

# The Beautiful Way

Juniors



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Part One

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## The Peacock

The male peacock is a handsome bird. He has a crest of feathers on his head. He has a long train of brilliant feathers just above his tail. These feathers are bronze, blue, green, and gold. The peacock can make these feathers stand up and spread out like a fan. In the fan of feathers a hundred "eyes" appear.

The peacock likes to strut around with his feathers spread out. He likes to be admired by all. Because of this, the peacock is called a proud bird. Sometimes it is said that a proud person is as "proud as a peacock."

It is good to remember what God's Word says: "Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall." (Proverbs 16:18).

### TESTIMONIES

One day I was feeding my dogs. I stepped on a piece of glass and cut my foot. We prayed about it and the Lord healed it.

Mayola Pierro  
San Fernando, California  
11 years old

I thank God for what he did for me, and how he helped me. God convicted me to go to the altar because I needed help. I hope to do more, and I'll try to keep his commandments.

Dennis Ivy, Stockton, Calif.  
12 years old

I had the pneumonia when I was four years old. I was so sick. They prayed for me, and the Lord healed me.

David Inman, Kansas City, Mo.  
8 years old

I broke my mother's dish. At first I did not want to tell her. I didn't want to get in trouble. But I knew if I didn't tell her, I would not be pleasing Jesus. So I told her and I didn't even get a whipping. I was honest.

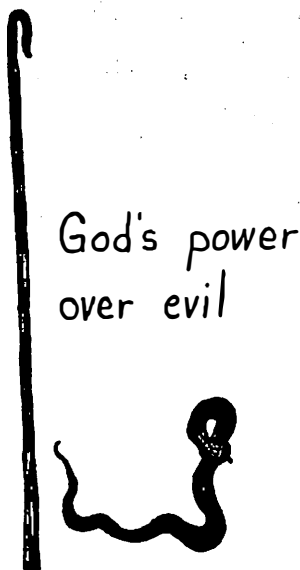
Mary Taylor, Cashion, Okla.  
8 years old

### THE BIBLE CORNER

How much do you know about the Bible? In "The Bible Corner", there will be a Bible question for you to look up and answer.

Question: What are the two greatest commandments? (Clue: love)

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Dear Boys and Girls:

This is the first Sunday of this new year. The last year has gone and all that you did last year is on record in God's record book. What kind of a record do you have? If there is any sinful thing on record, there is only one way that it can be erased from God's record book. Only Christ can erase it. If you will, with godly sorrow confess it to Him, he will forgive you and it will be erased. But you must be sorry you sinned against God. You must quit doing wrong and do the right. Only God can help us keep a clean record this year. Just turning over a new leaf or saying we will do better won't help. Only through you continually asking Christ to help you can you live right.

This year we are going to study about the children of Israel who went down into Egypt when Joseph was there. Years passed by and the king made slaves out

of them. He made them work hard. They prayed and cried to God to deliver them out of the land of Egypt. Moses was in the wilderness by Mt. Horeb and he saw a burning bush. God spoke to him from the burning bush. God told Moses to go down to Egypt and get the elders together and tell them that he was going to deliver them. Moses was afraid they would not believe him. God told him to cast down the rod in his hand and he did. It turned into a serpent. He told him to take it by the tail. By faith Moses obeyed. It became a rod again. God told him to put his hand into his bosom. He did and pulled it out and it was white with leprosy, an incurable disease. He obeyed God and put it back into his bosom and it was healed. Moses still felt that he couldn't go. He said he was slow of speech. God sent Aaron, his brother, to speak for him. God also told Moses that he would have to perform many miracles before Pharaoh before he would let the people go. He would finally let them go and the women were to ask jewels, gold, silver etc. from the Egyptians and they would give it to them. God would deliver them in a wonderful way from the Egyptians who were their hard taskmasters. Isn't it wonderful how God talked to Moses and showed his love for his people?

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 1, Jan. 7, 1973

### GOD CONVERSES WITH MOSES

Exodus 3:13, 14, 16a, 17; Exodus 4:1-5, 10-15, 16a.

Exodus 3:13 And Moses said unto God (beside the burning bush at Mt. Horeb or Sinai), Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them?

14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you. (Read John 14:58; Rev. 1:14).

16a Go, and gather the elders of Israel together,

17 And I have said, I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt...unto a land flowing with milk and honey.

Exodus 4:1 And Moses answered and said, But, behold, they will not believe me, nor hearken unto my voice: for they will say, The Lord hath not appeared unto thee.

2 And the Lord said unto him, What is that in thine hand? And he said, A rod.

3 And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it.

4 And the Lord said unto Moses, Put forth thine hand, and take it by the tail. And he put forth his hand, and caught it, and it became a rod in his hand:

5 That they may believe that the Lord God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath appeared unto thee.

10 And Moses said unto the Lord, O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.

11 And the Lord said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the Lord?

12 Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.

13 And he said, O my Lord, send, I pray thee, by the hand of him whom thou wilt send.

14 And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Moses, and he said Is not Aaron the Levite thy brother? I know that he can speak well. And also, behold, he cometh forth to meet thee: and when he seeth thee, he will be glad in his heart.

15 And thou shalt speak unto him, and put words in his mouth: and I will be with thy mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what ye shall do.

16a And he shall be thy spokesman unto the people.

Memory Verse: So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me. Heb. 13:6.

### QUESTIONS:

1. What was Moses to tell the children of Israel?

2. Who did God tell Moses to say had sent him to them?

3. If we need to be saved does God say, I AM your salvation? If we are in need of comfort what does God say to us? Jesus said, "I am the way" to heaven.

4. What was Moses to say to the elders when he gathered them together?

5. In the unprinted part of our lesson, God told Moses to ask Pharaoh to let the children of Israel go to the wilderness on a three day journey to offer sacrifices to the Lord their God. He said that the king would refuse them at first but later he would let them go, after he showed him many wonders.

6. Moses said, "They — — believe —."

7. What did God ask Moses?

8. What did he tell him to do with the rod?

9. What happened to the rod?

10. Did it take faith for Moses to take the serpent by the tail?

11. What did God say that this miracle was for?

12. What did Moses tell the Lord after this?

13. What did God say he had made?

14. Moses still did not want to go so who did God say would go with him?

15. God said, "I will be — thy mouth... and will — you —ye shall do."

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## Life's Golden Gleanings

### (Part 1)

Since winter is here and the days are short and the evenings long, you cannot be outside like in the summer. We have desired to have some talks with you concerning the plan of God, and some of the good things He has done for us down through our life.

We will call this our quiet hour. So lay aside your books and homework, put up your toys, and sit down and be very quiet for we are in the presence of God, our heavenly Father. Though we do not see Him with these eyes we know He is present for He tells us in his word, "the eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good." Proverbs 15:3.

"Grandmother, tell us a story about when you were a little girl," said Sue.

"Tell us about your trip across the plains in the covered wagon," exclaimed David.

"We may do that a little later," said Grandmother, "but tonight let us talk about God's love for you. He has been so good to all of us through another day, spared our lives and kept us from harm

and danger, blessed us with health and strength. God has helped you with your lessons at school. He has provided us food to eat, good warm beds to sleep in, and even watches over us while we are asleep. Yes, our blessings are more than we can number, but the best of all He gave Himself for you and I, that we may be able to live right in this world and then go to heaven when we die and forever be with the dear Lord."

"Many things have changed since you were a girl, haven't they, Grandmother? You did not ride in cars then like we do today, but you rode in wagons, buggies and on horseback. Please tell us about it!"

"Yes, many things have changed, my dear, but some things will never change, and one of them is God's love for you."

—Sis. Ruby Stover

Watch for more chapters of this continued true story, written by Sister Ruby Stover of her life. Ed.

Jesus will heal you if you pray to him with faith. Jesus healed when he was here on earth and is the same today. Pray and then expect to be healed.

## TESTIMONIES

In children's meeting, we were told to listen to the preacher at campmeeting. So I decided to listen more. One service I began to get tired of listening, and the devil tried to make me get bored and want to go outside. But I prayed to God, and he helped me resist the devil, and to keep my mind on the sermon.

Jeri Stephens  
Los Angeles, California  
12 years old

I had the mumps two times. I couldn't move. My dad came and some others, and prayed for me. When they stopped praying, I was completely well.

Lee Edward McMillian  
Marshall, Texas  
8 years old

## THE BIBLE CORNER

Here is the answer to last week's Bible Question: the two greatest commandments are found in Mark 12:31.

Question: What was the new commandment that Christ gave to His disciples? (Clue: new)

## Anna's Choice

Anna came from school a little sooner than she usually did. Mother noticed that she didn't have that cheery hello and smile that was so much like her.

"Did you have a good day at school, Anna?" Mother asked.

"Well, not exactly. The day went all right, but it's my friends again. When Paula, the new girl joins us, she stares at me, and that makes all the girls look at me funny, and ask me why I look so plain, and why I wear such long dresses, and why I don't go to the dances with them, and why, why, why. Sometimes I

wish I didn't have to go to school." Anna's face clouded, but she didn't cry.

"What did you tell them, Anna?" Mother asked.

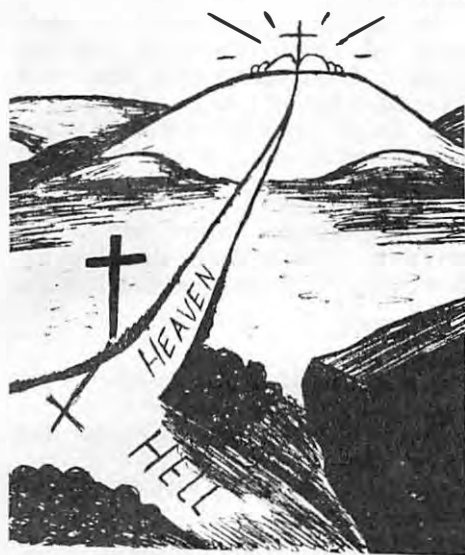
"I told them I didn't believe in all that; it's against my religion. But they said that it must be an odd religion, since theirs doesn't teach so many things you can't do. So I didn't say anything else."

Mother took time to talk with Anna. She reminded her how much God loved us, of how he sent Christ, His son, to pay our debt of death for our sins, of how His death brings us back into love and fellowship with God, and so now all we do in life is to be done out of love to God, to His glory and good pleasure.

"And you know, Anna, that God is pleased with us dressing in a way that doesn't expose our bodies. The Bible calls it modesty. He wants us not only to cover ourselves, but to be shamefaced, quiet of spirit, not showy and conspicuous, but discreet and reserved. You love God, and so you love to please Him, don't you? Now you must make a choice. You must choose between loving and pleasing God, or pleasing your friends. You can dress like your friends and do what they do, or you can please the Lord in what you do. Some people try to please their friends and the Lord, too. But this is impossible, because your friends aren't pleasing the Lord. You must make a definite choice."

As Anna prayed and thought about what her mother said, she chose to please the Lord rather than her friends. When they stared, she would smile. When they asked questions, she would tell of her love for God, and that she did what she did to please Him. Anna, like Moses, chose rather to suffer the slights of the world and please her Lord, "than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season." (Heb. 11:24-26) What is your choice? —Bonnie Matthews

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Dear Boys and Girls:

Were you ever asked to do something hard? Something that would be hard to do would be a job that seemed bigger than you. You felt you just could not do it. Maybe it would be some hard arithmetic problem, or a garden full of weeds to clean up. The job looked so big. Now this would be a job that would take maybe some good muscles, or an active mind. But what if you had to go to some police officer or a sheriff, and ask him to let your daddy or some relative out of jail. That would be a difficult job. You would feel you would need help. You would have to pray and ask God to help you. God would help you go but what if they refused? Would you pray and go again?

Now Moses knew his relatives and family of people who had become a great nation were in bondage. They were being made slaves to the king of Egypt. He felt sorry for them. God told him to go and

tell the king to let them go. He wanted them to be freed from being prisoners or slaves. This was a difficult job. He needed help. He prayed and prayed about this. He and his brother, Aaron talked to the elders of the Israelites. He showed them the three signs that God had given him. One was throwing his rod down and it turned into a snake. Another was putting his hand inside of his coat and when he took it out it was white with leprosy. Then he put it back again and when he took it out it was healed. The third sign was when he poured water from the river on to the ground, it turned into blood. The elders believed that God had sent him and they worshipped the Lord. But Pharaoh would not believe God had asked the people to go into the wilderness to have a feast of worship to God. He would not let them go.

In our unprinted part of the lesson we read that Moses asked his father-in-law, Jethro, permission to go back to Egypt to see his brethren. He took his wife, Zipporah and his two sons and started out. His wife and sons returned and Moses went on. He met Aaron and was glad to see him. Moses was willing to suffer with his people. He could have lived in the king's court when he was younger but he wanted to help his people to be free.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 2, Jan. 14, 1973

## MOSES LOVES HIS PEOPLE

Hebrews 11:24-27; Exodus 4:18-20, 27-31; Exodus 5:1, 2, 10, 11.

Hebrews 11:24 By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;

25 Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;

26 Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in

Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompense of the reward.

27 By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.

Exodus 4:18 And Moses went and returned to Jethro his father-in-law, and said unto him, Let me go, I pray thee, and return unto my brethren which are in Egypt, and see whether they be yet alive. And Jethro said to Moses, Go in peace.

19 And the Lord said unto Moses in Midian, Go, return in Egypt: for all the men are dead which sought thy life.

20 And Moses took his wife and his sons, and set them upon an ass, and he returned to the land of Egypt: and Moses took the rod of God in his hand.

27 And the Lord said to Aaron, Go into the wilderness to meet Moses. And he went, and met him in the mount of God, and kissed him.

28 And Moses told Aaron all the words of the Lord who had sent him, and all the signs which he had commanded him.

29 And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the children of Israel:

30 And Aaron spake all the words which the Lord had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the people.

31 And the people believed: and when they heard that the Lord had visited the children of Israel, and that he had looked upon their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshipped.

Exodus 5:1 And afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel. Let my people go, that they may hold a feast unto me in the wilderness.

2 And Pharaoh said, Who is the Lord, that I should obey his voice to let Israel

go? I know not the Lord, neither will I let Israel go.

10 And the taskmasters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spake to the people, saying, Thus saith Pharaoh, I will not give you straw.

11 Go ye, get you straw where ye can find it: yet not aught of your work shall be diminished.

Memory Verse: And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also; knowing that tribulation worketh patience. Rom.5:3

#### QUESTIONS:

1. What did Moses refuse to do?
2. What did he choose?
3. What did he think was greater than the riches of Egypt?
4. What would you have done if you had been Moses?
5. Who did Moses receive permission from to return to Egypt?
6. What did God tell Moses?
7. Did Moses take his wife and sons with him?

In our unprinted part of our lesson we assume that Zipporah and their sons returned to Midian because Moses had neglected a duty. Later in Exodus 18:1 we read that they joined Moses.

8. What did the Lord tell Aaron, Moses' brother to do?
9. What did Moses do and say when he met Aaron?
10. What did Aaron and Moses tell and show the elders of Israel?
11. How did the people act when they knew all that the Lord had said?
12. What did Moses and Aaron say to Pharaoh?
13. What did Pharaoh say?
14. What did Pharaoh tell the taskmasters over the Israelites to do?

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Part Three

Jan. 21

## Life's Golden Gleanings

(Part 2)

"Does He love us when we are naughty too?" asked little Marie.

"Yes, dear, God loves boys and girls then, too," said Grandmother, "but He is grieved when you are naughty. He wants you to be good always, that is His plan for He knows if you are good boys and girls, you are more sure to be good men and women. That is why He said, 'Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it.' Proverbs 22:6. When you know someone loves you very much you desire to please them. Now boys and girls, God loves you and desires your love in return. He knew you would need some one to teach and guide you to do this, so he gave you Fathers and Mothers, and he wants you to love them and respect them. He tells us in Ephesians 6:1 'Children obey your parents in the Lord for this is right.' 'Honor thy Father and Mother; which is the first commandment with promise.' Again in Colossians 3:20 it says, 'Children obey your parents in ALL things, for this is well pleasing to the Lord.' So you see, one of the first things to prove to God

that you love him is to do what he says to do, and that is to love, honor and obey your parents. You cannot love God whom you have not seen, unless you love and honor your parents whom you have seen. Proverbs 1:8 says, 'My son, hear the instruction of thy Father, and forsake not the law of thy Mother.' In obeying your parents you are obeying God. God has a plan in His word (the Bible) to guide us from our childhood to the end of our lives, and if we will follow it we can live with Him in heaven when we die. God knew the devil would do all he could to keep us from going to heaven, but He loved us so much He gave His only son to make a way that we might overcome the devil instead of doing evil."

"Grandmother, I know the verse that tells about it. It is St. John 3:16. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life.' " Marie said.

"Don't ever forget how he loved you and the great price he paid that you and I may gain heaven. Do you know how God gave his son to the world?" Grandmother asked.

"Oh yes," said Sue and David at once. "He let the wicked soldiers kill him. They

hung him on the cruel cross and drove big nails in his hands and feet. It was awful."

"Yes children, it was awful suffering, more than we can imagine, but he loved us," replied Grandmother.

"They put some long thorns on his head too, and the blood ran down his face," said Marie tearfully. "Oh Grandmother, why did he let them do it?"

"My dear, because he loved you and me and all the world," said Grandmother.

"He could not let people into heaven with sin in their hearts so a sacrifice had to be made to atone for sin. The scripture says in Hebrews 9:22, "Without the shedding of blood is no remission (or forgiveness) of sin. It was an awful price or sacrifice, but there was no other way. God's love for us made Him willing to give His Son and Jesus loved His Father so much He was willing to fulfill His plan that we might be saved.

"When people build a home they expect to dwell or live in it. When God created man he expected to live in his heart and keep him pure and free from sin, so when he died he could live with him in heaven. So boys and girls, when the devil tempts you to do wrong, remember how God loves you and wants to dwell in your heart. Resist the devil and Jesus will help you to do right.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(to be continued)

## Carrying Badness to Jesus

A little boy asked his mother: "How am I to be saved mother?"

"By coming to Jesus."

"But I have heard that I must be good, or else God will not save me," rejoined the boy.

"My boy, Jesus died to save the bad, not the good. It is your badness, not your goodness, you must carry to Jesus."

"That's good news," cried the boy. "How cruel it was to tell me God would have nothing to do with me unless I was good."

"Yes, it was. You can't be good until you have carried your badness to Jesus."

Then the little boy carried his badness to Jesus, and was made good through faith in Jesus's blood and obedience to His spirit in the heart.

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"Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God." Matthew 5:8.

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### LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Ask Jesus to set you free. He will do it.

Isn't it wonderful to be a child of God? We have the greatest Heavenly Father that anyone can have.

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## THE BIBLE CORNER

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Last week's answer: the new commandment that Christ gave is found in John 13:34.

Question: What baby was found in a basket by the riverside?

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Dear Boys and Girls:

In many foreign lands, people are under different cults which hold them. Some are under the power of witchdoctors and others are under evil worship of various kinds. When a missionary goes to that place and tells them that Jesus is their Saviour and will deliver them from sin and evil bondage it causes many to be stirred. Some missionaries have been killed and others mistreated. The devil hates Christ and all that teach about Him.

Moses and Aaron disturbed the king Pharaoh. He wanted the Israelites to be his slaves. When they asked him to let the people go a three days journey into the wilderness to worship the Lord, he refused. But he did more than just refuse. He punished the Israelites. He had been having straw supplied for their brick but now they had to find it. When they could not find it and still make the same number of bricks, he had their officers over them beaten. They cried unto Pharaoh. He refused to listen to them. He accused them of being idle. How sad. Now they turned on Moses and Aaron. How many times that the workers for God and the ministers are reproved for their boldness in exposing sin and seeking deliverance for sinners. This is a hard trial for them. They expect it from the world but not from fellow-workers. But they do as Moses did.

They cry unto the Lord. God has comfort and courage to give to everyone who calls upon Him in humility.

It will be well to compare the answer to Moses' crying unto the Lord to a sinner who is in sin. Egypt is a type of sin. A sinner is a slave to sin and Satan is his master. He has to do what Satan tells him to do. He groans many times under his sins. Dope, drinking strong drinks, cigarette habits, gambling, and all kinds of evils degrade his mind, as well as his body. Oh he needs a deliverer. God sends his ministers to tell them that Christ will deliver him from sin and bondage. As he looks to God, He does redeem him and brings him into a land flowing with milk and honey. In other words he gives him freedom from Satan, and he doesn't have to sin any more. Thank God for Jesus who is our Deliverer.

—Aunt Marie

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Lesson 3, Jan. 21, 1973

## PATTERN OF GOSPEL REDEMPTION

Ex. 5:15, 16-18, 20-23; Ex. 6:1-8.

Exodus 5:15 Then the officers of the children of Israel came and cried unto Pharaoh, saying, wherefore dealest thou thus with thy servants?

16 There is no straw given unto thy servants, and they say to us, make brick; and, behold, thy servants are beaten but the fault is in thine own people.

17 But he said, Ye are idle, ye are idle: therefore ye say, Let us go and do sacrifice to the Lord.

18 Go therefore now and work, for there shall no straw be given you, yet shall ye deliver the tale of bricks.

20 And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came forth from Pharaoh:

21 And they said unto them, The Lord look upon you, and judge; because ye have made our savor to be abhorred in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to slay us.

22 And Moses returned unto the Lord, and said, Lord, wherefore hast thou so evil entreated this people? why is it that thou hast sent me?

23 For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in thy name, he hath done evil to this people, neither has thou delivered thy people at all.

Exodus 6:1 Then the Lord said unto Moses, Now shalt thou see what I will do to Pharaoh: for with a strong hand shall he let them go, and with a strong hand shall he drive them out of his land.

2 And God spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I am the Lord:

3 And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of God Almighty; but by my name Jehovah was I not known to them.

4 And I have also established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, wherein they were strangers.

5 And I have also heard the groaning of the children of Israel, whom the Egyptians keep in bondage; and I have remembered my covenant.

6 Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments:

7 And I will take you to me for a people and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I am the Lord your God, which

bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

8 And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob and I will give it you for a heritage: I am the Lord.

Memory Verse: Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. What did the officers say to Pharaoh after they had been beaten by the taskmasters because they did not have enough bricks made?

2. Was it their fault?

3. What did Pharaoh tell them?

4. What did they say to Moses and Aaron when they met them?

5. Where did Moses go after they talked to him?

6. What did he tell the Lord?

7. What did the Lord tell Moses?

8. Had God appeared to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and by what name was He to be known to Moses?

9. A covenant is a promise. What land did God promise to give to the Israelites?

10. What did God hear coming from the Israelites and why?

11. In verse six what did God promise to do for them?

12. Egypt is a type of sin. What will God do for those who are groaning under the heavy burden of sin?

13. In verse seven what did he promise to do for them?

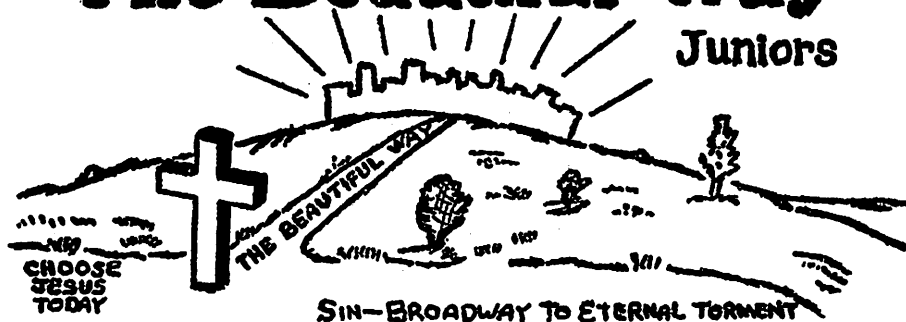
14. What did he promise in verse 8?

15. What heritage or good thing will God give to those who are brought out of sin?

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## Life's Golden Gleanings

(Part 3)

I told you last time I would tell you how I learned to pray. I wonder if you really know what prayer is?"

"Oh sure, it is talking to God," Sue said.

"Yes dear, that is true, we pray to our heavenly Father, just like we would tell our dearest friend our needs. It isn't just saying words or reciting a poem, but earnestly telling him our needs, and thanking him for all his many blessings to us every day, also for His tender mercy to us when we are in unconscious sleep. Oh, how we love and adore him, and want to live for him! It is wonderful to know he listens to our prayers and is able to answer. Remember God is able to do ALL things, we must believe that. That is faith.

"I learned to pray when I was very young, for I had a praying mother. We had family worship at our home. Morning and night the Word was read and we bowed in prayer together. I was taught that Jesus was my dearest friend and he loved me and wanted me to be good and love him. Mother was never too busy to teach and instruct

me in the ways of truth and right; praying with me many times during the day. When we would get hurt, she taught us to take our troubles to Jesus and he would answer our prayer. She also taught us when we did wrong Jesus was grieved and we would have to go to him and tell him we were sorry and repent of the wrong and he would forgive us.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(to be continued)

## A Street Education for Boys

A City Missionary visited an unhappy man in jail, awaiting his trial for a sad crime. "Sir," said the prisoner—the tears running down his cheeks; "I had a good home education, it was my street education that ruined me. I used to slip out of the house, and go off with the boys in the street. In the street, I learned to lounge; in the street, I learned to swear; in the street, I learned to smoke; in the street, I learned to gamble; in the street I learned to steal. Oh, sir, it is in the street the devil lurks, to work the ruin of the young!"

## Children and God's Power

We're learning how God used Moses and Aaron, who were old men, to show His power and might to Pharaoh, the Egyptians, and the children of Israel. Does God ever use children to show His power? Let's see.

You remember the lad (John 6:9) who had a lunch of five loaves of barley bread and two small fishes? Well, Jesus used this little boy's lunch, and after giving God thanks for it, he fed five thousand people. God can take little things to show His power.

Then there is Samuel, the little boy whose mother gave him to the Lord to serve in the temple when he was very small. And Samuel served Eli the high priest. There was no prophet in Israel to speak the words from God, but He chose Samuel while yet a young boy, to be the one to whom He gave His word. Samuel was faithful to tell Eli the message

from the Lord, even though it was a message of awful destruction upon Eli and his sons.

David, who was a young shepherd boy, learned to trust the Lord while keeping his father's sheep. God helped him slay a lion and a bear, and because he knew God could help him, he had enough courage to go out against the giant Goliath and slay him. David, who learned of God's power while a young boy, became the great deliverer, and finally, the great King of Israel.

There are other children mentioned in the Bible through whom God worked and showed His power: Joash, who, being king at seven years old, attempted to repair the temple of God; Miriam, Moses' sister, who watched over him while he floated in the basket on the river, and who went to get their mother as Moses' nurse; Naaman's wife's handmaid, who, by remembering the great power of the God of Israel, caused Naaman to send for the man of God and be healed of leprosy; Joseph, who as a young boy dreamed dreams which foretold of his reign as ruler in Egypt and the saving of his household.

--B.L.M.

### LESSON ILLUSTRATION



God's Power is the Greatest

Mose's rod swallowed up the magician's rods.

## THE BIBLE CORNER

Answer: Exodus 2:3 tells what baby was found by the riverside.

Question: Where did the children of Israel come from before they came to Egypt? (Clue: see Gen. chapters 45, 46, 47)

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I ask Thee for a thoughtful love  
Through constant watching wise,  
To meet the glad with joyful smiles  
And to wipe the weeping eyes.  
A heart at leisure from itself  
To soothe and sympathize.

