

# The Beautiful Way

Juniors



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Part One

Jan. 6

## A NEW YEAR'S PRAYER

A New Year has dawned! The old year has gone, and now its footsteps we can't trace.

But help us, dear Lord, this New Year to live in the sunshine of Thy saving grace.

To God we must give an account of our deeds; how we spend every moment down here.

So, Lord, this New Year, please keep us in love, and by Thy dear side ever near.

Through shadow or sun, through hard work or fun, be with us, O Lord, this New Year.

May our daily walk, and even our talk be done in Thy name and Thy fear.

—B. L. M.

## Where Did the Devil Come From?

"Do you know where the devil came from?" asked Phil. "In our lesson today, we talked about the serpent, and

how he lied to Eve. If it weren't for the devil, we wouldn't have to die!"

"I think it says God created the devil, said Joe, with a puzzled look on his face.

"You think?" said Mother. "Let's get our Bibles out and be sure, because we often think wrongly. The Word of God will help us be sure about what we say. Where would we find the story of Adam and Eve?"

"In Genesis!" shouted Pansy. Pansy was the littlest child, but even she knew that.

Mother went on. "Here in Genesis 3:1 it says that 'the serpent was more subtle[or sly] than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. God made the serpent and all the animals, but God didn't create the devil who was talking through the serpent. Let's prove this by turning to John 8:44. Here Jesus said the devil was 'a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own; for he is a liar, and the father of it.' So the devil existed from the beginning

like God, and he has been evil from his beginning. Also, we know that God is all righteousness and good, and He couldn't create something all evil and wrong. We do not know where the devil came from, neither do we know where God came from. The Bible does not tell us. It is best to believe and obey God and not question Him. We can get along well by sticking to the Word which we do know."

"But I have some friends at school who believe that the devil used to be an angel in heaven" said Anna. "They quote some scripture about Lucifer falling from heaven."

(To be continued)

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## THE BIBLE CORNER

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Answer: Christ was 12 years old when his parents found him in the temple discussing with the doctors of Israel. Luke 2:42-46.

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Dear Boys and Girls:

If you know how to ride a bicycle it goes where you guide it or want it to go. Your bicycle is a machine. You are the master and it does what you say or want it to do. Well, boys and girls, God did not make you a machine. God made you with a will. You can will to love and serve God or you can will to not obey God. Why did God make all of us this way? Can you guess? Well, it makes God happy for you to will to love Him and serve Him. He doesn't want to force you to love Him. God wants you to love to please Him. And when you love to please God, you can know without a doubt that God will give you a great big reward

which we call a blessing. What are some of the blessings that God gives us when we will to or want to love and serve Him? One of the greatest is that peace that we have in our hearts. We are made happier. When we are saved and our sins are all gone, we are real happy. We might have some hard things in this life because we are living in this world. You might be unhappy because your bicycle breaks down. Well, that is just like things that are in this world. They wear out. We must expect that to happen and not be so unhappy about it. So all of us will have some things that will cause us to wish them to be different, but we must expect that. Another good thing God has for everyone who will love and serve Him is that beautiful home in heaven. There is a place for the devil to go and all of those who don't want to love God and go to heaven. We don't want to go there when we die. So we are so glad God has heaven for us. I want to go there, don't you?

God made a beautiful garden for Adam and Eve to live in. The Devil spoils everything that is truly beautiful when he comes around. The devil caused Eve to believe his lie that she would not die and she ate of the forbidden tree. Then she gave it to Adam and he ate of it. They had disobeyed God. They had sinned. Now they were unhappy. They could not face God. They hid themselves. They knew they were naked. God forbids people to go naked. Nakedness today will cause sin. That is the reason that later we read where God made clothes out of skins for Adam and Eve to wear. Their quickly gathered leaf aprons were not enough.

God cast them out of the garden, but He gave a promise to Eve that someday a virgin would have a Son, who was Jesus Christ. Jesus would give us power over the devil when we let Him come into our hearts. We then would not have to sin. God is surely a great God of love.

—Aunt Marie

## **Lesson 1, January 6, 1974**

### **SALVATION PROMISED**

**1 Peter 1:19, 20; Gen. 3:1-4, 6, 8-12,  
14, 15**

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

20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifested in these last times for you.

Genesis 3:1 Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

3 But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die.

6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her, and he did eat.

8 And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God amongst the trees of the garden.

9 And the Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?

10 And He said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.

11 And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.

14 And the Lord God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life;

15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Memory Verse: For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. 1 John 3:8b.

#### **QUESTIONS:**

1. Who was a Lamb without spot or blemish?

2. What did the serpent ask the woman?

4. What lie did the serpent tell the woman?

5. Who was talking through the serpent?

6. What was the first sin ever committed?

7. Was the woman the only one who sinned?

8. How did Adam and his wife feel after they had sinned?

9. Who would come into the garden to talk with Adam and Eve?

10. Why did they hide themselves from God?

11. If God knows all things, why do you think He asked Adam if he had eaten of the forbidden tree?

12. Did Adam admit he had sinned, or did he blame his wife?

13. Who did the woman blame for her sin?

14. What punishment did the serpent receive?

15. What promise did God make?

16. Who is the seed of the woman?

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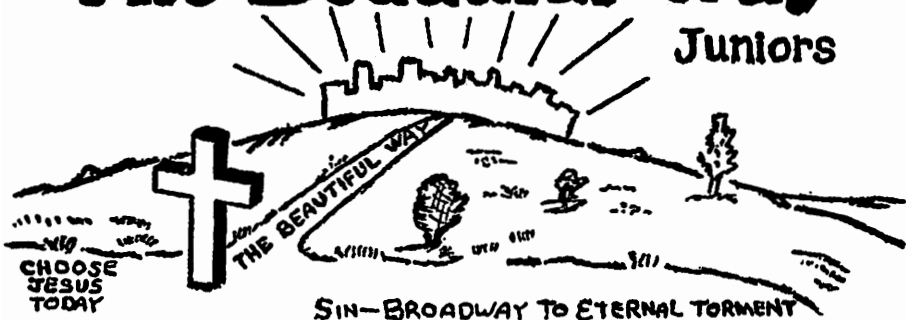
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Jan. 13

### Jacob's Ladder

When Jacob went to Haran  
For to seek for him a wife,  
Among his kin who worshipped God,  
And served Him in this life,

He lay him down one night  
To sleep upon the ground outside,  
His pillow was a stone so hard,  
His roof the sky so wide.

And as he slept, he dreamed.  
He saw a ladder reaching high,  
And angels going up and down,  
And God was very nigh.

"I am the God of Abraham;  
The God of Isaac too.  
And to thy seed I'll give this land;  
I'll see thee safely through.

"For in thy seed, all families  
Of earth, I'll surely bless.  
I'll keep thee whereso'er thou go,  
And bring thee to my Rest."

When Jacob woke out of his sleep,  
He said; "The Lord is here!  
This is the house of God I see;  
The gate of heaven's near."

Yes, Christ, the One Who is our Rest,  
God promised Jacob then;  
And now He blesses us who trust  
And saves us from our sin. — B.L.M.

### Secret Disobedience

"Mother, Harold's been playing with matches again. I found these under the bed in his room." said little brother Timmie, who had been hiding under Harold's bed. This was probably one reason why big brother Harold didn't like for little brother Timmie to play in his room; he always found out something that Harold wanted to keep secret.

When Mother asked Harold about the matches under his bed, he was speechless. He wasn't going to deny that he was guilty of having them.

So he said: "Who told you about the matches? Has Timmie been in my room? See Mother, that's why I don't want him in my room!"

"Why?" said Mother. "Because he uncovers your secret disobedience? Son, the Bible says 'Be sure your sin will find you out.' You may be able to hide something awhile; but it will be revealed some

time, somewhere, and in some way. God sees everything, good and bad; and we will be sure to receive a reward for what we have done. You owe God an apology, Harold, for disobeying Him in disobeying your parents; and you owe us an apology for disobedience. We're sorry to have to carry out our word to punish you, but I'm thankful that you or the house didn't get burned. That would be worse. I'm thankful that you or the house didn't get burned. That would be worse."

Harold was also glad that neither he nor the house was burned, and he repented before the Lord and asked his parents to forgive him. Harold also learned that nothing that we do is really secret. God sees all things, and every disobedience will receive a just reward. — B.L.M.

## Boyfriends and Girlfriends

Do you know someone who says they have a boyfriend or girlfriend? I have heard of five, eight, and ten year olds even young teenagers who have boyfriends or girlfriends. Where did this practice come from? Surely not from God and the Bible. Courtship (or going with someone) is for the purpose of marriage. Marriage is a divine ordinance of God, and should be held as a sacred, holy, and serious thing. In the world is where marriage is thought of so lightly that God and His laws are forgotten. Anyone who is trying to please the Lord will wait until God reveals his will concerning a lifetime companion. Any "playing around" and having boyfriends and girlfriends (sometimes a new one every campmeeting, or every school class) is taking marriage too lightly. The Church of God, boys and girls, does not follow the world's ideas about this important subject. We follow God's Holy Word and His will and way. —B. L. M.

Dear children near and far away,  
Oh, listen to the words I say,  
Please give your hearts to Jesus now,  
And live for Him; He'll show you how.

The gift He wants is all your heart,  
To live and reign in from the start;  
He'll make you happy all the way  
And show you heaven some sweet day.

—Leslie Busbee

## Where Did the Devil Come From?

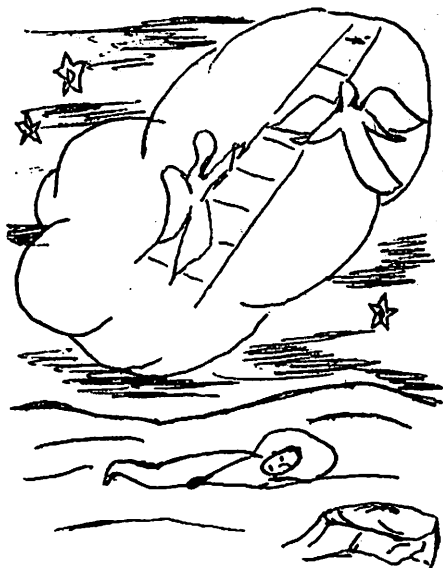
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"That scripture about Lucifer is found in Isaiah, 14th chapter," said Mother. "But that whole chapter is on the fall of Babylon and how King Nebuchadnezzar would be humbled or brought down from his high place. This heaven is talking about an exalted position."

Mother continued, "And since the scriptures teach that the devil was a murderer and liar from the beginning, he couldn't have been pure and holy at one time. Also, since the heaven where God lives is as pure as God, nothing evil could ever happen or be up there. Neither the devil, nor anything sinful or wrong has ever been in heaven where God is and will never be. We must be careful, children, not to accept everything we hear because many false teachings and spirits are in the world today. If we ask the Lord to give us understanding, and keep our hearts honest and open to the truth, God will give us a clear understanding; and it will always fit exactly with all of the Word of God."

—B. L. M.

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



JACOB'S LADDER OF PROMISE

Dear Boys and Girls:

When it is cold outside and we have to be inside and sit around the fire, it's a good time to read or have mother or daddy read to us. When I was a child, my father always read to us and we didn't want him to quit. Then when I had my children, I read to them. They were willing to give up almost anything if I would read to them. One time comes to my mind. My boys wanted to play outside after dark with the other boys. I felt it wasn't good for them to do so, but as they insisted, I told them that we would pop some pop corn and then I would read to them that evening. They were glad for that. We had a nice evening and before they went to bed, I asked them if they didn't enjoy our evening. They said

that they had. The next day the boys told me that the boys who had wanted them to play outside had gone around and rang door bells and ran and turned over garbage cans, etc. They had got into some trouble. My boys agreed that they were glad they were not with them. So boys and girls, it pays to listen to your parents. They know best about what you should do.

Our lesson today took place about 2000 years after our last Sunday's lesson and 400 years after the flood in Noah's day. The people had become very, very wicked. There were still a few who believed in the true God. Abraham was one of them. God told him to leave his country and go to the land of Canaan. There he lived in tents. God promised that through his family a great nation would arise. He also promised that he would give him the land of Canaan. But the greatest promise given to Abraham was that through his family, all the families of the earth would be blessed. This was pointing to Jesus Christ who would give salvation to all who repented of their sins. The same promises were given to Isaac and his son Jacob. Abraham taught his son, Isaac, to love God, and Isaac taught Jacob to love God. Isaac and his wife, Rebekah, did not want Jacob to marry a girl who worshipped idols, so they asked him to go to their family, who lived many miles away, and get a wife. Notice the lesson says that Jacob obeyed his father and mother. How wonderful!

God blessed Jacob. Our prayers are taken up to God by the angels and the answers brought back to us. Wasn't that a wonderful dream? Jacob called it the gate to heaven. He wanted to worship God. He poured out oil before the Lord in worship to Him. He called that place the house of God. Later a city was built there called Bethel. God had comforted Jacob as he left his home alone on that lonely journey to a place where all were strangers. God blessed him and caused

a girl named Rachel to fall in love with him.

—Aunt Marie

## Lesson 2, January 13, 1974

### POINTING TO CHRIST

Genesis 26:2a, 4b, 5; Gen. 28:1, 7a, 10-19

Genesis 28:1 And Isaac called Jacob and blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan.

7 And ... Jacob obeyed his father and mother.

10 And Jacob went out from Beersheba, and went toward Haran.

11 And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put them for his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep.

12 And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it.

13 And, behold, the Lord stood above it, and said, I am the Lord God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed;

14 And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.

15 And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of.

16 And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the Lord is in this place; and I knew it not.

17 And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful is this place! this is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

18 And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put for his pillows, and set it up for a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it.

19 And he called the name of that place Bethel: but the name of that city was called Luz at the first.

Memory Verse: So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham. Galatians 3:9.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Who was Isaac?
2. What promise did God give Isaac?
3. Who was Jacob?
4. Why didn't Isaac want Jacob to choose his wife from the women of Canaan?
5. Did Jacob obey his parents?
6. Where did Jacob sleep one night?
7. What did Jacob see in his dream?
8. Who stood above the ladder?
9. Who did the Lord say he was?
10. What did God give to Jacob?
11. "In — and in thy — shall — the families of the — be —."
12. Who was God's promise to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob pointing to?
13. How did Jacob feel when he awakened?
14. "This is none other but the — of —, and this is the — of —."
15. What did Jacob do with the stone he slept on?

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## Anna's Best Friend

Myra had become Anna's best friend ever since they were in the same room together. Everywhere you saw Myra you could count on seeing Anna too. Anna thought a lot of Myra, but Myra sometimes wanted Anna to do things that Anna did not want to do.

One morning, while they all were walking to school, Myra's teen-age sister told her about a dance that they were having at the Junior High that afternoon at 3:15. She told Myra that she could come over to the Jr. High and wait for her, since their mother wouldn't be home until late. Of course Myra asked Anna to go with her. This would have been no problem if Anna hadn't known two things. First, that dancing was not something that pleased God, and second, that her mother had told her to come straight home from school. You can guess all that went on in Anna's mind. Plus, Myra began to urge her to go.

"What's the matter with going to the dance, Anna? You don't have to dance, you could just watch."

When Anna told her about having to go straight home after school, Myra said, "We'll only be a few minutes, and your

mother won't know. Anyway, you aren't a baby anymore, are you?"

Well, what was Anna to do? What would you do? Give in and go against what you knew was right? Or, tell your best friend that you were sorry but you would go home like you were supposed to. It would take more courage to do right than to give in. Plus after you have done what is wrong think of the consequences: a guilty conscience, a displeased mother, a pleased devil, maybe a lie or two to cover up, and if you don't lie, then punishment. But one result is sure: a grieved God, who will repay every man according to his deeds. All this just to please your best friend. It isn't worth it.

Besides, Myra wasn't Anna's friend anyway. A real friend helps you to do right, and respects you and your beliefs more when you stand up for them and determine to please God regardless of your "friends' " urgings. Remember, anyone who would encourage you to turn your heart away from God and the right is an enemy, not a friend. This story could be called "Anna's Best Enemy".

—Sister Bonnie

Be bold for God.

## A WET RAINY SUNDAY

Ernie dipped the spoon into his cereal bowl and stared out the window at the wet sidewalk. It had been raining all night, but now it had stopped, except for occasional drops that spattered against the window. "Do we have to go to Sunday school today?" he asked. "It's too wet."

"Certainly. God doesn't want His children to neglect meeting together in His name," replied Mother.

"Don't you think He would be just as happy if we read the Bible at home?" asked Ernie.

"Not if we stay home because of a few drops of water," replied his mother.

"Why don't we get a car?" asked Ernie. "Then we wouldn't have to walk."

His mother sighed. "You know we can't afford a car," she replied. "Since your father went to heaven, I have to watch my pennies, and it's only five blocks to the church."

"I still think it wouldn't matter if we stayed home just this once," declared Ernie between bites.

"Everything we do matters," Mother told him as she rinsed off the dishes in the sink. "We may not realize it, but people are watching us. Are you ready? Wear your raincoat, and I'll take the umbrella."

It was beginning to rain again when Ernie and his mother left the house. "I wonder whether old Mrs. Hinson will be sitting at her window again this morning," remarked Ernie. Mrs. Hinson was crippled and spent most of the time watching others.

"Poor Mrs. Hinson. She never looks very happy. I wish I could tell her about Jesus," said Mrs. Stevens.

But that morning when they reached Mrs. Hinson's house, there was no one at the window. "How odd," remarked Mrs. Stevens. "She's not there. I had better see what's wrong."

Mrs. Stevens rang the doorbell. "Come in," a weak voice called.

Ernie and his mother stepped inside. There on the floor lay Mrs. Hinson!

"I fell and couldn't get up," said Mrs. Hinson. "Oh, I'm so glad you stopped. I've been praying that you would."

"What if we hadn't gone to church today?" asked Ernie as he helped his mother lead Mrs. Hinson to a chair.

"Oh, I knew you'd go to church. You've never missed a Sunday," said Mrs. Hinson. "Tell me, what do you find there to make you go week after week?"

"I'm glad you asked," said Mrs. Stevens. "It's Jesus, who lives in my heart. Let me tell you all about it right now."

—Sel.

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION

Ruth & Boaz  
were parents of  
Obed  
who was father of  
Jesse  
who begat  
David  
in whose family  
CHRIST  
was born

A little girl was afraid of the dark, afraid of silence, afraid of noise, and afraid to be alone at night.

She told me not long ago that she was not afraid anymore. "My Sunday school teacher taught me to say, 'when I am afraid, I will put my trust in Thee,' and when I say that I am not afraid anymore."

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Dear Boys and Girls:

Our lesson today is in the book of Ruth. We have another book in the Bible by the name of a woman. It is Esther. Though Esther was a queen, Ruth was just a common person like you and me. But Ruth became an important person because she was the great grandmother of David. You know that David was the one through whose family Jesus was born. Isn't it wonderful that Jesus came from a common family? That makes us know that Jesus loves us and knows all about us since we are just common people.

Ruth's mother-in-law's name was Naomi. A famine arose in the land of Judah. Naomi and her husband and their two boys, whose names were Mahlon and Chilion, fled from Judah and went down to the land of Moab. The people who lived in Moab were of the family of Lot. Of course you know that the people in Judah were from the family of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Judah was Jacob's son. He was one of the twelve sons whose people made up the twelve tribes of the Israelites who came from Egypt and lived in the land of Canaan. Part of that land was given to Judah for his family to live in. The Jews were called Jews because they were of the tribe of Judah. Lot was a nephew of Abraham so the people of Moab were relatives. Naomi, her husband and sons found trouble in Moab. There

Naomi's husband died and also her two sons died after they were married. Naomi now was left with her two daughters-in-law. Naomi decided to return to Judah. She told her daughters-in-law, Ruth and Orpah, to stay in their country and marry other men and have families. Orpah wept and kissed her mother-in-law goodbye, but Ruth dearly loved her mother-in-law and wanted to stay with her. No doubt Ruth had loved Naomi's son dearly. She knew he was such a wonderful man because Naomi had taught him right and took care of him. She loved Naomi for that and wanted to stay with her. Ruth also loved Naomi's God. In Ruth's country, they worshipped an idol. They also offered children to this idol, which was terrible. Ruth had learned about the God of Naomi and she loved Him. She refused to leave Naomi and go back to her country. She chose Naomi's people because they loved God.

Ruth married Boaz and God gave them a son. They named him Obed. Naomi took him in her arms and she loved him. Her heart again was filled with joy. She said that her daughter-in-law was better to her than seven sons. She was comforted from all of her sorrow.

Obed had a son named Jesse. Jesse was the father of David. So we have some more links in the chain of Jesus' lineage.

—Aunt Marie

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### Lesson 3, January 20, 1974

#### RUTH CLINGS TO NAOMI

Ruth 1:5, 7, 8, 14, 16-19; Ruth 4:10, 13, 14-16

Ruth 1:5 And Mahlon and Chilion (Naomi's sons) died also both of them; and the woman (Naomi) was left of her two sons and her husband.

7 Wherefore she went forth out of the place where she was, and her two

daughters-in-law with her; and they went on the way to return unto the land of Judah.

8 And Naomi said unto her two daughters-in-law, Go, return each to her mother's house: the Lord deal kindly with you, as ye have dealt with the dead, and with me.

14 And they lifted up their voice, and wept again: and Orpah kissed her mother in law; but Ruth clave unto her.

16 And Ruth said, Entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God:

17 Where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried: the Lord do so to me, and more also, if aught but death part thee and me.

18 When she (Naomi) saw that she was steadfastly minded to go with her, then she left speaking unto her.

19 So they two went until they came to Bethlehem. And it came to pass, when they were come to Bethlehem, that all the city was moved about them, and they said, Is this Naomi?

Ruth 4:10 Moreover Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of Mahlon, have I (Boaz) purchased to be my wife, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance, that the name of the dead be not cut off from among his brethren, and from the gate of his place: ye are witnesses this day.

13 So Boaz took Ruth, and she was his wife: . . . (and) the Lord gave her conception, and she bare a son.

14 And the women said unto Naomi, Blessed be the Lord, which hath not left thee this day without a kinsman, that his name may be famous in Israel.

15 And he shall be unto thee a restorer of thy life, and a nourisher of thine old age: for thy daughter-in-law, which loveth thee, which is better to thee than seven sons, hath borne him.

16 And Naomi took the child, and laid it in her bosom, and became nurse unto it.

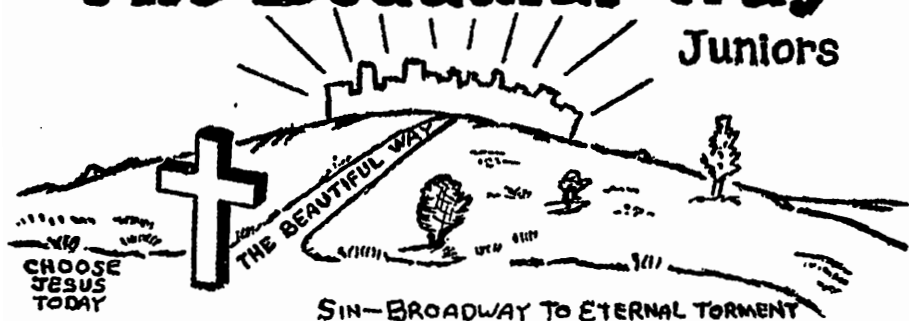
Memory Verse: Whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God. Ruth 1:16b.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Who were Mahlon and Chilion?
2. Where was Naomi returning to?
3. What happened to Naomi's sons and husband?
4. What did Naomi tell her daughters-in law?
5. Did Ruth and Orpah go back home?
6. "And — said, "— me not to — thee,...for whither thou —, I will go; and where thou —, I will lodge: thy — shall be my —, and thy — my —."
7. What was the only thing Ruth said would ever separate her and Naomi?
8. What city in the land of Judah did Ruth and Naomi return to?
9. Who did Ruth marry?
10. Was Boaz a kinsman to Naomi?
11. Why did Boaz marry Ruth?
12. How did the Lord bless Naomi in giving Ruth a son?
13. "And he (Ruth's son) shall be unto — a restorer of thy —, and a — of thine —."
14. Ruth's son, Obed, was whose grandfather?
15. Was Jesus of the house of David, of Bethlehem in Judea?

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Jan. 27

## Outside, Inside

"Did you see the new girl at school? My, is she pretty! And you should see the clothes she wears! She must be rich. I wish I could be her friend," said Anna.

Anna was all excited, as she told this to Myra. "Let's make friends with her," said Myra.

As Anna and Myra came around the corner, there was a crowd of girls. They were all talking and laughing, and there in the center of the crowd was the new girl. So Anna and Myra stopped to listen.

The new girl's name was Cindy, and she was telling them all about herself.

