besought thy disciples to cast out; and they could not.

41 And Jesus answering said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you, and suffer you? Bring thy son hither.

42 And as he was yet a coming, the devil threw him down, and tare him. And Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the child, and delivered him again to his father.

43 And they were all amazed at the mighty power of God. But while they wondered every one at all things which Jesus did, he said unto his disciples.

Memory Verse—He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same beareth much fruit. John 15:5.

Central Thought—Union with Christ in order to be able to bear fruit.

Practical Truth—No fruit for Christ with out first seeing him in prayer, then the service with him which bears fruit for his glory.

#### Suggestions To Teachers

Jesus in prayer, and then service. Heals a little boy. On the mountain top with Jesus. Worship and work.

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

Oh how safe to worship and work with Christ. "Took with him-and went" what the three would have missed had they not followed, though it necessitated climbing the mountain. Up into the mountain to pray. Most all great events of Jesus' life here on earth were preceded by prayer. What an example. "Where he leads me I will follow." "There talked with him two men" who were Moses and Elijah" What an interview. Oh the preciousness of this meeting on the mount. Moses and Elijah saw in Jesus death, (the subject they no doubt discussed) the fulfilment of the law and the prophets. I can but ask the question, right here. Why do people want to live under the law today? They "spake of his decease" It is said, "vicarious suffering is the mightiest of magnets." Jesus could see "Mount Calvary" from "Mt. Hermon" where he was getting ready to make the greatest possible sacrifice. Here the Father's voice was heard, making known and commending Jesus his Son. Moses and Elijah representatives of the Law and Prophets was done. "This is my beloved Son hear him." If we heed the Father, we must hear the Son. When the Cloud passed, "Jesus was found alone." Oh the abiding Christ, glory may pass with the passing clouds but Jesus abides. Praise his dear Name. There was a great need presented as they came down from the mountain. Read from the 37th verse to the 43rd of our lesson which I need not comment on. Only learn the secret of abiding in Him and so live that He can abide in you, and all will be well.

**Sunday, March 8, 1936.**

Home Study For The Week

Mar. 2—Who is my Neighbor? Luke 10:25-37.

Mar. 3—Loving One's Neighbor. Matt. 19:16-22.

Mar. 4—Neighborly Relations. Rom. 13:1-10

Mar. 5—Job as Neighbor. Job 31:16-23.

Mar. 6—A Home of Hospitality. John 12:1-8.

Mar. 7—A Friend in Need. 2 Tim. 4:9-18.

Mar. 8—Devotional Reading. Matt. 5:38-48.

SUBJECT—Jesus Teaches Neighborliness.

*Lesson Text, Printed Portion*— Luke 10: 25-37.

Luke 10:25 And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?

26 He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou?

27 And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself.

28 And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live.

29 But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbor?

30 And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead.

31 And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

32 And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side.

33 But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him,

34 And went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

35 And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.

36 Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves?

37 And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

Memory Verse—Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind: and thy neighbor as thyself. Luke 10:27.

Central Thought— Neighborliness

Practical Truth—Showing kindness, sympathy and help in need. Show the real neighbor.

#### Suggestions To Teachers

A friend in need. A home of hospitality. Love makes good neighbors. Whose neighbor am I?

#### EXPLANATORY NOTES

A lawyer in order to test Jesus teaching ask what he should do to inherit eternal life. Jesus, as his custom was, caused the inquirer to answer his own question. So in answering Jesus question he was told "Thou hast answered right; this do and thou shalt live." The question Jesus ask the lawyer, tested the lawyer's knowledge of the law. Supreme love for God renders obedience to the first four commandments, supreme love will worship God in spirit and truth, will have no other gods before him. Yes, will reverence his name and hold it dearer than life and cause us to conform to the divine order as to the Lord's day. And "love thy neighbor as thyself" is obedience rendered to the six commandments, no one who loves his neighbor as himself will covet anything belonging to his neighbor, wife or ox. Will not steal from him, lie on him, will not murder, simply abhors everything mentioned in the remaining decalogue. No wonder Jesus said what he did in Mark 12:29-31 in his answer to the scribe. We must not forget that all this is complying to or in harmony with real neighborliness. He is a good neighbor who obeys Christ. We should do as he says and as he does. He not only told the story of the good Samaritan. He acted the good Samaritan himself and is still "the world's best neighbor." Exemplified through his children.