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Dear Boys and Girls:

God can do anything. God is great and mighty. God is greater than man. God is greater than the devil. We want to think of God as One who can do anything. Nothing is impossible with God. Man can only do some things, but God can do all things. Man can build a machine that will go to the moon, but God made the moon and the earth and everything that man has used to make his machine. God has all power. We want to think of God in this way.

Our lesson tells us about the great big God who had told Moses and Aaron to do some mighty deeds by His power so that the people in Israel and Pharaoh would know how great He was. When Moses had Aaron show Pharaoh the sign that God had told him to show Pharaoh, it showed the great power of God. When his rod turned into a snake the wise men or magicians of Pharaoh's court were called. They did the same but God's power was greater. The rod of Moses that had turned into a snake swallowed up the snakes of the magicians. The devil has some power but God's power is greater. God wanted the king to know that. God wants us to know this. When

we are saved and our sins have been forgiven, we belong to Jesus. We have Jesus in our hearts and we have more power than the devil. When we pray to Jesus and the devil comes to try to get us to do wrong we can overcome. The devil might tell you to tell a lie. That is a terrible thing to do. You pray and Jesus gives you power over that thought or temptation. In other words, the power of God will swallow up that thought or temptation of the devil to tell a lie. Isn't it wonderful to be the Lord's? We can overcome and be ready to meet our God when we die.

God did some other mighty works before the king. Wouldn't it be awful to have our water to turn to blood? The fish died and the rivers smelled terrible. Then to have frogs in your beds, houses, ovens, kneading-troughs, fields and everywhere would be an awful thing. After Moses prayed and they died the land stank. But the king would not let them go. He was a wicked king. We want to love God.

—Aunt Marie

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Lesson 4, Jan. 28, 1973

### GOD'S POWER MANIFESTED

Ex. 7:1, 2, 10-12; 1 John 4:4; Luke 10:19, 20; Ex. 7:20, 21, 25; Ex. 8:6, 8, 9a, 10.

Exodus 7:1 And the Lord said unto Moses, See, I have made thee a god to Pharaoh: and Aaron thy brother shall be thy prophet.

2 Thou shalt speak all that I command thee: and Aaron thy brother shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he send the children of Israel out of his land.

10 And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, and they did so as the Lord had commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh, and before his servants, and it became a serpent.

11 Then Pharaoh also called the wise men and the sorcerers: now the magicians of Egypt, they also did in like manner with their enchantments.

12 For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents: but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods.

1 John 4:4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

Luke 10:19 Behold I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

20 Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you: but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

Exodus 7:20 And Moses and Aaron did so as the Lord commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and smote the waters that were in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the waters that were in the river were turned to blood.

21 And the fish that was in the river died; and the river stank, and the Egyptians could not drink of the water of the river; and there was blood throughout all the land of Egypt.

25 And seven days were fulfilled, after that the Lord had smitten the river.

Exodus 8:6 And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt.

8 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, Entreat the Lord, that he may take away the frogs from me, and from my people; and I will let the people go, that they may do sacrifice unto the Lord.

9a. And Moses said unto Pharaoh, Glory over me; when shall I entreat for thee?

10 And he said, Tomorrow. And he said, Be it according to thy word; that thou mayest know that there is none like unto the Lord our God.

Memory Verse: If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, when men rose up against us; They had swallowed us up quick. Psalms 124:2, 3a.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Who did God make Moses a god unto?
2. What part did Aaron play in the trips to see Pharaoh?
3. What did Aaron do before Pharaoh at Moses' request?
4. What did Pharaoh do when he saw the snake?
5. What did Aaron's rod do?
6. Who had the greatest power, God or Satan?
7. We are God's children if we are saved. We have overcome the devil because who is it that lives in our hearts that is greater than the devil?
8. What power does God give us over the devil or our enemies?
9. What are we to rejoice over?
10. What did God command Moses and Aaron to do now?
11. What happened to all the waters in Egypt?
12. How long were the waters bloody?
13. Pharaoh would not let the children of Israel go into the wilderness to worship the Lord. What next did Aaron and Moses do?
14. What did Pharaoh say when he called for Moses and Aaron?
15. Did the frogs leave the land at the time that Moses asked God to take them away?

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## Life's Golden Gleanings

(Part 4)

I well remember one time when I disobeyed, and had to suffer. Mother had taught us if we disobeyed God's word we would have to suffer for it. And I found that to be true. She had been drying fruit, and had some peaches on the roof of the shed. She told us to not go up the ladder, as we might fall. She went up every day and saw about them, and at times gave me one to eat. But I had a desire to go up too, and the devil assured me I would not fall. One evening after she had gone in the house I started up the ladder. I went very carefully, and reached the top and reached over and took a peach and took a bite. Oh! Oh! Oh! What do you think had happened? I had bit into a yellow jacket and it had stung me in the mouth. I don't know yet how I got down from there without falling, but I screamed for help. I wanted Mother real bad then. It was hurting so bad I could hardly tell what had happened. I knew I had done wrong and told Mother I was sorry. She told me I must tell Jesus I had done wrong and tell Him I was sorry I had disobeyed,

then we would ask Him to stop the hurting, which we did. This was one lesson I long remembered. It does not pay to disobey the Lord.

"Mother prayed often in secret. Many times I would find her in prayer and I would kneel down by her side and wait for her. Many times she called my name in prayer asking God to keep his hand over me and help me to grow up to be a godly woman. How I thank God for my precious Mother, and the example she set before me. Anything we needed we prayed about it. If we were sick we prayed and God healed. He supplied our every need in many miraculous ways because we prayed and trusted Him. Nothing was too small or great to tell Jesus about. And so I learned to pray. I have found Him a true friend and a present help in time of need all down through the years of my life. He has never failed and I know He never will.

"So children, have faith in God, don't forget to pray and trust Him for all your needs. He will answer your prayer while young as well as when you are old if you will do the right."

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(to be continued)

## Alphabetical Arrangement of First Letters Except J and U

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All mortal men that live must surely die,  
But how, or when, is hid from human eye;  
Consider then, thy few uncertain days,  
Delay no longer to amend thy ways;  
Engage thy heart to serve the Lord in love,

For all his ways, the way of comfort prove.

Grant to thyself no time for vain delight,  
Hate all that's wrong, and love to do the right;

In all thou ever dost, act in God's fear,  
Keep still the thoughts of death and judgment near;

Learn to avoid, what thou believ'st is sin,  
Mind what reproves or justifies within;  
No act is good, which doth disturb the peace,

Or can be bad that makes true joy increase.

Prevent the loss of time, be timely wise;  
Quench not the Spirit, all his teachings prize;

Rey alone upon that power, that can  
Subdue the pride and haughty looks of man;

This heavenly power is that which sanctifies

Unto the Lord, the heart that's truly wise.  
Wait for it then, in it such wisdom is,  
Xenophon's wisdom, folly was to this;  
Yea, this, if 'tis obeyed, will give thee youth,

Zeal for the Lord, and lead unto all truth.

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## Pity and Forgiveness

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Not long ago as two schoolboys, about nine years of age, were enjoying themselves in a house, which was under repair, one of them very wantonly threw upon the other a quantity of lime and dust, which,

falling into his eyes, nearly deprived him of sight for some time. On the poor boy going home, he was met by his father, who exasperated at what had been done, vowed that the next time he caught the mischievous boy that way, he would throw him into the canal, which ran hard by. The child listened to the oaths of his father, and then calmly looking up to him, though still suffering excruciating pain from the effects of the lime, said: "Father, don't do that, let's pity him for not having more sense." The expression was sincere; the father felt it to be so, and the threat was never executed. If the reader of this be a schoolboy, I would say to him: "Go and do thou likewise," and when anyone willfully or accidentally injures you, revenge not, but pity him, and pray for him that he may get wisdom and understanding. Oh! what a different world will this be, when every little scholar is a pitying and a praying scholar.

Young persons should, above all else beware of beginnings, and by no means parley with temptations; their greatest security is in flight, and in the study to avoid all occasions of evil; for the cockatrice, which may be easily crushed in the egg, if suffered to hatch and grow up, will prove a deadly serpent hard to be destroyed.

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"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." II Timothy 2:15. The Bible is our safe st, most reliable guidebook.

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## THE BIBLE CORNER

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Answer: Before the children of Israel came to Egypt, they lived in Canaan. Gen. 45:25; 46:6, 31.

Question: Name the twelve sons of Jacob, whose name God changed to Israel. (Clue: see Gen. 35)

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Heart of Stone.

Heart of Flesh.

God writes this law upon the fleshly tables of the heart. II Cor. 3:3.

Dear Boys and Girls:

The Bible speaks of a person's heart. That means the center of your self. It means the real you. When someone says something to hurt you, something inside of you feels it. It's the center of your mind, spirit, and strength. If you have given Jesus your heart, and want to please him, you will want to do good. The devil will try to get you to do wrong, but the real you won't want to please the devil. The heart is the center of you that lives in the body. The body will die and go back to dust, but your soul, or you, will leave the body and go to that waiting place or paradise until the judgment, if you are saved. If you die and are not saved, then your soul will go to a place of torment until the judgment and then after you are judged, you will be cast into the lake of fire with the devil and his imps.

Pharaoh had a hard heart. He had a heart of stone. He needed a heart of flesh. Today people are seeing the miracles of God, but they will not bow to God. They can look out of their windows and see the trees growing and see a miracle. Even our bodies are a miracle of God. All around us we see the work of God. We want to love and serve our wonderful God. Many do not, and they suddenly go

out of this life unprepared. God deals with every soul. It's dangerous to not love God and serve him.

The swarms of flies were a stinging fly and sucked blood, some seem to think. How terrible this must have been. But the people of God who lived in the land of Goshen were not bothered with even one fly. God showed his power and love to them. Before this the magicians had worked miracles, but they could not make flies nor make the dust turn into lice. They said this was the "finger of God." Not that they wanted to honor God, but because they wanted to explain why they couldn't. It is said that one parent female louse can produce 5,000 lice in six weeks.

God loves his children and at times he protects them from the dangers that come to sinners, but other times he permits some things to touch them so they will cut loose from this earth and love him more.  
—Aunt Marie

Lesson 5, Feb. 4, 1973

### A HARDENED HEART

Ex. 7:3; Rom. 1:28, 29a; Ex. 7:14; Prov. 29:1; Rev. 22:17; Ex. 8:17-19, 21, 22, 24b, 28, 31, 32.

Exodus 7:3 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply my signs and my wonders in the land of Egypt.

Romans 1:28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

29a Being filled with all unrighteousness.

Exodus 7:14 And the Lord said unto Moses, Pharaoh's heart is hardened, he refuseth to let the people go.

Proverbs 29:1 He, that being often reproved hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy.

Revelations 22:17 And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that

heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever WILL, let him take the water of life freely.

Exodus 8:17 And they did so; for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the earth, and it became lice in man, and in beast; all the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

18 And the magicians did so with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could not: so there were lice upon man, and upon beast.

19 Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This is the finger of God: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he hearkened not unto them; as the Lord had said.

21 Else, if thou wilt not let my people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies upon thee, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thy houses: and the houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of flies, and also the ground whereon they are.

22 And I will sever in that day the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there; to the end thou mayest know that I am the Lord in the midst of the earth.

24b The land was corrupted by reason of the swarm of flies.

28 And Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to the Lord your God in the wilderness; only ye shall not go very far away: entreat for me.

31 And the Lord did according to the word of Moses; and he removed the swarms of flies from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people; there remained not one.

32 And Pharaoh hardened his heart at this time also, neither would he let the people go.

Memory Verse: Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you. Proverbs 1:23.

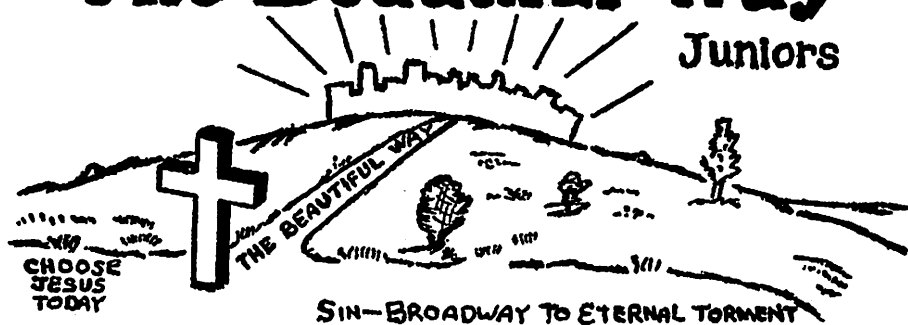
#### QUESTIONS:

1. Will the signs and wonders by God in Egypt cause Pharaoh's heart to be hardened?
2. What does it mean in the Bible when it speaks of the heart?
3. What happens to those who will not believe or retain God in their minds, or knowledge? (Reprobate mind means they will not try to do right.)
4. What does being "filled with all unrighteousness" mean?
5. Because Pharaoh would not listen or harken to Moses and his heart became hard, what was God going to permit to come to him?
6. What happens to people who continually reject or won't listen to the Word of God?
7. Does God and the Bride, or His church, want everyone to be saved? Who can be saved?
8. What did Moses and Aaron do next to the Israelites?
9. Could the magicians, who were Satan's men, do this?
10. What did they tell Pharaoh about this plague?
11. Pharaoh would not let the people go, so what did God tell Moses to do next?
12. Did God allow any flies to be where the Israelites lived?
13. How did the flies torment the Egyptians?
14. Did Pharaoh say he would let the people go, and how far?
15. When the flies left the land when Moses prayed, did Pharaoh's heart become soft?

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## Life's Golden Gleanings

(Part 5)

"Grandmother, do tell us some more of when you were a little girl," David said.

"Yes, I did promise to tell some of the experiences of my childhood. I hardly know where to begin but I think I should tell you some about my parents. They were good, honest, hard working people, and my earliest memories begin with them.

"My father, Robert M. Trimble, was born near Huston, Missouri and when a young man came to the Indian Territory which is now Oklahoma. Mother, Ida Pearlee (Warden) Trimble, was born at McKinney, Texas. About 1892 her parents moved to the Indian Territory also.

Many people were moving to the Territory those days as the Government was buying up the land from the Indians, and there were good opportunities for settlers. Wherever a community was established there would be a school house built. This was the center of all activities in the community. They had pie suppers, box suppers, programs of all kind, political speeches, singings, and Union Sunday

School and church services. That means no matter what church name people belonged to, they laid that aside and came together and had services. In the summer they would build brush arbors and have big gatherings from all the country around. People didn't have many places to go in those days. They were also more religiously inclined. Nearly everyone went to church."

"What is a brush arbor, Grandmother," asked Marie.

"Well, they put big poles in the ground and across the top. They would cut green limbs from trees and pile them on top so it would make a shade."

"My, that must have looked funny, and what if it rained," laughed the children.

"Well, I am sure it did sometimes, but you would be surprised how well it stood the weather for a time. Anyway, the people enjoyed these meetings and a place to meet together and sing. Singings were very popular then and both my parents loved to sing and took a great interest in them. It was at one of these meetings my parents met for the first time. The young people didn't have the conveniences of today, such as cars to go in, but they had just as good a time as they

do today. They rode horses or went in buggies. I remember them telling of many laughable experiences on horse back in their courting days.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(to be continued)

## The Better Land

CHILD:

I hear thee speak of a better land,  
Thou call'st its children a happy band.  
Mother! oh where is that radiant shore?  
Shall we not seek it and weep no more?  
Is it where the flower of the orange  
blows?  
And the fire-flies glance through the  
myrtle boughs?

MOTHER:

Not there, not there, my child.

CHILD:

Is it where the feathery palm-trees rise,  
And the date grows ripe under sunnyskies,  
Or midst the green islands of glittering  
seas,  
Where fragrant forests perfume the  
breeze,  
And strange bright birds on their starry  
wings,  
Bear the rich hues of all glorious things?

MOTHER:

Not there, not there my child.

CHILD:

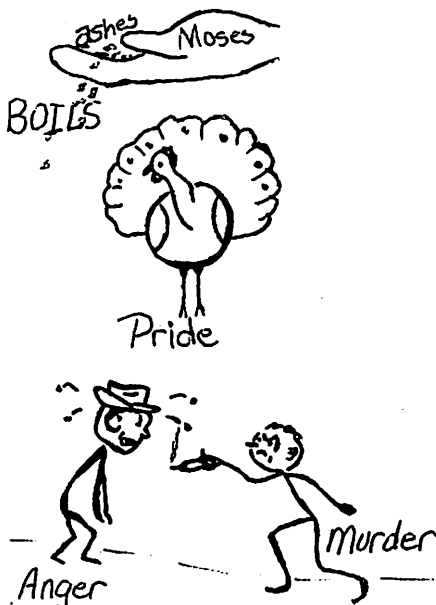
Is it far away in some regions old,  
Where the rivers wander o'er sands of  
gold?  
Where the burning rays of the ruby shine,

And the diamond lights up the golden mine,  
And the pearl gleams forth from the golden  
strand,  
Is it there, sweet mother, that better land?

MOTHER:

Not there, not there, my child.  
Eye hath not seen it, my gentle boy,  
Ear hath not heard its deep songs of joy,  
Dreams cannot picture a world so fair,  
Sorrow and death may not enter there,  
Time doth not breathe on its fadeless  
bloom,  
For beyond the clouds, and beyond the  
tomb,  
It is there, it is there, my child!

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



## LITTLE THINGS

## THE BIBLE CORNER

Answer: Jacob's (Israel's) twelve sons are named in Exodus 1:2-5, and in Gen. 35:22-26.

Question: How many descendents of Jacob came into Egypt? (Clue: see Gen. 46; a score is twenty).

Dear Boys and Girls:

Don't you think that Pharaoh was very bold to keep fighting against God? Just think of the four plagues that were brought upon Egypt because he would not let the people go. God had told the Israelites' fathers 450 years before, that at this time he would bring them out of bondage in Egypt. The time had come. God always keeps His promises. People may break theirs, but God never breaks His promises. But God was so merciful. He tried to get Pharaoh to see His mighty power and let the people go, but he would not. God sent the fifth plague upon the Egyptians. Moses did not use his rod in this plague. "The hand of the Lord" brought the plague of murrain upon the cattle, horses, camels, oxen, and sheep. It was a bad disease. It caused the head to swell and affected the heart. All the cattle died in one day. But none died in the land of Goshen where the Israelites lived.

Pharaoh still would not let the people go. God told Moses to take some ashes from the furnace, where the Israelites baked brick and other building materials for the king, and sprinkle it before Pharaoh. Moses did this and the wind blew it out over the land. Boils and blains broke out on the people. These were blisters, swelling in big sores. It was very painful. The magicians could not do this and we do not know if they died from this disease, but we do not hear

about them any more. But Pharaoh still would not let the people go.

Just think what a little handful of ashes caused. It brought a great disease and trouble to those who refused to let the people go, and who had made the Israelites their slaves. Little things can cause much trouble. The Bible says the tongue is a little member of the body, but oh, the trouble words can cause. Talebearing is terrible. One person had told something that was not true on another person. Later she was sorry. She wanted to clear it. The wise man told her to take a sack of feathers on a windy day and turn them loose and then try to pick them up. It was impossible to gather all of them up. Also think about Saul. He was a humble man when he was appointed king. He was "little in his own sight", but he became proud and God rejected him from being king. A little pride will ruin a person. A little anger has caused a murder. A little yeast in the flour will make it swell. A little evil in the heart will grow. A little evil in a boy's or girl's heart will cause them to do evil. Watch the little things.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 6, Feb. 11, 1973

### LITTLE THINGS BRING GREAT WOES

Ex. 9:1, 7, 8, 10-12; James 3:5, 6, 8, 13; 1 Samuel 15:17; Prov. 16:13; 1 Corinthians 5:6-8.

Exodus 9:1 Then the Lord said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus saith the Lord God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

7 And Pharaoh sent, and, behold, there was not one of the cattle of the Israelites dead (from plague of murrain). And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the people go.

8 And the Lord said unto Moses and unto Aaron, Take to you handfuls of ashes of the furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it toward the heaven in the sight of Pharaoh.

10 And they took ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses sprinkled it up toward heaven; and it became a boil breaking forth with blains upon man, and upon beast.

11 And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils; for the boil was upon the magicians, and upon all the Egyptians.

12 And the Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he hearkened not unto them; as the Lord had spoken unto Moses.

James 3:5 Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth!

6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.

8 But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.

13 Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him show out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom.

1 Samuel 15:1 And Samuel said (to King Saul), When thou wast little in thine own sight, wast thou not made the head of the tribes of Israel, and the Lord anointed thee king over Israel?

Proverbs 16:18 Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.

1 Corinthians 5:6 Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?

7 Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:

8 Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Memory Verse: As righteousness tendeth to life; so he that pursueth evil pursueth it to his own death. Proverbs 11:19.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. What did the Lord tell Moses to say to Pharaoh?

2. The "hand of the Lord" brought what kind of a disease upon the horses, asses, camels, oxen, and sheep?

3. Did any of the Israelites' cattle die in one day like those in Egypt?

4. Pharaoh would not let the people go, so what next did the Lord tell Moses to do?

5. The furnace was the place used by the Israelites, who were slaves to the Egyptians, to make brick for Pharaoh. What happened when he took a handful of ashes and sprinkled them in front of Pharaoh?

6. Our lesson topic is what?

7. What does the Bible call the tongue?

8. What can a little match cause? What can a few words of untruth cause?

9. How are spoken words like trying to put a fire out?

10. How can the tongue cause a person to go to hell?

11. When Saul was made king, how did he feel about himself?

12. Saul became proud. What comes to a person when they become proud?

13. Leaven is yeast used in making bread. What will a little evil in the heart do to a person; what will an evil person among some good boys and girls do?

14. What kind of things should we watch or get rid of so they will not become big?

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## Life's Golden Gleanings

(Part 6)

"They were married in 1898 at Velma, Oklahoma. In January, 1899 a baby girl was born to bless their home. But this little life was brief and in April, she took pneumonia and in a short time passed away, leaving them heartbroken. Home was not the same now and they began to want to move as it was so lonesome there. Mother would go to the field and walk around and around with Father as he plowed the fields. How they wished they could move to a new location, but the crops were planted and nothing to do but wait until it could be harvested. They lived about ten miles from Mother's parents and in those days that was a long distance so she didn't get to see them too often. Mother was the oldest of the children and missed her brothers and sisters. Sometimes they would bring one of the youngest home with them to stay a week or so as she was so lonely. So the summer passed and the fall came. The crops were ready to gather in.

"Many opportunities were before the young of that day to get a home for themselves. There was much talk of land being opened up for homesteading. The big run of 1889 was over, but yet in the Western part of the Territory it had not all been taken. So plans began to form in their minds of going West to find a home. It seemed like a long ways from her family, which was the hardest for her, but their young hearts were eager to have a home to call their own, and Grandfather talked of coming later if they found it a good country.

"When the crops were all gathered and sold they were ready to start. Two or three neighbor families had decided the same way, and all would go along together. They loaded all their earthly possessions in wagons and started West to stake out a homestead. This was in the fall of 1899. Their team was one horse and a white mule, also Father's saddle horse, Star, which he would not part with. Star was led behind the wagon. They took a pig, a few chickens, a plow, seed corn and a few carpenter tools he had, besides their household dishes, bedding and clothes, etc.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(to be continued)

## Bob, the Cabin Boy

The affecting story of Bob the cabin boy, deserves ever to be remembered both by sailors and landsmen. A wicked and tyrannical captain was suddenly seized with alarming illness: the crew, with the exception of Bob, left him to perish, uncared for. A few days before the captain's death, he begged the cabin boy to try and find a Bible. Bob succeeded in finding a copy in one of the men's chests, and returning to the cabin, he inquired: "Where shall I read, master?"

"Try and pick out some places that speak about sinners and salvation," replied the dying man.

And the lad read the words of hope from the precious volume. The Holy Spirit blessed those words.

"Oh, Bob, kneel down and pray for me," piteously cried the captain.

The poor lad knelt down, and in simple but heartfelt language, prayed that God would have mercy on his captain.

The next morning, he told Bob that the words, "Son be of good cheer; thy sins which are many are all forgiven thee," had come with comfort to his troubled heart. Instead of cursing his crew, he could now pray for them.

"God bless you, my dear boy; tell my crew to forgive me, as I forgive and pray for them," were almost his last words.

The next morning, when Bob called, "Master," there was no answer. On entering the cabin, he found the body of the captain kneeling in the attitude of prayer, but the spirit had fled.

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## Don't Be Cowards

"I won't tell a lie! I won't be a coward!" said a fine little fellow, when he had broken a little statuette of his father's in

Showing it to his playmates, and they were telling him how he could deceive his father and escape a scolding. He was right.

Cowards tell lies, brave little boys tell the truth. So was Charlie Mann right, and was rewarded for it, as the following story will show: —

A young offender whose name was Charlie Mann, smashed a large pane of glass in a drug store, and ran away at first, for he was slightly frightened; but he quickly began to think, "What am I running for? It was an accident; why not turn about and tell the truth?"

No sooner thought than done. Charlie was a brave boy; he told the whole truth, how the ball with which he was playing slipped out of his hand, how frightened he was, how sorry, too, at the mischief done, and how willing to pay if he had the money.

Charlie did not have the money, but he could work, and to work he went at once, in the very store where he broke the glass. It took him a long time to pay for the large and expensive pane he had shattered, but when it was done he had endeared himself so much to the storekeeper by his fidelity and truthfulness, that he could not hear of his going away, and Charlie became his clerk. "Ah, what a blessed day it was when I broke that window," he used to say.

"No, Charlie," his mother would respond, "what a blessed day it was when you were not afraid to tell the truth!"

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"Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." Romans 12:21.

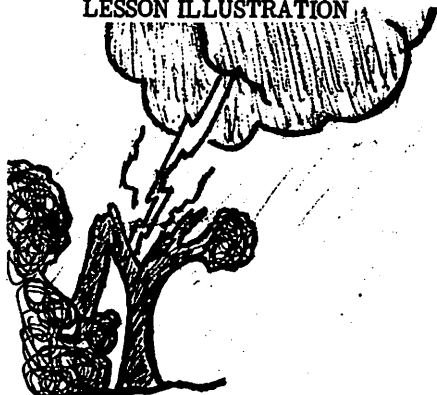
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## THE BIBLE CORNER

Answer: Jacob had three score (a score is twenty) and ten descendants that came into Egypt. 20 X 3 is 60 plus 10 makes 70. Gen. 46:27.

Question: Who was Moses' and Aaron's mother and father? (Clue: see Exodus 6).

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



"Fire ran along the ground...smote every herb in the field and brake every tree in the field...upon the beast and every man in the field...they shall die."

Dear Boys and Girls:

God has dealt with Pharaoh again and again trying to get him to obey Him and let the people go. They were being so mistreated and had to work so hard. God heard their prayers and was going to deliver them from Pharaoh. But remember they were a great nation. There were 600,000 men besides the women and children that finally left Egypt after God showed mercy to Pharaoh in dealing with him, and he finally let them go. God not only wanted the Egyptians to know His power but He wanted the Israelites to see His power and be willing to follow God out of the land.