"We have a new car. It's silver with a black vinyl top. It's got headrests, bucket seats, and stereo speakers. You should see it!"

Then one of the girls asked Cindy where she lived. She told them about her house up on the hill. Her father had had it built just like they wanted it.

"And you should see my room! It is all red and white. It has a red shag rug, red curtains, and white furniture; and I even have my own red TV!"

Cindy went on talking about her clothes, her dogs and cats, and her piano lessons. All the girls seemed to really like her.

Anna and Myra went on home. A few weeks later they noticed Cindy sitting at the lunch table by herself. So they spoke to her. She was glad to have someone to talk to. Anna wondered where all her friends were.

Do you know what happened? All of the girls got tired of hearing about Cindy. After awhile they found out that Cindy had no other interest but herself. She always wanted to be the subject of conversation. Soon she was left alone.

The outside life of a person is not what really makes them likeable. It's the inside thoughtfulness for others, humility, the ability to share, kindness, love, and compassion come from the inside. We often look on the outside beauty and glamour but God is looking on the inside, the heart. Let us make sure that our hearts are beautiful and full of God's graces. - B.L.M.

## The Sailboat

Joe had looked at the sailboat in the window of the store many times. He wanted it very much. It had a big white sail

with a red cross on it. The name "SALVATION" was written on it in gold letters.

One day Joe emptied his piggy bank and ran to the store. Tossing all his money on the counter, he said, "Do I have enough money to buy that boat, Mr. Brown?"

Mr. Brown did not even count the money but smiled and shook his head, "No, Joe, you don't have enough money to buy that boat."

"Maybe Daddy could buy it for me. How much do you want for it?"

"No, your daddy could not buy that boat, either."

"Why not?" Joe asked. "My daddy has lots of money."

Mr. Brown shook his head. "Joe all the money in the whole world could not buy that boat."

"Oh," Joe said, looking sad. "I wish I could buy that boat. I want it more than anything else in the world."

"Well, Joe," Mr. Brown said with a twinkle in his eyes, "there is a way you can have the boat. It is not for sale, but I will give it to you as a gift if you will only ask me."

"You will? May I have the boat?" Without a word Mr. Brown went to the window and got the boat and gave it to Joe. Oh, thank you, Mr. Brown, thank you! Is it all mine?"

"Do you know why the boat was not for sale?" Mr. Brown said as Joe shook his head. "Because it is named SALVATION. Do you know what salvation is? It is a free gift from God. It cannot be bought. But God will give it to anyone who will ask for it. Did you ever ask Jesus to forgive you of your sins and receive salvation?"

"No," Joe said.

"Would you like to step back here in my office room and kneel with me and ask Jesus to forgive you of your sins and to make you His child?"

Joe was real happy when Jesus came into his heart, bringing real salvation. As he started to leave, Mr. Brown said, "I have some other boats just like that one. Any boy or girl who will come in and ask for one will get it free. You may tell them for me."

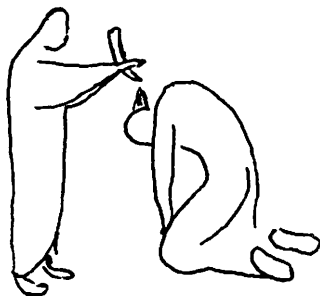
The boys and girls at school did not believe Mr. Brown would really give them a boat. They thought it was a trick.

That is the way with God's salvation too. Boys and girls won't believe that Jesus will give it to them free. They think they must work for it. But it is a free gift.

—Sel.

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## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



SAMUEL ANOINTS DAVID

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## THE BIBLE

It tells of Jesus and His power  
to heal the sick and lame;  
Of how He cares for birds and flowers  
How precious is His name!

It says He died and rose again  
that you and I might be  
The children of His vast domain  
throughout eternity.

So I will read my Bible true,  
my road map o'er life's way.  
I'll strive His holy will to do  
and shine for Him each day.  
—Sel.

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Dear Boys and Girls:

Often you hear the remark that a certain girl is pretty or that a certain boy is good looking. But boys and girls, it's one thing to be pretty and another thing to be pretty in your actions. Many a nice looking girl or boy ruins their looks by their selfishness or their flippant ways. Unkindness makes any boy or girl ugly. But I have been around boys and girls who were not handsome or pretty, but they were so kind and happy that you thought they were so nice and really were very handsome. When a boy or girl loves Jesus and obeys His words, they are really beautiful and handsome.

In our lesson Samuel was forgetting to look farther than the outward appearances or looks. God reminded him that it was the heart that God was looking at. So David, who had been left in the fields to take care of the sheep instead of going to the feast, was called. He was the one that God had chosen to be the future king.

King Saul found out that David was chosen in his stead and he was jealous of David. He hunted him for many years and tried to kill him. David was a man who loved God and trusted Him. David

knew that in His time he would take the throne he had been anointed to take. Many times he could have killed Saul but he refused nor would he permit his men to kill him. God was preparing David to reign on the throne. He did not have things coming his way. Boys and girls,

it makes great young men and women out of you when you can't have your own way. That is what builds character. That is what makes you great. So don't feel badly if you do not get to do as you please all the time.

When David was made king and after he had reigned many, many years and was near the end of His life he sat in his house of cedar and thought about building a Temple for God's house. It was still in tents of skins and cloth. But Nathan the prophet told him that God did not want him to build it but that his son, Solomon, would build the house. I am sure that David enjoyed gathering materials for that building. But more than just building the temple was made known to David. The prophet spoke God's words that David's throne would be established for ever. Jesus Christ is in the lineage of David and today Jesus is our King. We are in His kingdom. What a glorious thought!

—Aunt Marie

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**Lesson 4, January 27, 1974**

### **CHRIST'S ETERNAL KINGDOM**

**1 Samuel 16:6, 7, 10-13a; 2 Samuel 5:1-4; 2 Sam. 7:12, 16; Luke 1:31-33**

1 Samuel 16:6 And it came to pass, when they (the sons of Jesse) were come, that he (Samuel) looked on Eliab, and said, Surely the Lord's anointed is before him.

7 But the Lord said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart.

10 Again, Jesse made seven of his sons to pass before Samuel. And Samuel

said unto Jesse, The Lord hath not chosen these.

11 And Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all thy children? And he said, There remaineth yet the youngest, and, behold, he keepeth the sheep. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Send and fetch him: for we will not sit down till he come hither.

12 And he sent, and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and withal of a beautiful countenance, and goodly to look to. And the Lord said, Arise, anoint him: for this is he.

13a Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit of the Lord came upon David from that day forward.

11 Samuel 5:1 Then came all the tribes of Israel to David unto Hebron, and spake, saying, Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh.

2 Also in time past, when Saul was king over us, thou wast he that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and the Lord said to thee, Thou shalt feed my people Israel, and thou shalt be a captain over Israel.

3 So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a league with them in Hebron before the Lord: and they anointed David king over Israel.

4 David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years.

11 Samuel 7:12 (Nathan, the prophet said to King David.) And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.

16 And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.

Luke 1:31 And, behold, thou shalt . . . bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus.

32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:

33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

Memory Verse: But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom. Hebrews 1:8.

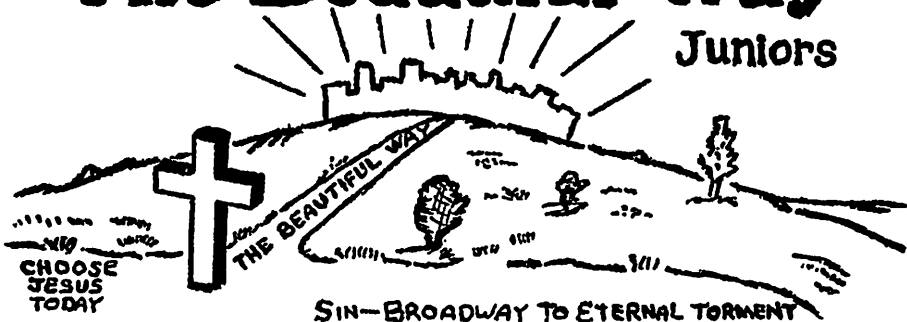
#### QUESTIONS:

1. Who was Samuel?
2. What was Samuel's mission?
3. How many sons did Jesse have?
4. Where was Samuel looking as Jesse's sons passed before him?
5. "For the Lord — not as — seeth; for man — on the — — —, but the — looketh on the —."
6. Did the lord tell Samuel to anoint any of the seven sons?
7. Where was the youngest son?
8. Describe David.
9. Why do you think the Lord chose David to be anointed king?
10. Who was king before David?
11. How old was David when he began to reign, and how long was he king?
12. What did God promise to David?
13. "And — house and thy — shall be — for ever before thee: thy — shall be established — — —."
14. To whom was the prophecy of David's throne being established for ever pointing?
15. Was Christ in the lineage of David?



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Feb. 3

### Faithfulness

It was the first day of school. Sheila and her friends were excitedly talking about the new teacher.

"Isn't he handsome?" said Mary.

"Handsome isn't the word that fits him. Fabulous, wonderful, or great is a better description," shouted Debbie as she joined in.

"Won't we have fun! I had thought it would be magnificent to be the oldest ones in school, and now with this teacher! Whoo!" added Sheila.

The bell rang and they hurriedly found seats. Sheila sat right up in front as close to the teacher's desk as possible. He began talking, giving them some pointers of what was expected of them and what they would be expected to learn in their last year of grade school. Sheila listened carefully; yes, she felt she would be able to comply with his wishes, except maybe one. He said they must cooperate with presentations to the public on national holidays. Sheila knew in other years the presentations consisted mostly of traditional, histori-

cal dances. Sheila knew she would not want to take part in dancing because she felt it was learning something which later might tempt her greatly to do things displeasing to God.

There would be a national holiday about five weeks after school began. "I hope he doesn't ask me to be in one of them," she thought.

When the day came to assign parts for the program, Sheila was asked to learn two dances. "I have chosen you, Sheila, for these because I know your mother can make the costumes you will need," said the teacher. "It is the most important part of the program; so do your best." Sheila felt honored, but she knew she would have to tell him she could not take that special part. After school she tried to explain to him her reason, but he only became angry. "You will not come to school unless you are willing to obey," he stormed. "Your mother must come with you if you are admitted again."

The next Monday, Sheila's mother went to school. She had explained

their religious beliefs to teachers before, and the other teachers had respected them for it, but this one was different. He felt Sheila's mother was too strict, absurd, ridiculous, and he plainly told her so in the hearing of all the students who cared to listen. Sheila was excused from dancing, but the teacher poked fun at her at every opportunity, which caused others in the class to do likewise. Throughout the year, he asked Sheila questions about the Bible, God, and the creation. In fact, any question he felt sure he could refute with atheistic ideas.

God helped Sheila to have boldness throughout the entire year. The time of graduation was nearing. The days were full of excitement. The class was making plans for the usual graduation ceremony which consisted of a waltz by the graduates along with other numbers. The teacher saw another chance to provoke Sheila to disobey her conscience. "Anyone who does not dance the waltz will not receive a diploma," he said. Sheila knew why he said this. She explained it to Mother who comforted her, saying it was impossible. The superintendent favored Sheila.

The big night finally came. Sheila was dressed in a white dress, gloves, and shoes. Her golden hair fell in ringlets around her face, and it was held in place by a small, white ribbon. All the girls were dressed in white, but Sheila's heart was also white, so she looked almost like an angel. The students marched to the front, formed a circle, and did a drill performance instead of a waltz. Some speeches were made and the certificates of honor were handed out. Sheila's mother, who was sitting near the

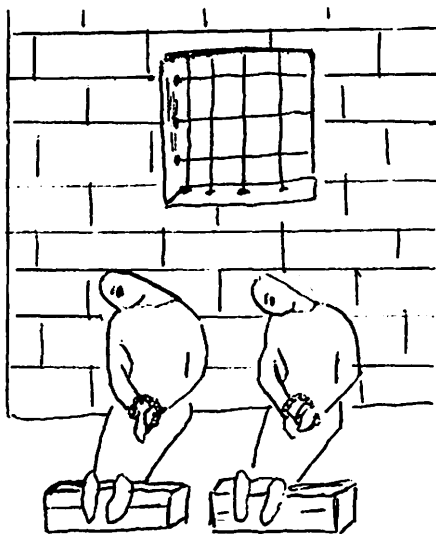
back, heard the teacher saying, "And now will be given the certificate to the most honored student in the entire school. Miss Sheila Todd, will you please step forward." Applause arose from the crowd while Mother wiped tears from her eyes and whispered softly, "Thank you, God, for giving her boldness." —C. H. (A true story—1971. The names have been changed.)

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Are you ashamed of living for Jesus?  
Are you willing to suffer being made fun of for Jesus' sake?  
Would you rather have your good time now and be lost forever?  
Or would you rather suffer some now and be happy forever?

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### LESSON ILLUSTRATION



THE PEOPLE AGAINST  
CHRIST'S FOLLOWERS

## THEY POKED FUN AT HIM, TOO

People laughed and pointed at the  
Precious One,  
At the One who came and died for  
what we had done.  
Little did they know it was God's  
Holy Son,  
But they went right on sinning, and  
poking fun.

If you want to be one of His followers,  
He has promised He will take you  
through.

You will meet things that are rough,  
tough, and taller;

But remember, they poked fun at  
Him, too. —Bob Huskey

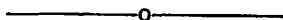


Dear Boys and Girls:

Our lessons, up to this time, have been about the beginning of Christ's family. God promised Abraham that through his family Jesus would come. So we read about Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Then Jacob had twelve sons. Through the family of Judah, one of his sons, Jesus was to be born. We then studied about Ruth and Boaz who were of the family of Judah and they had a son named Obed. Obed's son, Jesse, had a son, named David, who was chosen king. Now God told David that his kingdom would be forever. That means that through David's family, Jesus would come and Jesus would have a kingdom that would never be destroyed. We want to talk about that in some lessons later on. But in our lessons now we want to talk about some of the things that God told David. David wrote the Psalms. The second Psalm is wonderful. We will be using some verses from it in the next four lessons. We will bring out how they are used in the New Testament as prophecy. Prophecy means the foretelling of a thing before it comes to pass. Now we have proof that it did come to pass.

Our lesson today will be a lesson in the New Testament where the first verses of the second Psalm is fulfilled. David was made to know, through the Spirit, that the heathen would rage and imagine vain things when Jesus came to this world. In our lesson we read about the disciples being put in prison because they taught about Jesus. You remember that they tried to get the soldiers around Jesus' tomb to tell a lie. They wanted them to tell that someone stole Jesus' body away and that he did not arise. But there were too many who saw Jesus after he had arisen. Over 500 brethren at one time saw him. So they were glad to believe in a living Jesus and they told others about it and they believed. This made the rulers mad and they were in a rage. They tried to stop the story from being told. They put the disciples in prison and threatened them, but in our lesson we read how they went back to their company and they prayed. They remembered David's Psalm about the heathen raging and being against the Lord. This had been foretold hundreds of years before. This caused them to rejoice to know how God had warned them and now it had come to pass. They believed in God and Jesus, His Son, more than ever. As they believed, God blessed them greatly. He gave them great boldness and they continued to tell the wonderful story of Jesus' resurrection and that they, too, could be saved by a living Christ. Today we are glad that we know Jesus, who is wonderful and great.

—Aunt Marie



Lesson 5, February 3, 1974

## THE PEOPLE AGAINST CHRIST'S FOLLOWERS

Acts 4:1-3, 18-21, 23-27, 31, 33

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.

18 And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.

19 But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.

20 For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.

21 So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, because of the people: for all men glorified God for that which was done.

23 And being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them.

24 And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, Lord, thou art God, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is;

25 Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things?

26 The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ.

(Read Psalms 2:1-4)

27 For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together.

31 And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.

33 And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.

Memory Verse: To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. Revelations 3:21.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Who spoke to the people about Christ?

2. Who came against Peter and John?

3. Why didn't they want them to speak of Christ?

4. What did the priests and rulers command them?

5. What did Peter and John answer?

6. "For — cannot but — the things which — have — and —."

7. What did the chief priests do to Peter and John?

8. What did the disciples do?

9. What scripture from David's writings did the followers of Christ quote?

10. If many of the people did not accept Christ when He was here, will many accept His followers today?

11. Should the followers of Christ today back down because people are against us?

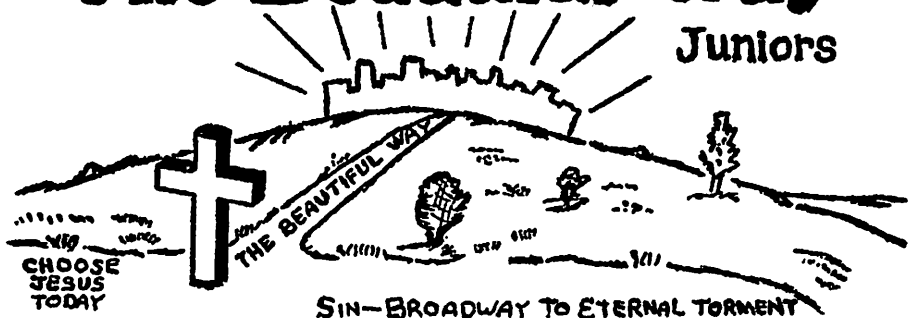
12. Name some of the opposition the holy child Jesus had against Him.

13. What happened when the apostles had prayed?

14. How were the apostles blessed by praying and standing true to God?

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Feb. 10

## Carla Walks Again

Carla was a little girl five years old. She lived in the northern part of Oklahoma City on a street much like the street of any city. There were several children in her neighborhood. Carla loved to play with them and her own brother and sisters. Last summer they had discovered that the culvert at the bottom of the hill had been a fine place to have a playhouse. During the winter they enjoyed sledding on the hill, making snowmen, and building forts for snowball fights. Carla had taken sick with a cold during the winter and this had caused her to have pneumonia. Now most of her playing was done indoors.

How eager she was for springtime to come. At last the snow was gone, the sunshine was warm, trees began to bud. Oh! thought Carla, as she watched birds from her window, it must be springtime. I'll be able to play outside now.

How disappointed Carla was the next morning when she arose with a headache and fever. The fever lasted several days. Then a week passed and still Carla was unable to be out of bed. Mother and Daddy became concerned, and asked for

advice as to how to care for Carla. They did all they could to make her comfortable. But she only grew worse. The brethren were called for prayer and the church was praying. Carla's condition did not improve. Finally the sad news came. Carla was suffering from infantile paralysis, a disease that destroys tissue in the brain and spinal cord. She became paralyzed in the muscles of her legs. When the fever broke, and she was able to be out of bed, she could not control her legs. Mother carried her to different rooms so she could enjoy watching her brother and sisters play. Sometimes they included her in their games.

One bright April morning the neighbor children were playing with her sisters in the front yard. "Oh, Mother!" cried Carla. "Could I please go on the porch to watch them play?" Mother carried her onto the porch and made her comfortable on a pallet. Maybe I could crawl, thought Carla. Trying did no good, she could not crawl. "Will I be able to go to school?" Carla asked, looking up at her mother who had returned to watch her.

"You will be old enough to start school this fall, my darling," answered Mother. "Whether you will be able to

walk is something we had not considered. You know when we are all well, we do not realize how soon God can take our health. Your father and I have asked God to heal you. We have also done as the Bible tells us in James 5:14. It says, 'Call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: And the prayer of faith shall save the sick and the Lord shall raise him up.' If God sees that it is best for you to be well and go to school, we will be very happy. But if He doesn't, my darling, I would rather you would be crippled all your life and go to heaven, than to be well and not live in a way that God would accept you into heaven when your life here is ended. Mother loves you very much and it hurts me to see you suffer, but it is far better to suffer all our life here on the earth than to be rejected of God at the end of our lives."

"Why Mother, is it so important that God should be pleased with our lives?" questioned Carla.

"Have I never told you what the Holy Bible tells us in Revelations 20:12?" asked Mother. "It says all the dead will stand before God and be judged out of the books from the things written therein, according to the works of each person. Anyone whose name is not found in the Book that God has, will be cast into the lake of fire. Our name will be placed in God's Book when we are sorry for our wrong doings and ask Him to forgive us for them. After our name is there, we must be careful not to do anything that would cause sin to be found in our lives again. For God also says, 'He that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.' (Matthew 24:13.) Sometimes there are things, such as sickness, that we must endure to be saved at the end of our lives."

"Oh, Mother," cried Carla. "I want to go to heaven to see Jesus and my

grampa. I sure don't want to burn. How long do people burn if they are cast into the lake of fire?"

"Again the Bible tells us in Matt. 18:8 and Matt. 25:46, that punishment will be everlasting," answered Mother.

"Then I'm going to live real good," Carla promised.

Within a few weeks Carla was able to walk again. God saw it was not necessary for her to be paralyzed, so God healed her.

When Carla was eight years old she repented of her sins and God wrote her name in His Book. Later she was baptized. When she was fifteen she consecrated her life to God for service and God filled her with his Holy Spirit. She has lived for God just as she promised her mother.

## The Devil's Excuses

When boys and girls do wrong things, they usually do not decide to please the devil and displease God. Neither does the devil come and say "I'm the devil. I want you to steal or be dishonest for me." No, things do not often happen this deliberately. Most of the time the devil gives us what sounds like a "good" excuse for doing something, and then we act on it.

For example: You have five pennies. One of them is a Canadian or Mexican coin. It looks like all the others unless you look close. You start not to spend it, but then the devil's excuse: "Well, someone passed it off to you. Why not pass it off to someone else? Who'll know the difference?"

You find your friend's ball that he's been looking for. It was under your bushes. You start to go give it to him, but then the devil's excuse: "He still has your mitt, you know. Keep the ball until he gives you the mitt. That's only fair." (Shame on the devil!)

Your mother gives you three cookies and tells you to give three to your little sister. On your way, you drop one. You get ready to give little sister her three, but then the devil's excuse: "She's smaller than you are. She doesn't need three. Anyway, you've given her some of your food many times."

Watch the devil's excuses. They are always lies. Resist him by letting him know that the word of God and the power of Jesus give us no excuse to do wrong.

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### LESSON ILLUSTRATION



PAUL PREACHES CHRIST

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Dear Boys and Girls:

Today we will refer to the seventh verse of the second Psalm. It is repeated in the New Testament. You will notice it in our lesson. Wasn't it wonderful how God, through His Spirit, spoke these things through David? It makes us know that the Bible is a wonderful Book. David wrote this Psalm hundreds of years before it was referred to in the New Testament.

This week Abraham Lincoln's birthday is celebrated. I don't know how much

Abraham Lincoln knew about God, but he did read the Bible we are told by those who wrote the story of his life. He might not have understood what it meant to be "born again" as you and me but I believe he loved God and tried to do the right as far as he understood. He strongly believed in justice. He freed those who were made slaves and we are thankful for that.

Let us notice the words spoken about Christ, "I have begotten thee." The word "begotten" here means "declared." In other words we could read it this way: "Thou art my Son, this day have I declared you to be." God was speaking this of Jesus Christ. In our lesson the Apostle Paul brings out this fact after he spoke of Jesus being raised from the dead, and mentioned that the Psalm David had written was fulfilled, where God declared that Jesus was His Son, whom He had raised from the dead. How wonderful this is! Jesus, our Lord and Saviour was of the lineage of David as we read in our lesson and then after He was put on the cross and in the grave, God brought Him back to life. Today boys and girls, we are serving a living Christ. He is real and wonderful. We want to love Him with all of our heart, mind, soul and strength. It was through the power of God that He arose. Today we know that God will use that same power to cause us to arise from the grave. When we see our loved ones die and their bodies put in the grave, we have hope of seeing them again because Jesus arose. He was the first one to arise. Those who love Jesus will all be together one of these days in that wonderful place, called "Heaven". I want to go there, don't you?

The background of our lesson lets us know that Paul was in the city of Antioch and preached this sermon in the synagogue to the Jews.

—Aunt Marie

## Lesson 6, February 10, 1974

### PAUL PREACHES ABOUT CHRIST

**Psalm 2:7; Acts 13:16, 17, 19, 21-23, 27-33**

**Psalms 2:7** I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee.

**Acts 13:16** Then Paul stood up, and beckoning with his hand said, Men of Israel, and ye that fear God, give audience.

17 The God of this people of Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt, and with a high arm brought he them out of it.

19 And when he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Chanaan, he divided their land to them by lot.

21 And afterward they desired a king: And God gave unto them Saul the son of Cis, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, by the space of forty years.

22 And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will.

23 Of this man's seed hath God, according to his promise, raised unto Israel a Saviour, Jesus.

27 For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets which are read every sabbath day, they have fulfilled them in condemning him.

28 And though they found no cause of death in him, yet desired they Pilate that he should be slain.

29 And when they had fulfilled all that was written of him, they took him down

from the tree, and laid him in a sepulchre.