**Sunday, March 15, 1936.**

#### Home Study For The Week

Mar. 9—Prayer to the Heavenly Father. Luke 11:1-13

Mar. 10—Prayer and Power. Mark 9:17-29.

Mar. 11—Prayer a Safeguard. Luke 22:39-46.

Mar. 12—God Answers Prayer. Acts 9:10-19.

Mar. 13—Prayer and Guidance. Acts 10:1-8.

Mar. 14—Prayer and Deliverance. Acts 12:1-11.

Mar. 15—Devotional Reading. Matt. 6:6-15.

**SUBJECT—Jesus Teaches His Disciples to Pray.**

*Lesson Text, Printed Portion—Luke 11:1-13.*

Luke 11:1 And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.

2 And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

3 Give us day by day our daily bread.

4 And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

5 And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves;

6 For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him?

7 And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed: I cannot rise and give thee.

8 I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.

9 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

10 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

11 If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish will he for a fish give him a serpent?

12 Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?

13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

Memory Verse—If we ask anything according to his will, he heareth us. 1 John 5:14.

Central Thought—Being taught to Pray by Jesus.

Practical Truth—Jesus willingness to teach how to pray.

#### Suggestions To Teachers

Teachers should teach their children the need of prayer, what to pray for, when to pray, whom to address in prayer and etc.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTES

In this prayer Jesus gave his disciples as a model, note the address; "Father" only the twice born can say "Our Father which art in Heaven" Oh the infinite love. We the children are taught three things to ask. 1st. Hallow his name. 2nd. Let Him place us in his kingdom. 3rd. "Thy will be done

in earth as it is done in heaven." Are you consecrated so His will can be done in you, his earthen vessel? On the human side there are three petitions. 1st. "Give us this day our daily bread." 2nd. "Forgive us our debts, as we forgive those indebted to us." Something to start us on the spiritual way. So remember if you ask this of the heavenly Father and you are holding anything unforgiven against any one, you are simply asking God to still hold your sins unforgiven. 3rd. We need help in our trials, temptations, and etc. "Lead us not into temptations, but deliver us from evil." Would not the answer of these prayers capacite us for full spiritual efficiency? We then have the story of the unfriendly neighbor which teaches persevering prayer. Verese 5-8.

Our memory Verse, 1st John 5:14. Is so true, God answers prayer. We must ask. Oh what an assurance when in the will of God. Much more could be said but there are five lessons in March.

### Sunday, March 22, 1936

#### Home Study For The Week

- Mar. 16—Minor Values. Luke 12:13-21.  
 Mar. 17—Major Values. Luke 12:22-34.  
 Mar. 18—Imperishable Values. John 6:25-40.  
 Mar. 19—The Abundant Life. John 10:7-10.  
 Mar. 20—The Greatest in Kingdom. Matt. 20:20-27.  
 Mar. 21—Things Most Worth while. Mark 9:33-37.  
 Mar. 22—Devotional Reading. Psalm 23

#### SUBJECT—Jesus Teaches True Values

*Lesson Text, Printed Portion*—Luke 12:22-34.

Luke 12:22 And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on.

23 The life is more than meat, and the body is more than raiment.

24 Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which neither have storehouse nor barn; and God feedeth them: how much more are ye better than the fowls?

25 And which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit?

26 If ye then be not able to do that thing which is least, why take ye thought for the rest?

27 Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

28 If then God so clothe the grass which is today in the field, and to morrow is cast into the oven; how much more will he clothe you, O ye of little faith?

29 And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind.

30 For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things.

31 But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you.

32 Fear not, little flock; for it is the Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

33 Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupeth.

34 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Memory Verse—Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Central Thought—Jesus' standard of True Values.

Practical Truth—Paul measured the value of his life wholly by what he could accomplish for Christ. Read Phil. 1:21 and Gal. 2:20.

#### Suggestons To Teachers

How to put the kingdom of God first. God's good gifts in His caring for His creatures and especially the human family.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTES

How happy the soul who has learned to trust God without anxiety. God does not want us to be thoughtless or lacking in foresight, but over-anxiety betrays doubt and distrust. We have only learned the cure of care when we cast all our care upon Him who cares for us. 1st Peter 5:7.