Today there are wicked people whom God deals with. He tries to help them to see His mercy and love to them. He wants them to love and serve Him. God knows that there is only one place for wicked people to go and that is to hell. Isn't God wonderful when He tries to keep people from going there? If you saw someone running and they were looking backwards and you knew they would run into a low clothes line and be hurt, what should you

do? Maybe there would not be time for them to duck if you yelled at them or maybe there would be so much noise they would not hear you. Well, the best thing to do would be to grab them or trip them. Now this might hurt them some if you tripped them, but not like hitting the clothes line on their neck or head. That would be a severe jolt. This is a simple example. God may permit some troubles to come to a person to wake them up and keep them from going to hell. This is mercy.

We must not think of God as being cruel, but He always is a God of mercy, yet He has judgments. If we don't obey His commands then His judgments just naturally fall upon us.

In verse 16 of our lesson, we want to remember the words, "raise thee up" which refers to how the Lord in His mercy did not let Pharaoh or his servants die from the boils or blains. You can read James 5:15, and the same words are used where the sick are raised up when they are healed. God is merciful and we do love Him for His great mercy to us.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 7, Feb. 18, 1973

## IT PAYS TO OBEY GOD

Exodus 9:13-26

Exodus 9:13 And the Lord said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

14 For I will at this time send all my plagues upon thine heart, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people; that thou mayest know that there is none like me in all the earth.

15 For now I will stretch out my hand, that I may smite thee and thy people with pestilence; and thou shalt be cut off from the earth.

16 And in very deed for this cause have I raised thee up, for to show in thee my power; and that my name may be declared throughout all the earth.

17 As yet exaltest thou thyself against my people, that thou wilt not let them go?

18 Behold, tomorrow about this time I will cause it to rain a very grievous hail, such as hath not been in Egypt since the foundation thereof even until now.

19 Send therefore now, and gather thy cattle, and all that thou hast in the field; for upon every man and beast which shall be found in the field, and shall not be brought home, the hail shall come down upon them, and they shall die.

20 He that feared the word of the Lord among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses:

21 And he that regarded not the word of the Lord left his servants and his cattle in the field.

22 And the Lord said unto Moses, Stretch forth thine hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt upon man, and upon beast, and upon every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt.

23 And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven: and the Lord sent thunder and hail, and the fire ran along upon the ground; and the Lord rained hail upon the land of Egypt.

24 So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous, such as there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation.

25 And the hail smote throughout all the land of Egypt all that was in the field, both man and beast; and the hail smote every herb of the field, and brake every tree of the field.

26 Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were, was there no hail.

Memory Verse: For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Thess. 5:9.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. How does it pay off to obey God's Word?

2. What did the Lord tell Moses to say to Pharaoh?

3. Why was God permitting the plagues to come upon the Egyptians?

4. God said He had raised Pharaoh up from the boils and blains to show what to him? (verse 16)

5. Even though God had shown Pharaoh mercy again and again he still did what?

6. How does God show mercy to sinners today to help them see they need to obey God so they won't go to hell?

7. What was God going to do next to try to waken Pharaoh to see his need of obeying God?

8. The hail was to be more terrible than any since when?

9. Moses told Pharaoh to do what before this hail came?

10. Those who obeyed the word of the Lord did what? Did it pay for them to obey God?

11. What happened to those who did not obey God's word?

12. When did the seventh plague start?

13. Describe the plague that came to them?

14. What do verses 24 and 25 tell us was the result of this plague?

15. The land of Goshen is where the Israelites lived. Was there any hail in that land?

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Part Eight

Feb. 25

## Life's Golden Gleanings

### (Part 7)

"It would not seem very far today. In a good car it could be driven in a few hours, but then it took days, or nearly a week. They all camped out at night, making camp fires and cooking their meals, sleeping on the ground under the stars. They were happy on their new adventure. After arriving in Roger Mills county, they made camp and the men folks began to look around for a good location. After some days all had found a place, not far from each other. All had 160 acres of land. All the Government required was to live on it and make a home. It was a good opportunity for any one to get a home. Father's place had a creek on it. This was near the little village of Texmo. (It is not there today.) The men soon had a little house or dug-out ready to live in. They would help each other until they were all finished. It was a very humble abode but all were the same so no one felt cast down about it."

"Why did they call it a dug-out, Grandmother?" asked Sue.

"Well, it was dug out of the ground. They would dig down in the ground about four feet, then build above the ground about the same, sometimes with poles or lumber. They covered it over and then cut squares of sod from the earth and covered it thick all over the top. It took a real hard rain to leak through. There was a small window on each side and Father built a little fireplace in the back out of native rock. It was only one room; there they would cook, eat and sleep. It was warm and cozy and they were as happy as could be to know they had a home of their own at last.

"There were many hardships ahead but they faced them with courage because they were building a home. The coyotes were thick and soon had killed most of their chickens, also the pig disappeared, either ran away, or the coyotes had eaten it. It would look very discouraging to young folks today but many of our pioneers braved many adversities to settle the country we know today.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(to be continued)

Let not the sun go down upon your wrath.

## Hen and Chickens

I saw a poor hen in sad trouble. While strutting about the field so pleasantly, her chickens running merrily about, her eye caught sight of a dark spot in the sky. She uttered a startling cry of distress; and the chickens in a moment rushed under her wings. On looking upwards, I saw a large hawk hovering in the air. It had doubtless intended to make a meal of one of the pretty little chickens, but happily they were all safe under the mother's wings. The hawk was unwilling to leave, but the bold attitude of the hen seemed to say: "I will die before you shall seize one of my little ones."

A few minutes afterward, the intruder flew away, when the hen sounded a note of triumph, and the chickens came out in safety from their hiding place.

You will find that our blessed Saviour once said: "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, how often would I have gathered thee, as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings."

Blessed Jesus! Let us love and serve our dear Redeemer. He cares for the "little ones" of His fold, and has said: "Suffer the little children to come unto me." Under the refuge of Jesus we shall be safe from the attacks of SELF, SIN and SATAN.

## Death of a Swearer

Some years ago, at Cave's Inn, in the parish of Churchover, Warwickshire, a drover was pushing cattle into the field near the inn, for the night, and they were somewhat troublesome.

He swore so violently, that the house-keeper rebuked him, and begged he would swear no more.

He answered her by another oath, and instantly dropped down dead.

## Reproof By A Child

An English officer, on returning home from camp life, went to visit a relation; and like some others, who imitate their associates, he indulged in profane language. A little girl walked out with him to his horse; and as he was talking to her in great glee, she gently said, "I don't like to hear my cousin swear." He replied, "I know my dear, it is wrong." In the same mild tone, she rejoined, "Well then, if you know it is wrong, why do you do it?" The captain confessed to me, on relating the story, that he had never felt a reproof so much, as the one given by that little child.

### THE BIBLE CORNER

Answer: Moses' and Aarons' father was Amram, and their mother was Jochebed, Amram's aunt. (Exodus 6:20).

Question: Aaron and Moses were the great grandsons of which one of Jacob's (Israel's) twelve sons? (Clue: Read Ex. 6:16-20).

### LESSON ILLUSTRATION

#### "I AM SORRY"

Pharaoh	scared
Saul	cowardice
Achan	caught
Prodigal Son	Godly Sorrow

#### WHICH ONE WILL GOD ACCEPT?

Dear Boys and Girls:

Are you a coward? Are you afraid to be called "chicken?" Oh I am sure you would not want to admit it, but did you know that when you do not stand up for what is right, you are a coward? Sometimes we think wrongly, or others

might try to get us to think wrongly. It is wrong to think that you are a coward if you won't go with the crowd and do a wrong thing. Why, some boys and girls are so afraid of being called "chicken" that they will take a puff off of a cigarette, or they will take some dope. But boys and girls, it's being brave in this day and age to refuse what they call "kicks", and stand for right. That boy or girl who might call you "chicken" would be glad to change places with you when they are "hung up" on the dope habit, or in other kinds of trouble, which you were brave enough to walk away from and say "no", with a firmness that would have been weakened every time you yielded. It is said that nine and ten year old boys today have become alcoholics. Be smart and wise. Steer clear of all wickedness. It will ruin your mind, soul, and body.

We know the background of Pharaoh. He was humbled and fear took hold of him. He sent for the good men of God. True repentance is not often generated by thunder and hail.

The background of our verses in 1 Samuel 15:23-26 are about King Saul who disobeyed the command of God given to him through Samuel. He was to kill all the animals and people in Amalek. He blamed the people for sparing the oxen and sheep after he told Samuel that he had obeyed all the words of God. When he was caught he said, "I have sinned." Only true godly sorrow is acceptable.

The background of our verses in Joshua 7:17-10 is about Achan who disobeyed God's command. Only the silver and gold which was to be put in the treasury of the Lord was to be taken from Jericho. Achan hid in his tent, a wedge of gold, some silver and a Babylonish garment which he had taken. When Joshua lost the battle, he went before the Lord. God revealed to him that Israel had sinned. He had to get rid of the accursed

thing. God told Joshua to bring the people before him and the man who did this would be caught. Tribe by tribe came before Joshua; then family by family of the tribe of the Zarahites was taken, and then man by man. Achan was taken. He only repented when he was caught.

The prodigal son in our last scripture was awakened concerning his lost soul through many hard things. His friends forsook him, and his money was wasted on the sinful things of the world. He was starved and tried to eat the husks, which were fed to the hogs. His life of sin made him real sorry that he had left his father's house, and he longed to go back and tell him how sorry he was. Only in this way can we go to God. — Aunt Marie

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Lesson 8, Feb. 25, 1973

### ONLY GODLY SORROW ACCEPTABLE

Ex. 9:27-30, 34; 1 Sam. 15:23, 24-26;  
Joshua 7:17b, 18a, 19, 20;  
Luke 15:18, 21.

Exodus 9:27 And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them I have sinned this time: the Lord is righteous, and I and my people are wicked.

28 Entreat the Lord (for it is enough) that there be no more mighty thunderings and hail; and I will let you go, and ye shall stay no longer.

29 And Moses said unto him, As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will spread abroad my hands unto the Lord; and the thunder shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that thou mayest know how that the earth is the Lord's.

30 But as for thee and thy servants, I know that ye will not yet fear the Lord God.

34 And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were ceased, he sinned yet more, and hardened his heart, he and his servants.

1 Samuel 15:23 For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou (Saul) has rejected the word of the Lord, he hath also rejected thee from being king.

24 And Saul said unto Samuel, I have sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment of the Lord, and thy words: because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice.

25 Now therefore, I pray thee, pardon my sin, and turn again with me, that I may worship the Lord.

26 And Samuel said unto Saul, I will not return with thee: for thou hast rejected the word of the Lord, and the Lord hath rejected thee from being king over Israel.

Joshua 7:17b He brought the family of the Zarahites man by man; and Zabdi was taken:

18a And he brought his household man by man; and Achan...was taken.

19 And Joshua said unto Achan, My son, give, I pray thee, glory to the Lord God of Israel, and make confession unto him; and tell me now what thou hast done; hide it not from me.

20 And Achan answered Joshua, and said, Indeed I have sinned against the Lord God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done.

Luke 15:18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,

21 And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.

Memory Verse: For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death. 2 Corinthians 7:10.

## QUESTIONS:

1. During the hail storm with great thunder and fire running on the ground, Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron. Why do you think he said he had sinned, and said that the Lord was righteous?

2. What did he want Moses to do?

3. What was Moses' answer?

4. Saul disobeyed by sparing the "sheep, oxen and the chief of things" of the Amalekites, instead of destroying all, as God had said. What did Samuel, the prophet say to Saul?

5. Were you ever rebellious? What does the Bible say about that?

6. When Samuel said God had rejected him from being king, what did Saul say?

7. When a person fears to stand for right, what are they? What was Saul?

8. Did Saul try to cover up by saying what he did; what did he ask Samuel to do?

9. What did Samuel tell him?

10. God told the Israelites to not take one thing for themselves out of the city of Jericho when God made the walls fall down. When God told Joshua to bring the tribes before him, what tribe was taken?

11. What man was taken and what did Joshua ask him?

12. What was Achan's answer and why do you think he finally confessed?

13. Being caught in a wrong, and feeling sorry that you are caught, is that godly sorrow?

14. The prodigal son took his part of the inheritance money and went into a far city and spent it. When all was gone and he was starving, what did he do?

15. What did he tell his father?

16. Is this true repentance of our sins, and is this the way we should come to God to find forgiveness?



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Mar. 4

## Life's Golden Gleanings

(Part 8)

There were lots of Indians in the country around, with a big settlement of them at Hammond, a town not many miles away. But they were peaceable by this time. Although Mother was afraid as it was nothing unusual to see them stroll through the country, sometimes one alone or two or more together. They didn't talk much so you never knew where they were going. The men had long hair like the women, with blankets around their bodies and didn't act very friendly. They never caused trouble. They lived in teepees. They didn't have dug-outs like the white people. There was a great number on this reservation at Hammond, but later an epidemic of measles got among them and the poor things did not know how to care for themselves. When they were hot with fever they would go down to the Washita river and cool themselves, so many of them died. They thought the "Great Spirit" was against this place, so moved the village down the river a few miles.

"As winter came on provisions were scarce, as they had no crops to depend on. It was with real thanksgiving when they could set a trap and catch quail, as they were plentiful, also rabbits. So they did not lack for something to eat. Although they got tired of them before spring, they were not hungry. The neighbors were helpful to each other, and shared their meager supply with some who were sick and not able to hunt for themselves, thus loving their neighbor.

Though their earthly belongings were few and they did not have much money, they were happy to sit by their own fireplace. Papa played the old violin. They sang and played as the winds were howling outside. Sometimes the snow covered the little home completely but they were comfortable and warm inside. So passed the winter of 1899-1900 on the homestead.

"But spring brought new hope, as the prairie began to turn green, and farmers began to plow, turning the sod into fields to plant. All were busy from daylight to dark. The neighbors helped each other where needed, working with a new found zeal as this was their own land, which gave them strength to face the adversities they met. When the crops were laid

by, they began to build barns and sheds to care for their crops when harvested. Several miles away on government land, there were cedars growing. They gave permission for the settlers to cut post for fences. The men went together with several teams and wagons and would be gone several days to cut post. First they fenced in a garden and lot around the cattle sheds; as there were no fences in the whole country the cattle ran everywhere, eating and destroying crops unless watched carefully. In families where there were children that was their job to watch the crops. Where there were no children, the women had to do this. So Mama had to be out in the yard much of the time so she could see, as down in the dug-out she couldn't see over the fields. It was lonely at times, the neighbors being a long way apart. The mail didn't come often as there was no way to get it, only to go to the Post Office at Texmo. The neighbors were good to help and if one went they would get the mail for the others near them.

—Sis. Ruby Stover  
(to be continued)

## What One Sin Will Do

There was but one crack in the lantern, and the wind has found it out, and blown out the candle. How great a mischief one unguarded point of character may cause us! One spark blew up the magazine, and shook the whole country for miles around.

One leak sank the vessel, and drowned all on board. One wound may kill the body. One sin destroy the soul. It little matters how carefully the rest of the lantern is protected, the one point which is

damaged is quite sufficient to admit the wind; and so it little matters how zealous a man may be in a thousand things, if he tolerate one darling sin; Satan will find out the flaw, and destroy all his hopes.

The strength of a chain is to be measured not by its strongest, but by its weakest link, for if the weakest snaps, what is the use of the rest?

Satan is a very close observer, and knows exactly where our weak points are; we have need of very much watchfulness, and we have great cause to bless our merciful Lord who prayed for us that our faith fail not. Either our pride, our sloth, our ignorance, our anger, or our lust, would prove our ruin unless grace interposed; any one of our senses or faculties might admit the foe, yea, our very virtues and graces might be gates of entrance to our enemies. O, Jesus! if Thou hast indeed bought me with Thy blood, be pleased to keep me by Thy power even unto the end.

## Love Your Enemies

Angry looks can do no good,  
And blows are dealt in blindness,  
Words are better understood,  
If spoken but in kindness.

Simple love far more hath wrought,  
Although by childhood muttered,  
Than all the battles ever fought,  
Or oaths that men have uttered.

Friendship oft would longer last,  
And quarrels be prevented,  
If little words were let go past,  
Forgiven — not resented.

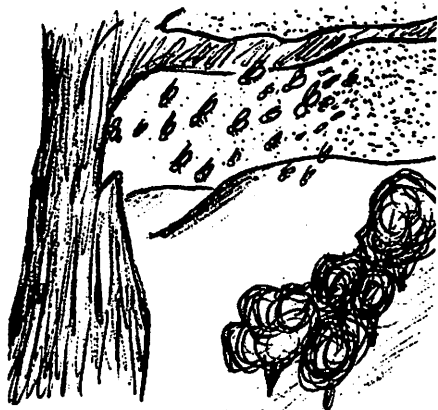
Foolish things are frowns and sneers,  
For angry thoughts reveal them;  
Rather drown them all in tears,  
Than let another feel them.

## THE BIBLE COENER

Answer: Aaron and Moses were the great grandsons of Levi, which became the priests' tribe. Exodus 6:16.

Question: How old were Moses and Aaron when they spoke with Pharaoh? (Clue: see Exodus 7)

### LESSON ILLUSTRATION



The Plague of the Locusts

Dear Boys and Girls:

Surely we are serving a mighty God. Do you not see in our study of the dealings of God with Pharaoh that it does not pay to cross our God? God will have the last word. Some have defied God and lived wickedly. God could cut them off suddenly but He has great mercy. God prolongs life and hopes that man will turn to Him. God has given you your life. Every breath you draw, God permits you to draw. Everything that you have comes from God. God is to be loved and yet to be feared. We do not want to cross God. You might disobey your parents and talk hateful to them, but you will have to deal with God

in the end about your wrong doing. Don't think you can sin and get by. God has certain laws and you must obey them or you will have to face God with it. You might do it again and again, which is such a risky thing to do, but you will one of these days find that you are coming into severe trouble and God is bringing you to terms. When you tell a lie, you have sinned. You are on the road to hell. The only way you can get it fixed up is to confess it and clear it up with the one you told it to and with God. When you steal, you are a sinner. You are on the way to hell. The only way for you to get it cleared up is to confess it and take back or pay for what you took. If you can't do either, you must confess it to the person or go as far as you can. God means what He says, yet He is a good and merciful God to those who will love Him. It's wonderful to have God on your side. He will love you, care for you and help you.

We want to learn from these plagues that the rivers, the dust of the earth, the atmosphere, the thunder, lightning, and hail are all under the control of God. God also has power over the devil. God can deliver people from the power of the devil. God can change the plans of the devil and destroy the works of the devil. The magicians of Egypt were agents of the devil but they could only go so far.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 9, Mar. 4, 1973

### TELL IT TO FUTURE GENERATIONS

Exodus 10:1, 2-5a, 6b, 7-9, 11, 13a, 15b, 16a, 17b, 19a.

Exodus 10:1 And the Lord said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh..., that I might show these my signs before him:

2 And that thou mayest tell in the ears of thy son, and of thy son's son, what

things I have wrought in Egypt, and my signs which I have done among them; that ye may know how that I am the Lord.

3 And Moses and Aaron came in unto Pharaoh, and said unto him, Thus saith the Lord God of the Hebrews, How long wilt thou refuse to humble thyself before me? let my people go, that they may serve me.

4 Else, if thou refuse to let my people go, behold, tomorrow will I bring the locusts into thy coast:

5a And they shall cover the face of the earth.

6b And he (Moses) turned himself, and went out from Pharaoh.

7 And Pharaoh's servants said unto him, How long shall this man be a snare unto us? let the men go, that they may serve the Lord their God: knowest thou not yet that Egypt is destroyed?

8 And Moses and Aaron were brought again unto Pharaoh; and he said unto them, Go, serve the Lord your God: but who are they that shall go?

9 And Moses said, We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go; for we must hold a feast unto the Lord.

11 Not so: go now ye that are men, and serve the Lord; for that ye did desire. And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.

13a And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and the Lord brought an east wind upon the land...and the east wind brought the locusts.

15b And they did eat every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there remained not any green thing in the trees, or in the herbs of the field, through all the land of Egypt.

16a Then Pharaoh called for Moses.

17b Entreat the Lord your God, that he may take away from me this death only.

19a And the Lord turned a mighty strong west wind, which took away the locusts.

Memory Verse: We have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us, what work thou didst in their days, in the times of old. Psalms 44:1.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. What did God want Moses to tell to his sons and they in turn tell their sons?

2. Today you have been told that God had done what in Egypt?

3. What did Moses and Aaron tell Pharaoh that God had said?

4. Why didn't God make Pharaoh obey him instead of asking him why he did not humble himself?

5. What was God going to do next if Pharaoh still refused to let the people go?

6. Tell what the locusts would do?

7. What did Pharaoh's servants ask him?

8. What did Pharaoh do when his servants spoke to him as they did?

9. Who did Moses want to take with him to worship the Lord?

10. Did Pharaoh agree with Moses, and what happened?

11. An east wind blew all day and all night, and in the morning what came into Egypt?

12. What did the locusts eat?

13. When Pharaoh got into trouble who did he want to come? Why?

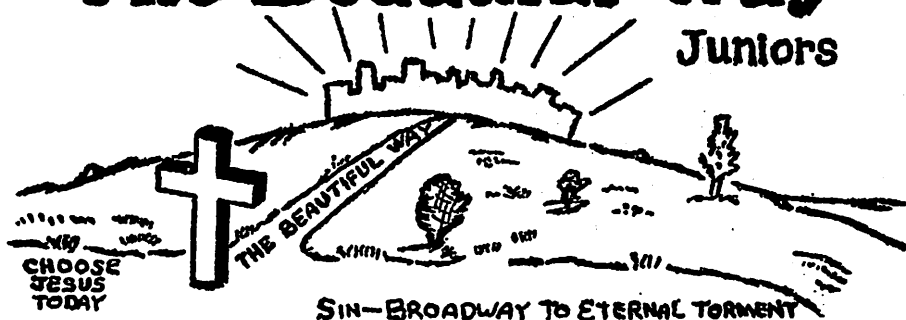
14. What did he want Moses to do and why did he just want one thing done?

15. What happened?

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Part Ten

Mar. 11

## Life's Golden Gleanings

(Part 9)

When harvest time came it was a good proof of their labor. When all were laid in, Papa took his carpenter tools and began to help the neighbors put up buildings. Thus they made enough money to do some improving for themselves and buy a milk cow, some pigs and more chickens with fences to keep the coyotes from getting them. By now they had a dog they called "Dainie", a shepherd dog and he would chase the coyotes away and then they would chase him back to the house, as they were bold and the young dog was a little afraid of them.

"Sand plums were plentiful that could be canned or made into jelly, also wild goose berries and currants. Vegetables were dried and stored in the cellar. So the second winter found them in much better circumstances than the first. Each year they improved things as they were able, with much hard toil, happy to be able to say this is home.

"The community was alive with activity. The school house was the center

of all gatherings, Church services as well as recitations, debates, pie-suppers, singing-schools or singings which they had about every week or two as they had nothing else to go to in the winter. They were diligent to attend the union Sunday school and both took an active part in all activities of the community. Especially the recitations which were their delight, and Papa was quite an active debater also.

On June 4, 1902 I was born, a blue eyed baby girl (they told me) and a duplicate of my sister who had been taken from them so quickly. Their hearts were happy again and they felt their joy was complete.

"They were diligent to attend the union church services at the schoolhouse. Mother was a Campbellite and Papa a Missionary Baptist. They were happy in every way till the subject of Religion came up and it usually ended in an argument, both feeling bad and unhappy about it, for on that they could not agree.

"Ministers of all faiths came along and had revivals and the whole community would turn out for some place to go.

"In the winter of 1903-1904 a holiness preacher named George Johnson came to the school house. No one seemed to know

him, but since they said he was Holiness, it caused quite an interest. Most people thought this would be amusing as they had heard of the Holy-rollers and how they carried on so a large crowd came out to see and be entertained. They had heard it was more like a show than church. They were anxious for it to begin. Though it was bitter cold, people filled the house to capacity, anxious to see what happened.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(to be continued)

## Don't Be Proud of Your Dress

When I see a person proud of his fine clothes, I think: "Well, you have only cast-off clothes after all; you have the jacket of the lamb, and the old great-coat of the sheep; from head to foot you are covered with what the trees or the animals have used before you. Your shoes are made of hides, your stockings of the cotton shrub, your shirt of the flax plant, your handkerchief is spun by the caterpillar, and your gloves are the waistcoat of the angola."

## Over and Over Again

Over and over again,

No matter which way I turn,  
I always find in the Book of Life

Some lesson I have to learn.

I must take my turn at the mill,

I must grind out the golden grain,

I must work at my task with a resolute will,

Over and over again.

We cannot measure the need  
Of even the tiniest flower,  
Nor check the flow of the golden sands,  
That run through a single hour.  
But the morning dews must fall;  
And the sun and the summer rain  
Must do their part, and perform it all  
Over and over again.

Over and over again.

The brook through the meadow flows,  
And over and over again

The ponderous mill-wheel goes.

Once doing will not suffice,

Though doing be not in vain,

And a blessing, failing us once or twice,

May come if we try again.

The path that has once been trod

Is never so rough to the feet;

And the lesson we once have learned

Is never so hard to repeat.

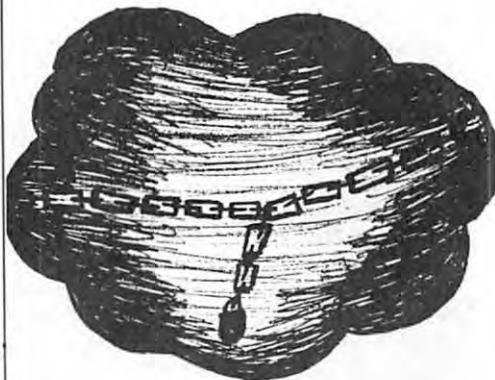
Though sorrowful tears may fall,

And the heart to its depths be riven

With storm and tempest, we need them all

To render us meet for Heaven.

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Wicked People are in Chains of Darkness

## THE BIBLE CORNER

Answer: Moses was fourscore (4 X 20 is 80) and Aaron was fourscore and three (4 X 20 plus 3 is 83). Exodus 7:7.

Question: Name the twelve disciples of Christ.

Dear Boys and Girls:

Are you afraid of the dark? We need not be if we have Jesus, who is our light, and the Bible says His Word is a lamp unto our feet. Even if it's dark, we can rest assured that Jesus stands by to help us. One time a man broke into a Christian woman's home when her husband was gone. She was there with her children and it scared her, but she prayed and he left without harming any of them. How glad she was that she knew Jesus as her Helper. So even if things look scary to us we must not be afraid. Right away call upon the Lord and be calm. Rest in Jesus. He will take care of you.

Many people do bad things in the dark because they do not want people to see them, but there is One who sees them. That is God. We cannot do wrong and get by.

Our lesson is about darkness. The kind of darkness that we have at night has some light mixed with it. The stars, moon, and other lights do take away some of the darkness. The darkness that God sent to the Egyptians, because they would not listen to Him and obey him, was a darkness that could be felt. It was called a thick darkness. No kind of light could go through it. They no doubt heard horrible noises that became enlarged. The wind probably sounded like hissing serpents which they could not get away from, and a falling stone sounded like running beasts that could not be seen. A voice spoken sounded hollow and the echo made

some of them die from fear. Probably the thick darkness sounded like falling waters which gave them visions of unseen horrors. They were caught in chains of darkness, and chains of many visions, which caused some of them to have heart attacks. They called for Moses to come and after three days the darkness was lifted. But Pharaoh would not let the people go.