30 But God raised him from the dead:

31 And he was seen many days of them which came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are his witnesses unto the people.

32 And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that the promise which was made unto the fathers,

33 God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

Memory Verse: But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept. 1 Corinthians 15:20.

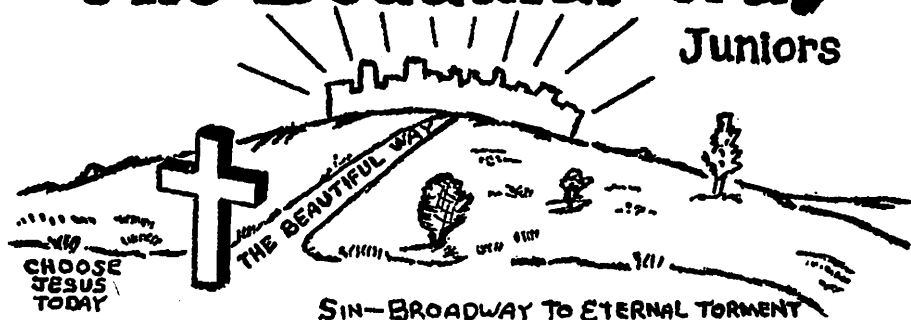
#### QUESTIONS:

1. Who wrote the second Psalm?
2. "I will — the decree: the — hath said unto me, — art my —; this day have I — thee."
3. Who was Paul preaching to?
4. Do you remember the plagues God sent on the Egyptians to bring the Israelites out of Egypt?
5. What land had God promised Israel?
6. Who was Israel's first king?
7. How long did Saul reign?
8. Who was king after Saul?
9. "I have found — the son of —, a man after — own —, which shall fulfill — my —."
10. From whose family line was Jesus born?
11. Why did the Jews and their rulers condemn Jesus?
12. Did Jesus stay in the sepulchre?
13. How do we know Christ is alive today?
14. Did God fulfill the promise He had made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob?



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Part Seven

Feb. 17

## David Obeys Jesus' Command

When Jesus was here on the earth, He preached the gospel of good news. After He was put to death and arose from the grave, He told His followers to "Go and preach the gospel to every creature." As His followers, we must pray until we are filled with the Holy Spirit, and He will let us know in what way we can "preach" the gospel.

David was a follower of Christ we met in Mexico. He knew he must carry the gospel to others because it was one of Jesus' commandments. David often said he wanted to be a preacher when he grew up. But one day Lorry, a neighborhood girl two years younger than David, drowned while swimming in the ocean. "What if something should happen to me before I am grown," thought David. "Surely, there is something I can do for God now." David began praying more seriously for God to give him something he could do to carry the gospel to others. He often testified in prayer meeting, but everyone who

came to prayer meeting heard the gospel preached. He wanted to help those who had not heard. One day in children's meeting, the teacher told about a smaller boy who had made a list of the names of his friends and began praying for each one. Then he supplied them with good reading material and invited them one at a time to go with him to church. The smaller boy died about a year later, but before he died, every one on the list was saved. This encouraged David even more to work for God. He prayed even harder that God would help him.

Beginning the first year of high school, David got a job in an orphanage. There were many boys and girls in the orphanage who were sad and lonely. David helped them to find happiness in Jesus. David's boss saw that he was kind and loving to the children, so the boss put David in charge of the boy's dorm. This was a much easier job than he had been doing, besides, he had more time to teach the boys about Jesus. He began reading the Bible and praying with the boys before they went to

bed. The boys enjoyed "story time" as they called it. David knew it was more than "story time." He knew the Word of God would change these boys. Doesn't God's Word say in Isaiah 55:10, 11, "As the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth . . . : so shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." The Word of God was falling upon their hearts and before long it began making them see their need of salvation. Some got saved in church service and some in the dorm. The newly saved boys wanted to know how to live a holy life and David found it necessary to go to the woods and pray for wisdom to lead them.

He was happier than words can express. He was spreading the gospel as the disciples of Jesus did. He thought back to the year before when he had thought it to be impossible for him to "preach the gospel" as Jesus had commanded. Then he knew that Jesus never commands His followers to do anything impossible. —C. H. (A true story. David is Bro. Juan Cruz's son.)

## His Promise Is True

Joe was twelve years old when his family, after spending the entire summer in the gospel work, found that they did not have sufficient funds for entering school. The total fees for the children were almost one hundred dollars, besides what was needed for new clothes.

They were accustomed to praying for their needs, but after a week of praying, and the day for school to start drawing nearer each day, they became more concerned. One day one of the children proposed that they fast and pray for the Lord to supply their needs. So that is what they did. Breakfast was omitted, Mother read from the Bible and they prayed together. After that Mother read a missionary book to them. The hours passed so very fast. Before they hardly realized it, it was two o'clock in the afternoon. They prayed again, then prepared something to eat. Three days later, a letter came which contained an unsigned note and a one hundred dollar bill. They all rejoiced together when Daddy came home for the evening meal. About a week after this another came with a fifty dollar check tucked inside a letter which read, "I felt you had a need so am sending this to help you..."

God had promised to supply all their needs and that is what he did. Phil. 4:19. "But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." God always keeps his promise.

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



## EVERY HOUR FOR JESUS

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Don't you think it would be well for us if we could so work and play and rest that we could take as our motto the words, "Every hour for Jesus"?

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Dear Boys and Girls:

Isn't Jesus wonderful? I am so glad that I know about Jesus. It's so sad to think about the world that we are living in now. So many never take time to go to church nor care anything about Jesus. They feel that they are getting by with this kind of a life. But boys and girls, this is very serious. No one will get by. They might think they can live just like they please and it's no one's business but that is not true. Every one will stand before God. No one will be left out. Whether anyone believes this or not, it's true. At the end of every boy, girl, man or woman's life is God. They will meet Him. They will be judged by the way they have lived. So every boy or girl, man or woman had better stop and think about these things seriously. Jesus has already come to this world and died on the cross for our sins. This is true. There were many, many hundreds and thousands of people who saw him and knew about him. Just as sure as Jesus came and went back into heaven, just that sure what He has told us in the Bible is true. He will come again to be our Judge. He came the first time as our Saviour but the next time He will be our Judge. So it pays us to be ready to meet Him. After death there is no place to change. As death finds everyone, that is the way they will be judged. So boys and girls, if there are those that you know about who do not believe in Jesus,

be sure to not let that affect your belief in Jesus. You want to feel sorry for them because unless they change they will never make heaven their home. We want to tell them about Jesus and warn them to be ready.

Our lessons are about the prophecy of Christ. We are studying about the Second Psalm which was written by David. Many of these verses are quoted in the New Testament. Notice in our lesson the first verse and then the scriptures which tell how Jesus has commanded us to "go into all the world" and tell others about Jesus. If we can't go to other places, we need to pray for those who go and give money to help them. We want to publish the gospel and in every way we can help others to know about Jesus. Boys and girls, you can ask someone to go to Sunday School with you or give them a Beautiful Way paper or a tract. By living sweet and kind, you can let them know that you love Jesus. There are many ways to work for Jesus.

In some places, people give their children as a sacrifice to gods which never help. Others worship the devil and look to witchcraft for help. Some bow down to images which are lifeless. We are glad we have a Living Christ and He can help every one who will pray and obey His Word.

—Aunt Marie

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**Lesson 7, February 17, 1974**

### **THE GOSPEL TO ALL THE WORLD**

**Psa. 2:8; Matt. 28:18-20; Mark 16:  
15, 16; Luke 24:46, 47; Acts 1:8;  
Psalm 68:11; Psa. 126:6; Isa. 52:7;  
Romans 10:18**

**Psalms 2:8 Ask of me, and I shall give  
thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and**

the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.

Matthew 28:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Luke 24:46 And he said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:

47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Psalms 68:11 The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it.

Psalms 126:6 He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.

Isaiah 52:7 How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace;

that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

Romans 10:13 But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.

Memory Verse: So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. Rom. 10:17.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Where did Jesus go a few days after He arose?

2. Before He went back to heaven, what did Jesus say was given unto Him?

3. What did Jesus tell His disciples to do?

4. In what name are we to be baptized?

5. What are Christ's disciples to teach others?

6. "Lo, — am with you —, even — the — of the —."

7. Are any to be left out from hearing the gospel?

8. "He that — and is — shall be —; but he that — not shall be —."

9. What must sinners do before their sins will be remitted (forgiven)?

10. What do we receive after the Holy Spirit comes upon us?

11. The power of the Holy Spirit in our lives helps us testify of Jesus at home first (Jerusalem), and then at other places. True or false?

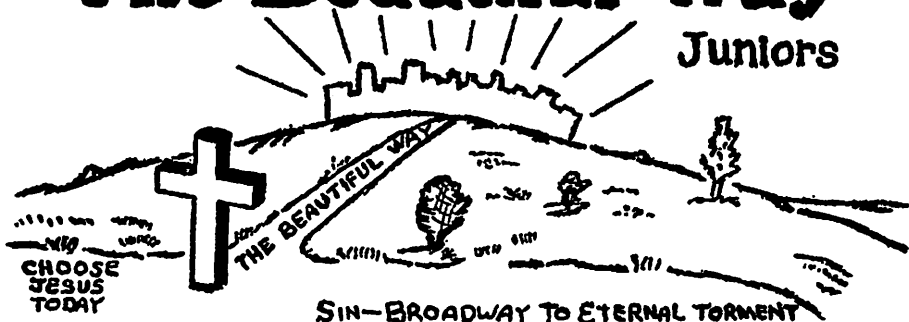
12. Preaching the word is like planting what?

13. Whose feet are beautiful?

14. Are the saved people today supposed to tell others about Jesus and His salvation to man?

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Part Eight

Feb. 24

## This Could Happen to You

Nancy was eleven years old when this happened. She had learned to love Jesus when she was a very little girl. When she was nine, she was saved and baptized. God became more real in her life from that time on. Little by little she learned to trust God to help her in the problems that came into her life. God had rewarded her by giving her many things that she had asked him for, but this one time God sent a surprise. Something she hadn't asked for or even thought of getting.

One Sunday morning during Sunday school, God impressed her to give her only dollar in the missionary offering. Nancy had saved that dollar for a long time. She was trying to decide what she wanted more than anything else, because it was unusual for her to have a whole dollar of her own to spend. But she wanted to please God more than anything else, so biting her lip she arose, walked to the offering box and dropped in her only dollar. A wave of happiness came over her as she returned to her seat.

A few weeks later, on a Saturday morning, Mother said, "Children let's go over and help Uncle Bill in the garden today. Uncle Bill has offered to let us have a garden with him, so we must help him get the ground ready to plant."

"I don't want to go," said Joe. "I want to work where I can make some money."

"Oh, come on," said Nancy. "Having vegetables will help Daddy to not have to buy so many in the store. We should help Uncle Bill anyway, even if he didn't plan on giving us some of his garden products."

"But I want to make some money to buy a bike," grumbled Joe.

Joe, Nancy, Mother and little sister all went to help in the garden. Nancy ran and skipped about, doing everything she could find to do, while Joe did only what he was told and found every excuse he could to amuse himself in his own interest.

They had worked about three or four hours when Nancy called out, "Look what I found!"

Of course Joe was the first one to drop his tool and run.

Nancy had found a twenty dollar bill!!! The bill had lain in the weather so long

it was fragile and in two pieces. Whose could it be? No one knew, so Nancy exchanged it at the bank for a better one.

Has anyone given more than God? No! Nancy gave one dollar and received twenty in its place.

—Charlotte Huskey

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## Fish for Supper

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A missionary family, which included father, mother and five small children lived in a tiny house. Besides the family, three teenagers lived with them: Shirley, Mary and Rudy. They were poor, food was scarce for this home. A salad was a real treat for them. The usual breakfast was potatoes, cereal without milk, or some kind of bread. The other meals of the day consisted of either potatoes and dry beans, or dry beans and potatoes, which ever way it was said. Sometimes the family and their friends could hardly eat because they were so tired of dry beans and potatoes! One morning after worship, Mother said, "Let's get our work done early today and then take a walk to the beach." Everyone was delighted, all that were big enough to work began as fast as they could. Mary swept and mopped the floors, Shirley washed the dishes, Rudy helped fill the tubs for mother to wash the clothes, while the smaller children helped by making beds and putting their clothes up. Soon the work was all done and everybody was ready to go.

How pleasant it was to skip along singing newly learned choruses about Jesus. The sand felt warm on their bare feet. The huge span of blue ocean water stretched before them as far as they could see. Mary began singing, "How Great Thou Art", then "The Love of God." As everyone joined in, they sang:

"Could we with ink the ocean fill  
and were the skies of parchment made  
Were every stalk on earth a quill  
and every man a scribe by trade,

To write the love of God above  
would drain the ocean dry;  
Nor could the scroll contain the whole  
tho stretched from sky to sky."

For a long time they sat singing and talking of their great Father in heaven.

The children built homes, ranches, and castles in the sand - all to be destroyed by the rising tide. Mother thought, "So it is with the homes, ranches, bank accounts and any other thing we have built upon this earth, it will all be destroyed before long by fire, as God has told us in His Word." II Peter 3:10, "The earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up."

"I wish I had a fishing pole, so we could catch a fish for supper," said one of the boys. "Me, too," cried Timmy. Of course everyone wanted fish for supper, but no one had a fishing pole and they knew no place to borrow one.

"Let's dig clams," suggested Mother, but that was of no avail either. The only thing anyone dug up was sand diggers.

Late in the afternoon a car with some men peddling fish came to the beach. They looked up and down the beach for buying prospects, but there was no one left except the woman and the children. Seeing her, they came over with a fish the same height as the six year old boy. "Would you like to buy this fish?" asked the man. "It is very late in the evening and I have not been able to sell much today. I need to sell it; so we will sell it to you for two dollars."

"I would love to have it but I don't have money to buy it," answered the woman. The man did not believe that she didn't have any money and became angry.

So Mother calmly called all the children and teenagers together and asked for their money. Everyone was willing to give all they had because they all wanted fish for supper. Altogether they had seventeen cents. At first the man became more angry and thought she was trying to trick him; then God softened his heart, and he said, "That's fine, I'll take that and you can have this big fish."

—Charlotte Huskey

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in our lesson. We want you to remember that David wrote this hundreds of years before Jesus came. "Kiss the Son." That is Jesus Christ. In other words, boys and girls, you need to accept Jesus. You want to love Him. You want to make Him your best Friend. You want to serve Him and obey Him. Jesus proved His love for you. Jesus knew if someone did not pay the penalty for sin or if someone didn't take your punishment for sin you would go to the place prepared for the devil and all who will not love Jesus. If you sin you would be punished but Jesus said that He would die on the cross and take your punishment. Oh such great love! And to think that Jesus is willing to take the punishment for those who hate Him but later turn to Him. Jesus laid down His life for His enemies. There is no greater love. We want to kiss Him, and love Him and trust Him.

Our lesson is about a man who did embrace Jesus. Philip told him the gospel story about Jesus and how He died on the cross for him. This touched the man's heart. He believed that Jesus was his Saviour and that He died on the cross to forgive him of his sins. He wanted to be baptized because that is what Jesus had told us to do. He wanted to obey Jesus because he loved Him. Truly he did "Kiss the Son", Jesus Christ. Our Psalm tells us that there is a blessing upon those who "Kiss the Son" and "put their trust in Him."

## —Aunt Marie

## Lesson 8, February 24, 1974

## EMBRACING THE SON, JESUS

**Psa. 2:12; Acts 8:27-39**

**Psalms 2:12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little.**

Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

Acts 8:27 And he (Philip) arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship,

28 Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias (Isaiah) the prophet.

29 Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.

30 And Philip ran thither to him, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, Understandest thou what thou readest?

31 And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him.

32 The place of the Scripture which he read was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth:

33 In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and who shall declare his generation? for his life is taken from the earth.

34 And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or of some other man?

35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same Scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.

36 And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?

37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

39 And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.

Memory Verse: For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. Romans 10:10.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. What does it mean to "kiss the Son"?

2. Who was sitting in the chariot?

3. Where had the eunuch been?

4. What was the eunuch reading?

5. Who did the Spirit direct to the chariot?

6. What did the eunuch desire Philip to do?

7. "He was — as a — to the slaughter; and like a — dumb before his —, so — he not his —."

8. Who was the prophet Isaiah speaking of?

9. What do you think Philip preached to the man?

10. As they were riding along what did Philip and the eunuch see?

11. What did Philip say that the eunuch must do to be saved?

12. "I — that — — is the — of —."

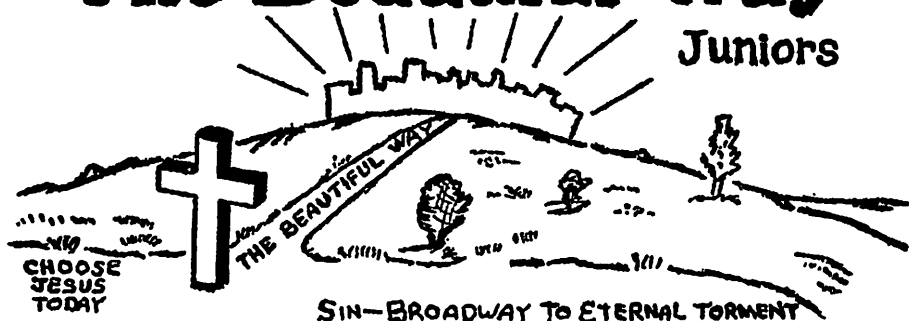
13. Did the eunuch go down into the water to be baptized?

14. What must we do with our hearts and our mouths to receive salvation?



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Part Nine

Mar. 3

## Nancy Would Not Fight

"Hallelujah," called Joe as Nancy walked with her two friends, Angela and Marie.

"Praise the Lord," added John.

Nancy was a Christian girl who had just moved into the neighborhood. She knew they were only making fun of her because she was a Christian. "Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God," Nancy thought to herself, and she walked on by as if she didn't hear them.

"I wish those boys would leave us alone," said Marie.

"I do, too," added Angela. "They have been doing this for a long time."

"Pay no attention to them," said Nancy, "and they will stop sooner."

But they didn't! Instead, they talked to the other children and told many things that weren't true about Nancy and her family until most of the children at school were making fun of her sister and brothers. Even Nancy's friends stopped walking home

with her. One day, as Nancy and her brother were walking home from school, some children hid behind bushes along the trail where they passed and threw hard dirt clods and rocks at them. The rocks and clods hurt, of course, but Nancy remembered that Stephen was stoned to death (Acts 7:54), and that Paul was stoned until he was thought to be dead (Acts 14:19). John and Peter, and many others were put in prison. Thinking of these made her willing to suffer for Jesus also. Her brother picked up rocks to throw back, but Nancy told him not to do that. "God will fight our battles," she said. When they arrived home, Mother was understanding and knelt and prayed with them.

For a week or more they could hardly be out of the house in their yard, without the neighborhood children coming over to pick a fight or throw rocks.

These naughty children even got children of another neighborhood to try picking a fight with Nancy and her sister and brothers. They became

afraid to walk to and from school without protection from their big dog.

God knew just how to help them. He caused one girl, who had been very mean, to get hit by one of the rocks. She told her Mother what the children had been doing to Nancy and her family. This Mother told the other Mothers what their children had been doing and several got punished. The girl who was hit by the rock is one of Nancy's good friends today.

Jesus wants us to be like Him—gentle and harmless; even when others do us wrong. He doesn't want us to fight. He was taken to the trial, hit, beaten, spit upon, mocked, and finally nailed to the cross; yet He did not resist. He could have called more than 12 thousand angels to defend Himself. Instead, He suffered as if He were helpless. He wants us also to suffer when others mistreat us. Then God's favor will be on us, and He will fight for us. —C. H.

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## God Cared for His Children

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Tommy was a little boy whose parents loved and served God. Every day his mother read to him from the Bible and they had prayer together. Then in the evening when father and grandfather were home, grandfather read from the Bible and again they would pray together. They always asked God to care for them throughout the night. One night God cared for them in a special way.

After prayer they had gone to bed as usual and during the night the Lord gave Mother a dream. She dreamed that Tommy, Father, Grandfather and herself were going up a beautiful road that led to heaven. They were so near that music

from inside the city could be heard. Mother, who loved to sing, began singing and woke herself up from sleep. When she became fully awake, she realized that gas had filled the room. Raising up quickly, she found that the entire house was full of gas from a stove burner that was open but not lit. Had God not awakened her as He did, the family would have suffocated.

Of course they would have gone to heaven because they were saved people, but God spared their lives that they might show others the way of salvation. Are you using your life as God has planned for it to be used? God is giving you time for you to get ready to die. If you are ready to die, then He is sparing your life because He needs you to help others to know the way to be saved. Are you living in a way that others can be drawn to God by your life?

God has a plan for your life. Are you seeking to know it? When Jesus was twelve years old, He already knew that He must be about His Father's business. Are you working at your heavenly Father's business by living for Him? Or are you busy living just like you want to live?

The word of God says, "Redeeming the time." Redeem, means to make good continued p. 3

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### LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Jesus was a man of sorrows.

or to make up for. Are you making good use of time you have lost on selfish living by living and working for Jesus?  
—C.H., 1958

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Love God with all your heart.

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Dear Boys and Girls:

I am sure you know what sorrow is. You may want to do something real badly, but your mother and daddy do not feel that you should do it. You feel so hurt. You feel so let down. The tears flow and your heart seems about broken. You had planned so strong on doing that thing. You just don't understand why you can't do it. That is sorrow. Or maybe you want something for your birthday. You tell your mother and daddy and others that you want a certain thing. You just know that you will get it. You probably didn't stop to think that it might cost too much or maybe it would not be the best thing for you to have at your age. You planned on getting it and looked forward to your birthday. Your birthday comes and you do not get what you wanted. You are so hurt. You just have to cry about it. That is sorrow. Maybe someone hurts you or talks about you or many things can come that bring sorrow. Maybe you are real sick and suffer. That will bring sorrow. But boys and girls, at one time there was one person in this world who truly was a "Man of sorrows". That man's name was Jesus.

Jesus was part God and part human. He lived in a human body just like yours and mine and he felt pain; he also felt it when people mistreated him. He wept when he knew Lazarus, his good friend, had died and his sisters were so sad. Jesus also wept over the people in the town of Jerusalem. He saw how sinful they were. He had come to help them be good. They had

refused to let him help them. He knew that instead of loving him, they hated him. He knew that they were going to kill him. Oh, how his heart ached and his sorrow was greater than any that you or I have gone through. Finally they did beat our precious Jesus and put Him on the cross to die. He died for our sins. He was innocent so He could bear our sins away for us.

Our lesson is what the prophet Isaiah told us of Jesus about 700 years before He came into this world. Then we have what the New Testament said about it when it came to pass. Isn't the Bible wonderful? Today we read about someone finding an old book of Isaiah that was written over 2000 years ago.

When you are sad, pray to Jesus. Jesus loves you and knows all about your sorrow. Jesus wants you to know that Mother and Daddy know best and He wants you to love them. Jesus is your very best Friend. Jesus was falsely accused and He knows how you feel when you have lies told on you. Jesus had friends to turn against Him. He knows how you feel when that happens to you. He is truly your friend.

—Aunt Marie

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## Lesson 9, March 3, 1974

### MAN OF SORROWS

**Isa. 53:1-3; Mark 9:12b; John 1:11; Isa. 53:4, 5a, 6, 7; Luke 22:44; Matt. 27:26; John 19:28, 30; Acts 4:12; Isa. 53:10a, 11a**

Isaiah 53:1 Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?

2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him.

3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Mark 9:12b (Jesus said) It is written of the Son of man, that he must suffer many things, and be set at nought.

John 1:11 He came unto his own, and his own received him not.

Isaiah 53:4 Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

5a But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him.

6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

Luke 22:44 (Jesus in Gethsemane) And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

Matthew 27:26 Then (Pilate) released... Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

John 19:28 After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst.

30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

Acts 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Isaiah 53:10a Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise him; he hath put him to grief.

11a He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied.

Memory Verse: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9.