Why do people be troubled more about food than the life it sustains? and more about raiment than the body it covers? God does not want it so in his children. "Life is more than meat" and the "body more than raiment." Jesus in this lesson referred to God's care of the fowls of the air and flowers of the field. Why should we be anxious when we have such a Father? When seeking the kingdom of God first there is no room for worry. Praise our God. It is when seeking the wrong things that worry comes in. The responsibility of seeking is personal, it cannot be shifted on another. Oh that every one would seek first what belongs first, then would God reign in the heart, then would the righteousness of God be fixed in heart and be lived out in a fruit-bearing, to the glory of God. A life with this true value, bearing fruit, the precious fruit of the Spirit, will be a con-

tented life, fear of any lack will flee. Altho the flock is small God says, "Fear not." True value in Jesus sight is, seeking His kingdom first, and living righteousness. The righteousness that pleases God.

### Sunday, March 29, 1936.

#### Home Study For The Week

- Mar. 23—The Growth of the Kingdom. Luke 13:18-21.  
 Mar. 24—The Door of the Kingdom. Luke 13:22-30.  
 Mar. 25—A Heavenly Kingdom. John 18:33-38.  
 Mar. 26—A Coming Kingdom. Matt. 16:21-28.  
 Mar. 27—The worth of the Kingdom. Matt. 13:44-50.  
 Mar. 28—An Everlasting Kingdom. Psalm 145:1-13.  
 Mar. 29—Devotional Reading. Isaiah 62:1-5.

SUBJECT—Jesus Explains The Kingdom.

*Lesson Text, Printed Portion*—Luke 13:18-30.

Luke 13:18 Then said he, Unto what is the kingdom of God like? and whereunto shall I resemble it?

19 It is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and cast into his garden; and it grew, and waxed a great tree; and the fowls of the air lodged in the branches of it.

20 And again he said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God?

21 It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

22 And he went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem.

23 Then said one unto him Lord, are there few that be saved? And he said unto them,

24 Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many I say unto you will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.

25 When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are:

26 Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets.

27 But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity.

28 There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out.

29 And they shall come from the east, and from the west, and from the north, and from the south,

and shall sit down in the kingdom of God.

30 And, behold, there are last which shall be first an there are first which shall be last.

Memory Verse—They shall come from the east and from the west, and from the north and from the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God.

Central Thought—The magnitude of God's Kingdom.

Practical Truth—Learning what it means to be a citizen in the Kingdom of God.

#### Suggestions To Teachers

Our part in extending Christ's Kingdom. Good news to men, healing in the kingdom, and what is required of folks to become a citizen in the Kingdom.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTES

In Jesus' sermon on the mount he gave his hearers seven conditions of citizenship in His kingdom. Matt. 5:2-9 inclusive and in the next few verses you are given an insight to the treatment citizens of the kingdom are subjected too and the 12th verse he tells the citizen what to do when thus treated. He then likens His subjects to salt. Dear Saint you have preserving qualities, in you, if you are in the kingdom. Then He tells His followers or those in His kingdom, "Ye are the light of the world" and in the 16th verse He tells them what to do with the light, read it and see if you have the real light, oh the wonderful Kingdom and our adorable King, and we his subjects reigning in this life by one Christ Jesus. Rom. 5: 17. Now the printed portion of our lesson tells us the smallness of the kingdom in the beginning and tells them "Fear not little Flock." In Jesus teaching in Perea east of the Jordan where He spent most of the six months preceding His crucifixion, we have a few glimpses of our Lord as Teacher, "He called for repentance (as no one can bear fruit without the new birth) as emphasized in tragic providence and for fruitfulness as remanded in the parable of the barren fig tree. As healer, He released a woman from her infirmity of eighteen years. As interpreter he compared the kingdom or the growth of the kingdom by the mustard seed. As citizen he sends a message to the foxy Herod Antipas and then his heart-breaking sorrow expressed over unrepentant Jerusalem (where he was soon to die). How many of God's dear little ones feel the same sorrow when the unsaved around them, do not yield to the visitation of the Holy Spirit. Let every child of God feel the responsibility of doing all they can for the extension of the kingdom.