Boys and girls, we want to be sure we have on the wedding garment of salvation, so when Jesus comes he will find us ready. We do not want to be bound and cast into outer darkness, like the man in the parable Jesus told us about. Hell is a terrible place and that darkness is horrible. If we will confess our sins and live for God, we will be ready to live with Jesus in heaven where the Lamb, Jesus Christ, will give us light. It will be beautiful there. — Aunt Marie

Lesson 10, Mar. 11, 1973

### EVERLASTING CHAINS OF DARKNESS

Exodus 10:21-23; Matt. 22:11-13;  
Jude 6; 1 John 1:5, 7; Rev. 22:5;  
Exodus 10:24-29.

Exodus 10:21 And the Lord said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness which may be felt.

22 And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days:

23 They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.

Matthew 22:11 (Jesus said) And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment:

12 And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless.

13 Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Jude 6 And the angels (false prophets) which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

1 John 1:5 This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

Revelation 22:5 And there shall be no night there (in heaven); and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

Exodus 10:24 And Pharaoh called unto Moses, and said, Go ye, serve the Lord; only let your flocks and your herds be stayed: let your little ones also go with you.

25 And Moses said, Thou must give us also sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may sacrifice unto the Lord our God.

26 Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not an hoof be left behind; for thereof must we take to serve the Lord our God; and we know not with what we must serve the Lord, until we come thither.

27 But the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go.

28 And Pharaoh said unto him, Get thee from me, take heed to thyself, see my

face no more; for in that day thou seest my face thou shalt die.

29 And Moses said, Thou hast spoken well, I will see thy face again no more.

Memory Verse: The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished. 2 Peter 2:9.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. What was the ninth plague sent upon Egypt?

2. Can you describe the kind of thick darkness that could be felt?

3. Was there light in the dwellings of the Israelites, and how long did this last?

4. Jesus spoke a parable which makes us know that he will be the King before whom the wedding guests will stand in the Judgment Day. What does the wedding garment stand for?

5. What will wicked people say to Jesus in the Judgment Day, when He asks them why they did not obey the Bible?

6. What will happen to them?

7. Can you describe the darkness that will be in hell, yet with fire that burns and burns but you never die? I don't want to go there, do you?

8. Angels in the Bible are sometimes referred to as heavenly beings. But in our lesson they refer to what kind and what happens to them when they backslide?

9. What message comes to us from God?

10. What will give us light in heaven?

11. What did Pharaoh tell Moses when he came to him?

12. What was Moses' answer?

13. What did Pharaoh say after his heart became hard?

14. What was Moses' answer?

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#### (Part 10)

After the usual song service (which was good in that community), he rose and took the pulpit. He seemed different than the usual run of preachers. No jokes or funny stories to begin with. He opened his Bible and took his text against sin. He read scripture after scripture against sin. All were amazed and their hearts were pricked. They felt sure their Bibles did not read like his. Their consciences smote them as they realized this was the state they were living in. They decided they would not go back again, but before the next day was over they decided to go one more night. This minister had made some bold statements, saying you could live free from sin and read it out of the Bible too. One scripture was, "he that committeth sin is of the devil." John 3:4-8. That was a little too much for they all knew they sinned, and were taught that a person could not live above sin. Papa felt sure the preacher had now over-stepped himself. He had been taught by many good ministers that he that sayeth he liveth and sin-

neth not is a liar and the truth is not in him. Now he knew what he would do, he would look it up when they got home and show this preacher he had made a wrong statement.

"When they got home, a fire was built and they sat up late, searching for it. When the fire died out and it got cold they went to bed but decided he would continue to search the next day for it. He knew it must be in there because he had heard it quoted so much. Next morning it was snowing, so after chores were done it was easy to stay inside by the fire and spend the day searching for the desired scripture; but to their disappointment he could not find it. Then they decided he had used another translation. They would decide different times they would go no more, but as the meeting continued from night to night the compelling force of the spirit of God caused them to go and listen to the heart-searching word. Scripture after scripture was read and expounded to them of a plan of salvation that saved from all sin and would keep you free and happy, with no condemnation in your heart. How they longed for that experience. Even the songs were like a sermon. "Salvation free glad joy to all, of Adam's fallen race, We'll tell to all both far and near of

saving keeping grace.' They had never heard of anything like this before. Oh, to think you could be free from the guilt of sin would be wonderful indeed. They could never find the scripture they had sought for, but as they followed the preacher night after night, looking up the scriptures he read in their own Bible, they were surprised to find so much against sin, and that "you must be born again", to get to heaven. Even the songs were a message from the word of God. Heaven is a Holy place, filled with glory and with grace, sin can never enter there.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

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## Where Is God?

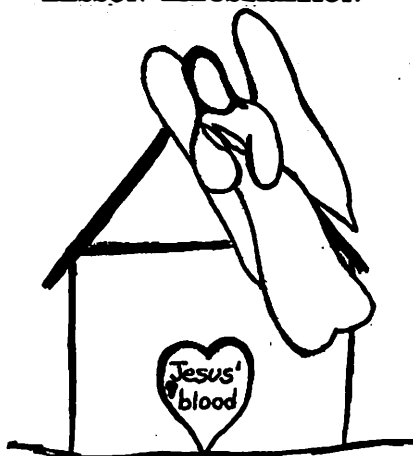
The conductor of a Sunday School, in Bristol, talking lately with the students, asked: "Where is God?" One of the elder boys immediately answered, "in heaven." The teacher, not satisfied with this reply, again repeated the question, when a boy, younger than the other, said: "Everywhere". Requiring still further explanation, the question was again put, when a third boy, most cheerfully called out: "God is here." Here you have a three-fold answer to a most important question. "God is in Heaven," Psalms 11:4. "God is everywhere," Proverbs 15:3. "God is here," Matthew 18:20. Keep this truth in remembrance, and, under the blessings of God it will preserve you from many sins.

## A Clean Apron

A lady wanted a trusty little maid to help her to take charge of a baby. Nobody could recommend one, and she hardly knew where to look for the right kind of girl. One day she was passing through

a by-lane, and saw a little girl with a clean apron holding a baby in the doorway of a small house. "That is the maid for me," said the lady. She stopped and asked for her mother. "Mother has gone out to work," answered the girl. "Father is dead, and now mother has to do everything." "Should you not like to come and live with me?" asked the lady. "I should like to help mother somehow," said the little maid. The lady, more pleased than ever, with the tidy looks of the girl, went to see her mother after she came home and the end of it was, the lady took the maid to live with her, and she found — what indeed she expected to find — that the neat appearance of her person showed the neat and orderly bent of her mind. She had no careless habits, she was no friend to dirt; but everything she had to do with was folded up and put away, and kept carefully. The lady finds great comfort in her, and helps her mother, whose lot is not now so hard as it was. She smiles when she says, "Sally's recommendation was her clean apron;" and who will say it was not a good one?

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



We are safe if covered by Jesus' blood.

## THE BIBLE CORNER

**Answer:** The twelve disciples are named in Luke 6:13-16 and Matthew 10:2-4.

**Question:** What ten plagues did God cause to come upon Egypt? (Clue: see Exodus 7, 8, 9, 10, 11)

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"Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth." Colossians 3:2. Only the things of God will last forever, so we should love God more than our earthly possessions.

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Dear Boys and Girls:

We will study today the last plague that was sent upon the Egyptians. After the ninth plague of darkness, Pharaoh was told by Moses that God would cause the Israelites to find favor in the eyes of the Egyptians, and when the Israelites demanded them to give of their silver and gold, they would do so. Moses said that about midnight the first born of every family and beast in Egypt would be killed by the death angel. This would be so terrible that his people would beg them to leave the land. When Moses finished talking he left Pharaoh's presence and did not see him again.

In our lesson we read that they were to choose a lamb without blemish and the whole assembly would kill it in the evening. This refers to Jesus, who was a man without sin. John said, "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." John 1:29. Nearly all the Jews and some Gentiles cried out, "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!" The lamb was to be roasted by fire. This would be a type of Jesus' sufferings on the cross. The herbs would remind the Israelites of the bitter sufferings that their taskmasters caused them in Egypt. When we are in sin we are in bitterness. Oh how badly we feel when we know we have done some-

thing wrong and it has not been corrected. Remember that thing you stole and you haven't made it right? What about the lie you told and you still have not corrected it? Oh you feel so badly. You had better confess it to Jesus and get it under the blood. The death angel will be passing over. All who do not have the blood on the door posts will be in trouble. But if we come to Jesus confessing and forsaking our sins, then when God looks down and sees the blood of Jesus, we are accepted of Him. Oh how wonderful that is.

They were to be standing and ready to go. This would mean that we must leave the ways of sin and be ready to go on with the Lord. We need to receive the Holy Spirit, who will give us power to live for God.

—Aunt Marie

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Lesson 11, Mar. 18, 1973

### CHRIST, THE PASSOVER LAMB

Exodus 12:3-8, 10, 11, 20, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27.

Exodus 12:3 Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for a house:

4 And if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb,

5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:

6 And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening.

7 And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and

on the upper doorpost of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.

8 And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it.

10 And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire.

11 And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the Lord's passover.

20 Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread.

21 Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, Draw out and take you a lamb according to your families, and kill the passover.

23 For the Lord will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the Lord will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you.

24 And ye shall observe this thing for an ordinance to thee and to thy sons for ever.

26 And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto you, What mean ye by this service?

27 That ye shall say, It is the sacrifice of the Lord's passover, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and delivered our houses. And the people bowed the head and worshipped.

Memory Verse: But (ye are redeemed) with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. 1 Peter 1:19.

## QUESTIONS:

1. What did God tell Moses to say to the Israelites?

2. What were they to do if one family could not eat all of the lamb?

3. What kind of a lamb should they kill?

4. The old Bible brings in types and shadows of things to come years and years later. When Jesus came what did John the Baptist say about him? (John 1:29).

5. How was the lamb to be killed and who was to do it?

6. Who cried (1500 years later) for Jesus to be crucified and what time did Jesus die on the cross?

7. Where was the blood from the lamb to be put while the lamb was being eaten?

8. Sin can only be blotted out by the blood of Jesus. Where is the blood of Jesus today to be put to cover our sins?

9. When you eat something you enjoy, it satisfies your hunger. In what sense, then, can we eat Jesus, the Lamb of God?

10. What were they to eat that night?

11. What was it that Jesus went through which roasting the lamb with fire could stand for?

12. The bitter herbs were to remind the Israelites of what bitter things they had gone through?

13. Ask your teacher to read 1 Cor. 5:7, 8 and tell you about the unleavened bread.

14. Was any part of the lamb which they could not eat to be left to stink?

15. Did Jesus' body stink or go back to corruption?

16. If we don't have the blood of Jesus on our hearts what will happen to us?

17. Did Jesus keep the passover supper, before he died, and what is the Lord's supper? (Luke 22:15-20).

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Conviction was settling deep upon them, as they were convinced without a doubt this was the truth and was what they needed, and must have, to make it to heaven. But what to do with their profession? Papa was a leader in the Sunday School, leading the singing, etc. By this time the community was stirred. Some were convinced this was the truth and others opposed strongly. It seemed the community would be divided. It meant something to give it all up and admit you needed to be saved.

Mother was convinced her profession was worthless and she needed real salvation. She hardly knew how to go about it, as she was taught women should not pray in public, but her heart was so heavy with conviction that she wept as she went about her daily work. Her heart was crying out for deliverance and peace. When she could stand it no longer, she dropped to her knees at home and poured out her heart in repentance, begging God to have mercy on her and save her. Soon joy and peace flooded her soul

and she knew without a doubt she was born again and was made a new creature in Christ Jesus. Oh, the joy that filled her soul! She could hardly wait for meeting that night, to tell it. Papa soon saw the light and surrendered also, accepting the truth in its fullness. They were so happy in their new-found experience. Though the weather was cold, at the close of the meeting, they were baptized with several others who had been saved in the meeting. The ice had to be broken on the pond, but they were happy to follow the Lord all the way.

One couple who was saved was Charley Bowen and wife. It was not long until the Lord began to use him in leading prayer-meetings, and later he began preaching. The meeting brought a separation in the neighborhood as some fought holiness and a sinless life; others acknowledged it was the truth, but would not lay down their professions and get a real experience. The people in general respected Brother Bowen as a good man, and many came to hear him, to see if he could really preach, knowing that he had no training. The Lord blessed him in a marvelous way, and through his efforts, the Lord kept those who were saved together. When the minister (Brother

George Johnson) left, he told them he would be back before long. He did come a month or so later and had another meeting. They were eager to see him and had many questions. Brother Johnson lived on a homestead too, about twenty miles away. In the spring, he returned again with another minister, Bro. Willard Cochran, and they held another meeting.

These ministers were poor, most of them living on farms or homesteads, trying to get homes for their families, and scattering the truth wherever they found opportunity to do so. It seemed a good place was in the new settlements. Other ministers were being called of God to go forth and sow the seeds of truth also. The truth of this evening light was breaking forth like sparks from a flaming fire, being carried into every corner of the country. No sacrifice was too great, they walked, rode horses, drove wagons or buggies, any way to get the gospel to the people, through cold, heat, rain or shine. Many ministers came our way. In my earliest memories are: Bro. A. J. Taylor, Bro. George Harmon, Bro. H. W. White, Bro. John M. Wann, besides the first mentioned, who were the ones we saw most often.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

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“In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.” Prov. 3:6.  
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## THE BIBLE CORNER

Answer: The ten plagues of Egypt were blood, frogs, lice, flies, murrain or cattle disease, boils, hail, locusts, darkness, and death of the first born.

Question: In what land did the children of Israel live while in Egypt? (Clue: see Exodus 8, 9 chapters).

Love God with all your heart.

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## A Delighted Mother

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A mother, who was in the habit of asking her children, before they retired at night, what they had done during the day to make others happy, found her young twin daughters silent. One spoke modestly of deeds and dispositions founded on the golden rule, “Do unto others as you would that they should do unto you.” Still those little bright faces were bowed down in serious silence. The question was repeated. “I can remember nothing good all this day, dear mother, only one of my schoolmates was happy because she had gained the head of the class, and I smiled on her and ran to kiss her; so she said I was good. This is all dear mother.” The other spoke still more timidly: “A little girl who sat by me on the bench at school, had lost a little brother. I saw that while she studied her lesson, she hid her face in her book and wept. I felt sorry, and laid my face on the same book, and wept with her. Then she looked up and was comforted, and put her arms round my neck; but I do not know why she said that I had done her good.”

“Come to my arms, my darlings!” said the mother; “to rejoice with those that rejoice, and to weep with those that weep, is to obey our blessed Redeemer.”

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## Keep Your Temper

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“Why can’t I have another piece of candy?” Janie cried, stamping her foot. She had already had four pieces.

“I’m not going to answer your question,” said Mother. “I’m going to let

King Solomon tell you why you can't have another piece of candy." Mother took the Bible from the bookcase.

Looking right at Janie, Mother said, "Solomon had many things to say about people who do not know how to stop when they have had enough to eat and drink. People who stuff themselves with things that will make them sick, Solomon said, are not wise. Before they know it they will be poor, sleepy-eyed, and in rags. Solomon did not want his son, who was a prince, to turn into that kind of person."

"That's why you should not have another piece of candy today. Most of all, I want you to learn to rule your heart and your appetite. You must ask the Lord Jesus to help you to be this kind of heroine."

Janie nodded her head, then smiled at Mother. Then with a jump she was out the door to play with Susan. —Sel.

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Dear Boys and Girls:

God speaks and it comes to pass. Four hundred and fifty years before this God told Abraham that he would bring his family, which had multiplied into millions, out of Egypt into the Canaan land. King Pharaoh thought he would interfere in God's plan, but God knows how to get people to obey him even if they do not want to. Joseph also knew they would go back to his home land. He had his bones left unburied and made them promise that they would bring them out with them. No doubt he was a mummie like the Egyptian mummies we see in some museums. Stephen tells us in Acts 7:15, 16 that the fathers were carried back to be buried, so no doubt each tribe took care of one of Jacob's sons, therefore all twelve of them were taken back with them. That was a huge group of people with their flocks and herds. The 600,000 on foot were those over 20 years old who were soldiers. One man who has studied this says there were

about three million that left Egypt. (Clarke's Commentary)

Oh, what a midnight cry went up when the death angel passed over and the eldest child in every household was killed. The Israelites had the blood on their door posts and they were spared, but the Egyptians were awakened to see their children dead. From the palace to the beggar, the cry went up. Pharaoh sent word for Moses to leave and take everything, but then he wanted Moses to bless him. How sad that today some people will wait until some awful thing happens before they will obey God. Pharaoh was not saved but he had to give in and let the Israelites walk out on foot. The people were glad for them to leave and when they asked for silver, gold and clothing, they gave it to them. Later in the years, they had this to give to help make the tabernacle for God.

On the last great day when Jesus comes in the clouds, there will be a terrible cry go up. The saints who are washed in the blood will be taken up, but the sinners will meet their doom. We want to be ready to meet Jesus.

—Aunt Marie

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Lesson 12, Mar. 25, 1973

## GLORIOUS FREEDOM AND DREADFUL SEVERITY

Exodus 12:29-38, 40; Exodus 13:4, 5,  
19-21.

Exodus 12:29 And it came to pass, that at midnight the Lord smote all the first born in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that was in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle.

30 And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt: for there was not a house where there was not one dead.

31 And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up, and get you forth from among my people, both ye and the children of Israel; and go, serve the Lord, as ye have said.

32 Also take your flocks and your herds, as ye have said, and be gone; and bless me also.

33 And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people, that they might send them out of the land in haste; for they said, We be all dead men.

34 And the people took their dough before it was leavened, their kneading-troughs being bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders.

35 And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they borrowed of the Egyptians jewels of silver and jewels of gold, and raiment:

36 And the Lord gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them such things as they required and they spoiled the Egyptians.

37 And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand on foot that were men, beside children.

38 And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, even very much cattle.

Exodus 13:4 This day came ye out in the month Abib.

5 And it shall be when the Lord shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which he sware unto thy fathers to give thee, a land flowing with milk and honey, that thou shalt keep this service (Passover) in this month.

19 And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him: for he had straitly sworn the

children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you; and ye shall carry up my bones away hence with you.

20 And they took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, in the edge of the wilderness.

21 And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night.

Memory Verse: What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? Romans 8:31.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. What happened at midnight?
2. What kind of a cry will go up when Jesus comes in the clouds on that last day? (Rev. 6:15-17)
3. Was any house free from death?
4. What did Pharaoh do?
5. What did Pharaoh ask Moses to do for him personally?
6. What did the Egyptians say?
7. What did the people take with them?
8. What did the Israelites ask for or "borrow"?
9. What does it mean that the Israelites "spoiled" the Egyptians?
10. How many men or those over 20 years old left Egypt? (It is figured that all together there were 3 million)
11. How long had the Israelites lived in Egypt?
12. What day of the month did they leave? (March)
13. Where was the Lord taking them, and what kind of a country was it?
14. Whose bones were taken with them? (Acts 7:15,16)
15. Where did they camp and what went before them by day and by night?

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Part One

April 1

## Life's Golden Gleanings

(Part 12)

Meetings were held by these ministers all around the country in school houses. Sometimes the buildings would not hold the crowds. This gospel stirred the people in every community. Some came to fight it, some for curiosity, and some were honest and accepted it readily. Some who opposed strongly were convinced it was the truth, even though they would not yield. God worked in a marvelous way saving souls, healing bodies, and sanctifying believers. The power of God was so manifest in convicting, people standing outside the building were touched. For instance at the "Windy Hill" school house the crowd could not all get inside and many were standing on the outside looking in the windows and door. One man was so under conviction he asked to be helped through the window and made his way to the altar and was saved. (This was the father of Brother Ralph Sell, who lives at Neosho, Missouri.)

Oh, how the truth was sweeping the country! Those who were being saved, sacrificed everything for the Lord, go-

ing in wagons and buggies for miles around to meetings. Their love and zeal for the truth led them through many hazardous experiences, but their love for truth and for each other was manifest to all the world, proving that they were of God.

God blessed in many miraculous ways. He sent rain for them when everything was dry and burning up. Also, in answer to prayer, He stopped grasshoppers, boll-weevils, storms and hail for His trusting children when other farms around were destroyed. Many sinners and professors or truth fighters, though they would not accept the truth, were made to acknowledge that God did bless these saints. By simple faith and trusting in God and His promises, many who were sick unto death were healed and made whole. Though the enemy raged and many persecuted and said hard things against them, they stood true, loving one another, singing and making melody in their hearts, free and happy in the Lord.

Some of my earliest memories were of riding over the prairies in the wagon or buggy to these meetings in school houses, brush arbors, and tabernacles. Camp meetings were held in the summer in different localities. The one nearest

us was in the country between Cheyene and Strong City, where a chapel was built and regular services held. The Camp-meetings were held under a brush arbor at first, later a tabernacle was used. I well remember going to these meetings. The cooking was done under a brush arbor on wood cook stoves. Some that were close enough brought cows to milk, others brought chickens in coops to be killed as needed. Ice boxes and refrigeration were unknown. All the bread was baked on the wood stoves, too. No bakeries were anywhere near. Gardens were planted especially for the meeting, but sometimes drouths came, crops burned up, bugs and grasshoppers came. Their sacrifices were great, but God supplied their needs and the meetings went on. Comforts were few, but oh how God blessed these meetings! The Word was preached clear and plain; souls were saved, believers sanctified, bodies healed and many came out of sectism and took their stand for the truth and the one Church of God. Come heat, storm, or hail they went to meeting, their hearts in the work and no sacrifice was too great. Some of the ministers at these meetings not mentioned before were Brothers Emry Shipman, A. D. Stansberry, Davidson, Mable (Ashenfelter) Hale, Lena Soffner Mattheson, and others. I'm sure I can't remember them all. The singing was heavenly, a gospel message in every song. Many came for miles to hear it. In almost every community around some took their stand for the truth. Brother and Sister Britt and family lived a few miles away in another school district, as did many of these dear ones we have known and loved through the years.

About the 1906, Mother's two younger sisters came to make their home with us. Grandmother had passed away a few years before this, leaving five children yet in the home. After many struggles and burdens and shifting about, Grand-

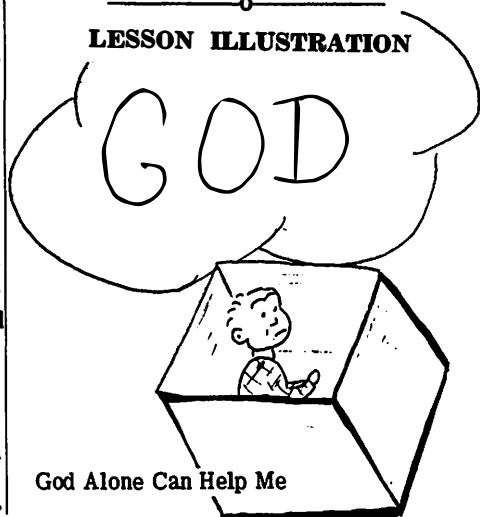
father wrote Mother and asked if she wanted to take the two youngest who were now nine and eleven years of age. I was four then. I can well remember getting ready for this trip to get them. I was so happy to know I would have company, and I was the only child in our home at this time. I was so thrilled I could hardly wait to start. I had never had the privilege of meeting any of my relatives, but I knew it would be wonderful. I don't know how many miles it was, but it took a few days in the wagon. It was new and exciting to me to camp out over night.

We went by Indian villages where they lived in teepees and the men wore long hair like women. One Indian man rode along by our wagon and said a few words to Papa. Then he looked at me and said something about the "papoose" meaning me. This made me afraid and I crawled close to Mama. He saw this and threw me a long string of beads, grunted a little smile, and rode off. There were lots of Indians in the country, but they were peaceable.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(To be continued)

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



God Alone Can Help Me

Jesus is our Shepherd.

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## THE BIBLE CORNER

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Answer to last week's question: While in Egypt, the children of Israel lived in the land of Goshen. Exodus 9:26.

Question: With what kind of hand did the children of Israel go out of Egypt? (Ex. 14)

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Dear Boys and Girls:

Don't you know that the Israelite boys and girls were happy that day as they marched along with their parents, friends and relatives? I am sure that the boys felt sorry for their fathers when they saw them being mistreated by the wicked taskmasters. They no doubt wished that they would always be young boys at home because when they grew older they, too, would have to work hard and be beaten by the taskmasters. The girls were happy too, as I am sure they wept many times when their fathers came home so tired and heavy-hearted because of their mistreatment. But now the Israelites were free, free from Pharaoh. They were on their way to the Promised Land.

God led them south and not straight to the Promised Land. They needed to be taught God's commandments at Mt. Sinai. Since they were not soldiers, they would not know how to fight the people who lived in the land of Canaan. They needed teaching in how to work together. They were not ready to face the walled cities and trained soldiers.

After three days, they encamped and a cry went up as they saw a cloud of dust and knew that Pharaoh was pursuing them. Pharaoh was sorry he let them go when he knew they had taken all of their possessions and had spoiled the Egyptians when they gave their riches to the Israelites.

He felt sure he could conquer them as they faced the Red Sea ahead and the mountains on either side of them. But thank God He told them what to do. He said, "The Lord shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace." Just be quiet and have faith in God. He will deliver you.

When a person is saved and has decided to live for God, he also is pursued by Satan. Satan is angry and will try to get him back under his control. He doesn't want anyone to be saved. Satan will cause old friends, who are sinful, to come around and make fun of the young Christian. Maybe they will try to persuade him to not live such a changed life. This might bring fears or trouble, but God will help those who will cling to him. Maybe pride, fashions, worldly amusements and other things will try to hinder. We want to trust God to bring us out of troubles of all kinds. He will do it.

—Aunt Marie

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Lesson 1, April 1, 1973

## THE PURSUIT BY OLD ENEMIES

Exodus 14:1-14

Exodus 14:1 And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, that they turn and encamp before Pihahiroth, between Migdol and the sea, over against Baal-zephon: before it shall ye encamp by the sea.

3 For Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel, They are entangled in the land, the wilderness hath shut them in.

4 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, that he shall follow after them; and I will be honored upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host; that the Egyptians may know that I am the Lord. And they did so.

5 And it was told the king of Egypt that the people fled: and the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was turned

against the people, and they said, Why have we done this, that we have let Israel go from serving us?

6 And he made ready his chariot, and took his people with him:

7 And he took six hundred chosen chariots, and all the chariots of Egypt, and captains over every one of them.

8 And the Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued after the children of Israel: and the children of Israel went out with a high hand.

9 But the Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses and chariots of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and overtook them encamping by the sea, beside Pi-hahiroth, before Baal-zephon.

10 And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians marched after them; and they were sore afraid: and the children of Israel cried out unto the Lord.

11 And they said unto Moses, Because there were no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out of Egypt?

12 Is not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For it had been better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness.

13 And Moses said unto the people, Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord, which he will show to you today: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to-day, ye shall see them again no more for ever.

14 The Lord shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.

Memory Verse: The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles. Psalms 34:17.