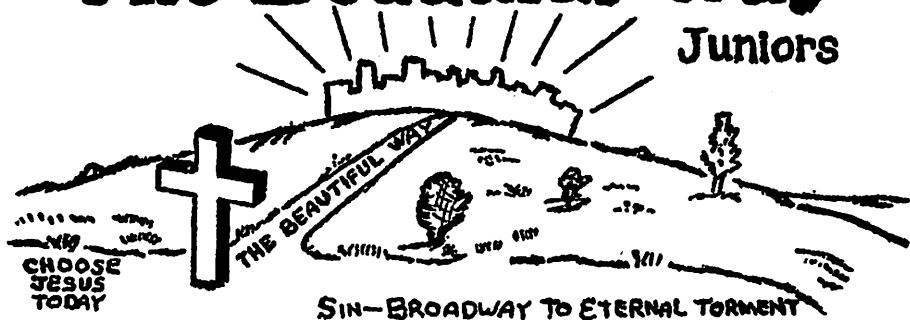
#### QUESTIONS:

1. Was Jesus just a man?
2. Was Jesus beautiful to look on?
3. How did people treat Jesus?
4. How does one feel when he is hated and rejected?
5. Does Jesus know how we feel?
6. Did His own people, the Jews, receive Jesus?
7. Why was Jesus a man full of grief and sorrows?
8. Why was Jesus wounded and bruised?
9. "All we like — have gone —; we have turned — — to his — way; and the — hath laid on — the — of us —."
10. How does a lamb act when he is being led to slaughter?
11. Did Jesus, the Lamb of God, fight back when he was led away to be crucified?
12. What happened in the Garden of Gethsemane?
13. How was Jesus treated before and during his crucifixion?
14. What did Jesus mean when he said, "It is finished"?
15. Was God satisfied with the price Jesus paid for our sins?

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Mar. 10

## A Surprise Birthday

"Mommy," said Bobby, as he was putting on his pajamas. "Tomorrow is my birthday. Has Daddy bought me a present?"

Mother was expecting such a question and had been thinking throughout the day of how she would explain to him about this birthday. For this one would be quite different than any one which he had experienced before.

"Oh, I'm very sorry," she said. "But Daddy hasn't been able to buy you a present."

"What?" he answered. "Don't the stores in Mexico sell presents?"

"Yes, of course they sell things boys and girls would like to have for their birthday. But your Daddy doesn't have any money right now."

Bobby realized things had been entirely different in his home since his mother and father had dedicated their lives to work as missionaries.

Christmas in other years had been a time when his grandfather and grandmother, his uncles and aunts had all met together. There were always plenty of good things to eat and many presents.

Sometimes several of the elderly people in the congregation also ate dinner with them. But this past Christmas was spent in a little cabin. There were presents, small ones, but everyone enjoyed them. Now it was his birthday. Would it be even less, he wondered?

Then he asked, "But you will make me a cake won't you, Mommy? And I can invite Jose and Juan to eat with me?"

Mother didn't know what to say. There wasn't flour, except whole wheat, and no sugar in the house. How will I tell him, she wondered?

She finished making her bed which was a mattress thrown on the floor between two bunk beds, which were shoved against each wall of the small room. In one of the beds lay Bobby's two sisters, Patricia, who had turned three in August, and Rosa, almost a year old. In the other bed lay Timothy, who was also asleep. He had enjoyed a birthday treat just a month ago. It was his second birthday and Sister Geneva Hite had made it a real special occasion for him, with balloons, a pretty cake and a couple of presents. Mother knew God had supplied for Timmy's birthday, but this time was different. Two weeks ago they had moved to the small beach town where they were

how living. There were only two telephones in the whole town, and postal service was about as slow as it was in the Pony Express days. In fact, none of their former friends knew their address. It was one hundred and fifty miles from any one they knew. It looked impossible for God to supply, for He had no one to supply through. (Shame on Mother for thinking that!)

"Why don't you answer me?" insisted Bobby, who was sitting on the side of his bed completely dressed for bed and wondering why all the silence. "You are going to make me a cake, aren't you?"

Mother picked up the pillows from off the chest of drawers and threw them to the other end of the pallet bed. "I'm afraid I cannot," Mother replied. "Lay down there and I'll tell you a story."

"But I don't want to hear a story," he answered, crying, then flung himself across the bed and sobbed as if his heart would break.

Mother, who was now in tears, slipped quietly out into the kitchen to put on her night clothes. Presently she returned. "Come on now; don't cry. Get in bed. It's cold in here and the fire has gone out."

Outside the rain was falling in torrents, and cold wind blew into the little room through cracks around the door and windows. The fire in the iron heating stove which sat in one corner of the room had been allowed to die down in order to save the scant supply of wood.

He got under the cover. Then he looked up at Mother and said, "Are you sure God sent us here?"

"Yes," she answered. "I'm sure God has sent us here. He has been very good to supply our needs and that is what He promised to do. We have always had something to eat and clothes to keep us warm. Remember when God sent Elijah to speak to the King

about his sin? Because Elijah obeyed God and told the King of his sin, the King became very angry and tried to kill Elijah. Therefore Elijah had to go into the mountains to hide. Every day while he was hid, God sent a big bird with some food for him. The Bible doesn't say God sent anything special, but God did send him something to eat."

Bobby loved God and said many times that he wanted to be a worker for the Lord as Timothy in the Bible. He dried the tears from his eyes and said, "Yes, I know God will supply what we need."

About that time Daddy came in. He was wet and cold. He had been helping a man get his car out of the mud. Mud was stuck on his shoes until he could hardly walk and had nearly slipped down several times.

"I never saw such ground as this. It's like clay and sticks to every thing. Just look at my shoes," he said, poking one through the door into the room where Mother and Bobby were. "What!" he asked in astonishment. "Isn't Bobby asleep yet? Looks like you've been crying again! What's wrong?"

"Tomorrow is Bobby's birthday and we haven't a thing for him. Not even flour and sugar to make a cake," answered Mother, as tears started down her cheeks again.

"Things could be a lot worse," answered Daddy. "I was just down to visit Marie and her baby was crying because it was hungry and she had no milk to give it."

"You didn't give away those two cans of milk that were in the car did you?" asked Mother, quickly.

"I gave her one of them."

"But that's all the milk I have for Rosa; she drinks one every day. Now she only has milk for tomorrow. What will she eat the day after that?"

(To be continued)

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION

The Day  
of the  
Lord

Since  
Jesus came

Dear Boys and Girls:

There is not a book like the Bible. I hope you will remember this one thing all the days of your life, that there is one Bible that we must cling to. Today they are making a lot of different Bibles. But the one you are studying, which is the King James Version, is the one that has been tested down through the years and its truths are right. When something has been tested and tried for 363 years, we feel that it is something that is good and will stand. People have obeyed this Bible and have been forgiven of their sins, blessed by the Lord and have been made a different person. Drunkards have obeyed it and have been freed from drink. Murderers have repented and have been forgiven. People have lived by it and died by it and have gone to heaven. So don't let anyone try to get you to use any other Bible but the old tested and tried King James Version. The reason it's called the King James Version is because King James of England had a group of men translate this Bible from the other languages that it was written in. Today different ones are

trying to translate or put the Bible in modern language and by doing so they are changing the meaning of it. The devil wants us to get so confused that he can tell us that none of them are right. But a Bible that has been tested and proved for 363 years, surely is right.

Over 700 years before Jesus came, Isaiah spoke in the Spirit and we have in our lesson where it came to pass. Jesus read it out of the Old Book of Isaiah of that day. Then we have in our lesson where John's disciples came to Jesus asking Him for John if He truly was the Messiah or the Christ that was to come. Jesus healed the sick and did many things right in front of their eyes so they would know that He truly was the Christ.

Isaiah said Jesus would come and proclaim when the day of the Lord had come. We then read where Jesus did proclaim and preached, that this was the "year of the Lord." The gospel day is the day of the Lord. Today we are still in the gospel day. Today we can be forgiven of our sins and be saved. Today Jesus still heals and does many mighty works for those who trust Him. Isn't that wonderful?

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 10, March 10, 1974

### THE DAY OF THE LORD

Isa. 61:1-3; Isa. 29:18, 19; Luke 4:16-21; Matt. 11:2-5; John 5:36b

Isaiah 61:1 The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;

2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;

3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified.

Isaiah 29:18 And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness.

19 The meek also shall increase their joy in the Lord, and the poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.

Luke 4:16 And he came to nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read.

17 And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written,

18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised.

19 To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

20 And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.

21 And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

Matthew 11:2 Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples,

3 And said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?

4 Jesus answered and said unto them, Go, and shew John again those things when ye do hear and see:

5 The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.

John 5:36b The same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me.

Memory Verse: Wherefore as the Holy Ghost saith, Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts. Hebrews 3:7, 8a.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Who was it that the Spirit of the Lord was upon?

2. What did the Spirit anoint Jesus to do?

3. When is the acceptable day of the Lord?

4. Name some of the good things God gives to us instead of our old sinful lives.

5. What are those who are saved called?

6. Name something else that shall come to pass "in that day".

7. "The — also shall — their — in the Lord, and the — among men shall — in the — of —."

8. Where was Jesus brought up?

9. What did he do on the Sabbath day?

10. From what book did Jesus read?

11. Who was Jesus reading about?

12. When did the scripture that Jesus read come to pass?

13. How did Jesus prove to John that He was the One that should come?

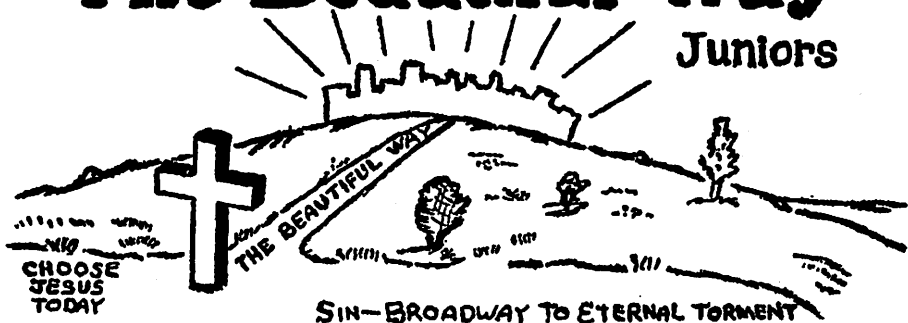
14. Does Jesus still do mighty works today?

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Mar. 17

## A Surprise Birthday

continued

"I'm sorry," said Daddy. "I thought you had several cans of milk here in the house. I couldn't go away seeing that baby cry because it was hungry when I knew there was milk in the car."

Poor Daddy tried his best to comfort them but all he could say seemed to be in vain. Mother and Bobby cried themselves to sleep. They seemed to have forgotten that Jesus had said, "Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself." Matthew 6:34.

Daddy got into some dry clothing, wrapped himself in a cover, picked up his Bible and began reading. He read first in Psalms 41:1 which says, "Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble." Then he read in Matthew 6:31-34, "Therefore take no thought, saying, what shall we eat? or what shall we drink? or wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek

ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow; for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." He read for a while longer and then prayed. After that, he tucked himself into the warm bed. He felt a little discouraged for he thought he had done the right thing by helping others, but his wife didn't seem pleased. Praying and reading the Bible had brought him much comfort. "God, you will have to take over from here," and saying this he gave everything into God's hands, rolled himself over and was soon asleep.

About an hour later he was awakened by noise outside. Someone was shouting and pounding on the door that opened from the outside into the room where they were asleep. Some one was calling him, "Jaime!! Jaime!!"

What was he to answer? At the moment he couldn't think what to say in Spanish. "Quien es? (Who is it?)" he finally muttered, half asleep.

"Yo soy Jose. (I am Jose) Smeet! Smeet!" the voice was answering.

Smeet! That was Brother Harland Smith's name in Spanish. I must be

dreaming, he thought. But this thought was soon dismissed when he heard the familiar voice of Brother Smith.

"James, it's Bro. Harland Smith."

He jumped out of bed, opened the door and almost shouted, "Get in here out of the rain."

"It is pretty wet out there," Bro. Smith was saying. "That door needs a little porch over it. I hated to come in on you so late, but I started as soon as I could after work, and it has rained so hard all the way down that I couldn't make much time."

"What time is it any way? Seems like I had just gotten asleep. It seems much later here after dark because there are no electric lights," James said. "Charlotte says she can't get much done because she had not learned to carry a lamp in one hand and work with the other. It has been dark since six o'clock."

"Well, how is every one?" asked Brother Smith.

Charlotte, who hadn't had time to get up, was still lying on the pallet on the floor. She looked up at Brother Smith. If there ever was a living angel it must be him, she was thinking. His face seemed to shine with a radiance that was not earthly, but divine. In his presence, burdens had a way of vanishing; temptations seemed to lose their power to try one. There seemed to be a power going out from him that penetrated into the hearts and minds of others, giving them a new determination to go through for God, no matter what the cost would be. How many times she had felt the power of heaven come down when this man prayed. How could I have been so discouraged a few hours ago, she thought. "Oh God, please forgive me!" Then she realized, Brother Smith was still talking. "This mail came for you last week." He said as he handed some letters to James. "And there are some other things in the car. We came through

here last Sunday but it was night and we couldn't find your house. But all day long as I worked I felt I must come tonight and look you up."

"Oh, that was a lot of trouble, just for us," James said. "And how is it you found us tonight? It's dark and raining."

"Well, I was looking to God to direct me to you; God did just that. About a half-mile back up the road, I saw a young man walking in the rain, so I stopped and picked him up. How surprised I was when I saw the man was Jose. I remembered him from the time you brought him to Pomona to get the things you left there. How relieved I was! I knew Jose could direct me right where you lived."

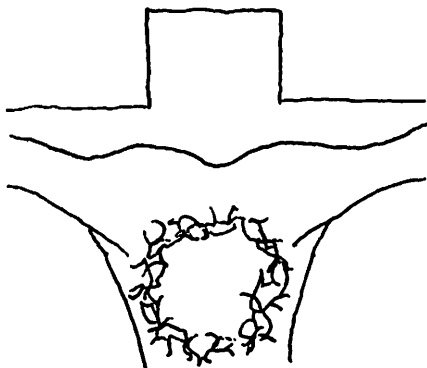
"Wasn't that a great blessing from God?" said James.

"Yes, that was a real miracle," Bro. Smith agreed. "There are several other boxes of things in the pick-up for you, but maybe it would be best to wait until morning to get them in."

"I'll agree with you," answered James. "It's awfully cold and wet outside now."

(To be continued)

### LESSON ILLUSTRATION



JESUS, OUR ENSIGN

Who will work for Jesus?  
 The teacher asked one day.  
 He's the one that sees us,  
 Whether at work or play.  
 A kind word you can speak,  
 Or help a stumbling child;  
 For you are sure to reap,  
 For being kind and mild.

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Dear Boys and Girls:

In olden days the king would put up an ensign which is a flag, banner or symbol. For instance, the flag of the United States is an ensign. In verse 10 of our lesson, we are told that "In that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek; and his rest shall be glorious." Now in the New Testament the Apostle Paul tells us who that ensign is, who is the root of Jesse that would arise and reign over the Gentiles and the Jews alike. It is Jesus Christ. (Rom. 15:8, 10-13) Jesus was lifted up on the cross and He said that if He was lifted up, He would draw all men (Jew and Gentile, since He broke down the wall between them) unto Him. There He died and they put Him in the grave, but He did not stay there. He arose. Today He is alive, sitting on the right hand of God. All those who are saved are rallying around Jesus. The flag of the United States was planted on the island of Iwo-Jima during the last war because they had conquered their enemy and they put up the flag. It waved in the breeze and all who looked at it knew what it stood for. Jesus is lifted up today and those from the four corners of the earth who are saved, are looking up to Jesus, who has conquered the devil and gives us power to not do wrong but obey Jesus and be blessed in our souls.

When we come to Jesus and live in the Church, which is the "holymountain," we have already been changed. Did you ever see a girl who was cranky and cross

when things weren't going her way? She acts like a growling bear. Well, our lesson tells us that those who have bear-like natures are changed and live in the "holy mountain". They can feed with the cow and not hurt the cow or the fatlings. And what about a boy who has a lion-like nature. You accidentally hit him, and he springs on you and gives you several blows. Well, he could come and be saved, and let the Lord change that. When it is changed, the boy and girl with a wolf, bear, lion or leopard nature can lie down with the child, the lamb, and be at peace. This is what these scriptures mean. When Jesus was here, some people came to Him and told Him that Herod was going to kill Him and that He should leave the country. He said, "Go tell that fox" that He was doing good. Luke 13:31,32. Now Herod wasn't a fox, but he had a fox-like nature of being sly and deceptive.

When we have been saved and born into the church of God, we are God's people. And when we are sanctified by the Holy Spirit, we are cleansed of that sin principle, and we all rally around the ensign, Jesus Christ, in the "holy mountain." We are living "in that day" which is today, the gospel day. Those who are saved are coming from the four corners of the earth and entering into the church, which Jesus built.

— Aunt Marie

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**Lesson 11, March 17, 1974**

**JESUS, THE ENSIGN**

**Isa. 11:1-12; Eph. 2:16, 18**

Isaiah 11:1 And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots;

2 And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord;

3 And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears:

4 But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

5 And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.

6 The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.

7 And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

8 And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den.

9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.

10 And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.

11 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamathe, and from the islands of the sea.

12 And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the out-

casts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

Ephesians 2:16 And that he might reconcile both (Jew and Gentile) unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:

18 For through him (Jesus) we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

Memory Verse: There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. Galatians 3:28.

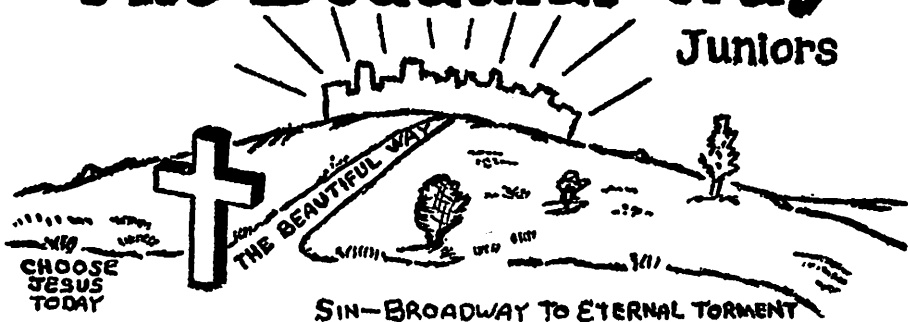
#### QUESTIONS:

1. Who is the Branch?
2. Did Christ come from the line of Jesse?
3. The spirit of what rested on Jesus?
4. Does Jesus judge by what He sees and hears?
5. What is Christ girdled with?
6. Will there be a time when real animals like wolves and leopards will live with lambs and calves?
7. Are verses 6 and 7 talking about real animals or people with natures like those animals?
8. What is "The Holy Mountain"?
9. "And in — — there shall be a — of —, which shall stand for an — of the —; to it shall the — seek: and his — shall be glorious."
10. What is an ensign?
11. To whom do people from the four corners of the earth look?
12. Are the Jews still God's special people today?
13. Can all peoples be God's children?
14. Who made it possible for anyone who believes to come to God?

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### A Surprise Birthday

continued

Brother Smith slept on the kitchen floor in his sleeping bag the rest of the night. In the morning before the children awoke, Daddy unloaded the boxes from Brother Smith's pickup. There were two boxes from their home town in California. One was from one of the elderly sisters of the congregation who sometimes ate Christmas dinner with them, and the other was from a teen age girl who had made her home with them before.

Mother placed the boxes on Bobby's bed, saying, "Wake up, Bobby; today is your birthday! God has sent you two presents."

One of the other boxes had groceries. In it Mother found a cake mix and confectioner's sugar for the frosting. She quickly made a surprise birthday cake for Bobby.

What a surprise birthday it was! God was true to His promise again.

—Charlotte Huskey, 1962

Pray without ceasing.

### The Car That Ran on "Empty"

It was a beautiful day in April, just the kind of day for a camp-out. Everyone was busy getting the car packed. Father had said he felt God would have him go to Ejido Patzcuaro for the weekend. Bobby was to be out of school at noon and everything must be ready to leave as soon as he arrived home.

Bobby's father was a missionary dentist. He went to poor towns which had no dentist. Sometimes he set up clinic in a home or sometimes in the public school. On this occasion it would be the school building. Bobby, his brother and three sisters loved to go to Ejido Patzcuaro. It was a quiet little town with homes made from adobe or stick with mud plastered over them. Horse drawn carts clopped down the dirt streets. The most delightful thing, though, was the many children to play with. They played in the tall salt pines which swayed in the wind high above the little houses, or went for a walk on the salt plains where the people gathered salt to use for cooking. Then in the cool evenings they gathered to sing songs of the Saviour.

There was only one thing that kept this trip from being real enjoyable, and that was, that there wasn't enough money to buy gasoline for the camper pick-up. The round trip was 380 miles. There was enough gas in the car to go about 70 of the 380. But Daddy's faith was strong and they started out. "We'll go by the post-office. I'm sure God will have some money waiting for us," he said as they drove away leaving their home behind.

The road from home to the post-office, about 40 miles, wound among the mountains, with the Pacific Ocean in view most of the time. On this day it was deep blue, to be broken only by the white foam of the waves. When they got to the post-office, Daddy stopped the car and said, "I'll be back soon." He came back looking rather serious. There was only one letter in the mail box. It was a birthday card for Rosa from her aunt, with one dollar tucked inside.

"So we won't go?" questioned the children.

"I don't know," answered their father. "We must pray. I thought the Lord had sent us, but maybe I was mistaken."

They knelt in the camper and looked to God for directions. God seemed to say, "GO ON!" So that is just what they did. In the next town about thirty miles away, they bought gas with every penny they had. Rosa's dollar, her brother Tim's dime, Daddy's change, and a friend who came along added his. Altogether it totaled, \$1.44. "This should take us over the mountain," said Daddy. "We can coast a long way after that! And the remaining fifty miles? Well, God will take care of them!"

Outside the town, they stopped to pray. Then they started up the mountains, singing songs of praise to God. At the very top they stopped to look. Before them lay the mountains they must descend. The road appeared like a tangled ribbon. After

that stretched a dry lake of sand, probably ten miles across, then a few low hills and Mexicali lights could be seen. Patzcuaro was just thirty miles from Mexicali. "We can probably coast most of the seven miles down these mountains and a good way out across that desert, if we can be going fast enough when we leave the mountains," Daddy was saying. "You children be very still and hold on, so you won't fall. We'll be going around these curves pretty fast. Let us pray again that God will protect us and that we won't meet many cars."

"What will we eat if we stop down there?" questioned Rosa, pointing to the desert below.

No one else was hungry, although no one had eaten anything except bread since morning, so Mother gave the remaining bread to Rosa. "Don't be afraid, Honey," said Mother, trying to comfort her. "God will get us to Patzcuaro."

"How will we get back?" asked another.

"Maybe some one will give some money to Daddy, or if not, we will borrow some from Sister Edith," added Mother.

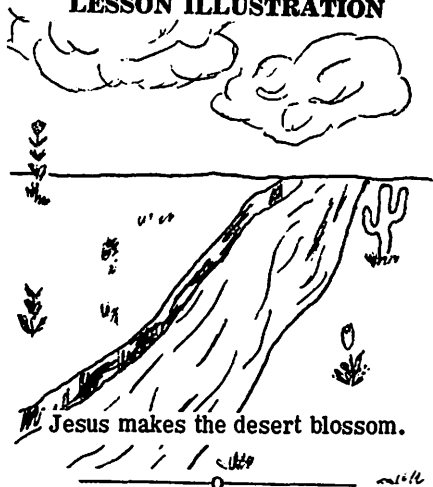
"Well, let's go!" shouted Daddy.

The children in the camper prayed that God would take them across the dry lake of sand. While Mother was mostly praying for God to keep the pick-up on the road! It gained speed fast because the mountains were steep, but at last they were safely down and going across the long flat desert. Darkness had fallen and so had their spirits as the gas gauge fell on empty. The motor was running now but it didn't slow down. On toward Mexicali it went as if full of gasoline. Up over the hills and down again into the city. Entering the city at the southern edge, they took the road toward Patzcuaro. It would be only thirty miles now. They did not look for a grocery store nor gas station, God would be their fuel!

About nine-thirty they drove into the little town. There were lights in the houses so they honked several times as they drove down the streets to the mission house where they would stay. People came running out to meet them. Everyone was glad to see them but not half so glad as they were to be there after driving so long without gasoline.

(To be continued)

### LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Jesus makes the desert blossom.

Dear Boys and Girls:

Last summer I had a potted tomato plant that someone gave me. One time I failed to water it and it drooped over. I poured water on it and before the day was over, it was all straightened up and looking fine. The dry dirt around it needed water. Our lesson speaks of a desert, a wilderness, a solitary place, and the parched ground. All of this makes us know that these are places where there is no water. In these places nothing will grow. But our lesson tells us that these places will blossom like the rose, the thirsty land will have springs of water, the parched ground will become a pool and the desert will become fruitful. What

will cause all of this to be? Water. When the water is there, it will be fruitful. What a wonderful change!