## QUESTIONS:

1. The Israelites had camped at Etham after leaving Succoth. Where did the Lord tell Moses to have them finally camp?

2. Why didn't God take them directly to the land of Canaan?

3. What did Pharaoh say about the Israelites?

4. When they camped the mountains were on either side of them and they faced the Red Sea. Why did Pharaoh say that the "wilderness hath shut them in?"

5. What did the Lord say that Pharaoh would do and who would be honored?

6. What was told to the king and what did Pharaoh say?

7. How many chariots did Pharaoh take with him when he went in pursuit of the Israelites?

8. When a boy or girl gets saved and changes his evil ways will his evil companions try to hinder him?

9. What other things may come to try to get him to turn back from going God's way? (pride, etc.)

10. The chariots of Pharaoh overtook the Israelites as they were camped by the Red Sea. What did they do?

11. It's a good thing to pray in time of trouble. What did they imagine?

12. Does the devil try to make us fearful to trust the Lord?

13. How did the Israelites feel while surrounded? See verse 12.

14. What did Moses tell them to do?

15. When we are in trouble, what are we to do?

16. "The Lord — — for you."

If you do not enjoy what you have now, how could you be happier with more?

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Part Two

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## Life's Golden Gleanings

### (Part 13)

We arrived at Comanche where Grandfather lived. It was quite an experience for me. These young Aunts and Uncles would hardly let me walk, but carried me about. This was my first privilege of seeing one of my grandparents, and I remember how he took me on his knees and told me about the different birds and drew pictures that looked so real. Also he pointed out the stars at night. He loved to hear me sing, but all the songs I knew were the ones we sang at meeting and he couldn't take that long for he did not believe in a sinless life, so he would say, "You can run along and play now." Of course I didn't realize this, but Mama would hear it. Dear old Grandfather never did appreciate the truth. He thought Mama had about lost her mind, for he was a Campbellite, and hated to see her leave the teaching he had taught her.

We enjoyed our visit and after a few days began to get ready to go home. I was so happy when the little trunks were packed for Katherine and Elizabeth were going with us. I am sure this was hard

on poor o'd Grandfather to see his two little girls leave his home; also knowing my parents had accepted a new doctrine and would be sure to teach it to them. But he also knew he could not give them the proper care they needed. Since Mama was the oldest child, she was more able to be a mother to them than what he could give. After many good-byes, we at last started on our way. It was wonderful for me to have them to play with and they did many nice things to help me. We soon were like sisters and they were very near and dear to me.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(To be continued)

## THE BIBLE CORNER

Answer: The Israelites went out of Egypt with a high hand, with complete victory.

Question: What made the Egyptians know that the Lord was fighting for the Israelites?

Be faithful in doing little things well, for little things grow into big things.

## Callie's Victory

Callie had one strong desire in her heart. It was a desire put there by God Himself. And her desire was to be saved and live for God. She felt that if she could actually live pleasing to God, her life would be so happy. She knew from experience that her life of lying, deceiving, acting sassy, being stubborn, getting angry, fussing, and pouting sure made her unhappy and guilty inside.

One Sunday morning, though Callie had heard it many times before, she listened to the minister tell how Jesus could change people's lives and make them happy. That morning she believed it for herself. As Callie knelt before the Lord, she poured her heart out to Him in real sorrow for all her past sins. She was told that Jesus forgave everyone who truly repented, and she believed that. As her heart caught hold of the fact that God forgave her, such clearness, such peace and assurance filled her, that she arose changed in heart and countenance. Her happiness she could not hide. It showed in all her face, words, and actions. Even Callie's family and friends noticed how her life was so wonderfully different.

But after awhile, though Callie knew she was still saved, she was tempted to do some of the things she used to do. She was tempted to say some of the words she used to say. Her friends got tired of her refusing to join them in their usual idle pastimes. Though she told them that she loved the Lord too much to do those things any more, they were sure she would enjoy it all once again. Maybe she would. Why not go to the games, dances and parties? Why dress so plain? What was so wrong with a few spicy words?

Do you know what was happening to Callie? She was being pursued by Pharaoh (the devil) and his army. God had de-

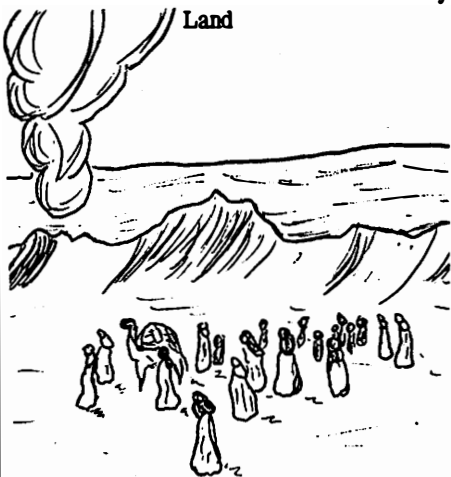
livered Callie from Egypt (sin) with a mighty deliverance, just as He defeated Pharaoh and delivered the children of Israel. But no sooner were they gone, than he went after them. Callie was surrounded on every hand with temptations to go back to her old sinful life, just as the Israelites were surrounded by mountains on both sides, the Red Sea ahead, and Pharaoh's army behind them. They were tempted to even go back to Egypt after all it's hard, miserable bondage.

But what saved the Israelites? They cried unto God. He caused the Red Sea to open for them and to swallow their enemies. Callie fled to God also, telling Him how she wanted to live for Him in spite of all, and that she would not ever turn back. God gave her His strength, and helped her conquer every foe. If we will be determined not to go back to Egypt, God will give us victory and power to live for Him, just as He gave Israel victory, just as He gave Callie victory.

—Bonnie Matthews

### LESSON ILLUSTRATION

The Children of Israel Crossed On Dry Land



Jesus arose from the grave. Today Jesus is alive. He hears us when we pray to him.

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Dear Boys and Girls:

I know that you face many problems in this world. One of the problems is the T. V. Yes, there are some good things on T. V., but there are so many bad things that it just isn't safe to watch it. What effect do you think it will have on a person who sees murders on T. V. from the time he was a little child until he's a teen-ager? Wouldn't it become just a common thing to that person? Do you know what murder really is? When a person is killed, their soul leaves the body and goes to be judged, on the judgment day by God, for the life he has lived. If that person has been wicked, their doom is eternal hell. It's a serious thing for a person to die when they have lived in sin. Then the person who kills another has committed a horrible sin. Kill'ing is terrible and it should not be taken lightly. It's not just a play thing. But it seems to be just that way when it is seen every day on T. V. Two boys were left by their parents one night and they got their father's gun. One boy accidentally shot his brother. While he was lying there crying and kicking, the boy shot him again. This shot killed him. When he was questioned as to why he shot the boy again he said, "That's the way they do it on T. V." Oh, boys and girls, it's not good to watch T. V. But your friends want you to. You do not want to. This brings a problem to you. Maybe you are with the group. They make fun of you and sneer because you won't. This might be like a Red Sea to you. What are you going to do? It's best to get up and walk away from the group. God will take care of it all. God will bless you.

Notice in our lesson how God helped the Israelites. It was about twelve miles across where God caused the waters to

stand up like a wall and let them go through on dry ground. At that place it is said it was about twenty-eight yards deep. What a wonderful miracle! God will help those who love Him, and have faith to believe that He is a God of the impossible. The cloud was light to the Israelites but darkness to the Egyptians. God delivered them. The Egyptians and Pharaoh were drowned.

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—Aunt Marie

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Love God with all your heart.

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Lesson 2, April 8, 1973

## THE RED SEA PARTED

Exodus 14:15-31

Exodus 14:15 And the Lord said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward:

16 But lift thou up thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over the sea, and divide it: and the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.

17 And I, behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them; and I will get me honor upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

18 And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I have gotten me honor upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

19 And the Angel of God, which went before the camp of Israel, removed and went behind them; and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them:

20 And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a cloud and darkness to them, but it gave light by night to these: so that the one came not near the other all the night.

21 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the Lord caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided.

22 And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground: and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.

23 And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them to the midst of the sea, even all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.

24 And it came to pass, that in the morning watch the Lord looked unto the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and troubled the host of the Egyptians.

25 And took off their chariot wheels, that they drove them heavily: so that the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel; for the Lord fighteth for them against the Egyptians.

26 And the Lord said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen.

27 And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to his strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and the Lord overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.

28 And the waters returned, and covered the chariots, and the horsemen, and all the host of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them; there remained not so much as one of them.

29 But the children of Israel walked upon dry land in the midst of the sea; and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.

30 Thus the Lord saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the seashore.

31 And Israel saw that great work which the Lord did upon the Egyptians: and the people feared the Lord, and believed the Lord, and his servant Moses.

Memory Verse: Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time. 1 Peter 5:6.

QUESTIONS:

1. What did God say to Moses when he was praying to Him?

2. Before they went forward what did God tell Moses to do and what would happen?

3. What did God say the Egyptians would do?

4. How was God to get honor to Himself from this miracle?

5. Where was the angel of God, who was the Son of God, to be?

6. Was the cloud light to the Egyptians?

7. While it was darkness to the Egyptians, what was happening to the Red Sea after Moses stretched out his rod?

8. What does verse 22 tell us?

9. When we are in trouble if we will have faith in God will He work for us?

10. Who pursued the Israelites and where did they go?

11. What did the Lord do in the morning watch?

12. What did the Egyptians say about their trouble?

13. What happened when Moses stretched out his rod after all the Israelites crossed over?

14. Did Pharaoh and his men trouble the Israelites any more?

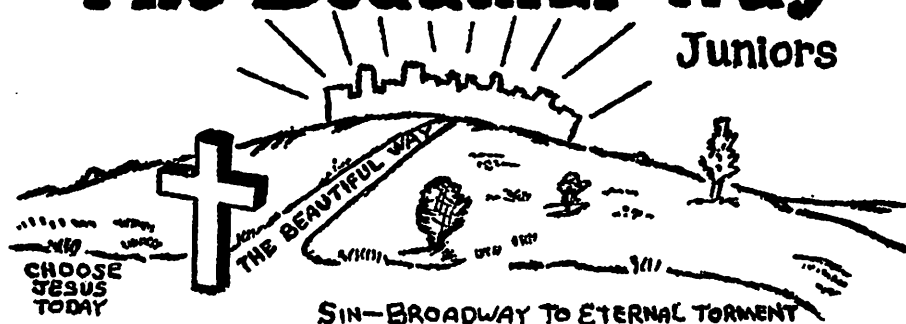
15. What did the Israelites do when they saw what God had done?

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Part Three

April 15

## Life's Golden Gleanings

(Part 14)

This trip was made in early summer and soon after getting home, we began preparing for Campmeeting. The girls were eager to go as this would be their first. After many days of sewing and getting ready, we left early one morning while it was cool. It was about 20 miles, but we were happy and we sang as we jolted along in the old wagon, for we were going to CAMPMEETING!!

What a happy time it was when we arrived. Many dear saints had arrived already and greetings and shouts of joy could be heard all around. Truly they were a happy people filled with the praises of God and love flowing from heart to heart. The prairie was lined with wagons and buggies. Those who had tents were setting them up, others would sleep in their wagons, some women and children stayed in the chapel, and at night after services some families slept under the tabernacle. The singing was indeed heavenly; nothing sounded so sweet as singing in the spirit, and no musical instruments were needed. Young and old

alike caught the inspiration and sang with all their heart.

Many souls were saved in these meetings. The preaching was clear and positive under much power and anointing of the Holy Spirit. The love and unity among them was convincing to the world they were followers of Jesus.

In the fall, Mama's two brothers, Jim and Henry (teen aged boys) came and stayed awhile, working around in the community for different farmers, also helping Papa harvest broom corn and cotton. Later they returned to where Grandpa lived, working out for board and room and going to school. They had a hard life out in a cold, unfriendly world and met many hardships. With lack of discipline and the wrong examples set before them, they had learned to smoke early in life. Not having the care and nourishing food many times that was needed, they were not as strong as most young men at their ages.

I loved my young uncles very much and when they were in our home many happy hours were spent together. We all loved to sing; they loved the singing at the meetings too, and were deeply impressed by the meetings and the love of the saints to them. The next summer

Uncle Henry came again and stayed while recovering from a broken leg he got while playing baseball. He was full of fun and loved to lay on a cot in the shade of the house and bait mouse traps with water-melon and watch the turkeys and chickens as they jumped and squalled when the trap went off. Yet they came back again and again for the melon. How he laughed and enjoyed this. It was amusing to see how high the old roosters and gobblers could jump.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(To be continued)

## THE BIBLE CORNER

**Answer:** The chariot wheels of the Egyptians became hard to run, and they knew then that it must have been God's doing.

**Question:** Moses said that the east wind which divided the Red Sea was likened to God's what?

Christ said, "He that is not with me is against me." Would you want Christ to think that you are against Him? That is just what He thinks if you do not obey His laws. He said, "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you."

## Rescue

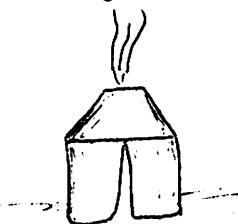
A boy found himself in a field, pursued by an infuriated bull. Conscious that his only chance of escape was to hasten to the gate, he turned and fled. Nearer the animal came, until he fancied that he could feel its hot breath. In a moment, he realised that there would be no chance to open the gate in time to escape the angry animal's rage. On the point of yielding himself up as lost, he was sur-

prised to see the gate suddenly open. Gathering fresh energy, he sprang forward, and sped through the open way. Quickly the gate closed, and just as the strong bar fell in its place, the mad beast's head crashed against the woodwork. What an escape! A friend had seen his danger - had hurried along the road - and had reached the gate just in time to open it, and save the youth. God's great hand divided the mighty waters of the Red Sea and let the children of Israel pass through to safety. Then the waters closed again and stopped the Egyptians from going any further.

—Sel.

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION

Dwelling Place of God



Moses' Tent - 1491 B.C.



Solomon's Temple - 1004 B.C.



Clean Hearts - 33 A.D.

Know what you believe! Know why you believe it!

Dear Boys and Girls:

We need to pray when we are in trouble. God is the God of miracles. Faith brings to us the blessings from God. Faith is just believing God's Word. When your mother tells you that she is going to buy you something you believe her. That is faith. But sometimes mothers are not able to keep their promises as many things can happen to hinder them. But one thing, God can always keep His promises. The only thing that will hinder Him is us. He has conditions to His promises. If we abide in Him we can ask what we will and it shall be given to us. John 15:7. Now abide would mean that we are letting Jesus live in our hearts and we are doing what He tells us to do. If we are doing that from a pure heart, we are then able to receive from God that which we need. When God gives it to us, we are so happy. We want to sing songs of praise to the Lord.

The Israelites were so happy. God had kept their enemies, the Egyptians, from taking them back as slaves. Now as they looked at them dead on the sea-shore, they were thankful. No longer could they whip them and make their lives miserable. But notice that in the song of Moses he said, "I will prepare him (God) a habitation." We want you to think about that as you read the rest of the lesson. Our verses tell about Moses finishing the tent for God to dwell in. God had told him to make it. God wanted to get as close to His people as He could. Then in our lesson we read how 478 years later Solomon built a temple. God's Spirit dwelt in it. But when Jesus came, He came to teach everyone how to be forgiven of their sins so God's Spirit could dwell in their hearts. He died on the

cross and took our punishment for sin and as we repent of our sins and forsake them, they are forgiven. Now we are ready for the Spirit of God to dwell in our hearts. It's wonderful to have the Holy Spirit in our hearts. Our bodies are the temple of God. We want to be careful what we do with our bodies. How wonderful to be a child of God.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 3, April 15, 1973

### SONG OF PRAISE AND PROPHECY

Exodus 15:1, 2, 9-11, 16, 17; Exodus 40:33, 34; 2 Chron. 6:18; 2 Chron. 7:1; John 14:17; Eph. 2:19, 21, 22

Exodus 15:1 Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the Lord, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the Lord, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

2 The Lord is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he is my God, and I will prepare him a habitation; my father's God, and I will exalt him.

9 The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil; my lust shall be satisfied upon them; I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them.

10 Thou didst blow with thy wind, the sea covered them: they sank as lead in the mighty waters.

11 Who is like unto thee, O Lord, among the gods? who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders?

16 Fear and dread shall fall upon them (inhabitants of Canaan) by the greatness of thine arm they shall be as still as a stone; till thy people pass over, O Lord, till the people pass over, which thou hast purchased.

17 Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of thine inheritance, in the place, O Lord, which thou hast made for thee to dwell in; in the sanctuary, O Lord, which thy hands have established.

Exodus 40:33 (Moses prepared habitation for God's Spirit) And he reared up the court round about the tabernacle and the altar, and set up the hanging of the court gate. So Moses finished the work.

34 Then a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle.

II Chronicles 6:18 (Solomon built temple) But will God in very deed dwell with men on the earth? Behold, heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house which I have built!

II Chronicles 7:1 Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the Lord filled the house.

John 14:17 (Jesus said) Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

Ephesians 2:19 (Paul said after Jesus' resurrection) Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and of the household of God,

21 In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto a holy temple in the Lord:

22 In whom ye also are builded together for a habitation of God through the Spirit.

Memory Verse: Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? I Corinthians 3:16.

Faith honors God; God honors faith.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. The song of Moses and the Israelites were sung unto whom?

2. What did Moses prophesy that he would do for the Lord in verse two of the song?

3. What did the enemies of the Israelites, who followed them through the Red Sea path, say they would do?

4. What did God do to them?

5. How did they praise God for His goodness to them in verse 11?

6. When those in the Canaan land, which was the land promised to the Israelites by God, heard about the miracle at the Red Sea, how will they be affected?

7. Verse 17 tells us what God was going to do. Read it.

8. About a year later, our lesson tells us how Moses did as he said. What did he prepare for a habitation or dwelling place for God?

9. God wanted to get close to His people so how did they know He was there?

10. About 478 years later, Solomon was asked by David to build a temple for the Spirit of God to dwell in. What did he say about it?

11. What happened when Solomon finished praying?

12. Over a thousand years later Jesus came and what did He say about the Spirit of God and where would He dwell?

13. After Jesus' resurrection, what did Paul say about the saints?

14. The church is all of those who are "born again". How are they together or are they divided?

15. What does the memory verse tell us?

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# The Beautiful Way

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Part Four

April 22

## Life's Golden Gleanings

### (Part 15)

Elizabeth and I loved to play dolls as all girls, and had many good times. When Brother Bowen's family came over, we children would all go down by the creek and play meeting. We could all sing the songs we were used to, then we would pray and one would preach. Sometimes to have a larger congregation, we would take big old rag weeds two or three feet high and dress them up. By turning them upside down they would stand. Sometimes we lined them up by the water and had baptising. We were just as happy and had just as good times as the children today, although we didn't have the toys of today.

We were about a mile and a half from the school house, and when Katherine and Elizabeth started to school, I wanted to go with them. I was not old enough, but the teacher said I could come, as she knew I would soon get tired, but I didn't want to be away from the girls all day. I was all excited; we packed our lunch pails, and I had a slate and pencil to write on. It seemed a long walk, but I was

happy to go. The school was all in one room. Some grades had only one or two pupils but there were eight grades in all. It was very interesting to me. Some classes were reciting most of the time. The teacher let me go to the blackboard and write too at times, or draw while the others studied.

I liked the recess time when the teacher and all played games. Then came the noon hour and time to eat. I was hungry too, for the long walk gave me an appetite. Some brought milk in jars and some in gourds. Water was carried from the spring in a bucket and a long handled gourd for a cup to drink from. Quite different from today, isn't it?

Each class stood up to spell. The one who missed a word had to go to the foot of the line. But if you never missed, you could stay at the head of your class day after day. On Friday afternoon the whole school would line up on each side of the house and have a spelling match. The one who could not be spelled down was the winner. It was all interesting to me and I liked school, but I was getting tired of getting up so early and such a long way to go, so about a couple of weeks was enough for me. During the time I did go, there was one thing I well remember;

the teacher pulled my first tooth with a string and a little pocket knife. I was so excited, but the girls said on the way home not to tell Papa and Mama but wait and see if they would notice it. I agreed, but when it looked to me like they would never see it, I kept grinning and showing my teeth till they had to see. That is like a child, isn't it?

I was always glad for the girls to get home in the evening and would take Danie (the dog) and go to meet them. Then we would go for the cows, strolling over the pasture, picking wild flowers, making wreaths, pinning leaves together for hats to wear. Happy childhood without a worry or care! We were a happy family.

We had family worship morning and night where we were taught to have an unshaken faith in God and His precious word, where we learned to pray and worship the Lord. How we do appreciate this early teaching. It gave us a knowledge of right and wrong and a desire to live for God. The dear Lord healed us many times when we were sick, which gave us faith that God can do anything we have need of.

On Thanksgiving day, November 26, 1908, a baby brother was born in our home. Oh, how happy we were! A baby in the house was something special as I was six and a half years old now. There were three of us girls, and him being a boy, he didn't lack attention. He was a welcome gift from the Lord. I could hardly stay away from him. When he cried and waved his hands in the air, it was so funny to me and I would laugh and laugh. Oh, how I loved him.

But on Sunday when he was four days old, mother took very sick and in a short time very critical. She became so low we children, even the baby, had to be sent to the neighbors to stay. The Pickens' family was our closest neighbors and we thought much of them. Mrs. Pickens loved us girls so much as she only had

boys. The youngest was only two weeks younger than I was and we had been playmates all our lives. Many times, as little boys can, he would climb or jump and do daring things I was afraid to do, and he would tease me that I was a girl and just a "fradie cat." I didn't like that very well and couldn't compete with him and his brothers, but now I had a brother and some day he could grow up and do as he did.

But now a terrible tragedy hung over us. It looked as though our dear mother might be taken away from us. My baby brother cried so much as he was hungry and nothing seemed to agree with him. Mother was very near death. She had sixteen convulsions in twenty-four hours; the least noise would throw her into another one. The clock even had to be stopped from ticking. Our trust was in God. Oh, how we prayed. The ministers had been called and several were there for days before the victory came. Mama felt she was going and had all of us called to her bed side and told us good-bye. I'll never forget this; my little heart was broken. But the ministers had the witness God was going to raise her up. They held on by faith and the dear Lord spared her life. Oh, how we thank God for His love and mercy to us, in sparing her. She lived over thirty-five years after this. It pays to trust God.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(To be continued)

## THE BIBLE CORNER

Answer: The east wind which divided the Red Sea was likened to the blast of God's nostrils.

Question: Where was Jesus' soul while his body laid in the tomb?

(Clue: Luke 23)

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Dear Boys and Girls:

Easter is not just a day to wear new clothes or hunt eggs, etc. as is done so much today, but there is something so much deeper than that. We know that you need new clothes for spring and can put away your winter clothes. We also recognize the fact that an egg is such a good example of the tomb of Christ's opening up and out came our Lord and Saviour. You have read the story many times how the women came to the tomb and found it empty. The angels declared to them that "He is risen: He is not here; behold the place where they laid Him." You read about how God sent an earthquake and the guards around Jesus' tomb fell down "and became as dead men." Later the elders gave those soldiers large sums of money to tell a lie that while they slept Jesus' disciples came and stole him away. This of course makes us know more than anything else the precious truth of Jesus' resurrection. Then later the Bible tells us of him appearing several times to the disciples and others. In our lesson today Peter and John affirm that they were witnesses of His resurrection. Today we rejoice because He arose. Since He arose we will arise on the resurrection day. Our bodies only are put in the grave, but the soul goes to be with Christ until the resurrection day. On that

day we will be resurrected with a new body that will live in eternity with our Lord and Saviour, if we lived saved.

Our lesson is a sermon preached by Peter. He and John had gone up to the temple to pray and a man crippled from his birth had been healed. This caused a large group to come together on Solomon's porch at the temple and Peter preached to them. The Sadducees were there. They did not believe in the resurrection. They laid hands on Peter and John and put them in prison, but God delivered them. Today we are glad we are serving a risen Christ. He is alive and can answer our prayers.

—Aunt Marie

"Repent ye therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out." Acts 3:19.

Lesson 4, April 22, 1973

### RESURRECTION IS KEY NOTE

Acts 3:12-23; 4:1-4

Acts 3:12 And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?

13 The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go.

14 But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;

15 And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

16 And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is

by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

17 And now, brethren, I wot that through ignorance ye did it, as did also your rulers.

18 But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled.

19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

20 And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you:

21 Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.

22 For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you.

23 And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.

Acts 4:1 And as they spake unto the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees, came upon them.

2 Being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead.

3 And they laid hands on them, and put them in hold unto the next day: for it was now eventide.

4 Howbeit many of them which heard the word believed; and the number of the men was about five thousand.

Memory Verse: He is not here: for he is risen, as he said, Come see the place where the Lord lay. Matthew 28:6.

## QUESTIONS:

1. Peter and John healed the lame and the people were filled with wonder and surprise. What did Peter do when they all ran together on Solomon's porch?

2. What did he tell them when they looked on Peter and John with great honor or surprise?

3. God is the God of the living. Why did Peter refer to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob? (Matt. 22:23)

4. Does the soul die when the body dies? (II Cor. 5:6,8,10)

5. What does verse 13 tell us about Jesus?

6. Whom did they desire to be killed instead of the murderer?

7. Who witnessed that the Prince of life was raised from the grave?

8. What does verse 16 tell us?

9. What did the prophets foretell about Christ?

10. "Repent ye therefore, and be —, that your — may be — out."

11. Who does verse 20 tell us will be sent to us at the end of the world?

12. The holy prophets from the world begun and Moses said what?

13. Jesus was born as a babe in the flesh and grew up and preached to us through the Bible. What will happen to us if we do not obey that prophet, which was Jesus?

14. What certain people who were listening were grieved because John and Peter taught the people?

15. What did Peter and John say that Jesus had been?

16. What did these men who did not believe in Jesus or anyone being resurrected from the dead do to Peter and John?

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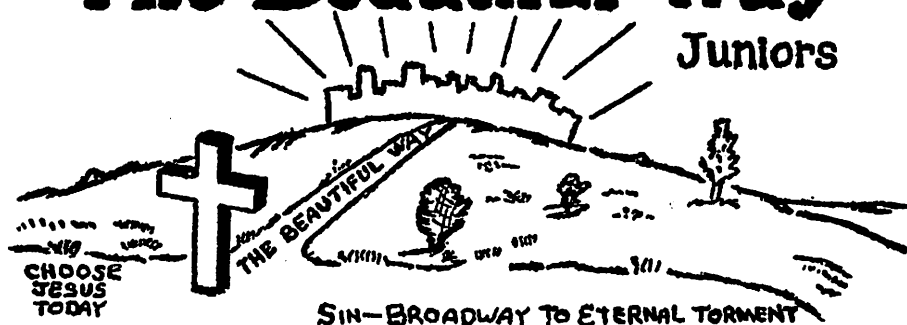
Children obey your parents.

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## Life's Golden Gleanings

### (Part 16)

It was some time before she gained her full strength back again. The girls were in school so I had to help with the baby which I enjoyed. I had a little red rocking chair I rocked him in. He grew so fast and soon was about all I could handle. We loved him, he was a joy to all. Katherine being the oldest she had more care of him in general and he looked to her as a mother.