Let us understand what is meant by this prophecy. The heart of the sinner is the wilderness, the solitary place, the parched ground and the desert. Why would the heart of a sinner be like this? Because he does not have Jesus in his heart. Jesus is life. The Apostle John tells us that in Jesus is life and he also tells us that Jesus said to the woman, who came to Him at the well, that He would give her "living water" if she would ask of Him. Where there is sin there is deadness and no eternal life. When a sinner repents of his sins and receives forgiveness, he is changed. His sins are all washed away by the blood of Jesus and life springs up in his heart and he becomes a new creature in Christ Jesus. Old things pass away and he becomes new. Now he can be kind when before he was many times unkind. Now he will not tell lies, nor steal, nor deceive others. His life will become new. He will bring forth fruit. He will be happy and glad because his sins are all gone. His desert heart now can blossom like a rose. Isn't that wonderful?

Our lesson tells us what Jesus would do when he came. He would save the soul, open the blind eyes, make the dumb person sing, and unstop deaf ears, in the gospel day. Jesus is truly the Rose of Sharon. Where He lives there is life. Beautiful deeds are in the life of the boy and girl who love Jesus. Our lesson tells us about all the evil things that are in the hearts of sinners. Then when they have the Rose of Sharon living in their hearts, the lesson tells us what good things will be there. We need to rejoice and be glad that we know Jesus, who is the Rose of Sharon. Can you sing the song in the "Evening Light Songs" book that is called "The Rose of Sharon"?

—Aunt Marie

## Lesson 12, March 24, 1974

### THE ROSE OF SHARON

**Isa. 35:1-7; Colossians 3:8-10, 12-14**

Song of Solomon 2:1 I am the rose of Sharon, and the lily of the valley.

Isaiah 35:1 The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.

2 It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the Lord, and the excellency of our God.

3 Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees.

4 Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompense; he will come and save you.

5 Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.

6 Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.

7 And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, shall be grass with reeds and rushes.

Colossians 3:8 But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

9 Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

10 And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the

image of him that created him:

12 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy, and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

14 And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

Memory Verse: Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Matthew 5:7.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. "The — and the — place shall be — for them; and the — shall rejoice, and — as the —."

2. Who is the Rose of Sharon?

3. Whose heart is like a wilderness or desert?

4. Can the desert heart blossom as the rose?

5. What things did Jesus do when He came to earth?

6. What will make things grow in the desert?

7. Name some things that come from the desert.

8. Is it true that we will have to tell a lie sometime?

9. When a person is saved, is he still just like he always was?

10. Name some things that come from a heart where the water of life has come forth.

11. "— one another, and — one another, if any man have a — against any: even as — forgave —, so also — —."

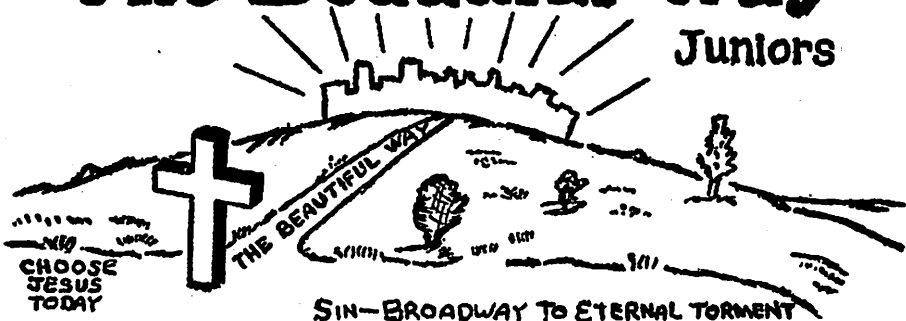
12. What does God want us to have in our hearts above all else?

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Mar. 31

## The Car That Ran on "Empty"

continued

The mission house was dark, and Sis. Edith was not there!! Daddy knew where the key was so they unlocked and went in, found plenty of food for eight hungry people, made beds and went to sleep.

All day Saturday Daddy pulled or repaired teeth in the crude clinic he had set up in the school building. People walked from long distances, others lived closer, but each one was given tracts and Bible portions while waiting his turn. Most of the people were glad to get the literature and busied themselves reading. A group of men gathered outside to discuss these new things they were reading. About two o'clock in the afternoon, Daddy stopped to eat lunch, and have preaching service in a friend's new adobe house. A good crowd gathered to listen. When Daddy finished with the last dental patient the sun was falling behind the volcano that lay a few miles west of the peaceful little town. Someone had given him two dollars. Not much for such a hard day's work, he thought, but at least that will get us part of the way home. I'm mighty

thankful for it!!

It was necessary to be home Sunday around noon to be ready for afternoon preaching service there, so Mother and Daddy thought it best to leave that evening.

"Are we driving home without gasoline?" asked one of the children.

"No, not all of the way," answered Daddy. "But neither of the stores here has gasoline, so we must go to Delta. That is the nearest station. Let us pray now and thank God for supplying us money for gas. I have some money already and I'm sure the rest is coming."

They knelt in prayer asking God to supply all their needs and for protection on the way home.

"Sister Martha's brother begged me to come over and pull some teeth for her. You know she is crippled and cannot come to have her teeth worked on." Daddy said, as they drove away, leaving the little town hidden in the darkness.

"Sister Martha's house is a mile off the road," explained Mother. "It will be six miles to the gas station now instead of four."

Sister Martha's house was made of grass, the roof was very low and the floor was dirt. It had no windows, the

only light in the house came through the door when open, or through the cracks in the walls. Of course it was dark now, so the first thing to be done was to wire up a makeshift operating light from the battery of the pickup. When this was finished, the dental equipment had to be arranged on a low rickety table (the only one in the hut), and Daddy, on his knees, prayed for the sick lady and then proceeded to pull her teeth while in the same kneeling position. By the time the third molar was out, Daddy was soaked from sweat.

"Praise the Lord!" said Sister Martha, smiling. "I felt no pain when they came out, and I will suffer no more from them."

The sister-in-law was next to have one pulled. After which, prayer was offered again.

Good-byes were said and everyone found their place in the camper to return home, 190 miles with two dollars and an empty gas tank! The brother was the last to say good-bye and as he shook hands with Daddy through the window of the pickup, he laid 100 pesos (\$8.00) in Daddy's hand.

"This isn't much," he said, "But it is all I have."

"Thank the Lord," exclaimed Daddy. "You will never know how much this will mean to me." Then waving another good-bye, off they drove.

Pulling into the station, the pickup sputtered, letting them know that God had brought them just as far as they needed Him to.

Praise God!! He can do anything!!!

—Charlotte Huskey, 1967

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## The Last Day of School

During my first year of having charge of the school in Santa Catarina, there were several boys who were full of mischief. One, named

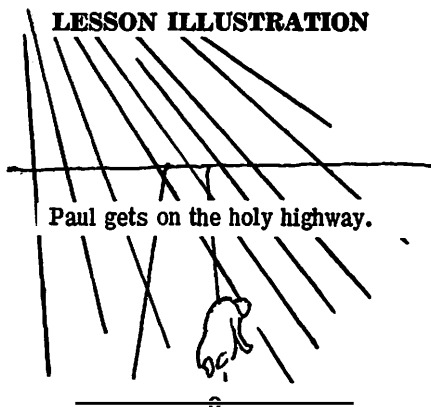
Ruso, (Russian) was often very mischievous. At the end of the year, we had definite reasons for believing we would not be able to return to Santa Catarina to teach. Art was a favorite subject for most of the children. On the last day, while they were doing their art work, I began to talk to them. I knew that the things they learned in school were important. They would need them. I also knew that what they learned about Jesus and His love was more important. I began to tell them this. At the end of my talk I told them that if they did not remember anything else, I wanted them to remember always that Sister Kelly was praying for them. In all the years to come, I wanted them to remember this and I told them so. All looked up smiling. Some had tears in their eyes. Ruso looking a little sheepish, asked, "Hermana, Tu vas orar por mi?" (Sister, are you going to pray for me?) I said, "Yes, Ruso, I'll be praying for you, too." Great tears welled up and almost spilled over. Yet, as I pray for the children of Santa Catarina, I seem to think of Ruso first. Remember Jesus' words: "For I am not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance." Matt. 9:13.

—Sister Opal Kelly

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A little boy had to be punished for saying bad words. His sister said that Mother was "unlearning" Freddie the bad words. I should think that was much harder than learning them. There is a better way to "unlearn". It is the squirrel's way. When he gets a bad nut he does not fill his mouth with it and then spit it out. He just throws it away without tasting it. It is easier to keep wrong things out of the life than to put them out.

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Dear Boys and Girls:

In some places they have a highway up above other roads, houses, etc. There is a ramp or road leading up to this highway. We can look down upon the junk yards, the nice houses, the stores and trashy places. We can see it all as we travel along. We can say when we see trashy places that we are glad we do not live in this or that place. We also might be able to see other roads and be glad that we are on this nice highway.

Our lesson talks about a different highway. This highway is the highway of holiness. There is also a ramp or a way to get up on this highway of holiness. Jesus tells us that we have to go to him to find out the way to get up there. When we come to Jesus, he tells us that we must with godly sorrow confess our sins. When we do that and are sorry for them, we go through the gate that leads us upon the highway of holiness. There are two works that God does upon the heart. After we confess our lying, stealing and disobeying God's Word and are saved, we are then ready to obtain the Holy Spirit. We need the Holy Spirit in our lives to give us power. We ask God to give us the Holy Spirit,

and as the blood is applied again by the Holy Spirit, we are cleansed of the sin, that passed upon us by the fall of Adam and Eve. We were born with this within us and so we can't ask forgiveness for it. When we are cleansed by the Holy Spirit, we are on the highway of holiness.

It's wonderful to be on this highway of holiness that leads us to heaven. We are above the world of sin and evil. We can look down upon all kinds of sinful things but we are above it all. We don't have to sin. We are clean and pure.

Our lesson tells us about how evil Saul was and how he wanted to kill others who loved Jesus. Saul was like a ravenous beast. Ravening means to be mad or demanding. Saul was mad at the Christians. He was acting like a lion. He had letters from the officials to bring them to court so they would be killed. He was ready to spring on all he could find. Those kind of people are not on the highway of holiness. One day God dealt with him and he cried out asking what he should do to be clear before God. He wanted to get upon this highway of holiness. He saw how wicked he was and was sorry. God told him what to do and later he was filled with the Holy Spirit after Ananias prayed for him. Now he was happy. He was baptized and went to tell others about what God had done for him. Witnessing for God makes us strong.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 13, March 31, 1974

### PAUL GETS ON THE HIGHWAY OF HOLINESS

Isa. 35:8; John 14:6; Isa. 35:9, 10;  
Acts 9:1-6, 17-19

Isaiah 35:8 And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not

pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Isaiah 35:9 No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there:

10 And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Acts 9:1 And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest,

2 And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.

3 And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven:

4 And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?

5 And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

6 And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.

17 And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou

mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

19 And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus.

Memory Verse: Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. Psalms 29:2.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. What is the name of the highway that leads to heaven?

2. By what way do we get on the highway of holiness?

3. "— saith unto him, I am the —, the —, and the —: no — cometh unto the —, but by —."

4. Who can walk on the highway of holiness?

5. Who cannot walk on this holy highway?

6. Does the scripture mean real lions and beasts?

7. What was Paul's name before the Lord changed it?

8. What was Paul intending to do?

9. Where was Paul on his way to?

10. What happened to him while he was journeying?

11. Who was Paul really persecuting?

12. What did the Lord tell Paul to do?

13. What did Ananias do?

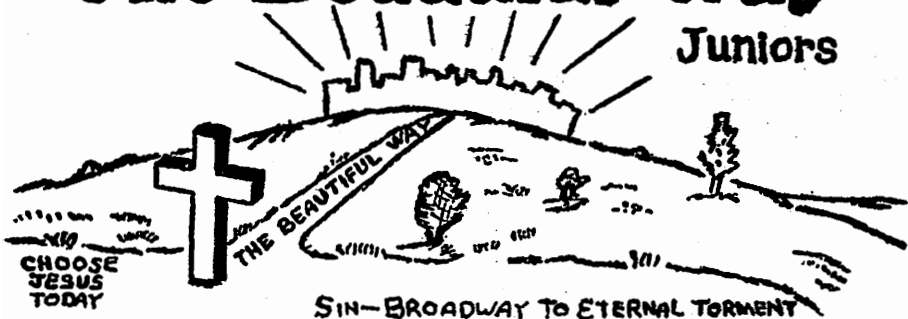
14. Did Paul become a Christian?

God told men who wrote the Bible just what to write. They heard God speak to them. If we obey it we will be happy.

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Part One

April 7

## Olive's Story

### Summary of story

Olive opens her story when she tells of her thirteenth birthday and her family. Her brothers are Melville, Charlie, Willie, Walter and the baby boy. Their father is in India fighting in the Indian Army. Their mother has come home from India and she has taken the children to Ravenscliffe for six months. Here they met Miss Howard who helped them when their house caught fire. On Melville's birthday they had a picnic and he got lost. The tide was up and all night the mother prayed that her son be saved. When dawn barely breaks, the search party begins again with the mother running ahead.

I never knew before that mother could run so quickly; it was wonderful to see how she still kept so far in front of us. Then she went around a ridge of rocks, and we could see her no more.

"I am afraid we shall not overtake her," said Miss Howard. "Oh, may God help her and comfort her, poor thing!"

Miss Howard was crying very much, and I cried too, though I hardly knew what she meant. But I felt quite sure that she must think that something very dreadful had happened to Melville, and that she was afraid of mother's finding it out, when she was alone.

Mr. Hendrie reached the corner first and to our surprise he turned round to all the people who were following and taking off his hat, he gave a hearty cheer!

What had he seen?

"Look there!" said Mr. Hendrie, in a very glad voice, as we came up to where he was standing. "Look there!" and he pointed to mother.

She was coming towards us, and we saw (but I could hardly believe my eyes) that her arm was round Melville's neck, and her hand was on his shoulder.

Yes, she had found her boy! Melville was safe! Why it seemed too good to be true!

We ran quickly to meet them, and mother said, in a choking voice, "I've found him; I've found my boy. You must all of you thank God so much for me." Then she fainted and we had to send for the little pony carriage to take her back to Langholme.

"Where have you been all night,"

asked Miss Howard, as soon as mother began to be a little better.

"Up there, in the cave," said Melville, pointing to a place about halfway up the cliffs. "I got up there when the tide came, and then I couldn't get out again. But, oh, I did think of mother; I knew she would think I was drowned." And for the first time Melville began to cry.

As soon as we were home again, mother took Melville and me into her own room, and we knelt down, and she thanked God so very much for hearing her prayer and keeping Melville safe. Then she prayed that the life which God had spared might be given to Him and that Melville might indeed become one of God's own children, and spend his life in God's service. I never heard her pray so earnestly before.

Oh, I do hope that all her prayers for Melville and for me will be answered.

### MELVILLE'S STORY

Olive has asked me to write in her red book about my night in the cave.

I am sure I don't know how to write it; and she has made me promise not to read a word of what she has written, which I think is a great shame. But it rains so fast today that we can't go out, so I must do my best.

Well, I suppose Olive has told all about our picnic, and about Charlie hurting himself, and how she took him back to mother. Perhaps I ought to have gone with her. If I had, I should not have got into trouble.

When Olive and Charlie had gone, I sat down on one of the rocks and watched the waves. I thought about the cave Mrs. McBride told us about and thought what fun it would be to go and look for it! I want to see where the smugglers lived, and what sort of place it was inside, and thought I would have plenty of time to get there.

So I ran along the shore and searched for ever so long when I went around a ridge of rocks and got into a little bay, and then, halfway up the cliffs, I saw the cave. It was a hard climb, but I finally reached it.

Oh, it was a funny place! There was a long dark passage leading into it, and I had no light, and did not much like going alone. I had to crawl on my hands and knees, the passage was so low, and I did not know who might be inside. When I got to the end of the passage I felt that I was in a big room, though I could not see anything for a long time. But when my eyes got used to the dark, I could see that just a little light was coming in through a hole at the top of the cave. Then I saw that it was a great, big place quite as large as the nursery at Ravenscliffe, and the strangest place you can imagine.

I thought it must have been great fun to have been a smuggler, and to have lived there, only of course I would never have robbed the ships and murdered the poor sailors. Then I wondered at which end of the cave the smugglers used to sleep, and I walked all round it, and found some curious little shelves cut in the rock, where I guess they kept their dishes.

I must have been a long time in the cave. I don't know how long because I don't have a watch. But I began to be hungry, so I thought it must be supper time. I crawled out of the cave and climbed down the cliff but it was harder than going up and I nearly slipped several times. Finally I got down on the sands and I saw that the tide was coming in. It was several yards off the cliffs yet, so I was not at all frightened.

(To be continued)

Everyone's home is their castle. Remember to knock before you enter any home. It's each one's privilege to let those enter their home whom they want.

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Jesus died  
for me.

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Dear Boys and Girls:

"There is going to be a crucifixion on the hill," said the children to one another. "Let us go up there." So away they ran, following the crowd. The whole town was stirred. Those who were the religious leaders of the town of Jerusalem were very pleased that at last they felt that they were getting rid of Jesus, whom they felt was tearing up their temple worship. Their anger had grown in leaps and bounds and finally they found one of Jesus disciples who would help them find Jesus. But did they take Jesus before God's time? No, it didn't happen until it was time for Jesus to seal the words that He had been telling the multitudes with His very life's blood. Judas led them to Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane and betrayed Him with a kiss. By the kiss the soldiers knew which one was Jesus. When Jesus asked them whom they sought, all of the soldiers fell backwards. They could not stand up in the face of such power that Jesus had, but Jesus did not use His power to keep them

from taking Him. He willingly gave himself to them because He wanted to die on the cross and take our punishment. Although His suffering was terrible, He endured it so we could be saved from sin. Oh how we ought to love Him for His great love to us.

Jesus was taken to the high priest and then bound and given over to Pilate. Pilate could not find any fault in Him, but He wanted to please the Jews. He hated to let them have an innocent man, and tried to get them to let Him go free. He asked them if they wanted Barabbas or Jesus to be released. They chose Barabbas, who had been a robber and had caused them a lot of trouble, to be released. They were eager to get rid of Jesus. How sad for them to hate Him so much. Jesus was scourged, which means they whipped Him. With His back bleeding and weak from loss of blood He started out with His cross on His back to the hill top, called Golgotha. The cross was too much for Him so they had another man carry it for Him. Jesus did not resist them nor fight back. He meekly let them take Him and they nailed the nails through His hands and feet and with a jerk let the cross fall into the hole, thus tearing the flesh. There He hung and those on the hill who hated Him laughed and made fun of Him. But there were a few who loved Him. They wept and were heavy-hearted. His own mother stood by the cross. Her broken heart was almost more than she could bear. It was like a sword pierced through her heart. There were those who had mixed feelings about Jesus. After He was dead, Joseph, a rich man, asked for His body. He wrapped Him in linen clothes and laid Him in His own new tomb. There was a stone rolled in front of His grave and soldiers were sent to stand guard lest someone steal His body. I'm sure many of the children cried that day because they loved Jesus.

—Aunt Marie

## Lesson 1, April 7, 1974

### JESUS DIED FOR US

John 18:3, 7, 8; 19:1-4, 15-18;

Luke 24:45, 46, 52, 53

John 18:3 Judas then, having received a band of men and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, cometh thither with lanterns and torches and weapons.

7 Then asked he them again, Whom seek ye? And they said, Jesus of Nazareth.

8 Jesus answered, I have told you that I am he; if therefore ye seek me, let these go their way:

John 19:1 Then Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged him.

2 And the soldiers plaited a crown of thorns, and they put on him a purple robe,

3 And said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote him with their hands.

4 Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him.

15 But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar.

16 Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led Him away.

17 And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called the place of a skull, Which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha:

18 Where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one,

and Jesus in the midst.

Luke 24:45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

46 And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:

52 And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy:

53 And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen.

Memory Verse: 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.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Who led the men and officers to Jesus?

2. Whom were they seeking?

3. Why did Jesus tell them who he was?

4. Pilate scourged Jesus; do you know what a scourging is?

5. What kind of a crown did they make for Jesus?

6. What does "Smote him with their hands" mean?

7. Did Pilate think that Jesus was guilty?

8. What did they want to do to Jesus?

9. Who carried the cross?

10. Where was the cross carried to?

11. How many others did they crucify with Jesus?

12. Who had to suffer and rise from the dead?

13. Why did God let His son die for us?

14. Do you think anyone loves you as much as God loves you?

15. Would you be willing to give your life for someone who didn't love you?

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## Olive's Story

### (Chapter 11)

But I forgot that the ridge of rocks at the end of the bay stuck out so far into the sea; I never thought of that till I got up to it, and then I saw that I couldn't get past. I took off my shoes and tried to wade, but I found that I would soon be out of my depth, so I went back as well as I could.

I did not know what to do. The cliffs were so high and so steep, I could not possibly climb them. I tried it once, but after I had gone a long way, I saw the cliff going up straight over my head, so I had to come down again.

Then I walked along the bay, to see if it was better anyplace else. But I could not find a better place. I tried to get out at the other end, but soon found that the water was just as deep there.

I saw now that the sea was coming up very fast, and it would soon be up to the cliffs all along the bay. There was nothing to do but get into the smugglers' cave. It wasn't half such fun there now!

I sat at the opening of the cave for some time and soon saw that the sea had come up to the cliffs, and then I knew that

I wouldn't get out until the sea went down.

And then I began to think of mother, and how worried she would be. I knew she would look for me and when she saw the tide up to the rocks, she would think I was drowned. I asked God to comfort her and not to let it make her ill.

Well, after awhile it began to rain so fast that I had to creep inside the cave for shelter, and then I felt more miserable than ever. I could hear nothing but the waves dashing against the cliffs, and the wind whistling through the cave, and I was very cold and hungry.

Then I thought that I would not like to have been a smuggler at all, and that it was much nicer to live in a house than a cave. I wondered whether the smugglers stopped up the hole at the top of the cave when they lived there; it made the place so very cold.

Soon it began to get dark and I could not see anything. It seemed such a long night then! I went to sleep once or twice but not for long. I was too cold and hungry to sleep.

Once I woke up and thought I heard some music and I gave a great shout to see if anyone was there. Mother says it was the bugle that I heard and that she had thought that she heard my call.

I didn't know mother was there, just over my head!

Well, it seemed a long time before morning came; and at last, when I saw it was beginning to get light, I crept out of the cave.

Oh I was so glad to see that the sea had gone down! I climbed down the cliff, and then I had no sooner got to the bottom than who should I see but mother. She was coming to meet me, with her arms held out for me to run into them. Dear mother she had run all the way that she might be the very first to find me!

Even Olive does not know how thankful I was and how much I thought about when I was in the cave.

I can't write it down here, but I told mother about it that night when she came to tuck me up in bed and to put my candle out. And mother gave me a kiss, and told me that it was worth all the trouble that she had gone through to know what I had just told her.

Last Sunday evening mother took me into her room, and said she wanted to have a little talk with me alone. She said she could not rest any longer until she knew that I had come to Jesus myself, and had taken Him to be my Saviour.

Then mother told me, that on that dreadful night when Melville was lost, as she had paced up and down the bedroom at Langholme, her one thought had been, "Is Melville's soul safe? Has Melville ever taken Jesus for his Saviour?"

Mother could not get this thought out of her mind, and she prayed very earnestly that, if Melville's life were spared, this terrible night might make him decide to come to Jesus at once. Then mother told me how wonderfully her prayer had been answered, for when Melville was in the dark cave alone he had really come to Jesus, and mother said she believed he was trying now to do everything he could to please his Saviour.

"But little Olive," said mother,

"what of you? You are quite old enough now to think for yourself and to choose for yourself. I have often brought you to Jesus in my arms when you were a little baby, but now I want you to come to Him yourself."

"But I don't know how to come, mother," I said. "If Jesus was at Langholme, I would run there as fast as I could. But Jesus is in heaven, and I don't know how to come to Him."

"You have not to go so far as Langholme, darling," said mother. "Jesus is in this room, close to you. He hears us talking together."

"Then how shall I come to Him, mother? I do want to come, if I only knew the way."

(To be continued)

He is not here. He  
has risen.



## LESSON ILLUSTRATION

### Hope

He died!

And with Him perished all that men hold dear;

Hope lay beside Him in the sepulchre;

Love grew corpse cold, and all things  
beautiful beside  
Died when He died.

He rose!  
And with Him hope arose, and life and  
light.  
Men said, "Not Christ but death died  
yesternight."  
And joy and truth and all things virtuous  
Rose when He rose.

—Sel.