About a year before this, the new house was finished and we were enjoying all the room we had needed so long. Soon after the first of the year (1909) Papa made a trip to Elk City for supplies which was thirty-five miles, so had to stay over a couple of days. While he was there walking down the street some one came up behind him and spoke his name. He turned around and there stood Uncle Jim. We had heard he was sick but Papa was shocked to see the great change in him. He was so thin and weak he could hardly stand. He coughed so hard, and it was easy to see that he was a sick man. He soon made it known that he wanted to

come to our house and Papa said they would leave in the morning. As they started home next morning it was cold and they had to face the north wind all the way. Uncle Jim was so thinly dressed he was soon chilled to the bone. Papa had given him his overcoat and he walked a lot to keep warm, but Uncle Jim was too weak for that. Papa saw it was not wise to bring him all the way that day so left him at one of the saint's homes and returned for him the next day in the buggy, with more blankets to cover him good. What a surprise we all had when we saw him. It made us feel so bad. He made it known he wanted to get to our house and get saved. It wasn't long till he was sweetly saved. Oh, how happy he was and rejoiced in the Lord!

He had had a hard life and much exposure when he was sick and now he needed special care. He loved music and played the violin for the dances, as that was very popular in those days. He had come out in the cold winter air, taking cold after cold until he came down with pneumonia. From this he never fully recovered and soon developed quick consumption or T.B. He never really had a home since Grandmother died. He was now twenty-two years old and broken in

health, only God was able to make him well. He had been taking medicine and spent all he had on doctors but only grew worse. But now he was saved, so happy, ready to live or ready to die. He often rejoiced and would say "It doesn't make a bit of difference to me, I would just as soon go as to stay for I know Jesus has a home prepared for me." Many saints visited him and much prayer was offered in his behalf, but Jesus had a better place for him and in March he fell asleep in Jesus. I well remember this event. It was the first time death had entered our home in my life.

It wasn't like it is today. There were no funeral homes. Papa and some of the neighbor men bought lumber and made a casket, some of the women lined it inside with white material and did the best they could to make it nice and neat. Yet it was crude compared to those today. All this time our dear Uncle Jim lay in silent death in the room. Everything was strange, people walked on tip-toes and spoke in whispers. I will never forget it.

When preparations were complete it was decided to make the trip to the saints chapel at Strong City for the funeral as the saints had a cemetery there too. The weather being warm and the chapel twenty miles away, it was decided to make the trip at night. The spring hack was filled with thick layers of straw, then a feather-bed placed on that and the casket set on that to make it ride as easy as possible. All that tender loving care could do was done to make this last journey as easy as possible. All this was hard on Mama as she was still weak and not so strong.

Two or three families of saints with their wagons fixed with straw and bedding so the women and children could rest, went along also. The men drove the wagons. It was a strange and sad journey for me as the funeral train moved along through the night over the prairie. Stars shone so bright. It was still dark (just

before day) when the chapel was reached, and some rested on the benches till morning.

In the morning, others began arriving for the funeral. A large crowd gathered and the funeral began. This was the first I had ever attended. It made a lasting impression on me. He was laid to rest in the little cemetery, a sacred spot to me yet as other dear saints await the final resurrection there. How we missed him when we returned home. But we wept not as those who had not hope, for we never had a doubt of his being with Jesus in Paradise. My thoughts were more on heaven now, as I desired to go there, and wanted to see my little sister and Uncle Jim.

Mama's health was still frail and Papa began to feel a change or move would be good for her. Brother and Sister Halburg had moved to Oregon and were writing to us of this wonderful country. Brother Bowen was also talking of going. After much talking, praying, and pondering what was best to do, it was decided that both families would have an auction sale, sell all the stock, tools, and household goods and go to Oregon. The farm was not sold, but rented.

What an exciting time, especially for us children. I could not comprehend what moving really meant, as I was born and lived on this spot and had never been farther than Elk City, Oklahoma a few times, and that was thirty-five miles away. Now they said we would go by train. I had never been on one and could not imagine how it would be but like all children I was eager to go; but when the cows, horses, calves, pigs, chickens and everything we had loved so much began to be sold and others led and carried things to their wagons to haul away, it seemed different. I wanted to keep my little red rocking chair and cried when I had to part with it. Also our good old faithful shepherd dog "Danie" who was older than I was and

my constant playmate all my life, had to be left. This was hard to do. We left him with the people that rented the place, but he seemed sad and confused.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(To be continued)

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## THE BIBLE CORNER

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Answer to last week's question: Jesus' soul was in paradise. Luke 23:43.

Question: What is an oasis, and where did the Israelites find one?

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### LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Waters Healed

Dear Boys and Girls:

How many of you have been healed? Isn't it wonderful to be able to trust God for your healing? When we think of others who suffer so much at the hands of man, we are thankful that we can place our bodies into God's hands. Our lesson is true and God has spoken it to us. We want to believe it and practice it. Maybe your parents do not trust God for the healing of their bodies, but boys and girls, you must not let that hinder your faith in God's power to heal. When I was a little girl I never knew what it was to see a doctor or to take medicine. When I got sick I asked my father and mother to pray for me and I was healed. I had all of the

children's diseases that you catch in school, but not one bit of medicine was given to me and the Lord was so good to heal me. When my father would pray for me he would ask me if I believed when he finished praying I would be well. I said I did because I was healed so many times that I expected to be healed again.

One time I fell and they thought I had broken my back. I was screaming with pain and shaking all over. They carried me in and laid me on the bed. When my father came, he calmly anointed me and all prayed for me. I was instantly healed. The pain left and the shaking stopped. Oh it was wonderful. I am now nearly sixty years old and have been healed many, many times. Only God gets all of the glory and honor because He has done it. I have been healed of a goiter, kidney stones, heart attacks, high blood pressure, cuts and bruises of all kinds and other diseases that come to me. All without taking medicine. Praise the Lord! Boys and girls, God will heal you. Do believe this and practice divine healing in your life.

Our lesson is about Jesus healing and His disciples praying for the sick and Jesus healing them. Today we are to call for the ministers or elders to pray for us and we can be healed. If there are not any to call, we can pray and God will hear.

—Aunt Marie

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Lesson 5, April 29, 1973

### THE LORD HEALETH THEE

Ex. 15:22-26; Ps. 105:37b; Mark 10:51, 52; Mark 6:13; James 15:13-16; Exodus 15:27

Exodus 15:22 So Moses brought Israel from the Red Sea, and they went out into the wilderness of Shur; and they went three days in the wilderness, and found no water.

23 And when they came to Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah, for they were bitter: therefore the name of it was called Marah.

24 And the people murmured against Moses, saying, What shall we drink?

25 And he cried unto the Lord; and the Lord shewed him a tree, which when he had cast into the waters, the waters were made sweet: there he made for them a statute and an ordinance, and there he proved them,

26 And said, if thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee.

Psalms 105:37b There was not one feeble person among their tribes.

Mark 10:51 And Jesus answered and said unto him, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? The blind man said unto him, Lord, that I might receive my sight.

52 And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.

Mark 6:13 And they (disciples) cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed them.

James 5:13 Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms.

14 Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.

15 And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

16 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

Exodus 15:27 And they came to Elim, where were twelve wells of water, and threescore and ten palm trees: and they encamped there by the waters.

Memory Verse: Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever. Hebrews 13:8

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Did the Israelites find water after going three days' journey into the wilderness of Shur?

2. When they came to Marah what did they find?

3. Who did the people come to when they found that the water was bitter?

4. What did the Lord tell Moses to do?

5. What promise did God give to them if they would obey His commandments?

6. "I am the — that — thee."

7. How many feeble people were among the thousands of Israelites?

8. Jesus healed when He was here on earth. What did the blind man want Him to do for him?

9. What made the man whole and caused him to receive his sight?

10. What did the disciples do?

11. What are you to do if you are afflicted or merry?

12. If you are sick who are you to call for?

13. What are the elders or ministers to do?

14. Who will raise you up or heal you?

15. Who are we to confess our faults to?

16. What will a fervent prayer do?

# The Beautiful Way

## Juniors



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Part Six

May 6

## Life's Golden Gleanings

### (Part 17)

When all was ready a neighbor took Brother Bowen's family and all of us with our trunks and baggage to Elk City, where we spent the night and took the train the next morning. We had a big lunch basket and I carried my big china doll, Emily, that I could not part with. Every one carried something. We were quite a troop to see, there were six of our family and seven of Brother Bowen's family. I am sure we would cause much laughter today as I can remember some of how we looked.

We children had never been on a train before, so it was very interesting for awhile, but six days and nights was a long time for us to be confined in such close quarters. Sometimes we would go with Papa from one coach to another, but never could see what was pulling us and that was a puzzle to me. Nora Bowen and I were about the same age and sat and played together much of the time. Sometimes we walked up and down the aisles, talking to people who would question us as to where we were from, where we were going, and if we were all relation to each other, etc.

We were just like one big family. Cleora and Osa Bowen were about the ages of Katherine and Elizabeth.

We enjoyed looking out of the windows at the scenery we were passing through, big mountains which we had never seen the like. They told us we were in the Great Rocky Mountains. There was snow on some in the distance even though it was May. Then we crossed the desert in Arizona where there was nothing to see but sage brush and cacti for miles and miles. Then another range of mountains and suddenly we were in a valley of orchards and orange groves that we had never dreamed we would see only in pictures, but here we were. But we didn't stop here but continued on north through more mountains and tunnel after tunnel. It was so dark they had to turn the lights on. Then we rolled across a level valley and into San Francisco. Here we had the first view of the great bay where our train was broken up and rolled onto a large ferry to cross the bay. We had heard of the ocean and of course it looked like an ocean to us.

While in San Francisco we had to wait several hours in the Grand Central Depot. This was different from the train as people were coming and going all the time. Like all children we walked around, Nora and I,

looking at everything we could see. Then we found a little box an inch or two square and two little white tablets inside. We had never seen anything just like it, but supposed it was candy and was nice and clean so we each took one and began to chew, but oh, at once we found it so bitter and spit them out but couldn't get rid of the awful taste. We then told our mothers who scolded us and told us to wash our mouths out good for that was medicine of some kind. I never forgot this experience as that was my first knowledge of medicine.

When on the train again we rolled on north over a long barren plain but could see mountains in the distance. As we got nearer we could see snow on one especially, which was Mt. Shasta. We were soon in high mountains and the tallest timber we had ever seen. At Weed, California we had to change trains and walk some distance to another depot. We were quite a sight to behold I am sure, as we had been on the train several days and nights. Thirteen of us and each one had something to carry. No wonder the people stared and laughed. Weed is in a narrow canyon and the trees and the tall mountains over us and a river running by the tracks was an attraction to us and of more interest than people.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

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Read the Bible. It is the book of Life.

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## GRUMBLERS

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Charlie had to stay home this time. Bob needed new shoes, so he and Dad were going to town. Charlie stuck his lip out and grumbled, "Bob always gets to go places. I never get to go anywhere. I always have to stay in this old dumb house." Are you a Charlie?

Grandpa and Grandma were coming! Mother asked Susan to help her clean up. Susan clouded her face and grumbled to herself, "But I'm trying to finish my doll's dress. Why does Mother always want me to stop doing what I'm doing to help her do her work?" Are you a Susan?

Dottie had overslept. The alarm had gone off, but she had intended to rest only a few minutes more. Now Mother was expecting her to make her bed, fix breakfast, and wash dishes like she always did. Dottie frowned and grumbled, "Mother, why doesn't Betty fix breakfast sometimes? I'm getting tired of doing all the work and she never does any." Are you a Dottie?

Miss Tims had finished telling the class about their homework. Butch was going to play football, but now he knew he couldn't. He slammed a book on his desk and grumbled, "Homework again? I hate this old class. I wish I was in Mr. Burk's room. They don't have to do homework if they don't want to." Are you a Butch?

A bunch of the neighborhood children were going to the park to play. Mother told Donna to be sure to be home before dark. Donna tossed her head and grumbled, "Well, I'm not going then. Everybody else gets to play out as long as they want to. Why am I always the only one who has to come in?" Are you a Donna?

I hope you are never guilty of being a grumbler. Grumblers act ugly, exaggerate, blame others, are selfish, discourteous, and inconsiderate. The only thing that can really help a grumbler is the grace of God. When you are tempted to grumble and complain, stop and ask the Lord to give you help, to sweeten your attitude, to help you say good things or nothing at all. Think about and discuss how each of the grumblers could have pleased the Lord better.

## THE BIBLE CORNER

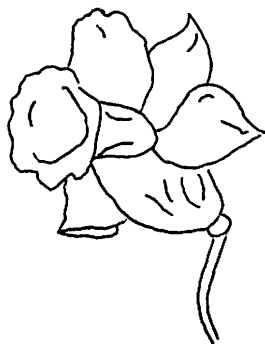
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**Answer:** An oasis is a place in the desert where trees and grass grow because of the presence of water. The Israelites encamped by one at Elim. Ex. 15:27

**Question:** Was God glad to send the Israelites meat? (Clue: See Num. 11)

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### LESSON ILLUSTRATION



**"Consider the Lilies"**

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Dear Boys and Girls:

Does any boy or girl live at your house that complains and grumbles? I am sure you can describe him very well if you live with him. He grumbles when he is called to get up. He grumbles because he didn't have what he wanted for breakfast. He grumbles because he has to do a little work before he goes to school. He grumbles because the teacher makes him keep busy. He grumbles at his lunch. He grumbles because he can't play ball or get on the swing. Grumbles about this and grumbles about that. Don't you get tired of hearing him grumbling? Don't you wish he would get up and not fuss at mother even though he is still sleepy? He doesn't have to say any-

thing. And Mother fixed the best she could for breakfast; he should try to understand. How much happier everyone would be in the whole house if he would smile and try to make home a little happier. I am sure he would feel better, don't you think? Maybe you can help that grumbler in your house to see this by being a good example before him. How about that?

We must have faith in God. God will take care of us. We might have some problems or some troubles, but they won't last too long if we will just put them into God's hands. How quickly the Israelites forgot how God had sweetened the bitter waters for them and gave them water. They had just left the 12 wells of water and the nice palm trees, but they forgot that they were to move on to the promised land of Canaan. They would face some hardships but God was right there with them in the pillar of fire by night and the cloud by day. They looked around them instead of looking up and having faith in God. They looked back.

We want to remember the words of Jesus. He wants us to know that He has caused the grass and flowers to grow and has created all things around us and he will take care of us. We want to have faith in God.

—Aunt Marie

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**Lesson 6, May 6, 1973**

### **"O YE OF LITTLE FAITH"**

**Ex. 16:1-3, 8b; Heb. 10:35, 38, 39;**

**Luke 12:22, 27-31**

Exodus 16:1 And they took their journey from Elim, and all the congregation of the children of Israel came unto the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the

second month after their departing out of the land of Egypt.

2 And the whole congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness:

3 And the children of Israel said unto them, Would to God we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots, and when we did eat bread to the full; for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger.

8b The Lord heareth your murmurings which ye murmur against him; and what are we? your murmurings are not against us, but against the Lord.

Hebrews 10:35 Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward.

38 Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.

39 But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition: but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

Luke 12:2 And he (Jesus) 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.

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 tomorrow 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.

Memory Verse: But godliness with contentment is great gain. I Tim. 6:6.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Where did Moses lead the children of Israel?

2. How did the people act in the wilderness?

3. What did they say to Moses?

4. Discuss what they forgot about Egypt and about where they were being lead. Who was the most important One they forgot about?

5. Moses prayed to God. Because of Moses what did God do for those who murmured?

6. What did he tell them about this bread or manna from heaven?

7. Did the people murmur against just Moses?

8. When you talk ugly to your father and mother are you talking ugly to just them?

9. Confidence means belief. If we hold our faith in God will He help us?

10. We walk by faith. What happens if we draw back?

11. Perdition means lost or end in hell. Who are we of?

12. What does Jesus tell us?

13. What did he say about the lilies? Solomon was the richest man that ever lived in Bible times.

14. Does God make the grass grow and wither? What are we to have in God?

15. What does Jesus tell us not to seek?

16. Who only seeks earthly things?

17. If we seek the kingdom of God what will be added?



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Part Seven

May 13

## Life's Golden Gleanings

### (Part 18)

Soon we were on the train again and the remainder of the trip was not so long as we soon arrived at Ashland, Oregon. There Brother Halburg met us; how glad we were to see them again. We went to where they lived in a timber camp, where they cut the large trees for the saw mill. This was sure interesting. We put a tent up and lived here about three weeks then Papa decided he did not want to do this kind of work; he would rather farm. We went on up to Brownsville where Brother and Sister Bowen and family had gone on ahead of us. We soon found a house to rent on a farm. Oh, how beautiful and green everything was as it was spring. Wild flowers were everywhere and the lovely fir timber, and wild strawberries were like a carpet in bloom.

It was just a few days till my birthday (June 4) and we picked enough strawberries for short cake. This was something new and wonderful to us as we had never had much fresh fruit before. We had never been used to much besides sand plums, goose berries, currants and peaches some years. As summer came on

and all the wonderful fruit, we felt we had surely reached the promised land. We had never tasted anything like the wonderful cherries before, also berries of all kinds, besides prunes, pears, and apples—how we enjoyed them all. Mama canned and dried fruit of all kinds for winter. How we loved this new country.

We went to the camp meeting at Woodburn; this was in the summer of 1909. It is such a lovely grounds with large fir trees. What a wonderful gathering of the dear saints, more than I had ever seen at one meeting. Here we met Brother Johnnie Green who was the pastor at Woodburn. Also many other ministers, and I still remember that meeting very plainly.

While up that way, we found a farm to rent near Aumsville, and by fall we were located there, where there was a good congregation of saints. Brother U.G. Clark and Bro. Everton were the ministers there. Soon after settling there Brother H. W. White and family arrived from Oklahoma. Oh how happy we were to see them. It was like some of the family from back home. They were soon settled near Salem and lived there the rest of their lives in that vicinity.

Papa began to plow and get ready to

plant fall grain, it also began to rain. After a few days it seemed it should clear up again, so farming could continue, but to our surprise, it did not stop. The farmers around went right on working in the rain, plowing and planting. They didn't seem to mind at all. Papa grew so depressed and blue and felt he couldn't take the rainy, cloudy weather. He got down sick with colds and began to talk of going where the sun would shine again. Here he could see he would have to work out in the drizzling rain most of the time (they said) from October to May.

He had written for some literature from Texas, and it came showing wonderful crops and the sun shined almost every day of the year. That sounded very good to him right now. But dear Mama and us girls felt so bad to think of moving again and thought of all the good fruit canned and dried that we would have to leave behind, and the dear saints too, for we didn't know any where he wanted to go in Texas. This was a hard trial on dear Mama. But she was a praying mother, and God gave grace to do His will under all circumstances. After many tears and prayers her consecration was made and she told us it was now in God's hands. We loved Oregon very much, but loved God better. So it was not long until preparation was made for another sale.

A few days before Christman found us sold out and ready to take the train again for South Texas, which meant several days and nights of long weary journey again. When we stood by the railroad tracks in the early morning hours, a light snow on the ground, some of the dear saints went with us to help us on and waved a lantern to get the train to stop for us.

It was hard to leave all here, not knowing if we would ever meet any of them again. We had to part with the Bowen and White families that we had loved so long and were going to a place where we knew no one. But God kept his hand over

us. Soon we were rolling along over the same tracks we came to Oregon on. Now we were going alone, I mean just our family, and I missed Nora so much.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(To be continued)

## When Mother Prayed

I think that I shall never see,  
This side of God's eternity,  
A scene as lovely as the one  
Which met my gaze when day was done.  
In childhood years of long ago:  
My mother sings, 'tis sweet and low,  
Her face with love is all aglow,  
She turns the pages of God's Word,  
Her tender heart is deeply stirred.

She kneels, she prays, Oh, what a prayer!  
I listen, lingering on the stair —  
“God bless my child” I hear my name,  
And there, within my heart, a flame  
Begins to burn — 'tis burning yet,  
That hour I never shall forget!

My Mother dear, at even kneels,  
And prays for me. This morn there steals  
A ray of warmth into my heart,  
And now, like her, from cares apart,  
I pray. Her prayers still follow me —  
A torch, and by its gleam I see  
My home across the crystal sea.

—Sel.

## THE BIBLE CORNER

**Answer:** The Israelites displeased God because they murmured against Him in asking for meat. Many died from a plague before they could finish chewing the meat. (Numbers 11:33)

**Question:** What was manna? Describe it. (clues: Ex. 16, Num. 11)

A word is dead when it is said, some say,  
I say it just begins to live that day.

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## LESSON ILLUSTRATION

Manna was sent in the morning and  
Quail in the evening.



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Dear Boys and Girls:

In the Bible we read about how God wanted His people to obey Him. God is the same today. He is displeased if we do not. God bears with people a long time but then there comes a time when He punishes them. God was so good to send them bread from heaven and quails. These birds were good meat. But God had some rules about the manna. God told them to gather enough just for one day and that none was to be left over. Some became lazy. They said, "Why should we go out every morning and gather manna. We will gather enough for tomorrow also." This they did but the next morning the left over manna stank and was full of worms. Moses was very displeased. When you think of several thousand people living in tents you have to have some rules about being clean. What an awful thing it would be to have a lot of manna spoiled around the camp. People would get sick. So they had to be careful. The manna that fell on the ground and was not gathered, melted when the sun came up hot.

Another rule was that they were to gather enough on the sixth day to last over the seventh day. God made a sign between them and Him and they were to rest on the seventh day which was their sabbath. Isn't it a wonderful miracle that the manna that was kept over on the seventh day would not spoil like it did other days? God is real and He takes care of things. But some people got lazy and said, "We'll just get enough today and then come back in the morning on the seventh day and get some more." When they came back the seventh day, there was none to be found. The Lord said to Moses, "How long refuse ye to keep my commandments and my laws?"

The manna looked like seed. It was white and tasted like wafers made with honey.

The "hidden manna" is a type of our sanctification. Jesus is the bread and when we are filled with the Holy Spirit, we eat the "hidden manna."

—Aunt Marie

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## Lesson 7, May 13, 1973

### GOD SENDS QUAILS AND MANNA

Exodus 16:13-15, 19-21, 26, 31-35;  
John 6:47-49

Exodus 16:13 And it came to pass, that at even the quails came up, and covered the camp: and in the morning the dew lay round about the host.

14 And when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness there lay a small round thing, as small as the hoar frost on the ground.

15 And when the children of Israel saw it, they said one to another, It is manna: for they wist not what it was. And Moses said unto them, This is the bread which the Lord hath given you to eat.

19 And Moses said, Let no man leave of it till the morning.

20 Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto Moses; but some of them left of it until the morning, and it bred worms, and stank: and Moses was wroth with them.

21 And they gathered it every morning, every man according to his eating; and when the sun waxed hot, it melted.

26 Six days ye shall gather it; but on the seventh day, which is the sabbath, in it there shall be none.

31 And the house of Israel called the name thereof Manna: and it was like coriander seed, white; and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey.

32 And Moses said, This is the thing which the Lord commandeth, Fill an omer of it to be kept for your generations; that they may see the bread wherewith I have fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you forth from the land of Egypt.

33 And Moses said unto Aaron, Take a pot, and put an omer full of manna therein, and lay it up before the Lord, to be kept for your generations.

34 As the Lord commanded Moses, so Aaron laid it up before the Testimony, to be kept.

35 And the children of Israel did eat manna forty years, until they came to a land inhabited; they did eat manna, until they came unto the borders of the land of Canaan.

John 6:47 Verily, verily I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life.

48 I am that bread of life.

49 Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead.

Memory Verse: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto

the churches; to him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it. Revelations 2:17.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. What came to the Israelites in the evening?

2. What lay on the ground after the dew left?

3. Moses told them that they were to gather it on what days?

4. If they gathered to much, what happened to it?

5. What did the manna look like?

6. What were they to do with an omer (about 3 quarts) of the manna?

7. Why were they to do this?

8. The tabernacle had two rooms in it. In the second room was a mercy seat. Where were they to put this pot of manna?

9. How long did God send manna to the Israelites?

10. What did Jesus say about those who believed on him?

11. What kind of bread was He?

12. What did Jesus say about those who had eaten manna?

13. John was on the Isle of Patmos. God revealed to him about the "hidden manna" under the mercy seat. Who was to eat of that spiritual manna?

14. Those who overcome are saved and sanctified. What kind of a stone will they be given? This is a type of purity in sanctification.

15. The manna that the Israelites had spoiled. Will our spiritual manna spoil if we do not obey the Lord?

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### (Part 19)

One thing that saddened my heart on this trip, Emily (my doll) was broken. I was walking in the aisle with it in my arms and her china head struck the metal end of a seat and her head burst open. How I cried as I had had it for a long time, and my uncle had given it to me and I loved him so much. We saved the body and later got a new head again, but it never was as pretty to me.

From California we went a different way going through El Paso and on south into Texas. We arrived at Riviera, Texas just at Christmas time, but it was warm and sunny. We had received literature with pictures of orange trees growing up, but instead we found a little village of nearly all Mexican people, but some new settlers, as the land was being sold in small acreages, and could be irrigated and raise good crops as it was warm and with water would raise almost anything. The only oranges we saw were a few grown down the middle of the street to advertise, as they were selling lots to newcomers all the time, right out in the cactus and mesquite brush, which had to be

cleared. We bought lots also and began clearing to build.

We took the Gospel Trumpet paper and as the Lord had it planned, found a family of saints not far from us who had little services, and a minister came once a month to preach. This was Brother O. B. Wilson, Sr. That was our first meeting of Brother and Sister Wilson, Sr. as when he couldn't come, Sister Mattie Wilson (also a minister) came for the appointment. She always brought her baby, who was just now a year old. That was the Brother Ostis Wilson we know now. My little brother is just a few days older, and many times Mama and I would hold the two babies while Sister Wilson preached.

There were a few other saints not far who also came for meetings; one especially I remember was Brother W. W. Titley who had just lost his wife not long before that time. His little boy, Victor, looked so pitiful without a mother. Brother Titley wrote the song in our book number 379 "Some Blessed Day", and I have often thought that he must have written it in memory of his dear wife. He was so grieved he left Texas and went to the Gospel Trumpet home not long after we went there.

Our new house was built and Papa went to work on the rail-road section crew and we girls started to school. We did not stay here long, but moved up to Woodsboro near where the Wilson's lived. How dear Mama hated to move again. Many times she begged Papa to move back to the homestead, as we still had it. But he kept thinking he would find something better. We lived in the little town and ran a restaurant.

I remember we were here July 4. This little town was built around a square block with a park in the center of the square. All the stores faced the park. We were on one side of the square and the post office was on the other side from us. People walked across the park any way they wanted, and often Elizabeth and I were sent to the post office or on an errand. On the fourth, there was quite a lot of noise and celebration and drinking. In one store across the block there was a fight and a man stabbed and ran out in the street screaming and bleeding. The man who did it was arrested and since there was no jail in this small place, he was chained by the feet to a post in the park. This was exciting to us and we were afraid as we could see him sitting there with his hat pulled down over his eyes. I don't remember how long he stayed there, but it was over a day or two, and the sun so hot too. The next day Mama sent Elizabeth and me to the post office, but we sure didn't go through the park. They laughed at us for being afraid of someone chained to a post. But again, Papa began talking of moving as this was not really his line of business and only temporary.

Brother and Sister George E. Boles, who were Sister Mattie Wilson's parents, had been to the camp meeting at Gorman. They were with the Wilson's for some time and we enjoyed being with them. Times were hard, as this had been a very dry year and farmer's crops were almost a failure, so the restaurant business was

also poor. So in the fall (this was in 1910) we went to the assembly meeting at Gorman. There we found a large congregation of precious people of God. Sister Mattie Wilson also came to this meeting.