Dear Boys and Girls:

The same sun that arose upon the earth that you saw today arose upon Jerusalem almost two thousand years ago on that first Easter morning. Those were sad days. The disciples were very afraid. They did not understand about Jesus, who had done so many wonderful miracles, being put upon the cross to die. The soldiers who were left there to guard the tomb, in which the body of Jesus had been laid, did not understand what had happened. As they stood around, suddenly there was a great earthquake and the ground shook beneath their feet. They could not stand but when they saw the beautiful angel descend from heaven and roll the stone away, they were so frightened that the Bible says they fell down as dead men. These men were not believers and they did not love our Lord and Saviour. That same morning, when the sun first peeked from behind the darkness, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Salome were on their way to the tomb. No doubt they had not slept that night. Their hearts were broken. Their Master and dear One had been so cruelly mistreated. They had stood by while He died on the cross. They heard the wicked men laughing at Him and the leaders of the religious people making fun and rejoicing because they thought they were rid of Jesus now. This made

their tears flow afresh and a new dart went through their hearts. Now they wanted to do something for Him. Possibly they spent the night trying to find the sweet spices to anoint His body with as the shops were closed. Now they were on their way. They wondered who would roll away the stone, but as they looked, it was rolled away. Entering, they saw an angel clothed in long white garments sitting on the right side. They were terribly frightened, but quickly the angel spoke. "Be not afraid, if you are seeking Jesus, which was crucified; he is risen: he is not here; look at the place where they have laid him." The women looked and they only saw the napkins that were used to wrap his body in, lying in the tomb. Then the angel continued, "Go and tell his disciples and Peter that he will see them in Galilee." How happy they were. Jesus had arisen! Jesus was alive! Their souls sang a happy song as they quickly turned and left the tomb. Yet they were puzzled about it all. No one had ever arisen from the grave and was alive before. This was something so new, but they did as they were bidden, but Mary Magdalene lingered close to the tomb weeping. She thought that someone had stolen his body. Jesus appeared to her. He said, "Mary." She knew it was Him. She was then happy. (John 20:11-18) Later all of the disciples and about five hundred brethren saw Jesus.

Boys and girls, because Jesus arose, we will arise at the resurrection day. Just our bodies will be put in the grave. Our souls will await the judgment day in Hades or Sheol. There is where the great gulf is that Jesus tells about the rich man that died and Lazarus. Luke 16:19-31. The righteous will rest in peace and as stated in "Abraham's bosom" but the wicked will wait in torment where the rich man is today, until the judgment day. As death finds you so does the judgment.

—Aunt Marie

## Lesson 2, April 14, 1974

### HE IS RISEN; HE IS NOT HERE

Mark 16:1-12; 1 Cor. 15:20, 21

Mark 16:1 And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.

2 And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.

3 And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?

4 And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great.

5 And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted.

6 And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.

7 But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.

8 And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed: Neither said they any thing to any man; for they were afraid.

9 Now when Jesus was risen early the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils.

10 And she went and told them that had been with him as they mourned and wept.

11 And they, when they had heard that he

was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not.

12 After that he appeared in another form unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country.

1 Corinthians 15:20 But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that slept.

21 For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

Memory verse: O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. 1 Cor. 15:55, 56.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Who brought sweet spices to anoint the body of Jesus?

2. What time was it when they came to the sepulchre?

3. What was their problem as they talked together?

4. What did they see as they looked?

5. Describe what the women saw in the sepulchre.

6. What did the man clothed in a white garment tell them?

7. Did he give them a message to deliver? To whom?

8. Did all of this have an effect on the women? What kind?

9. To whom did Jesus first appear?

10. Can you tell something special about Mary Magdalene?

11. What were those disciples doing that Mary told?

12. Did they believe what Mary told them?

13. Did Jesus appear to some others?

14. Who was the first to arise from the dead?

15. Who brought death to man?

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Part Three

April 21

## Olive's Story

### (Chapter 12)

And then mother told me a story. It was about a boy named Willie. He had a very kind, loving father, who was always so good to him, and gave him everything to make him happy.

But Willie was a bad boy, and did not love his father and one night he got out of bed when everyone was asleep, and ran away from home. He took some of his father's money, and with that he went a long, long way off; and then, when he had spent it all, Willie began to be very miserable. He had nothing to eat, and his clothes were quite ragged, and he had no one to love him or to comfort him.

How often Willie thought of his father and of his father's home, and how happy he used to be there! He would have given anything to be back, but he did not like to go. He thought his father would be so very angry with him.

Willie did not know that his father was looking for him all over; he did not

know that every time there was a knock at the door the father opened it himself to see if Willie might have come back.

Well, after a time, Willie thought he would go to his father and ask him to forgive him. He was too hungry to hold out any longer. He had worked a little bit but it was hardly enough to keep him from starving, and he said to himself, "I will go back, and ask my father to forgive me."

And so Willie went home, and what do you think he found? He found his father looking for him. As soon as he got near the house his father ran out to meet him and put his arms around his neck, and kissed him.

Then Willie said, "Father, will you forgive me?" And the father forgave him at once, and took him home, and got new clothes for him and gave him some good food, and did all he could to show how glad he was to get his boy back again.

Oh, how surprised and glad Willie was, and how much it made him love his father!

And mother said, Willie never ran away again, but he stayed at home, and did all he could to please his kind father who had been so good to him.

When mother had finished the story

about Willie, she said, "Little Olive, do you know who is like that kind Father?"

I asked her if she meant Jesus.

And mother said, "Yes, Jesus is like the father, and you are like Willie, darling. You are a long way off from home, and you haven't loved Jesus as you ought, and you have often grieved Him, and disobeyed Him. But now you want to come to Him, as Willie came to his father. Don't you, Olive?"

"Yes, mother," I said, "I do want to come."

"And Jesus wants you to come," said mother. "Do you know He is looking out for you, and wondering how soon you will come? Ever since you were a little baby He has been watching for you; all the time we have been here at Ravenscliffe He has been watching for you. Sometimes He thought you were coming; you seemed very near coming, but you never came. Just after the fire you thought about coming to Him, and set off a little way on the road. But you never came. And now He is looking for you again. Will you come to Him, Olive?"

"Oh, mother, I want to come so much," I said, "if you will tell me how."

"Dear little Olive," said mother, "I want you to stay in this room after I have gone away, and to shut the door. And then I want you to think: 'I am alone in the room with Jesus. I cannot see Jesus, but He can see me. He is as close to me as mother was, looking at me, listening to me.' And then, Olive, I want you to come to Him at once, to come to Him as Willie came to his father, to ask Him to forgive you, because He has died for you, and to wash your sins away in His blood."

"Oh, Olive, how Jesus longs for you to come! He came to be a poor Man on earth, that He might save YOU. He let them mock Him, and laugh at Him, and ill-treat Him that He might save YOU.

He was put to death, oh, such a dreadful death on the cross, that He might save YOU. And now He is longing for you to come to Him, and ask Him to be your saviour. Will you come, little Olive?"

"Yes, mother" I said, "I will come now."

So mother gave me a kiss and went away.

Then I felt that I was alone with Jesus. I was sure that he was in the room, close beside me, listening to me as mother had done, and waiting to see whether I would come to Him.

And then I DID come to Jesus. I knelt down, and talked to Him, just as I would have done if He had been on earth. I thanked Him so very much for dying for me, and asked Him to be MY Saviour, to save ME and forgive ME, just then, even while I was kneeling in mother's room. I am sure Jesus heard my prayer, for if He was longing for me to come, as mother said He was, He would never turn me away when I did come.

And then, too, He said Himself "Ask, and it shall be given you," and I am quite sure that I DID ask with all my might.

Mother was so glad to hear that I had come to Jesus; she came in and knelt down beside me, and told God how glad she was.

(To be continued)

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## Not So Fast

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"Oh Mamma," cried Blanche. "I heard such a tale about Edith. I did not think she could be so naughty. One—"

"My dear," said her mother, "before you tell it we will see if your story will pass three sieves."

"What do you mean, Mamma?"

"I will explain. In the first place, let me ask you about your story; is it

true?"

"I suppose so. I heard it from Grace White, and she is a great friend of Edith's."

"And does she show her friendship by telling tales of her? In the next place, though you can prove it to be true, is it kind?"

"I did not mean to be unkind, but I am afraid it was."

"And was it necessary?"

"No, of course not Mamma; there was no need for mentioning it at all."

"Always ask these three questions first when you are tempted to tell something about others."

—Sel.



Dear Boys and Girls:

Our Bible is such a wonderful book. Over five hundred years before it came to pass, the prophet Zechariah spoke some wonderful words which was a message from God. He foretold about Jesus coming as a King and riding upon an ass and He would rule the whole earth, "from sea to sea." Now when was this to come to pass? First what kind of a kingdom would Jesus have? It would be a kingdom that would accept peace. There would not be one unsaved person in His kingdom. It would be those, (even the heathen) that

would believe, who would be in His kingdom. Boys and girls, we want you to understand this lesson today. We want it to become very plain to you. We want you to look in your Bible and see that Zechariah was a prophet in the Old Bible. And then over five hundred years later we see what He said come to pass. You can now read in your New Testament which is part of our lesson that was written by Matthew. Matthew was a disciple of Jesus. He tells about Jesus coming riding upon an ass, which was a donkey. This was what kings of those days rode upon. Then Matthew refers to what Zechariah had written over five hundred years before and declared that today that prophecy was fulfilled. Matthew tells us that Jesus said, "Behold thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass." So Jesus is our King today. He came as a King. When He was born, the angel said He would sit upon David's throne. His subjects are those who are saved. All of the Jews at that time didn't believe in Jesus. But there were some that did believe and they were in His Kingdom. Today if we are saved, we are in His kingdom. Remember that there are false teachers who want us to think that Jesus will come again and set up a kingdom and reign as King, but He is already a King. His Kingdom is a spiritual kingdom and not a literal kingdom. All who are in His kingdom are saved.

That was a great day in Jerusalem. The boys and girls, I am sure, threw down the palm branches before Jesus as He rode in. They too, shouted, "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord! Blessed be the kingdom of our father, David." They knew also that He was a king and was to reign on the throne of David. There were a number of the Jews that were saved and only they were in His kingdom.

—Aunt Marie

### **Lesson 3, April 21, 1974**

#### **JESUS COMES AS KING**

**Zech. 9:9, 10b; Matt. 21:1-8;**

**Mark 11:9, 10**

**Zechariah 9:9** Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

**10b** And his dominion shall be from sea even to sea, and from the river even to the ends of the earth.

**Matthew 21:1** And when they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto the mount of Olives, then sent Jesus two disciples,

**2** Saying unto them, Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them unto me.

**3** And if any man say aught unto you, ye shall say, The Lord hath need of them; and straightway he will send them.

**4** All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying,

**5** Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass.

**6** And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them,

**7** And brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they set him thereon.

**8** And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way; others cut down branches from the trees, and strawed them in the way.

**Mark 11:9** And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna;

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord:

**10** Blessed be the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

**Memory Verse:** The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it. **Luke 16:16.**

#### **QUESTIONS:**

**1.** What was the prophet's name who prophesied 500 years before Jesus' time about some of the things that take place in our lesson today?

**2.** What else did Zechariah prophesy about Jesus?

**3.** What did Jesus send two disciples to get?

**4.** What were the disciples to say if any man asked why they were taking the ass and colt?

**5.** There was a reason all this was done. Can you tell what it was? (verse 4)

**6.** Was Jesus a King?

**7.** A King must have a kingdom. What kind of kingdom does Jesus have?

**8.** Did the disciples obey Jesus?

**9.** What kind of seat did the disciples make for Jesus to ride upon?

**10.** What kind of things did the people spread in the road for Jesus to ride over?

**11.** In whose name did Jesus come as a king? (Mark 11:9)

**12.** Is Jesus still our king today?

**13.** What kind of people are in Jesus' kingdom?

**14.** Are there ANY unsaved people in God's kingdom?

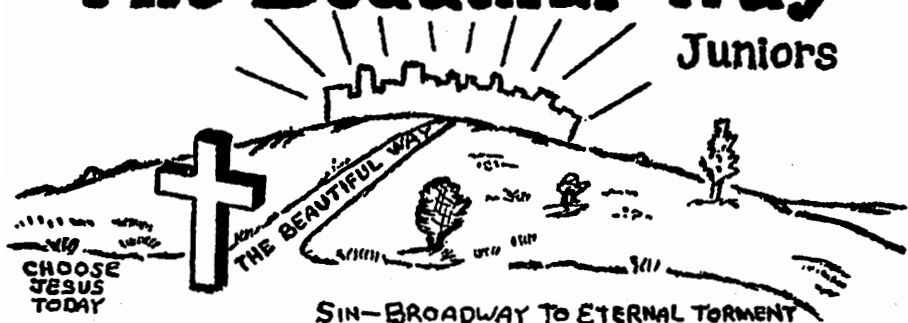
**15.** Is Jesus the King of the whole earth?

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April 28

## Olive's Story

### (Chapter 13)

This is my first day at school. Miss Maynard says we need not do any lessons today, as all the girls have not arrived, so I shall have plenty of time to write a few pages of my little journal.

Mother wants me to write an account of the way in which I spend my time here, so that when I meet her again, I may be able to read it to her, and to tell her about my school friends, and of what I did and thought about while I was so far away from her.

Dear mother! I can hardly write her name without crying; it seems so very dreadful to think that two whole years must pass away before I see her again. I know I ought to feel that it is God's will that I should be here, and that He knows what is best for me. Mother said she is sure I shall always be thankful that, when I was a little girl at Ravenscliffe, I came to the Lord Jesus. She said it is so much easier to come when we are young, and before we get into the troubles and cares of the world. And mother said it will make me so much happier all my life.

She said, too, that while she is in India away from me, she will not be afraid because she knows that Jesus will be with me and will keep me from evil, and that will be her great comfort.

And I am sure that it will be my comfort, too.

(To be continued)

## The Shepherd and His Family (Part 1)

School would be out in just two more days. Carla and Juan were counting the hours until they would be free to roam the great out doors. They lived in a mountainous part of the country where their father herded sheep for a neighboring rancher. Just a few short months ago they had moved here from a large city many miles away where their father had worked in the mills. Owing to ill health the doctor had ordered him to leave for the wide open spaces where he might regain his health. Carla and Juan as most teenagers, were looking forward to the summer vacation with high hopes. The weather was too cold when they moved

to do much exploring, only near their little cabin. Their younger brother Mike was forever teasing them to take him up on the mountains where their father kept the sheep. Juan had explained over and over that they couldn't go until after their school was closed and now in two more days they would be free to go. This morning as Carla and Juan walked slowly over the rough ground to meet the school bus, they made all sorts of plans for the summer months. Wouldn't their friends in the city envy them if they could see them now. Why, in the city you scarcely ever could see the moon and stars even! Never did you dream there could be trees, mountains, rivers and such wonderful pure air as there was out here in this country. And such exciting places just waiting to be explored. They had almost three miles to walk to the mail road to get to the bus, but neither one noticed the distance for there was so much to see and talk about. Their mother was a real saint and taught her children the best she knew. As far as they knew, their father had never been saved. He was a real father who loved his little family. Mother always had worship with the children, but as yet neither one had given their hearts to the Lord. It grieved her for there was no church near enough to go to that she knew of. That was the only thing she really missed since leaving the city.

When the children arrived at school on this particular morning, there was much excitement on the play ground. Two ranches had been raided during the night and one rancher was badly injured. Evidently the sheep had been loaded in a large truck for the tracks were plainly visible in the soft earth. One of the neighbors had trailed them as far as the highway but lost them due to the traffic. Juan immediately thought of his own father all alone on the mountain. Would they dare to come that far from the road?

He knew his father wouldn't give up the sheep without a fight. Juan could scarcely keep his mind on his lessons all day. On the way home that evening he talked to Carla about it but she wasn't too concerned. Their mountain was a long way from the highway. How could they get a big truck back there through those narrow paths? Surely someone would find them before they could load the sheep and get away. Juan wasn't too sure that they wouldn't find a way for the price of sheep was especially good right now. Those raiders would never stop if there was a chance at all. Besides the sheep his father herded were known to be the best herd in the entire community.

Mother was busy getting a garden plot ready to plant out back of the cabin when the children got home. Juan and Carla took care of the milk cows, then went to help their mother get supper for father usually came in at six o'clock sharp and was always hungry. They wanted everything ready when he came. Supper was ready but where was father? He was always here by this time, surely he wasn't trying to bring them into the shelter back of the cabin by himself. Juan always went out after supper to help him bring the sheep in. They like to graze a little valley a short distance down the trail before being penned in for the night. Little Mike was fed and was soon asleep on the rug by the fireplace, but father wasn't in sight yet. Juan felt he ought to tell his mother about the raids but Carla didn't want to worry her. Seven o'clock came and everything was so quiet, not a sound anywhere. Mother went to the other room and kneeling by the bed called on God for help. "Heavenly Father, you know where big Juan is and why he is late. Oh God, we need your help, please take care of him. I am your child, but he isn't saved. Speak to his heart another time dear Lord, give him another chance. And dear Lord help our children to see

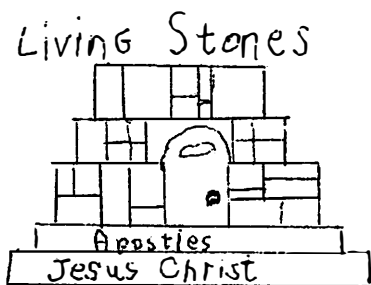
their need of a Saviour. They are lost too. I am putting all in your hands. Don't let the enemy discourage me in any way. Keep us safe from all harm. Amen."

Carla and Juan went to the front of the cabin trying to see if there was any movement on the mountain path where their father had to come on. Everything was hushed, even the night birds and animals were quiet for once. Something must be going to happen. All at once Juan noticed a faint little light somewhere. It moved, then seemed to vanish.

(To be continued)

### LESSON ILLUSTRATION

*"Upon this rock I  
build my church."*



Dear Boys and Girls:

Jesus was a very, very unusual person. The people who lived in that day had never before seen or heard a man like Him. I am sure if He was to appear in our midst today and start doing the things He did in that day and preaching among

the people that many today would be very puzzled. I am sure that many would wonder if He was someone who had appeared from the dead, just like those of Jesus' day. When Jesus asked His disciples whom people thought He was, they thought He was one of the old prophets who had come back alive. Why, some thought He was John the Baptist, who had been beheaded by Herod. Some thought He was Elias or Elijah who had gone up to heaven in a whirlwind. And others thought He was Jeremiah, the weeping prophet. They thought surely one of those had come to live among them again as the people thought them to be great because of their great deeds. But Jesus pinpointed the question right down to His disciples and asked them whom did they think He was. He had been among them and taught them many things and had done many wonderful miracles. Peter was the spokesman of the disciples. He said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." This pleased Jesus very much. Only those who believed Him to be the Christ and their Saviour could be saved or in His church. So Jesus told Peter that all of those who said this would be in His church. Christ is the rock and the chief corner stone of the church. What a wonderful foundation we have! We are upon the rock Christ Jesus. All the forces of hell might come against God's people who are the building of the church, whose foundation is Christ, but it can't break it down. The church of God will stand forever. Each saved person is a stone in the building and we are to be lively stones. The stones are fitly framed together. All who love Jesus are all living according to God's Word. Therefore all are living the same way. That makes us act alike and be alike in our deeds. God's Spirit dwells in each heart and love is the cement that holds us together. Men of today won't accept Christ who is precious. Therefore He had been disallowed or disowned by man but God

has chosen Him. We have chosen Him and all are happy who will obey what God teaches us.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 4, April 28, 1974

## CHRIST, THE FOUNDATION OF THE CHURCH

**Matt. 16:13-18; Eph. 2:19-22;**

**1 Peter 2:4-6**

Matthew 16:13 When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?

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

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

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

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

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

Ephesians 2:19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;

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

22 In whom ye also are builded togeth-

er for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

1 Peter 2:4 To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious,

5 Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

Memory Verse: For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 3:11.

### QUESTIONS:

1. What question did Jesus ask His disciples?

2. How did they answer this question?

3. Then Jesus asked them another question, what was this second question?

4. What was Simon Peter's answer?

5. Was Jesus pleased with Peter's answer?

6. Who had revealed to Peter and the disciples that Jesus was the Son of God?

7. What did Jesus say He would build His church upon?

8. What shall not prevail against God's church?

9. Do you know what the "household of God" is?

10. Who is the chief corner-stone in the church of God?

11. What is a saint? or we might say, who is a saint?

12. What do you think "disallowed of men" means?

13. What kind of stones make up the spiritual house of God?

14. Do these words "and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded," make you think of the words in John 3:16?

15. Can anyone be saved who truly believes on the Lord Jesus Christ?

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Part Five

May 5

## Olive's Story

### (Chapter 14)

That last night we were together mother said, "You know what good-bye means, Olive? It really is 'God be with you.' We must think of its real meaning when we say it tomorrow. God be with you! And I know he will," mother said more brightly, "for you are both His children. You have both, I do believe, taken Jesus for your Saviour, and are trying to please Him, and I know He will be with you both."

Then mother told us to go to Jesus in every trouble, and to feel quite sure that He loved us and felt for us, and would comfort and help us far better than she could have done.

(To be continued)

## The Shepherd and His Family

### (Part 2)

"Mother," said Juan. "I have something to tell you but don't get too scared." Then he told her about the raids on the neighboring ranches and of his own fears,

also about the light he had seen. "Mother, can't Carla and I go up the path toward the pasture where Father keeps the sheep? Maybe Father is injured, surely he wouldn't stay away unless something was wrong. It is really dark now. Please, Mother, may we? We'll be careful and if we hear or see anything, we'll come back as quickly as we can."

Mother looked at them, then up toward heaven, and Juan could see her lips moving in silent prayer. Then she looked at him and Carla. "Somehow, Juan, I believe God wants me to let you go, but please do be extra careful."

Juan and Carla ran to get heavy wraps for the night air was getting quite cold. Bundled up, they ran for the path. They knew it even in the dark, but Juan wished they had brought a flashlight. They might pass their father and never see him. The moon would soon be up high enough to see by, but it was sure dark now.

Carla had never been too brave and now she began to be afraid. What her mother had said about them being lost worried her. "Juan," Carla turned to him in the dark. "What if someone is up there and they should catch us. We are not saved. Juan, we would be lost

for sure. Do you think God would hear us if we prayed now?" Carla all at once began to cry.

"Carla, why do you talk like that? You'll have me scared too. We have never prayed only at night when we have worship. I don't know if He would listen to us or not." And Juan sounded like he was getting a little worried now.

Carla thought for a minute, then said, "Juan, God must be talking to me now for I feel so lost and alone. Remember the lies we told Mother that day we were late for school, and I have been so hateful and mean when Mother asked me to mind Mike for her. I know that I am a terrible sinner, Juan, I am lost. What shall I do? Will you pray with me?" By this time Carla was sobbing as if her heart would break.

Juan became really concerned for his sister. Wasn't she his best pal? If she was lost, so was he. All at once he realized that he was a sinner too, and if they should die out here they would both be lost forever. If Mother was only here, she would know what to do.

By this time Carla was crying out loud. "Juan, please will you pray with me? I want to get saved now and live like Mother. Let's kneel down right here," and Carla pulled Juan down beside her. There in the dark they cried out to God for the forgiveness of their sins. Their father and the sheep were forgotten as they sobbed and called upon God. And God who is always waiting for His children to come home, did not disappoint them. In I John He says, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." In just a few minutes they arose with shining faces, happy in the knowledge of sins forgiven. Then they knelt and asked God to take care of their father and help them to find him and the sheep safe. Hand in hand they went on up the path looking and listening. Before long they came to

a small stream where the sheep often drank on their way home. Just beyond this stream they saw two small lambs standing near the path acting as if they were lost.

"Father must be close by for these lambs are very young," said Juan. "They couldn't have traveled very far by themselves."

Hearing a noise back of some bushes, they went to see what it was. By this time the moon was up high enough for them to see faintly. There lay their father moaning. Both children knelt by his side trying to examine him and find out where he was hurt. In a moment he began to rally some and tried to answer them but was unable to keep his thoughts together.

"What happened, Father? Where are the sheep?" Juan asked.

Finally his father looked up and said, "What time is it?"

"Almost eight o'clock now," Juan answered.

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### LESSON ILLUSTRATION

"A city set on a hill."



"Juan, I remember now. There is no time to lose. Will you go over the mountain to Mr. Jacobs? Tell him to get help and stop a big truck when it comes to the highway. They have taken all of the sheep but a few little lambs and they have only been gone a few minutes for I looked at my watch. They were chasing me when I fell. They will have to travel slow with such a heavy load and it is a long ways around the mountain by the path. You take the short cut and you should beat them by several minutes."

Juan took off on a run. He had only been on that path but once before, but felt that the Lord would help him.

(To be continued)

Dear Boys and Girls:

There are some blocks in some towns where there is a church building on every corner. Some people think that it's alright to go to the church of your choice but when we read in the Bible that there is only one Father, God, and that He has only One church then we know that there must be just one church. Now the question is which church on the corner is it? Well, we probably will find out that it will not be any of them. The first thing we want to know is that there is a name for God's church in the Bible. It's not called, The Baptist church, or the Christian church, or the Methodist church, but it's called the Church of God. Why do we know this and why was it named the Church of God? Our lesson tells us that the Apostle Paul said that He was going to bow down upon His knees unto the "Father of our Lord Jesus Christ." Now who is the Father of Jesus Christ? Well, God is. Now we have part of the name established. Now the family of God is the church. So the name is Church of God. Also in other places the Apostles spoke of the church of God. The Apostle Paul wrote a letter to the saints at Corinth. He said, "Unto

the Church of God which is at Corinth." Well, if the church was called the church of God then, we know that God still wants His church today to be called the Church of God.

When you were born into your family, you took your father's name. If your father's name was Brown, and your name was Jack, you would be called Jack Brown. Just so, we are to take our father's spiritual name, which is God, when we are born into the family of God. Church means the congregation of Christians or the family of Christians here on earth and also up in heaven. Thus it would be the Church of God.

The first part of our lesson is the prayer of Jesus for His disciples. In Jesus' prayer we notice that He told the Father, (God), that He had given to Him, (Jesus), those who had believed on Him and that He had kept them through God's Name. He also prayed the Father, (God), to keep them through His name. So we want to be kept in God's Name. We want to be the church of God. Our last verse tells us that we should know how to behave ourselves in the church of God. Boys and girls, you want to act right and obey God's Word. We don't want to bring any dishonor to God but bring honor to Him. If you pray, He will help you.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 5, May 5, 1974

## THE NAME OF THE CHURCH

John 17:1, 6, 9, 11; Eph. 3:14-16;  
Acts 10:28; 1 Cor. 1:1a, 2; 10:32;  
1 Cor. 15:9; 1 Tim. 3:5, 15

John 17:1 These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee:

6 I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word.

9 I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine.

11 And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are.

Ephesians 3:14 For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

15 Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,

16 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;

Acts 20:28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

1 Corinthians 1:1(a) Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God,

2 Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours:

1 Corinthians 10:32 Give none offence, neither to the Jews, nor to the Gentiles, nor to the church of God.

1 Corinthians 15:9 For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.

1 Timothy 3:5 (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he

take care of the church of God?

15 But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

Memory Verse: The name of the Lord is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe. Proverbs 18:10.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. What did Jesus mean, "The hour is come?"

2. Jesus "manifested" God's name to his disciples. Did they keep His (God's) Word?

3. Whom did Jesus pray for?

4. What does this mean, "Keep through thine own name"?

5. Whom did Paul bow his knees to?

6. Do you know what the family of God is?

7. Do you think God would be pleased if His family took some other name than His?

8. What is the BIBLE name for the Church? (See 1 Corinthians 1:2)

9. What other scriptures in our lesson mention the "church of God"?

10. 1 Timothy 3:15 speaks of "the house of God". What is the House of God? (Same verse)

11. Does God have more than one Church?

12. Can you fill in the missing words? "That thou mayest know how thou oughtest to — thyself in the — of God, which is the — of —."

13. Do you think we are obeying God's Word if we do not keep His name?

14. The name of the Lord is a "strong tower". Who runs into it and is safe?



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Part Six

May 12

## Olive's Story

### (Chapter 15)

"And now, children," said mother. "I have a little present to give you; my last little present. I kept it till the last night, that you might remember that it was your mother's last gift to you before she went away."

Mother left the room for a moment, and then returned with two beautiful cards in her hand. There was a wreath of forget-me-nots round each card, which mother said must often speak to us of her when she was away. But it was the words inside the card, that she wanted us so much to remember. It was a question, printed in blue and gold letters. Mother read it aloud, as she gave us each one of the cards.

"WHAT WOULD JESUS DO?"  
(To be continued)

## "I Don't Love You Now, Mother"

A great many years ago I knew a lady who had been sick for two years, as you have seen many a one, all the while slowly

dying with consumption. She had one child, a little boy named Henry.

One afternoon I was sitting by her side, and it seemed as if she would cough her life away. Her little boy stood by the post of the bed, his blue eyes filled with tears to see her suffer so. By and by the terrible cough ceased. Henry came and put his arms around his mother's neck, nestled his head in his mother's bosom, and said, "Mother, I do love you; I wish you wasn't sick."

An hour later, the same loving, blue-eyed boy came in all aglow, stamping the snow off his feet. "Oh Mother, may I go a skating? It is so nice—Ed and Charley are going."

"Henry," feebly said the mother. "The ice is not hard enough yet."

"But Mother," very pettishly said the boy. "You are sick all the time—how do you know?"

"My child, you must obey me," gently said his mother.

"It is too bad," angrily sobbed the boy, who an hour ago had so loved his mother.

"I would not like to have my little boy go," said his mother, looking sadly at the little boy's face, all covered with frowns. "You said you loved me—be

good."

"No, I don't love you now, Mother," said the boy, going out and slamming the door.

Again that dreadful coughing came upon her, and we thought no more of the boy. After the coughing had commenced, I noticed tears falling thick upon her pillow, but she sank from exhaustion into a light sleep.

In a little while muffled steps of men's feet were heard coming into the house, as though carrying something; and they were carrying the almost lifeless body of Henry.

Angrily had he left his mother and gone to skate—disobeying her; and then broken through the ice, sunk under the water, and now saved by a great effort, was brought home barely alive to his sick mother.

I closed the doors, feeling more danger for her life than the child's and coming softly in, drew back the curtains from the bed. She spoke, "I heard them—it is Henry; oh, I knew he went—is he dead?" But she never seemed to hear the answer I gave her. She commenced coughing—she died in agony—strangled to death. The poor mother! The boy's disobedience killed her.

After a couple of hours I sought the boy's room.

"Oh, I wish I had not told Mother I did not love her. Tomorrow I will tell her I do," said the child, sobbing painfully. My heart ached; tomorrow I knew we must tell him she was dead. We did not till the child came fully into the room, crying "Mother, I do love you." Oh! may I never see agony like that child's as the lips he kissed gave back no kiss, as the hands he took fell lifeless from his hand, instead of shaking his hand as it always had, and the boy knew she was dead.

"Mother, I do love you now," all the

day he sobbed and cried. "Oh, Mother, Mother, forgive me." Then he would not leave his mother. "Speak to me, Mother!" but she could never speak again, and the last words she had ever heard him say, were, "Mother, I don't love you now."

That boy's whole life was changed; sober and sad he was ever after. He is now a gray haired old man, with one sorrow over his one act of disobedience, one wrong word embittering all his life—with those words ever ringing in his ears, "Mother, I don't love you now."

Will the little ones who read this remember, if they disobey their mother, if they are cross and naughty, they say every single time they do so, to a tender mother's heart, by their actions if not in the words of Henry, the very same thing, "I don't love you now, Mother." ---Sel.

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## When I'm Gone

Teach my children to remember

All the times we knelt to pray;  
Kneeling by the lighted fireside,  
Asking guidance for the day.

Pray for them when I've departed;  
Help them find the "narrow way";  
Share with them the love of Jesus;  
Tell them of a "Great Glad Day."

Be a mother to my children;  
Spare them all the love you can;  
Jesus mentioned "little orphans,"  
Sad and lonely in this land.

There's a better day out yonder,  
Mansions high and built of gold,  
Waiting for the faithful pilgrim—  
Help my loved ones in the fold.

When I'm sleeping on the hillside,  
Neath the flowers and the sod,  
Don't forget my orphan children;  
Mention them each day to God.

—Sel.

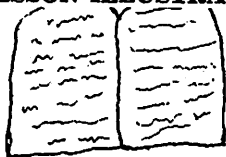
## The Shepherd and His Family

"Carla you run back to the cabin and ask Mother to call Dr. Black and get someone to help me. I'm sure my leg is broken, besides injuries to my head. I fell in a hole and they ran back to get the truck and got away. I tried to fight them off, but they were too much for me. Run Carla, don't be afraid. I'll be all right until you get help."

(To be continued)

### LESSON ILLUSTRATION

Book  
of  
Life



Church  
of  
God



Dear Boys and Girls:

We hear people say today that you need to have a church home. Maybe you have not heard that expression, but I want you to know how you get into God's church. It's different than those man-made churches. Sometimes they vote you in and other times you go up and give your hand to the preacher. Then they write your name in a book. You then belong to their church. You pay dues into the church and take up for "your" church. Well, it's different when you get into God's church. As you have

learned already, the Bible name for the church is the "Church of God." In our lesson today we want to give you verses from the Bible that teach you how to become a member in the Church of God.

First we read that Jesus said that He was the door. Jesus is the door to the Church. If you come in through Christ you will be saved. At the door you have to seek forgiveness from Jesus for your sins and leave them outside. Then you can come into the Church. The next verse makes us know that He is our good shepherd and He has laid down His life for His sheep. In other words He will take care of us and we can be sure He loves us. Why? Because He died on the cross to take our punishment for our sins so we could be saved. We are thankful for such a wonderful Shepherd. Our next verse makes us know that Jesus wants us because He is telling us to come unto Him. Our sins make us sad and heavy laden and we need someone to take them all away. Jesus will do that and give us rest. The next verse tells us why we have come to Jesus. The Father, God, draws us to Jesus by His Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit makes us know that Jesus will forgive us of our sins and makes us feel sorry for them. Now this sorrow must be different than being sorry we got caught for disobeying our mother and will be punished. This sorrow is called godly sorrow. Godly sorrow is when we are sorry that we have disobeyed God, who is love, and Jesus, who has loved us so much. We want to get right with our God who is our Maker. So with godly sorrow we repent of our sins and they are blotted out. When we repent, we are "born again", as Jesus told Nicodemus. We are "born" into the family of God. Then our names are written in the book of life. Praise the Lord for this wonderful salvation! You will notice that Jesus used different ways to make us know that it's only through Him that we

get into the Church of God.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 6, May 12, 1974

## JESUS IS THE DOOR

John 10:9, 11; Matt. 1:28-30; John 6:44a; 2 Cor. 7:10; Acts 3:19a;

John 3:5-8; Psalm 87:5, 6

John 10:9 I am the door (Jesus): by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

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

29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

John 6:44(a) No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him:

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

Acts 3:19(a) Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out,

John 3:5 Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh: and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

7 Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

8 The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and

whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

Psalms 87:5 And of Zion it shall be said, This and that man was born in her: and the Highest himself shall establish her.

6 The Lord shall count, when he writeth up the people, that this man was born there. Selah.

Memory Verse: Strive to enter in at the straight gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able. Luke 13:24.

### QUESTIONS:

1. Who said "I am the door"?
2. Complete this: "by me if any man enter in, he shall —".
3. Who does Jesus invite to come to Him? (Matt. 11:28)
4. What makes us "heavy-laden"?
5. Who must "draw" us to Jesus before we can be saved?
6. What are the two kinds of "sorrow" mentioned in our lesson?
7. Godly sorrow causes us to — of our —, so we can be —.
8. When we repent and are converted, what happens to our sins?
9. Jesus said, "Ye — be — again."
10. In what book in the Old Testament do we find verses about being born into Zion?
11. What "gate" should we "strive" to enter in?
12. Do you know what the word "strive" means?
13. Why do you suppose "many will seek to enter in", but are not able to get in the straight gate?
14. Do you know what the word "repent" really means?

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## Olive's Story

### (Chapter 16)

"Olive and Melville," said mother, "you are going out into the world now, and I want these words to be the rule of your life. Whenever you do not know what is right, or what you ought to do, in any difficult matter, look at your card. 'What would JESUS do?' let THAT settle it. Just try to fancy, if Jesus were in your place, how HE would act, what HE would say, how HE would behave. He came to this world of ours chiefly to die for us, that we might be saved and go to heaven. But He also came to leave us an example, that we should follow His steps." And then mother told us a story.

"There was an Indian chief," she said, "who lived in North-west America, amongst the cold, and the ice, and the snow. This chief had a visitor, a white man, who came and spent the night with him. In the morning the chief took his visitor outside the wigwam or hut in which he lived, and asked him a question.

"'How many people, do you think,' said the chief, 'passed by this hut last night?'"

"The visitor looked at the snow very

carefully, and saw the footmarks of one man, distinctly imprinted upon it. There were no other footmarks to be seen, so he said to the chief, 'Only one man has passed by.'

"The chief, however, told him that several hundred Indians, in fact a whole tribe, had passed his wigwam in the night.

"And then he explained to him, that when the Indians do not want it to be known in which direction they have gone, the chief of the tribe walks first, and all the rest of the tribe follow in single file, each man placing his feet exactly in the footmarks of the chief, so that no new footmarks are made, and it looks as if only one man, instead of hundreds, had gone by. By this clever trick the enemies of the tribe are not able to find out in which way they have gone, nor to overtake them.

"Now dear children," said mother, "Jesus is our Chief. He has gone first over the path of life, and He has left us His footmarks, His example. Did you ever think why He came as an infant, and grew older and older by degrees? I think it was to set us an example in every age of life. He was a tiny child, to set an example to tiny children, that they might follow His steps; then He was a boy at school, to set

you who are at school an example that you may follow His steps. And then He grew older and became a young man and a full-grown man, to set young men and men an example, that they also might follow His steps. He went through it all before us, every step of the way; and He only asks us to follow where He leads.

"Dear children, will you follow Him? Will you put your feet where He has gone before? Will you try to say nothing which Jesus would not have said? To go to no place where Jesus would not have gone, and to do nothing Jesus would not have done? If you will, you will indeed be safe and happy.

"But you cannot do it without Him," said mother; "oh no! not without Him. But He will help you, I know He will, if you will ask Him. Will you ask Him, children?"

(To be continued)

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When you think that there isn't anything to do, just stop and think about someone else that you could do something for. There is no joy like the joy of making someone happy. It's greater than the joy of being made happy.

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## The Shepherd and His Family (Part 3)

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Carla sped down the path as if on wings. It was all downhill so she could go much faster. When she was within calling distance of the cabin, she could see Mother in the doorway waiting and watching. Mother called the doctor and the nearest neighbors to go after the injured man.

In the meantime, Juan was speeding over the almost overgrown trail to Mr.

Jacobs. Once or twice he was sure he had lost the trail, but soon found it again. He could hear the truck as it labored to go over the rough mountain path scarcely wide enough for a wagon. He ran as he'd never run before unmindful of the deep scratches he was getting from the briars along the way. His breath came in great gasps.

The Jacobs family were almost ready for bed when he arrived, but as soon as Juan had stated his errand, they were calling the neighbors for help. There was only one trail the truck could take to get to the road and it came out on the highway a short distance north of the Jacobs farm. Logs were hurriedly loaded on a small truck and taken to this trail. The men rolled them off and stacked them across the end of the trail where the truck would have to stop and remove them before it could go on. The sheriff had been called and came just as the last log was put in place. Then every man hid in the dense brush and waited. In a very short time the big truck could be heard coming slowly without lights. As soon as it stopped to remove the logs, the sheriff called for them to halt. Three men were in the truck and all were soon under arrest. Juan was taken home by a neighbor, while some of the others drove the truck load of sheep home and penned them up.

When they arrived the doctor and the neighbors were just ready to leave. "Father," cried Juan as he rushed into the cabin. "The sheep are all safe and the men are taken to jail. And Father, we must thank God for helping us catch those men and for bringing you safely home and for saving Carla and me. Mother, did Carla tell you we are both saved now?"

"Yes son," said Mother as she caught him in her arms and held him tight. "Carla told me and it made me so happy even though I was worried about your father. Now Juan, you and Carla run on

to bed. You have had enough excitement for one evening."

"Juan," called Father from the bedroom. "Don't go to bed until you pray for me. Mother, bring Carla too, and let's all pray together. After all God has done for me tonight, I can do no less than give my heart and life to Him. I've been putting it off for a long time. God has been talking to me, but I was too stubborn to listen. My family are all saved and I am still out in the cold. Please pray with me that God will forgive me too." They all knelt around his bed, pleading and calling on God to save him and give him the peace they were enjoying now.

A short time later, a happy family retired for the night, secure in the fact that all were saved and ready to meet the Lord any time He should call them. God in His loving mercy reached down and healed their father in such a short time that it was unbelievable. The neighborhood was stirred for miles around. Their father was soon back on the mountain herding the sheep. He could be heard singing the praises of God as he worked.

—Iva Branner

Dear Boys and Girls:

Before you ever steal or take anything that is not yours, you had better stop and think about it. Before you tell a lie or tell something on someone else that is not true, you had better not do it. Why? Someday, when you want to get right with God, you will have to make it right. If you have taken anything from anyone, you will have to take it back or pay for it and confess that you stole it. It's a hard thing to do. The devil will work hard to keep you from making your wrongs right. Yet boys and girls, when you do make them right and confess your wrong, you will be thought more of than before. Why? If

anyone has the courage and grace to make a thing right you can know that truly they are honest and won't take anything else. Everyone knows how hard it is to do that, so they aren't glad to keep making things right. If you have told a lie and then confess it, you are really brave and have a lot of courage. Only Jesus can help us do those things and we will surely be careful to not tell another lie.

The devil makes you want a piece of candy or a quarter or something that you see, so badly, and tells you that you had better pick it up quickly, before someone sees you. And before you hardly think, you have taken it and gone with it. Right away you feel badly, but now you have taken it. First you will have to ask Jesus to forgive you for stealing and then you have to take it back or ask the person's forgiveness for taking it. Then you will be clear. Many times when you steal, you have to lie to cover up and that's just adding sin to sin. Do firmly declare in your heart, mind and soul that you will never take a thing that doesn't belong to you and that you will be truthful even if you do get into trouble. It's better to take a thousand whippings here than to land in hell where you will be tortured again and again which would be more than thousands and thousands of whippings. It does not pay to be dishonest nor be a liar. All of these kind of people get into trouble here and in the hereafter.

I visited a penitentiary one time. When we looked at the books, that had the records of all the men and women who had been there and were, I asked the man about how old were most of these people when they first got caught in stealing and crime. He said that many of them were as young as eleven years old. How sad that they didn't stop but continued on in crime until they landed behind bars. Boys and girls, be careful to live for Jesus. He will help you do right.

—Aunt Marie

**Lesson 7, May 19, 1974**

**MAKING THINGS RIGHT**

**Luke 19:1-10; Ezek. 33:15; 2 Cor. 7:11a; Heb. 12:13**

Luke 19:1 And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho.

2 And, behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich.

3 And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature.

4 And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way.

5 And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for today I must abide at thy house.

6 And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully.

7 And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner.

8 And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold.

9 And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forso-much as he also is a son of Abraham.

10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

Ezekial 33:15 If the wicked restore the pledge, give again that he had robbed, walk in the statutes of life, without committing iniquity; he shall surely live, he shall not die.

II Corinthians 7:11 (a) For behold this selfsame thing, that ye sorrowed after a godly sort, what carefulness it wrought in you, yea, what clearing of yourselves, Hebrews 12:13 And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; But let it rather be healed.

Memory Verse: He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy. Proverbs 28:13.

**QUESTIONS:**

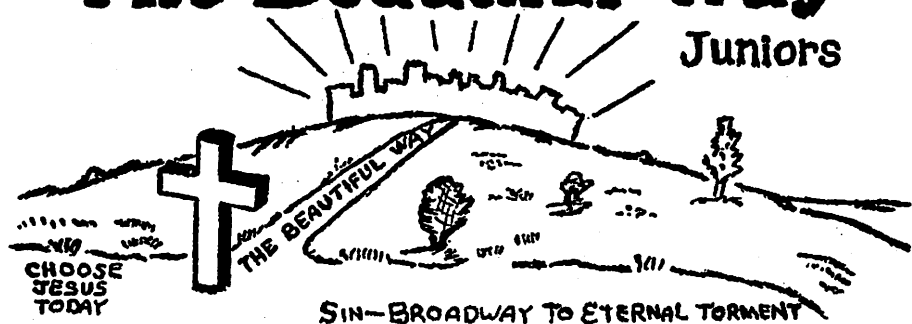
1. Who lived at Jericho?
2. What kind of man was Zacchaeus? Tell 2 or 3 things about him.
3. Who did Zacchaeus want to see?
4. How did Zacchaeus solve the problem of seeing Jesus?
5. When Jesus saw Zacchaeus in the tree, what did he say to him?
6. How did Zacchaeus receive Jesus?
7. Did it make other people happy because Jesus went to Zacchaeus' house?
8. What did Zacchaeus tell the Lord he would do?
9. Do you know what "false accusation" means?
10. Did Zacchaeus get saved that day?
11. Why did Jesus come to this world?
12. What is God's promise in Ezekial 33:15?
13. II Corinthians 7:11 speaks of "clearing of yourselves". How do we "clear ourselves" to get saved?
14. Why should we make "straight paths" for our feet?
15. Fill in the blanks. He that — his sins shall not —: but whoso — and — them shall have —.

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## Olive's Story (Chapter 17)

I was turning out my drawers and closets last night as I was preparing to pack, when I came across this poor old book, stowed away in a corner, and covered with dust. It is the book mother gave me before she left home, in which I was to write my journal. I find I have not written a single word since the Midsummer holidays of my first year at school. The two years of which I wrote on the first page of my journal, and which I thought would never pass away, are now gone, and they seem to have passed away as quickly as a dream, just as mother told me they would. Now I am packing up to go to India, to father and mother, and I am nearly wild with joy at the thought of seeing them again.

How good God has been to me all the time I have been at school! That first half year was my hardest time, but He helped me out of all my troubles, and from that time, my school life was very bright and happy; everyone was so good to me, and they all seemed to be determined to spoil me with kindness.

(To be continued)

## Carl's Bible

"Hi! Carl," said Ronnie, as he walked up the street. "Come with me. We have Sunday School in our chapel."

"I can't," Carl said. "I don't have nice clothes. I don't have a book."

"You don't need nice clothes to come to Sunday School," said Ronnie. "And, we study the Bible on Sunday."

"The Bible!" said Carl. "What book is that?"

"It's God's Book," said Ronnie. "It tells you how to get to heaven."

"How much does it cost?" asked Carl.

"I got it for coming to Sunday School for one year without missing a Sunday," said Ronnie.

Carl turned and ran away. Suddenly he stopped. "I want to go to heaven," he said to himself. "The book tells the way. I must get that book."

He walked back to the chapel. No one was outside. He heard singing. He pushed on the door. It was heavy, but it opened. He stepped in, and looked around. A young man came out. He looked at Carl.

"Your class is over here," he said. He took Carl by the arm and led him

to a room. It was a bright room. The teacher smiled at him. She showed him a chair to sit on. Carl was afraid. Then he looked at the boy next to him. He was smiling. It was Ronnie. Carl smiled back.

The children sang songs. Carl had never heard them before. He liked the songs because they were happy songs.

"How many brought your Bibles with you?" asked the teacher. "Let's hold them up as we sing the next song."

Carl wished he had a Bible to hold up. Then the teacher read from the Bible. While she told a story, she held the Bible in her hand. Carl was surprised. The Bible had stories in it! He liked those stories.

After Sunday School, Carl walked up to the teacher.

"I'll come to Sunday School for one year," he said. "I would like a Bible."

The teacher smiled at him.

"You can use this Bible every Sunday here at Sunday School. When you have come to Sunday School for one year, it will be your very own," she said. Carl was happy!

—Sel.

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We read in the Old Bible about things that were to come to pass and they did. Today we read in the New Testament about things that are to come to pass and we are sure that they will, just as other things that God has spoken has come to pass.

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## Muddy Shoes

Paul went skipping and hopping down the street to school, whistling gayly as he went along. For this was the day he was to be one of the ushers at the school program for the parents. His white shirt was clean, and so were his shoes and socks.

"Be sure that you keep out of the

mud, Paul," called his mother. "I want you to look as clean as you do now when you get to the school."

Paul smiled. He didn't intend to get a speck of mud on those shoes. Besides, he wouldn't have to cross any muddy streets. So he whistled and skipped a little faster.

"Hello Betty," he called to a little girl on the opposite side of the street, "come on over."

And then he noticed that Betty was crying because the street was all muddy and she had to cross it to get to the school. There didn't seem to be any better place to get over anywhere.

Paul looked at Betty's pretty, white dress and white slippers. "I'm glad that I live on this side of the street," he said.

Betty cried a little harder. "That will never do," thought Paul. "I must help her." He looked around. Soon he found a board, but it wasn't quite long enough. He couldn't find another thing. He could lift Betty over the mud to the board. He looked at his new shoes. Then he squared his shoulders; he would have to help Betty, even if he did spoil his new shoes.

"Come one, Betty, I'll lift you over," he said bravely.

So it was a clean and spotless Betty who reached the school, but Paul's shoes were caked with mud.

"I'll help you clean them, Paul," offered Betty.