Brother Bob McKinney was the pastor. We found a hearty welcome so it was not hard to settle there. We lived in town for awhile, but as Papa had heard from the homestead, and a man was wanting to buy it, he made a trip up there and sold it.

When he returned on the train and we went to meet him, what do you think met us? Out of the baggage car jumped old "Danie" our old dog. He knew us and jumped and whined and was as glad to see us as we were to see him. It seemed he could almost talk. Papa said when he saw him he didn't have the heart to leave him again.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

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A recently converted drunkard was speaking at a street meeting. He talked about the Lord Jesus Christ so warmly and with such enthusiasm that at last a man in the crowd cried out, "You talk as if Jesus Christ lived next door to you!"

"No, indeed," answered the speaker. "He lives nearer than that. Jesus Christ lives and dwells by His Holy Spirit in my heart."

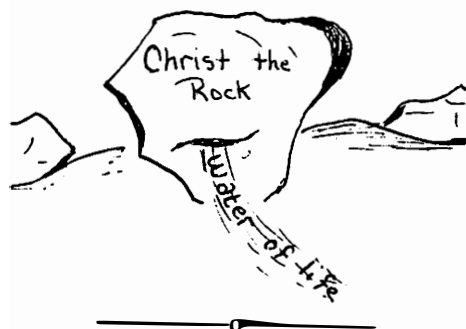
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## THE BIBLE CORNER

Answer: Manna was like white coriander seed, small and round, and it tasted like honey or fresh oil. It was ground and baked into cakes.

Question: Who was Joshua? (clue: See Numbers 13:8, 16 - Jehoshua is another spelling of Joshua)

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Dear Boys and Girls:

I do trust that you will love our God and know that He is truly a miracle working God. We have been studying about God and His great power. He is the same today. Won't you believe in and worship this wonderful and great God with all of your heart? Prayer is what brings miracles to us. All good things that you have come from God. But when you are in trouble, do you forget all the good things that you have just like the Israelites did? They asked the question in our unprinted verse, "Is the Lord among us or not?" In other words, "Will he help us this time?" They were so hard on Moses that he cried to the Lord and told Him he was about to be stoned.

"Strike the Rock!" Moses obeyed. The great granite mass was rent, torn asunder, and from inside, the water bubbled up and gushed out. It overflowed and poured down into the valley and onward it rolled. It was a clear, bright, and sparkling river. The thirsty Israelites drank to the full.

Jesus is that smitten Rock. He died on the cross and when they pierced His side out flowed blood and water. When we believe on Jesus as the One who takes our punishment for our sins, we are forgiven. We become "lively stones" in the building of God. Christ is the rock upon which

the church is built. The Church of God is a congregation of saved people. If you are a stone in the building of God you are a saved person. You are doing good and obeying Jesus. When you obey, give praise, and pray to Jesus, that is the way you offer "spiritual sacrifices to the Lord."

Do you know the song, "Jesus is so precious to me?" Our lesson tells us that Jesus, the "chief cornerstone" is "precious." He is only "precious" to just those who believe. To those who will not believe, He is a "rock of offense." They will stumble over Him and fall into hell. How sad! I am glad that Jesus is precious to me.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 8, May 20, 1973

### CHRIST THE PRECIOUS ROCK

Ex. 17:1-6; 1 Cor. 10:3, 4; Matthew 16:18b; 1 Peter 2:5-10

Exodus 17:1 And all the congregation of the children of Israel journeyed from the wilderness of Sin, after their journeys, according to the commandment of the Lord, and pitched in Rephidim: and there was no water for the people to drink.

2 Wherefore the people did chide with Moses, and said, Give us water that we may drink. And Moses said unto them. Why chide ye with me? wherefore do ye tempt the Lord?

3 And the people thirsted there for water; and the people murmured against Moses, and said, Wherefore is this that thou hast brought us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our cattle with thirst?

4 And Moses cried unto the Lord, saying, What shall I do unto this people? they be almost ready to stone me.

5 And the Lord said unto Moses, Go ye before the people, and take with thee of

the elders of Israel; and thy rod, where-  
with thou smotest the river, take in thine  
hand, and go.

6 Behold, I will stand before thee there  
upon the rock in Horeb; and thou shalt  
smite the rock, and there shall come water  
out of it, that the people may drink. And  
Moses did so in the sight of the elders of  
Israel.

I Cor. 10:3 And did all (Israelites)  
eat the same spiritual meat;

4 And did all drink the same spirit-  
ual drink; for they drank of that spirit-  
ual Rock that followed them: and that  
Rock was Christ.

Matthew 16:18b Upon this Rock I will  
build my church; and the gates of hell  
shall not prevail against it.

1 Peter 2:5 Ye also, as lively stones,  
are built up a spiritual house, a holy  
priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacri-  
fices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

6 Wherefore also it is contained in  
the Scripture, Behold, I lay in Zion a chief  
corner stone, elect, precious: and he that  
believeth on him shall not be confounded.

7 Unto you therefore which believe he  
is precious: but unto them which be dis-  
obedient, the stone which the builders dis-  
allowed, the same is made the head of  
the corner,

8 And a stone of stumbling, and a rock  
of offense, even to them which stumble at  
the word, being disobedient: whereunto  
also they were appointed.

9 But ye are a chosen generation, a  
royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar  
people; that ye should show forth the  
praises of him who hath called you out of  
darkness into his marvelous light:

10 Which in time past were not a people,  
but are now the people of God: which had  
not obtained mercy, but now have obtained  
mercy.

Memory Verse: Surely he hath borne  
our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet  
we did esteem him stricken, smitten of  
God and afflicted. Isaiah 53:4.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Where did the Israelites pitch their  
tents?

2. What trouble did they meet there?

3. What did they say to Moses and  
what was his answer?

4. In the third verse what more did  
they say to Moses?

5. Who did Moses talk to about his  
trouble?

6. What did the Lord tell Moses to do?

7. Who was going to stand upon the rock  
with Moses and what was he to do?

8. The Israelites, according to the  
Apostle Paul, did what?

9. Who was the spiritual Rock that was  
with them in the wilderness all the time?

10. Jesus said that "upon this — I  
will — my —."

11. Jesus was smitten and died on the  
cross for our salvation. He brought  
spiritual water to satisfy our longing  
souls. If we drink of this water or give  
our hearts to God, are we in the Church  
of God?

12. What kind of stones are we in the  
building, the church that is built on the  
rock, Christ Jesus?

13. What kind of sacrifices do we offer  
to the Lord? Is doing good a sacrifice  
offered to the Lord?

14. "Behold I lay in Zion, (or church)  
a — corner —, elect, —."

15. To whom is Jesus precious?

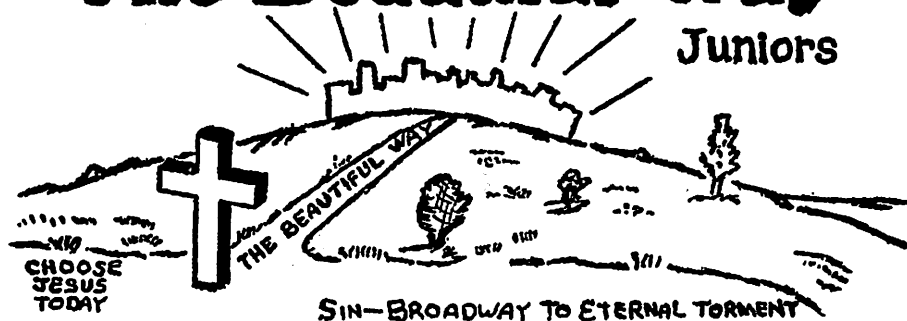
16. To whom is Jesus a "rock of  
offense"?

17. Read the last verse of our lesson.



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Part Nine

May 27

## Life's Golden Gleanings

### (Part 20)

Papa now bought a farm a few miles from town and soon bought teams and tools to farm again. Brother and Sister Forest and the Hendrek family were our neighbors. Also Brother Hand, a minister and his family lived near. At the assembly meeting many ministers came; Brothers George and W. T. Seaton, J. D. Ferral, Brother Fowler and others. As in all the meetings the singing was heavenly, and the preaching with power of the Holy Spirit. It was about this time that I sought the Lord for pardon, as a child and found peace to my soul. I had been taught to pray all my life, but this was the first time I really felt conviction to be saved. Oh, the joy and a knowledge that Jesus had come into my heart!

There were many children saved those days, and they had special meetings for us and a minister would preach to us in simple language so that we could understand the truths in the Word of God, that we might be educated in the doctrines of the New Testament. I have always been thankful for this, and appreciate the interest they took in us, it has meant much in

my life. I remember they taught us not to use slang or by-words. One minister who said never to say "I bet" said once that he asked some one who said it how much they would bet, and they said, "Oh no, I would not bet anything." He said, "You said you would, so what have you told?"

We girls started to school, walking one and a half miles a day each way. It was a two-room school with four grades in each room. Katherine and Elizabeth were in the upper room and I was in the lower grade room. Mr. Cox was their teacher and Miss Emma, (I don't recall her last name) was mine. There was a little girl in my room who had three brothers in the upper room. Some of them were almost grown or so it seemed to me. She being the only girl and much younger, was very badly spoiled and didn't do very good in school. She was often very sassy to the teacher. One day I remember so well she would not obey the teacher. It was near the end of the day, and when the bell rang our teacher locked the door and told us all to keep our seats, and asked this girl to come to her desk, but she refused to do so. The teacher took a switch she kept handy and walked to her seat, pulled her to her feet, and gave her a lick or two. We were so scared and

several were crying. I had never seen anything like this. The upper grades had been let out and were running down the steps when she began to scream. About this time, the older pupils were looking in the windows. Her brothers saw she was getting a whipping, and up went the window and these boys came in, grabbed the teacher, broke up the switch and pushed her to the blackboard and held her there. One unlocked the door and told his sister to run which she did, and they followed. Mr. Cox, the other teacher, tried to stop them but could not. We were then dismissed and glad to get out. This was the only time in all my school years to experience anything like this. This was sad as we were always taught to be as obedient at school as at home, and to see the result of a spoiled child with no discipline or respect for authority was pitiful. I have thought of her many times and wondered what kind of woman she made. How thankful I am for the careful teaching I had in my youth. I am sorry for children who do not have early teaching of God and His requirements of us. No wonder the word says "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6.

As I have said before, my family all loved to sing, and Papa had taught us the notes and how to read them, so now we girls began to take music lessons from a neighbor. She was a maiden lady named Lizzie Jay. One thing outstanding about her was that she was blind; but she could really play, and was a good teacher. One incident I well remember when Lizzie was at our house one afternoon; she being blind, one of us would walk home with her about a quarter of a mile. This day I was told to go with her. Now Papa had finished digging a cistern at the end of the porch and a large pile of dirt was still there so we would take a short cut across the yard going to the gate by

jumping on this dirt with no trouble at all. Lizzie was quite active and I forgot she couldn't see and took her by the hand and jumped. The poor thing fell, screaming, and was so excited and frightened, not knowing what was happening. Fortunately, she was not hurt as the dirt was soft, but I was sorry and did all I could to beg her pardon. Then we all had a good laugh, she too. But don't think I wasn't laughed at and reminded of this many times after that.

Spring came and the fields were plowed and planted with good hope of a crop. It was a dry spring but all hoped for rain. Crops came up but did not grow good. Clouds would come and float around but no rain. Things were beginning to suffer, as the heat of summer came on corn knee high began to turn yellow, then brown and rattle like fodder. Everything was burning up. Pastures dried up with no feed for the cattle. They ate what they could, even the leaves on the trees. The poor quality of feed caused the animals to get sick and many died. It was a serious out-look as farmers everywhere were suffering. By June it was seen that there would be no crops this year and the two before had been poor. The drought was felt everywhere. We had a few cows, one team of horses and a good span of mules. Not being there the year before, we had no feed, only what we bought and it was high priced and poor quality. Wells were going dry and we had to haul water from a creek where it was so low it stood in holes and the cattle drank from the same. Only the mercy of God kept the people from typhoid and other sickness. It was hard times and the future looked dark.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(To be continued)



Are God's eyes on you? "The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good" Prov. 15:3.

You can't hide from God. Don't try. Choose to do the things that make God happy. Then you will be happy, too.

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## THE BIBLE CORNER

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**Answer:** Joshua, whose name was Osben the son of Nun, was one of the men Moses later sent to spy out the land of Canaan. He and Caleb brought back a good report. He led the Israelites after Moses died. Joshua 1:1.

**Question:** What does Jehovah-nissi mean?

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## LESSON ILLUSTRATION

### FACING THE FIERCE ENEMY



**SATAN**  
(Amaleks)

**WORD OF GOD (ROD)**  
Watch (Eyes)

Prayer and Faith (2 Arms of Moses)

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Dear Boys and Girls:

Who is your fierce enemy? You have one. You say it's the boy or girl down the street who is always crossing me or taking my things. Well, they might be your enemy, but really who causes them to do wrong things? Yes, it's the devil. So the devil is your fierce enemy. Your fierce enemy is not flesh and blood. Your fierce enemy is a spirit. It's different than people. You might get away from people, but you can't get away from a spirit. It can follow you everywhere. But did you know that there is One that the devil is afraid of? He isn't afraid of you, but he is afraid of Jesus Christ. One little girl

was asked what she did when the devil came knocking at her heart's door. She said that she sent Jesus to the door. Boys and girls, you had better have Jesus as your best Friend so you can do the same. The devil comes to you in your thoughts. He would like to overcome you and cause you to do wrong. But you do not have to obey the devil. You can, through Christ, do the right. But there are some things you must do.

In our lesson we read about Moses and the children of Israel facing a fierce enemy and what they did. The Amaleks were descendants of Esau. You remember that Jacob and Esau were brothers and furthermore, they were twins. Esau wanted to kill Jacob and he fled to another place. Later they patched up their difficulties but did not live together. Jacob was the one whose name was changed to Israel. His twelve sons were the heads of the Israelites. The Amaleks came behind the Israelites and fought against the feeble, faint and weary. They did not fear God. Deut. 25:17-18.

In the battle, the Israelites would win as long as Moses held up the rod. The rod would stand for God's Word, the Bible. We need to obey the Bible. Then his arms would stand for prayer and faith. His eyes would be watching. Boys and girls, if we do not obey God's Word, we will begin to lose the battle against the devil. We will be letting down in prayer and faith. Be sure that you watch and pray and be strong in the Lord and you can overcome.

—Aunt Marie

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Faith makes all things possible; love makes all things easy.

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Lesson 9, May 27, 1973

## FACING A FIERCE ENEMY

Eph. 6:10-13, 16, 18; Ex. 17:8-16

Ephesians 6:10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

11 Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

Exodus 17:8 Then came Amalek, and fought with Israel in Rephidim.

9 And Moses said unto Joshua, Choose us out men, and go out, fight with Amalek: tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in mine hand.

10 So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill.

11 And it came to pass, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed.

12 But Moses' hands were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun.

13 And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

14 And the Lord said unto Moses, Write this for a memorial in a book, and rehearse it in the ears of Joshua: for I will utterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven.

15 And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it Jehovah-nissi.

16 For he said, Because the Lord hath sworn that the Lord will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.

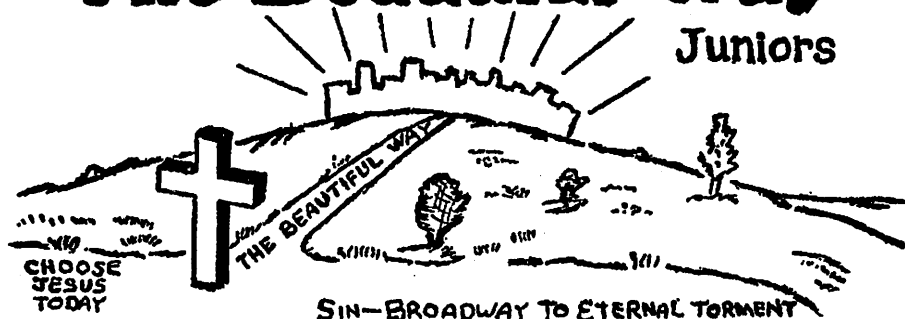
Memory Verse: Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is. Mark 13:33.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. "Be — in the —, and in the — of his might."
2. What are we to put on to stand against the devil?
3. Do we wrestle or fight against flesh and blood or an enemy we can see?
4. After we have done all God tells us to do, what are we to do then?
5. What will stop the fiery darts of the wicked?
6. How often are we to pray and watch?
7. Who came against the Israelites?
8. What did Moses tell Joshua to do?
9. Where did Moses go and what did he do?
10. Who went up the hill, which was 700 feet above the battle, with Moses?
11. What happened when Moses became weary and let down his arms?
12. When we fight the devil what do we need to overcome him?
13. Who helped Moses to hold up his arms?
14. Should we help others when they are in trouble?
15. Who won the battle?
16. What did the Lord tell Moses to write in a book?

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Part Ten

June 3

## Life's Golden Gleanings

### (Part 21)

One morning Papa came in and said our best milk cow was sick and down, couldn't get up. This was sad news as this was our living almost. We had trusted the Lord all my life, prayed about any need we had. Now this was something new, but the Word says "Whatsoever ye desire" so this was our desire that our cow be made well. We needed her badly. So in the morning worship we prayed earnestly for this need. Later in the day dear Sister Hendricks came over. Mama told her about our cow and they walked out to the barn to see her. There she lay stretched out with fever and panting for breath, her nose dry and hot, from all appearance she would not live long.

They talked it over, felt they could agree together for God to have mercy for this need, as in Matthew 18:19 "that if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing they shall ask it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven." So they felt they had a promise for this need. They bowed down, laid their hands on our cow and prayed to the dear Lord in heaven to have mercy on

us and spare our cow. They had faith he would do it, and thank God He did. Our cow was soon up and able to eat and drink and was well. How we rejoiced and gave God thanks for His mercy to us. Truly we can sing with Sister Hendricks, who wrote the good old song in our song book, "There Is Not a Friend Like Jesus, in the trying scenes of life." It has been proven over and over in our life. She was a precious sister, a woman of prayer and faith in God's Word. I appreciate the memory of her.

The next prayer meeting night Mama testified how the Lord had mercy on us and healed our cow. Some smiled and some said they didn't think we should pray for cattle as the promise was not for them as they had no faith. So it raised some discussion. After meeting Brother McKinney, the pastor, told Mama it might be best not to tell this any more in public. But we still gave God the glory for how He had been so mindful of us, and we knew He alone had made her well. It was just another miracle, as cattle all around were sick and dying.

It continued hot and dry. In answer to prayer Papa had got a job on the section crew and I don't know how we could have made it without this, as we didn't

have anything to go on from the year before, and there would be nothing this year. But we knew the God in heaven had not forsaken us.

One afternoon we saw a man in a buggy coming down the road, the dust flying. He seemed to be in a hurry, as he came nearer we saw it was Brother McKinney. He tied the horse up and coming in soon made known his mission. First he apologized to Mama for reproving her testimony concerning our cow being healed, and said, "I have come to ask you to pray for my cow. I have had the vetenary to come, but he can do nothing for her and I want you to pray for her." Times were hard and Brother McKinney had a large family and this cow was so necessary for their living. This touched Mother's heart and we all bowed on the porch and cried to God to remember this brother in his distress and grant mercy by healing his cow. He left much encouraged and on Sunday when we went to meeting, Brother McKinney testified to the healing of his cow, also. So the Lord was taking note of the suffering of His children. The weather was getting hotter each day, it was truly a serious drouth.

Papa had been saying for some weeks it looked like we would have to get out of here before we lost everything. Now he was talking of a plan to move west. We had gone through California going to Oregon and also coming to Texas. Since we had been to Oregon, Mama's sister, Aunt Alpha, had moved there and we received letters from them telling of the good crops, luscious fruits and wonderful climate. It all sounded wonderful indeed, but here we were hundreds of miles away and with very little money. It would be hard to sell anything, no one wanted more stock as they could hardly feed what they had, and many were starving. No crops to sell for there were none. How could we think of moving??

But Papa had been working and plan-

ning in his mind and fully decided to move. He and Mama talked it all over before we girls knew about it. He told her, "We have a good span of mules and the other team of horses. I will fix two wagons with side-boards and build over-jets, or wider wagon beds so we can have a bed in each and storage space underneath. A large cupboard on the back of one wagon with shelves for dishes, the door to let down for a table. On the back of the other, a platform with a large barrel on it for water." Then they told us about it and it was a matter of prayer for some time. Papa felt this was the thing to do so began in earnest to get things ready, as the longer we waited, the more critical the situation became. Mama was still praying, the saints were praying too, as they knew it was serious to start out on such a long trip in the heat and the teams not very strong and well fed, not knowing what was before us. The drought was so serious we could all perish unless God was in it. But at last it was submitted into God's hands and all felt better about it.

Preparations began in earnest. When the bed-springs were placed, and the mattresses on, the packing began. Things were sorted over and just the most necessary things taken. It was hard to discard many things we cherished, especially we girls; decisions had to be made that caused many tears. Trunks of dishes, bedding, books, and clothing were packed under the beds. Then provisions of food, for Papa knew there would be long distances where we could not get anything to eat. Also we had to take some feed for the teams. At least one sack of feed, then a bale of hay on the side of each wagon.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

(To be continued)

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Forgive quickly even as God forgives you.

Temptation isn't sin; the sin comes in yielding to the temptation. A boy once gave this answer when asked what was the difference between temptation and sin: "Temptation is when you're asked to do a thing, and sin is when you've done it."

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## THE BIBLE CORNER

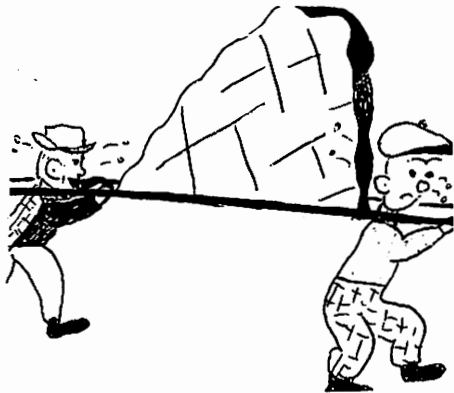
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Answer: Jehovah-nissi means the Lord or Jehovah my banner.

Question: Did Jesus have only twelve disciples following Him before He chose Peter, James, John and the others? (See Luke 6:13)

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## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Sharing a Load

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Dear Boys and Girls:

The Bible tells us that Moses was the meekest man that ever lived, besides Jesus. He wrote the first five books of the Bible, but we hear very little about his own wife or children. He only mentions their names and a very little about his wife, Zipporah. They are not given

any higher place than others in his history. We notice in writing the book he calls his name Moses and not "I". He gives God the glory for all that has been done. He shows to us his great dependence upon God.

We remember when he first went to Egypt, his wife and two sons returned home. It was only a few months later that our lesson takes place. Jethro, his father-in-law, who was a priest of Midian, brought his wife and sons to him there in the desert. Moses went out to meet them and kissed them. He asked about their welfare and took them into his tent. He told them what God had done for him and the children of Israel since they last met. He told them the good things and also the sorrows that he had faced at different times. But Jethro rejoiced with Moses that the Lord had been so good to them and brought them out of slavery. Jethro then offered a sacrifice to the Lord and Aaron and all the elders came out to eat bread with Moses and his father-in-law.

Jethro tells Moses as he watched him the next day that his work of judging the people was too great alone. Moses told him that he made them know God's laws and settled their problems. Jethro gave him some advice which he took.

In our lesson in Luke we read about Jesus praying all night before he chose his 12 disciples. He needed someone to help him.

In Acts we read about the early church choosing seven men who were filled with the Holy Spirit to be helpers. We want to live so we can be a helper in God's work.

—Aunt Marie

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Lesson 10, June 3, 1973

## SHARING THE BURDEN

Ex. 18:5, 9, 13, 17, 19-22, 24; Luke 6:12, 13; Acts 6:2, 3, 5a

Exodus 18:5 And Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, came with his sons and his wife unto Moses into the wilderness, where he encamped at the mount of God:

9 And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which the Lord had done to Israel, whom he had delivered out of the hand of the Egyptians.

13 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses sat to judge the people; and the people stood by Moses from the morning unto the evening.

17 And Moses' father-in-law said unto him, The thing that thou doest is not good.

19 Hearken now unto my voice, I will give thee counsel, and God shall be with thee: Be thou for the people to Godward, that thou mayest bring the causes unto God:

20 And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws, and shalt show them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do.

21 Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens:

22 And let them judge the people at all seasons: and it shall be, that every great matter they shall bring unto thee, but every small matter they shall judge: so shall it be easier for thyself, and they shall bear the burden with thee.

24 So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father-in-law, and did all that he had said.

Luke 6:12 He (Jesus) went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God.

13 And when it was day, he called unto him his disciples: and of them he chose twelve, whom also he named apostles;

Acts 6:2 Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables.

3 Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.

5a And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose.

Memory Verse: Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.  
1 Cor. 12:4.

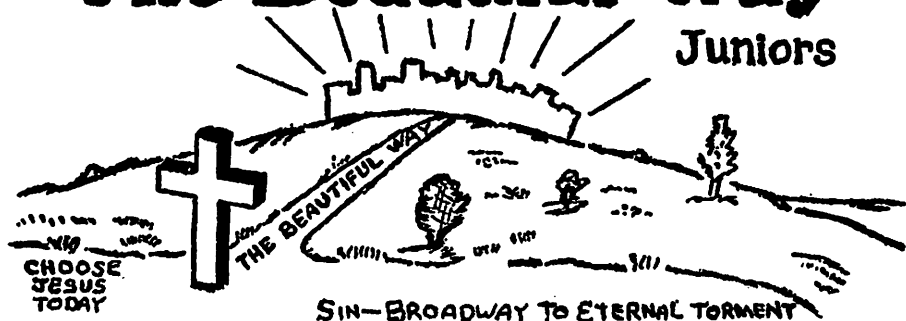
#### QUESTIONS:

1. Who came to see Moses in the wilderness?
2. What did Jethro do when he heard about Moses and his adventures?
3. What did Jethro see Moses doing the next morning?
4. What did Jethro, Moses' father-in law, say to him about it?
5. What counsel did he give to him?
6. Who are "able men"?
7. Who were they to take the "great matters" to?
8. Did Moses accept Jethro's advice?
9. Should younger people accept advice from their elders?
10. What did Jesus do one night?
11. What did he do the next day? Is it good to pray about things?
12. Whom did the twelve Apostles call and what did they say to them?
13. What kind of men were they to choose to take care of the business?
14. Did the plan that the Apostles have please the multitude of believers and what did they do?
15. Is a load made lighter when several share it?



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Part Eleven

June 10

## Life's Golden Gleanings

(Part 22)

When all was ready and a brother had decided to buy the farm and the stock that were left, at a very low price, the day was set to leave. It was a sad day as we hated to leave the dear saints. Many tears were shed, especially dear Mama, it meant something to start out for hundreds of miles in wagons and with very little money, not knowing what was before us. Of course as a child it was hard for me to think of all that and like most children, I was eager to go.

Papa had counted carefully to be able to make it. Our most expense would be feed for the teams and ourselves. One concern was that one of the horses (Dilcie) had the heaves (something like asthma in people) caused from the poor quality of hay they were eating. This would make traveling hard for it and only God knew if it would be able to make it. The dear saints promised to pray for us and we had faith in God who would never fail.

The weather was so hot and dry, but just after the fourth of July (I don't know

the day in the week) we were ready to start. Of course I was eager and excited for the trip. At the last, Papa decided we would have to leave our good old dog (Danie) again. This was hard to take as he was so troubled and seemed to know we were leaving. He would follow us back and forth from wagon to the house and whine. We loved him so much. I was now nine years old and he was two years older, so Papa felt he would not live to make the trip, as he would have to walk most of the way. We were loaded so heavy anyway. I'm sure it was the best, but we girls and little brother had to shed some tears. As we were ready to leave they had to tie him up and he howled so pitiful as we drove away. We later heard he grieved himself to death before long, but I have never forgotten our faithful Danie.

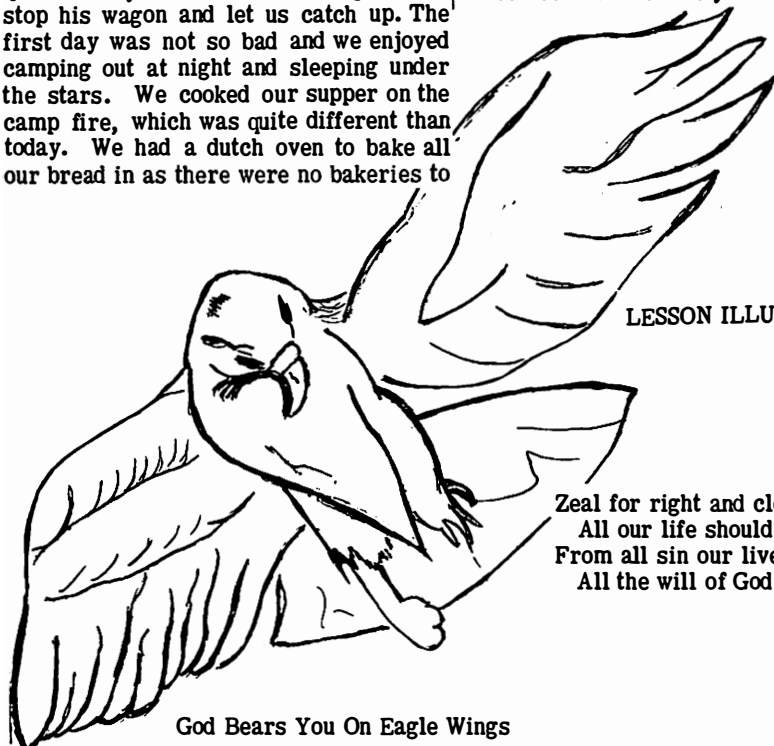
As we rolled out of the yard early that sultry morning it was a strange feeling to be leaving our home for a far away land. We did not know how long it would take us, or what we would encounter along the way. My childish mind could not think of hardships or anything that would not be pleasant. We were poor but we had been taught to have faith in God, so as a child I had no worry, and was happy. We were soon rolling along over the country road.

The dust was flying and soon the sun was beating down upon us with nothing to shade us but the wagon sheet over our heads. But like all children we played along and had the old guitar and sang and played as we rolled along. At noon we stopped by a big cotton wood tree and ate our lunch, and let the teams rest awhile. There were no paved roads as we know them today, but dry dusty country roads, and by noon we found out it settled on everything. This was not so pleasant but we hoped it would be better and we would find roads that were not so sandy.

Soon we were rolling along again. Papa and Mama drove the mules and were in the lead and we girls drove the other team and followed. The mules walked, some faster and sometimes we would get quite a ways behind. Then Papa would stop his wagon and let us catch up. The first day was not so bad and we enjoyed camping out at night and sleeping under the stars. We cooked our supper on the camp fire, which was quite different than today. We had a dutch oven to bake all our bread in as there were no bakeries to

buy from. When supper was over and things were put away for the night, we sang some and read a lesson out of the Bible as usual and had prayer and went to bed. The wind was blowing some but it was hot all night and we were crowded in the wagons as we three girls had to all sleep in one bed. But like children we slept. Papa called us when it was hardly light, to get up as we must get on the road while it was not so hot. He had a fire ready to cook breakfast. Soon it was ready and we had worship and were ready to go.

We all felt fresh and there were a few clouds floating around so it was a little cooler, which we were thankful for. But they soon disappeared and it was hot again. We played and read books and enjoyed ourselves. I was nine years old in June,



#### LESSON ILLUSTRATION

Zeal for right and clean endeavor  
All our life should mark below,  
From all sin our lives to sever,  
All the will of God to know.

God Bears You On Eagle Wings

Katherine was sixteen in March, Elizabeth was fourteen in March, and little brother Franklin was over two and would be three in November. He was beginning to carry a tune and we enjoyed his baby talk and teaching him little songs and verses. We were a happy family. Sometimes we changed around and Mama would ride with us girls. We read books and especially the Bible story books, "Beautiful Stories From The Good Old Book," and Favorite Stories From The New Testament," written by Isabel C. Byrum. These books were very much loved those days and in most of the saints homes.

--Sis. Ruby Stover

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## THE BIBLE CORNER

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**Answer:** Jesus had many disciples or people who believed and followed Him, and out of these many He chose twelve who became the apostles.

**Question:** Why does the eagle stir up her nest?

Dear Boys and Girls:

Did you ever study about the eagle in school? He has some interesting things about him. One thing is he has one mate until that mate dies. It is "until death do we part." That is God's law today for a man and woman who are married, but many do not keep those laws.

The eagle is mighty in his strength. His wing spread is from seven to eight feet. Some Airmen have found the eagle flying at almost 10,000 feet above the earth. His eyes can detect a fish three miles from the spot where he is soaring.

The eagle builds a nest and lines it with rabbit fur and other skins. Every day the eaglets are taught to take exer-

cise by jumping up and down and flapping their wings. When it comes time for them to leave the nest the parents pull out the soft things and let them down upon the sticks. They do not like this so they try to fly out. The parent eagles entreat them with some morsel of food just beyond their reach.

In our lesson we read about God carrying the Israelites out of Egypt on eagle wings. Surely it was a miracle that they came out. Remember all the plagues the Egyptians had come upon them? Do you remember the opening of the Red Sea, etc. We were in Satan's clutches. Jesus died on the cross to bear our punishment so we could get out of his clutches.

Sometimes we get used to too many comforts and our nest needs to be stirred. We are not working for Jesus. God has to take away some of them to cause us to do more for Jesus. If we need more faith, we need something to happen, and then God hears our cries and our faith takes in healing or the solution to a problem and we then have more faith. If we become weary, the Lord rushes down and bears us up.

One man had a dangerous job. He had wings put on his shoes because his job caused him to look down a lot. When he would get weary or in trouble, he would think of the promise, "they shall mount up with wings as eagles." We do not want to forget that the earth belongs to God and that he has all power to help us.

—Aunt Marie

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Lesson 11, June 10, 1973

## EAGLE WINGS BEAR TREASURE

Exodus 19:1-6; Deut. 32:10-12;

Isaiah 40:28-31

Exodus 19:1 In the third month, when the children of Israel were gone

forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai.

2 For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to the desert of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount.

3 And Moses went up unto God, and the Lord called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel;

4 Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.

5 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine;

6 And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

Deut. 32:10 He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; he led him about, he instructed him, he kept him as the apple of his eye.

11 As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings:

12 So the Lord alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him.

Isaiah 40:28 Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

29 He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.

30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

31 But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Memory Verse: And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels. Malachi 3:17a.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Where did the children of Israel finally come to?

2. What did Moses do there and what did God do?

3. What did he say about what he had done for the Israelites?

4. Discuss the eagle and his great strength and his habits.

5. Whom did God take away from Satan?

6. Name the two things the children of Israel were to obey to be a special treasure of the Lord.

7. If we do this what will we be?

8. What did God do for that one he found in the desert? (This could mean the Israelites or us today who are in need of being sanctified.)

9. How does the eagle get the young ones to leave the nest?

10. When the nest is stirred who then do we follow?

11. Did you know what verse 28 tells you?

12. To whom does he give strength and might?

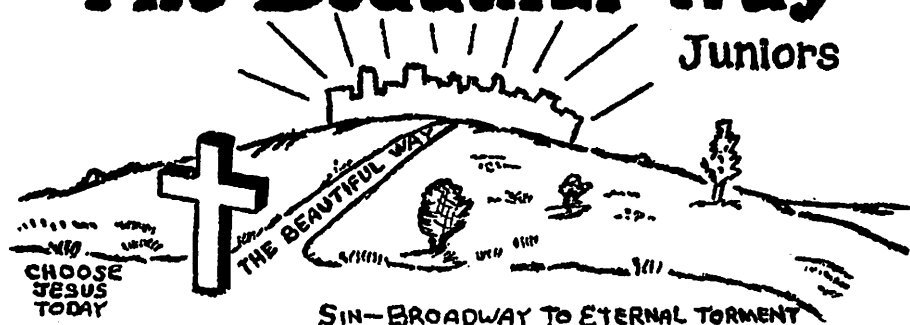
13. Young men have troubles even if they are strong in body. Does God help them if they pray to him?

14. What will the Lord do if we wait upon him?

15. What did the man who worked at a dangerous job have put on his shoes? Why?

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Part Twelve

June 17

## Life's Golden Gleanings

(Part 23)

We made about thirty miles a day if all went well. Sometimes the ruts in the road were so deep and pulling so hard we did not make that many miles; the horses having to rest more often. We camped for the night early so we could feed the teams and get our supper before dark. We usually had the wagons one on each side of the camp fire so we girls would not be afraid. Sometimes we could hear the coyotes so close we wished we were in a house again. But Papa assured us that they would not hurt us and we had the Lord to protect us so we went on to sleep. The stars shined so bright and Papa would often point out the north star and tell us what direction we had been traveling. We soon fell asleep under the starry heavens and knew nothing more till Papa would call "Time to get up."

This was the routine from day to day. After a few days it began to get tiresome with the weather so hot and dusty and so very dry. Oh, how I longed for a good cool drink. But the barrel of water was

hot and dashed and jolted over the rough road till it was almost foamy. It wet our lips and throats but never satisfied our thirst. The children of today cannot imagine how it truly was. Today they travel along at great speed over smooth highways, stop and get a cool drink, pop or ice cream. We jolted over rough or sandy roads, sometimes the dust was so bad, with grit or sand on everything. It would get on our beds, in the cupboards, on the dishes, and at times water so scarce we could not wash them, just wipe them out till we could get to more water. On and on from day to day; the poor horses so tired and weak and so hot they would be in a lather of sweat. Poor old Dilcie with the heaves was so pitiful. The heat and dust was so hard on her. One day we had to stop early as she could hardly go. We felt so sorry and also not knowing what we could do if she gave out completely. Mama walked around to where she was trying to eat and stroked and petted her, but her heart was so touched she laid her hand on her and looking up to God in heaven wept and asked God to have mercy on this poor animal and relieve her of this condition, and believe it or not, God heard prayer and from that day on she was

better and soon over it completely. Oh how can people doubt God and His power to help us in all kinds of need? He had mercy on the dumb animal as well as for us. Bless His dear name for ever and ever.

God answered prayer many, many times on this trip in such marvelous ways. Another time Popcorn, the other horse took very sick. Water was so scarce and it being so hot, he took cramps or colic. Papa had to stop and take the harness off him. He rolled and groaned and finally stretched out stiff, his eyes rolled back as if he was dying. It was serious as we knew if he died we would have to leave one of the wagons. We were here nearly all day. Again we bowed in prayer and God heard and came to our rescue. Papa got up in the night to see about him, but by morning he was much better and we were able to travel again.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

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A cowboy expressed it this way: "Now, I'm working for Jim here. If I'd sit around, telling what a good fellow Jim is, and singing songs to him, and getting up in the night to serenade him, I'd be doing just what a lot of Christians do, but I wouldn't suit Jim, and I'd get fired quick. But when I buckle on my straps and hustle among the hills, and see that Jim's herd is all right and not suffering from lack of water and feed, or getting off the range and branded by cattle thieves, then I'm proving my love, and serving Jim as he wants to be served."

Are we serving Jesus the way the cowboy serves Jim?

Prayer is food for the soul. If we don't eat, our natural bodies will become sick and die; and if we don't pray, our spiritual bodies will also sicken and die.

## Christ Has No Hands

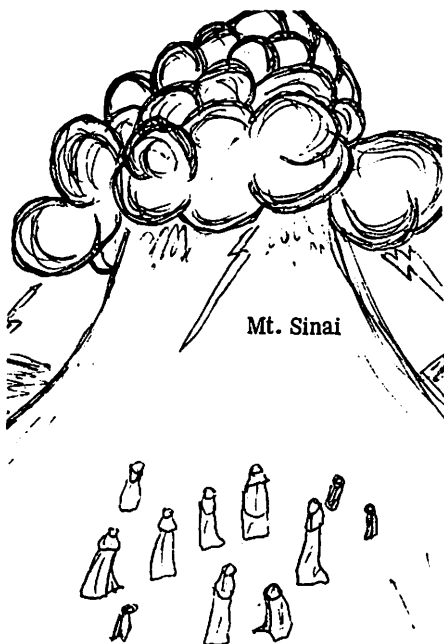
Christ has no hands but our hands,  
To do His work today!  
He has no feet but our feet,  
To lead men in His way.  
He has no tongue but our tongue,  
To tell men how He died:  
He has no help but our help,  
To bring others to His side!"

### THE BIBLE CORNER

Answer: An eagle stirs up her nest so the eaglets will be so uncomfortable they will learn to fly.

Question: Why did God come down in a fire and not let Moses and the people see Him just as He is? (Clue: Ex. 33)

### LESSON ILLUSTRATION



A gracious white-haired lady visited a friend. When she left, a little girl said, "Mother, if I could be an old lady like she is — beautiful, calm, sweet and loveable — I would not mind growing old."

"Well, my dear," said the discerning mother. "If you want to be that kind of old lady, you had better begin making her right now. She is not a picture that was done in a hurry. If you want to paint that sort of picture of yourself to leave to the world, begin mixing the colors now."

Whatever we are now is the basis for what we will be in the future. Are you "mixing the right colors" for your picture, girls and boys?

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Dear Boys and Girls:

How often your mother tells you to take a bath, put on your nice, clean clothes, and comb your hair. Generally you are to get ready to go somewhere to see someone or keep an appointment. Maybe you are getting ready to go to meeting at the chapel. There you will see other people, but one thing is sure, if there are two or three of God's people there, then Jesus has promised to be in their midst. He is your unseen Guest at the services of God. It is right that you be clean and tidy. But most of all you should have a clean heart. Only those with clean hearts can receive a blessing from the Lord.

God told Moses to have the people get ready for their appointment with Him. It was to be on the third day. They were to take baths and wash their clothes. They were to come before God with faith and be ready to hear what God had to tell them.

With eager hearts the boys and girls, mothers and fathers worked and looked forward to the appointed day. No doubt they talked about what they thought would really happen on that day. Even with all of their ideas they could never have guess-

ed just what really did happen. So thousands gathered at the foot of the Mount of God and waited for the time when God would speak to them. From early that morning on the third day, just as God had said it would be, the thunders, lightnings and a thick cloud came down upon the mount. Fire and smoke ascended. The trumpet sounded loud, louder and louder, as they waited. The people trembled. Moses spoke and God answered. Oh, what a wonderful thing that was, to hear the Voice of God. The God who had performed all the wonderful miracles, that caused Pharaoh to let them leave Egypt. Now God had spoken to them. Some, no doubt, were curious but God warned Moses that if anyone came up into the mount, they would be shot through, or stoned. Curiosity is all right in some cases, but many times it gets a person into trouble.

—Aunt Marie

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He that will go as near the ditch as he can, will at one time or other fall in.

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Lesson 12, June 17, 1973

**PREPARED  
FOR AN APPOINTMENT**

**Exodus 19:10-15a, 16-25**

Exodus 19:10 And the Lord said unto Moses, Go unto the people, and sanctify them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their clothes,

11 And be ready against the third day: for the third day the Lord will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai.

12 And thou shalt set bounds unto the people round about, saying, Take heed to yourselves, that ye go not up into the mount, or touch the border of it: whosoever toucheth the mount shall be surely put to death:

13 There shall not a hand touch it, but he shall surely be stoned, or shot through; whether it be beast or man, it shall not live: when the trumpet soundeth long, they shall come up to the mount.

14 And Moses went down from the mount unto the people, and sanctified the people; and they washed their clothes.

15 And he said unto the people, Be ready against the third day:

16 And it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that was in the camp trembled.

17 And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount.

18 And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the Lord descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly.

19 And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice.

20 And the Lord came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the Lord called Moses up to the top of the mount; and Moses went up.

21 And the Lord said unto Moses, Go down, charge the people, lest they break through unto the Lord to gaze, and many of them perish.

22 And let the priests also, which come near to the Lord, sanctify themselves, lest the Lord break forth upon them.

23 And Moses said unto the Lord, The people cannot come up to mount Sinai: for thou chargedst us, saying, Set bounds about the mount, and sanctify it.

24 And the Lord said unto him, Away, get thee down, and thou shalt come up, thou, and Aaron with thee: but let not the priests and the people break through to come up unto the Lord, lest he break forth upon them.

25 So Moses went down unto the people, and spake unto them.

Memory Verse: And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment. Hebrews 9:27.

#### QUESTIONS:

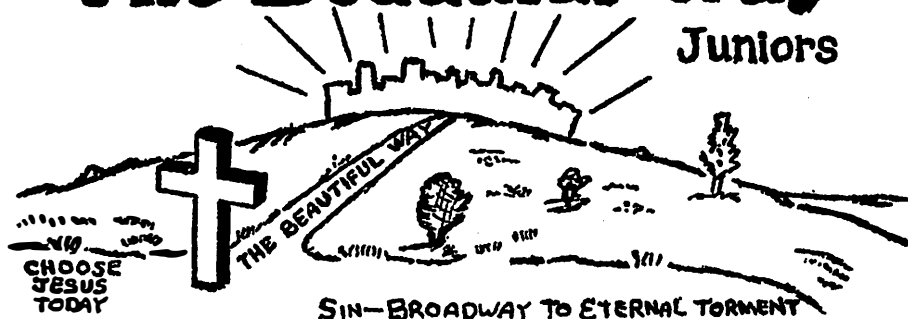
1. What did the Lord tell Moses to do?
2. What day were they to be ready for their appointment with God?
3. What would happen to anyone who went past the bounds and touched the mountain?
4. When should the people come up to the mountain?
5. What did the people do when Moses told them about the Lord's words?
6. What happened on the appointed day in the morning?
7. How did the people feel about what they saw and heard up in the mountain?
8. When Moses brought the people up to the mountain when the trumpet sounded what else did they see?
9. When Moses spoke who answered?
10. How would you feel if you were at a mountain and heard the Voice of God?
11. When the Lord came down on the top of the mountain and Moses went up into the mount, what did the Lord tell him?
12. Where were the priests to go?
13. What did Moses tell the Lord?
14. What did the Lord again tell Moses to tell the people lest someone became curious?

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## Life's Golden Gleanings

### (Part 24)

Sometimes we would see a windmill in the distance and it looked so good. There was usually a watering trough and cattle lying around it, sometimes a tree or so for a little shade. We always stopped and watered the teams, unless they were close together, which wasn't very often. Sometimes we went several days without seeing any. Some of them were dried up, too. At times there was no wind to turn them. At Abilene the water was so bad it made some of us sick. Oh, such bad tasting water. They said it was alkali and we could hardly drink it, but it was water and we had no choice. When we got to Sweetwater, Texas it was some better. I guess that is why they call it by that name, it is so much different from the country around, for as we went on West it got bad again; such an arid barren country. In normal times this was a good cattle country but the drought was here too, and no pastures to speak of and very few wells; the ponds were dry holes. Each town we came to Papa checked the supplies we had and

restocked as he knew we would soon be far from much civilization. We hardly ever met anyone traveling those days, but once in a while we did meet some headed the way we were from. As was the custom each would stop and exchange greetings and any news they had. All had a sad story to tell, as the drought was in all directions. Some felt we were foolish to go west as where they had been, it was bad. Papa felt the same for them and he knew he didn't want to go back. We girls listened and had a big question in our minds if we would ever make it or perish on the desert, often saying among ourselves we wished we were home. But Mama would comfort us that God's big eye was looking down and knew just where we were and would care for us.

—Sis. Ruby Stover

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## Mother Told Me Not To Go

Allen was sent to the city when quite a lad; the new scenes and new objects which met his eye, so unlike the quiet and unchanging life of his native village, filled him with interest and excitement.

He never felt tired of looking and walking about in the time spared from his employment. Amongst other places; of which he had heard much, was the theatre. Some of his associates went, and there was no end to the wonderful stories of what they saw and heard. Allen felt a rising desire to go too. He manfully resisted however.

"Come," said one of his companions, "Go with us tonight."

"No," answered Allen, "not tonight."

"So you always say, 'not tonight.' Come, decide at once to go."

"No, not this time; not tonight," still replied Allen, walking away.

"You shall have a ticket if you will only come," again urged his companion.

Allen shook his head, "No, no," said he, "keep it yourself; I cannot take it."

"How obstinate," rejoined the other, "why what can be your reason?"

Allen hesitated for a moment. "My mother told me not to go to the theatre, therefore I cannot go," he at length firmly replied.

His companion ceased to urge him longer; he beheld in Allen's face a settled purpose to obey, and he left him without saying a word more. That was one of his mother's last injunctions—"My son, do not go to the theatre." Under such circumstances, some lads might have said: "Why, I see no harm in the theatre; my mother, I fancy, did not know so much as she thought she did; she, away off, cannot tell what is what; besides, other young men of my age go, why should I not go? I see no reason why I cannot." I say, some lads might have reasoned thus, and disobeyed, and gone. Not so with Allen. His mother bade him not to go that was sufficient for him. He trusted to her knowledge, and confided in her judgment, and he meant to obey her; yes, and what was better, he was not afraid to say so. It was a wise decision; and if every youth

away from home had courage enough to decide doubtful questions in the same way, there would be many better men for it. Will you not follow his example, dear young friends? Remember the words of Scripture: "When sinners entice thee, consent thou not."

A hinge is a tiny thing, compared to the door on which it is placed; yet it swings the greatest door outward or inward. What seems to you a very unimportant question of right or wrong may prove the hinge on which your life swings toward good or evil destiny!

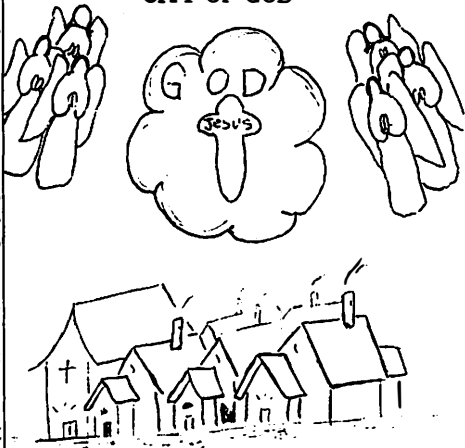
## THE BIBLE CORNER

Answer: God said in Ex. 33:20 that no man could see His face and live. God's glory is so great, it can only be seen by an immortal body.

Question: Are Mount Sinai and Mt. Sion or Zion the same?

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION

### CITY OF GOD



Just Men Made Perfect

"My thoughts are not your thoughts, says the Lord." Isaiah 55:8.. God has much better thoughts than we. He doesn't always do what we want but His ways are best.

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Dear Boys and Girls:

Have you studied in school about your city's government? You know that they have a book where they keep the record of everyone who lives in that city. I am sure you have been at home when someone came around and said they were taking the census. They would want to know how many children were in the family and who else lived in your house. A city also has a judge who solves the problems people bring to him. But they can't come to him without someone going between them and preparing the way. Most of the time they get a lawyer who knows about the laws of the city and who knows the people's rights. He intercedes to the Judge for them.

Last Sunday we studied about the Israelites coming to the mountain where God came down to talk to Moses and tell him what He wanted the people to do in order to please Him. The mountain shook so much and even Moses shook and quaked. The people were so afraid. In our lesson today the Apostle Paul is telling us of something so much better. Jesus came to this world and lived, died on the cross, arose again, and brought in a spiritual kingdom which is wonderful. Today we have a spiritual city that we come to. We are in the dispensation of grace. We have mercy, and it's different from living under the law that was given to Moses. But in this City, which is called the City of God or the Heavenly Jerusalem which came down out of heaven, God is the Judge of all. In this city there are thousands and thousands of angels. What a comfort to know we have someone who is caring for us who is so wonderful. All who have been forgiven of their sins can

be made perfect in heart just as the lesson said, "just men made perfect." We pray to Jesus and He is our mediator or He takes our requests to God. God loves His Son and for His sake He gives to us that which we have need of. Did you notice I said need of? God has never promised to supply all of our wants. Through the blood of Jesus we can come to God. Jesus was innocent and His blood calls for mercy. But when Cain killed Abel, his blood cried from the ground for vengeance.

I am glad we are in this kingdom that will never be moved. The Jewish temple was destroyed and the Jews who would not accept Jesus were punished. God shook heaven and earth. But He will shake it again. We want to be in the kingdom and in the end we will be taken to be with Jesus. It's fearful to fall into God's hands if we are not saved.

—Aunt Marie

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An egg is a little thing but the huge crocodile creeps into life out of it.

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**Lesson 13, June 24, 1973**

## **THE CITY OF GOD**

**Hebrews 12:14, 15, 18-29**

Hebrews 12:14 Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:

15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled.

18 For ye are not come unto the mount that might be touched, and that burned with fire, nor unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest,

19 And the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words; which voice they that heard entreated that the word should not be spoken to them any more:

20 (For they could not endure that which was commanded, And if so much as a beast touch the mountain, it shall be stoned, or thrust through with a dart:

21 And so terrible was the sight, that Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake:)

22 But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,

23 To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,

24 And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

25 See that ye refuse not him that speaketh: for if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven:

26 Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.

27 And this word, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.

28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

29 For our God is a consuming fire.

Memory Verse: But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end. Hebrews 3:6.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Can we see the Lord if we are not holy?

2. What are we to be watching or "looking diligently" about?

3. What was the name of the mountain described in verses 18, 19 and 20?

4. How did Moses take all of this?

5. We in this day or dispensation of grace are not called to Mount Sinai, but to Mount Sion or Zion. It's compared to a city. Whose city is this and who is in it?

6. Who is in this church and where are their names written?

7. Every city has a Judge. Who is the Judge of this City?

8. Who are the ones who are made perfect in heart?

9. Who is the Mediator of this new covenant, Moses or Jesus?

10. The blood of Abel, who was killed by his brother Cain, cries for vengeance from the ground, but Jesus blood cries out what?

11. God spoke to the Israelites and they did not escape. Will we escape if we disobey God today?

12. God's voice shook the earth but later he shook the earth and heaven. That means he punished the Jews and destroyed the temple. What did the temple worship only have?

13. In the end of the world He will shake the world and destroy it. What will not be destroyed?

14. If the kingdom can't be destroyed or moved how should we live for God?

15. What is God?

Jesus loves you. He is your best Friend. Talk to Him like you would talk to your mother. He will hear you.

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