Quickly she found a rag, and they went to work. They did the best they could but the shoes refused to shine as they had before.

Paul, was soon so busy, however, showing visitors to their seats, that he forgot all about his shoes. After that came the program and the ice cream, so that he forgot all about the mud until he was walking home with his mother.

Then she suddenly surprised him by

saying, "I'm very proud of the mud on your shoes, Paul. You see, Betty told me how you helped her across the street, and I'm glad to know that you were so thoughtful."

--Sel.

### LESSON ILLUSTRATION

"Holy spirit filled each heart."



Dear Boys and Girls:

God had a wonderful plan for mankind. The devil tried to cause all the people to be destroyed in sin because they were God's creation. It was God's plan to have someone to love Him and that He could delight in. But He couldn't delight in anyone who did not choose to love Him. If you make someone put their arms around you and love you, that doesn't please you. But if someone comes up and just willingly loves you, that makes you know that they really want to do it. Just so with God. He wants some boys and girls who will want to love Him and please Him. If you do, you will never lose from it. You will be

blessed in a great way. The devil wanted to ruin God's plan, but thank God, Who still had a plan so mankind could still love Him. The devil got man to sin and that separated him from God. So Jesus said that He would come here, die on the cross and take man's punishment so man could love God. Oh how we love Jesus for that! So now, boys and girls, men and women can have their sins forgiven. They can come to God and love Him. Yet, God knew that boys and girls, men and women could not love God nor have power to do the things that please God, unless He gave them the power. So God sent the Holy Spirit to give man power over the devil so men could love God.

Jesus sought out those who would love Him and believe Him to be the Son of God. After His death, and coming back to life, He talked to the disciples and was seen of over 500 brethren. But in our lesson we find Jesus ready to go back up through the clouds alive to be with God, His father. He gave them His last instructions. Their sins had been forgiven but they needed the Holy Spirit to give them power over the devil. He told them to wait or not depart from Jerusalem until they were filled with the Holy Spirit. There all the disciples, (except Judas, who had hung himself, because he had betrayed Jesus), and some of the women, which included the mother of James and Jesus, were in an upper room. There were about 120 waiting until the Holy Spirit came and filled the church. The saved people were the church. They all began to speak in other languages, because there were people there in Jerusalem out of every nation in the then-known world. God wanted the world to know about the Holy Spirit coming and filling the church and also about Jesus dying on the cross for their sins. Wasn't this wonderful? Today we too can be saved from our sins and be filled with the Holy Spirit.

--Aunt Marie

**Lesson 8, May 26, 1974**

## **THE CHURCH FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**Acts 1:4, 5, 8, 14, 15; 2:1-6**

Acts 1:4 And, (Jesus) being assembled together with them, commanded them (disciples) that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which saith he, ye have heard of me.

5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

14 These all (disciples) continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his bretheren.

15 And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number of names together were about an hundred and twenty,)

Acts 2:1 And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

5 And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation

under heaven.

6 Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language.

Memory Verse: What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? I Corinthians 6:19.

### **QUESTIONS:**

1. Why were the disciples assembled together?

2. What was the command given to the disciples?

3. What was this second baptism they were to receive? (ver. 5)

4. What would the Holy Spirit do for them?

5. They needed this power so they could be \_\_\_\_.

6. Do you know what "one accord" means?

7. What were they continuing in, with one accord?

8. How many disciples were with Peter at this time? (ver. 15)

9. On the day of Pentecost (a special feast day of the Jews), they were all with \_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_ place.

10. What came from heaven?

11. It filled all the house where they were \_\_\_\_.

12. Did you know that to speak in "other tongues" means to speak in different languages than their native language?

13. Who were dwelling in Jerusalem at this time? (Note verse 5, chapter 2)

14. What was the amazing thing about what these Jews heard?

15. What is the temple of the Holy Ghost (Spirit)? (Memory verse)

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## Olive's Story

### (Chapter 18)

I have very good reason to believe that one of my school mates, Mary Conder obeyed both our Lord's commands; that she came to Him to be saved from her sin, and that she was earnestly endeavoring to follow His steps. I know that, from time to time, we had many a long talk together about my school motto, which I kept hanging over my bed.

And now my school days are done, and I am to begin a new stage of my life.

Oh, that I may never forget all the lessons God has been teaching me! Oh, that, by His grace, I may go out to India, determined to be a comfort to my father and mother, and to glorify God, and to serve Him with all my heart and with all my mind!

I have just finished my packing, and have wrapped my school prizes carefully in paper, that mother may see them in all their beauty. But there is nothing I possess that I have packed more carefully nor with greater thankfulness and love, than my motto,

**"WHAT WOULD JESUS DO?"**

(To be continued)

## The Broken Plate

"Mother!" Susan called as she came home from school. "I'm hungry. Is there anything to eat?"

"Yes, dear, there are some cookies on the table for you and Amy," Mother said from the basement where she was doing the laundry.

Amy, Susan's two-year-old sister, ran to meet Susan and gave her a big hug.

"Come on, Amy," Susan said, "let's go get some cookies."

The girls sat at the table and had their cookies and milk. Susan was so busy eating her cookies that she reached for her milk without looking and knocked the cooky plate to the floor. "Oh," she cried as the plate broke into many pieces. "Mother will be so upset, and I'll probably be punished. Mother has told me to be more careful, and that was one of her best plates."

Amy looked up at Susan. "Broke," Amy said. Then Susan had an idea. Amy was only two and could not talk very much. She would not be able to tell Mother what had happened. She is just a baby, and Mother would not punish her, Susan thought.

Just then Mother came up the steps. "My goodness!" she exclaimed. "What happened to my plate?"

"Amy was trying to climb up on the table, and she broke it," Susan said. Right away she felt guilty about not telling the truth and about blaming the accident on her sister. But it was too late now.

"Oh, Amy!" Mother said. "Well, she's only a baby, and we have to expect things like that. You girls go play now."

Later Susan thought, God is unhappy with me for lying and for blaming the broken plate on my sister. I will tell Mother, and then I will tell God that I am sorry.

After Susan told her mother what had happened, Mother said, "I think you should ask God to forgive you. If He knows that you are sorry, then He will forgive you."

"I will," Susan said, and after she did, she felt much, much better.

—Sel.

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As you grow older, days will seem to go faster. Enjoy each day and you will find life pleasant.

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## The Best Gift

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Sammy and Susan were on their way home from school. Each day they passed the house where "Aunt" Tabby lived. (Now she really wasn't their Aunt, everyone just called her that). When the weather was nice, and Aunt Tabby was on her porch, she always called to them. Many times she gave them a cookie to eat on their way home.

Susan: "I like Aunt Tabby, don't you, Sammy? She isn't cranky as lots of old folks are."

Sammy: "I wonder why she is always kind and giving things away?"

Later, at the supper table, Sammy and Susan were telling mother and father how kind Aunt Tabby had been to them.

Mother: "Yes, it seems Aunt Tabby has a gift for being kind and thoughtful."

Father: "Children, do you know that the Holy Spirit gives gifts to God's children? Aunt Tabby has been one of God's children for many, many years. The Holy Spirit has given her the gift of charity, or love. That is why she is so kind."

Susan: "We had a lesson about the gifts of the Spirit in our Sunday School."

Sammy: "Some of the gifts of the Spirit were the word of wisdom, the word of knowledge, faith, and the gift of healing."

Susan: "I remember the gifts of miracles and the gift of prophecy."

Mother: "Three more gifts are mentioned, also. But the Apostle Paul tells us that Charity, or Love is the gift we should desire most of all."

Father: "There are some religious people who claim the gift of tongues, which really means languages, is the most important gift of all. But the Word of God teaches the Holy Spirit gives the gifts "as He will", or as He pleases."

Mother: "God knows what gift each can use best. We shouldn't ask for a certain gift as evidence of the Holy Spirit's dwelling in us. We should ask for the Holy Spirit Himself, and then let God give us the gift or gifts we can use in His service."

Father: "The gift of love is the very strongest evidence that the Holy Spirit dwells in our hearts. Can you tell me a verse that tells what the Holy Spirit does in our hearts?"

Both children at once: "Yes, because we learned that verse in our Sunday lesson. 'Because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given to us.'" (Rom. 5:5b)

—Thelma Sprague

Once there was a big flood. A family was sitting on the roof of a house, waiting to be rescued. A man came by with a little boat. There was no room in the boat for all. One would have to stay as the boat would sink. "Save my family and leave me here," said the father. To save the others, he couldn't save himself.

That is the way with Jesus. If He had saved Himself from going to the cross, He couldn't have saved others. We do love Him for doing this for us. —M. Miles

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Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.  
shall be called the children of God.

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Dear Boys and Girls:

God wants us to be workers for Him. God did not save us to not do anything for Him. We are to tell others about Jesus and in some way help them to love Jesus. We can't just enjoy salvation by ourselves. We want others to enjoy it also. When you have something wonderful given to you it makes you happy. There is something inside of you that you long to share with someone else. You will find yourself telling someone about it. When we hear about someone getting something nice we like to know about it and rejoice with them, do we not? Well, God gave us salvation and we want to share our new-found joy with others. There are many ways that we can share it. Sometimes we can't go and tell those who live far away but we can give of our money to help others to go and tell them. When we do that we are having a part in their knowing about Jesus. Maybe you feel because you are young now that you can't do very much but there is something for each of us to do. Just start

doing the little things and you will find them growing into big things.

I read about a girl who was praying for her father to quit drinking and he heard her. This so touched him that he knelt beside her and prayed God to save him and help him to quit drinking. She had prayed many times but it just happened that at this time it was the right time and it helped him. So if you are praying for someone just keep on praying. Don't give up. That is doing something for Jesus.

In our lesson we read about the different gifts that God gives to those in the church. Then we have an account of Dorcas who was busy at her calling. She was giving to the poor and making dresses and garments for them. This is a wonderful gift and brings so many blessings to others. Maybe you can't make dresses, etc. but you can help those who are poor and in need by being kind to them and showing them love. Many times you can help by sharing what you have with them.

When Dorcas died they were so unhappy. They loved her so much. Now in the church we find that Peter had a gift. They called him. Peter prayed for her and she came back to life. Wasn't that wonderful? All the gifts are important. There are those who have the gift of faith, gift of wisdom, gift of healing, gift of preaching, gift of giving, gift of mercy and love, gift of teaching and many other gifts. But Paul tells us to covet the best gifts. The best gift is the gift of love, or charity.

—Aunt Marie

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## Lesson 9, June 2, 1974

### GIFTS AND CALLINGS IN THE CHURCH

1 Cor. 12:4, 7-11; Acts 9:36-42

I Corinthians 12:4 Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.

7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.

8 For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit:

9 To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit:

10 To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:

11 But all these worketh that one and the self-same Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.

Acts 9:36 Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is called Dorcas; this woman was full of good works and alms-deeds which she did.

37 And it came to pass in those days, that she was sick, and died: Whom when they had washed, they laid her in an upper chamber.

38 And forasmuch as Lydda was nigh to Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent unto him two men, desiring him that he would not delay to come to them.

39 Then Peter arose and went with them. When he was come, they brought him into the upper chamber: and all the widows stood by him weeping, and shewing the coats and garments which Dorcas made, while she was with them.

40 But Peter put them all forth, and kneeled down, and prayed: and turning him to the body said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes: and when she saw Peter she sat up.

41 And he gave her his hand and lifted her up, and when he had called the saints and widows, presented her alive.

42 And it was known through-out all Joppa; and many believed in the Lord.

Memory Verse: But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him. I Cor. 12:18.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Do you know what the word 'diversities' means? Ask your teacher to tell you if you do not know.

2. "There are variety of gifts, but it is the same Spirit that gives them." Do you understand that better?

3. The manifestation (display, or demonstration) of the Spirit is given to — withal. (therewith)

4. Do you know another word for profit? (gain)

5. The gifts are given by the S—.

6. How many gifts are named in our lesson?

7. Do you know anyone who has some, or one, of these gifts?

8. Do you think your pastor has any of these gifts?

9. What do you think "dividing to every man severally as he will" means?

10. Can you tell some things about Tabitha, (or Dorcas)?

11. What disciple was at Joppa?

12. What gift did Peter have that caused them to send for him when Tabitha died?

13. Was it a great miracle when Tabitha was raised from the dead?

14. What was the result of that miracle?

15. Did God use the gift he had given to Peter for gain ( of souls)?



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## Olive's Story

### (Chapter 19)

The next day, we said good-bye to mother, but I cannot write about that; it was far too dreadful a time to be described, but I am sure that I shall not forget it as long as I live. I shall always remember mother's face as she looked out at us for the last time from the carriage window, and I shall always remember the last words she spoke to us on the platform, when she said good-bye. And, just as the train was moving off, she leant out, and said, with a smile, though she had tears in her eyes at the same time,

"Don't forget the question on the card, darlings. 'What would Jesus do?'"

Those were mother's last words to us, and then the train moved off, and we saw her no more.

(To be continued)

Love your brothers and sisters. They will stand by you when you are older and need their help. Manytimes your brothers and sisters remember how you treated them when they were young and at home.

## The Record

A mother wrote a story about her daughter in which she represented her as making some unkind and rude remarks to her sister. Julia was a reader of the newspapers, and it did not escape her notice. The incident was a true one, but it was one she did not care to remember, much less did she like to see it in print.

"Oh! mother, mother," she exclaimed, "I do not think you are kind to write such stories about me. I do not like to have you publish it when I say anything wrong."

"How do you know it is you? It is not your name." Julia then read the story aloud.

"It is I. I know it is I, mother. I shall be afraid of you if you write such stories about me, I shall not dare to speak before you."

"Remember, my child, that God requireth the past, and nothing which you say, or do, or think, is lost to him."

Poor Julia was quite grieved that her mother should record the unpleasant and unsisterly words which fell from her lips. She did not like to have any memorial of her ill-nature preserved. Perhaps she would have thought of those words again

in this life; but had she never read this passage of fearful import, the language of Jesus Christ: "But I say unto you that for every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment"? Julia thought that the careless words which had passed her lips would be forgotten, but she should have known that every word and act of our lives is to be recorded and brought to our remembrance.

I have known children to be very much interested, and to be influenced to make a great effort to do right, by an account-book which was kept by their mothers. When such a book is kept at school, and every act is recorded, the pupils are much more likely to make an effort to perform the duties required of them. So it is in Sunday schools. I recently heard a Sunday school superintendent remark that the school could not be well sustained unless accounts were kept of the attendance, etc., of the pupils.

Many years ago a man, brought before a tribunal, was told to relate his story freely without fear, as it should not be used against him. He commenced to do so, but had not proceeded far before he heard the scratching of a pen behind a curtain. In an instant he was on his guard, for by that sound he knew that, notwithstanding their promise, a record was being taken of what he said.

Silently and unseen by us the angel secretaries are taking a faithful record.

Silently and unseen by us, God is taking a faithful record of our words and actions, and even of our thoughts. (Ps. 94:11; 11 Cor. 5:10; Rev. 20:12) Do we realize this? and a more solemn question is, What is the record they are making?

Not long ago I read of a strange list. It was an exact catalogue of the crimes committed by a man who was at last executed in Norfolk Island, with the vari-

ous punishments he had received for his different offenses. It was written out in small hand by the chaplain, and was nearly three yards long.

What a sickening catalogue to be crowded into one brief life. Yet this man was once an innocent child. A mother no doubt bent lovingly over him, a father perhaps looked upon him in pride and joy, and imagination saw him rise to manhood honored and trusted by his fellow-men. But the boy chose the path of evil and wrong-doing regardless of the record he was making, and finally committed an act, the penalty for which was death, and he perished miserably upon the scaffold.

Dear readers, most of you are young, and your record is but just commenced. Oh, be warned in time, and seek to have a list of which you will not be ashamed when scanned by God, angels, and men. Speak none but kind, loving words, have your thoughts and aspirations pure and noble, crowd into your life all the good deeds you can, and thus crowd out evil ones.

We should not forget that an account-book is kept by God, in which all the events of our lives are recorded, and that even every thought will be brought before us at the day of judgment. In that day God will judge the secrets of men: he will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the heart.

There is another book spoken of in the Bible. The book of life, and it is said that no one can enter heaven whose name is not written in the Lamb's book of life.

God is now weighing moral worth. The record will soon close, either by death or the decree, "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still, and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still; and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still; and he that is holy let him be holy still." We have but one short, preparing hour in which to redeem the past and get ready for the

future. Our life record will soon be examined. What shall it be! —Sel.

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## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



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Dear Boys and Girls:

The word unity means to unite or bring together in one. Our first scripture in our lesson is the prayer that Jesus prayed to the Father for His disciples and all that believe on Jesus through the Word. That means you and I today, if we believe and are saved from sin. He wanted all of the believers to be one. Jesus hates division. Division hurts and God wants unity or wants everyone to love one another and be one in spirit.

We can't make unity. But when we have our sins forgiven and are filled with the Spirit of God, we then are united to all others who are "born again" and are filled with the Spirit of God. So when the Spirit of God is in one person and the same Spirit of God is in another person, that makes them one.

In our lesson, we read about there being many members in the body of Christ. Let us think of our natural bodies. We have a head, arms, legs, etc. They are the members of our natural body. They all work together, do

they not? You don't start off walking and one leg goes this way and the other leg goes that way. They both work together. The head or mind tells them what to do and they do it. The same mind works all the members of our body. Now our lesson tells us that there are many members of the body of Christ but they are all one. Christ is the head and He tells each member what to do. Christ in one member and Christ in another member makes them the one body. We are knit together by Christ and that makes us one. The love of Christ in the heart of one member and that same love of Christ in the heart of another member brings them together in love. One member might have just got saved and won't know too much about the Bible. The older member might know more, but they still can have a unity of the Spirit. Now in a family, we have brothers and sisters who are of various ages. The boy in college doesn't judge his relationship to his brother in the primary school by what he knows. They are related through a blood tie and that binds them together. We are bound together through the blood of Jesus. When we are saved, we are brothers and sisters in Christ. God wants us to love one another.

Our lesson also brings out when the disciples were in trouble they went to the company of believers and told them all that had happened to them. They were all working together for Jesus and had a common tie. They were all of "one heart and one soul."

—Aunt Marie

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Lesson 10, June 9, 1974

## UNITY OF BELIEVERS

John 17:19-21; Acts 4:1-3, 21, 23, 32a; Acts 5:14b; Rom. 12:4, 5; 1 Corinthians 1:10

John 17:19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanc-

tified through the truth.

20 Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

21 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

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.

21 So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, because of the people: for all men glorified God for that which was done.

23 And being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them.

32a And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul:

Acts 5:14 And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women.

Rom. 12:4 For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office:

5 So we, being many members are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

I Corinthians 1:10 Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus

Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

Memory Verse: Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! Psalms 133:1.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Jesus said, "For their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified — —."

2. Did Jesus just pray for His disciples alone?

3. What did Jesus pray? That they all may be —, that the world may —.

4. What happened to some of the disciples because they preached about Jesus?

5. "They laid hands on them and put them in hold until the next day"; can you explain how we would say this today?

6. Where did the disciples go when they were released from jail?

7. And the "multitude", do you know what a multitude is?

8. It says the multitude were of one — and one—.

9. What does this mean?

10. Read Acts 5:14. Do you know that being "added to the Lord", and "being saved" mean the same?

11. Name some of the members of our natural bodies.

12. Explain how our natural members work together.

13. Do you know that each saved person is a member of the body of Christ?

14. Do you know what the word "Unity" means?

15. We become b—— and s—— in the Lord when we are saved.

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Part Eleven

June 16

## Olive's Story

### (Chapter 20)

I walked away by Uncle John's side, feeling very lonely and miserable. "Oh! mother, mother, how I miss you!" I kept saying, over and over again to myself, and then I looked up, and asked the Lord Jesus to be near me, and to comfort me. And I am sure He did.

We went back to West Court to Uncle John's house, and, after another week, we had to say good-bye to each other. Melville was going to a school in the north of England. I was going to a school in the south, and the children were to stop at West Court, with Uncle John and Aunt Jane. It was not so bad as saying good-bye to mother, but still it was very hard to leave them all. Melville was eagerly looking forward to school life, and school friends, and school games, but I felt afraid of going amongst strangers, and thought at times that I should never be happy again.

Uncle John meant to have brought me to Clinton, but, just at the last moment, an important engagement obliged him to stay at home, and I had to come alone. He came to the station with me, however,

and was very kind to me. He chose a nice carriage for me, and bought an illustrated paper for me to read, and asked a lady in the carriage "to keep an eye on me."

"You will be all right, Olive," he said. "I have written to Miss Maynard to send some one to meet you at the station. Good-bye, my dear. Keep up a good heart! Good-bye!"

The train moved off; he waved his hand to me, and then I saw him no more, and felt that I had indeed, as mother said, "gone out into the world."

The lady in the carriage did not take much notice of me. She was reading a book in a yellow cover all the morning, and hardly looked up for a moment. At twelve o'clock she left the train, and a gentleman came to meet her, and I watched them drive away together before the train started again.

Then I was quite alone in the carriage. I am not at all afraid of travelling, and Uncle John had written down on a card the names of the different stations, and the time at which the train was due at each, and had made a large red line where I was to change my carriage.

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"Let brotherly love continue."

## The Best Book

Sammy and Susan live in an everyday town, in an ordinary house, with their mother and father, who are not ordinary parents for they are Christians and want their children to love and obey God.

Sammy and Susan are just about your age. (Aren't YOU at the age where YOU like to ask questions and find out about things?)

Mother and Susan were speedily finishing the dishes so they could join father and Sammy, who were still sitting at the table, waiting for Mother and Susan. They wanted to resume the conversation that had begun at supper time.

As soon as the last dish was dried, and everything was in place, Mother picked up her Bible and sat down beside Father who was already searching his Bible for some of the scriptures he wanted the children to read and think about.

Susan: "Why is it so important to read the Bible? I know we read it, but most people don't know about what it teaches at all."

Father: "Strange, but I just happened to turn to this verse in John 5:39. 'Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify (bear witness) of me.'"

"Can you think of any other book in the world that tells us about Jesus, as the Bible does? Have you ever stopped to think; what if there were no Bible? We wouldn't know about God, or Jesus and how Jesus came to earth; or that Jesus died for our sins, and was raised again so we could have hope of eternal life."

Mother: "Nor would we know anything about heaven, or hell, or God's will for us and how we ought to live."

Sammy: "There isn't any other book

like the Bible, is there?"

Mother: "No, and altho many have tried to destroy it, and say it doesn't really mean anything, the Bible has been a 'light' to many feet; a comfort to many who were cast down and in trouble, and it has brought hope to millions who would have been hopeless if there had been no Bible to tell us about God."

Father: "The Bible is a 'living book', it is just as good for us to live by today as it was good for those to whom it was written in the beginning."

Mother: "Yes, and the Bible has the power to change our lives and hearts. If it were just another book, or a great piece of literature, as some seem to think, it wouldn't have this power. Many people have become convicted of their sins and sought and found the Lord, because they have read the Bible and searched the scriptures."

Father: "We could call the Bible our 'road map' to heaven. Some people have a 'dim' hope of going to heaven when they die, but they don't know anything about what the Bible teaches, so really they are lost; just as we would be if we traveled in a strange country without a road map."

Sammy: "God wants us to know about Him and His will, and how to go to heaven, doesn't he?"

Mother: "Yes, that is why Jesus said, 'Search the scriptures, for they testify (bear witness, or serve as evidence or proof) of me.'"

Father: "And, children, always remember it isn't enough to just read the scriptures; we must obey God's Word if we want to go to heaven. Just as Jesus says in Matthew 4:4, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God; so, if we want to live eternally with God in heaven, we must live by the Bible and obey it's teachings with all our heart.'"

—Thelma Sprague

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Dear Boys and Girls:

When you are taking a trip your father gets out the map and looks at the roads. He decides which road is the best and which one he should take to get to the place you are going. Then as you start out you use the map that he has marked to be sure that you are going the right way. If you forget to check the map, you will get off the road and have to come back and get on the right road again.

We have started out to heaven. We would not know how to get there unless we had a map. God knew we needed something to tell us how to get there. While Jesus was here, He talked to His disciples and told them how to live and the way to go to get to heaven. His disciples and others wrote a lot of His words down, which are in our Bible. Then later the Apostle Paul wrote letters to the new Christians at different places telling them how to live to make it into heaven. So we have the Bible to tell us. We need to study it so we will not get off the road. We do want to make heaven our home.

Now in our lesson today I know that some of you boys and girls will think

that Jesus' requires a lot of you but remember His way is best. He wants us to love everyone and live peaceably with others. We are not to be hitting and doing evil to other boys and girls. But you are saying that Jack is always hitting you. Well, just smile and go on. Maybe you can do a good deed to Jack and that will help him to be nicer. The Bible tells us to "return good for evil." The Lord can help you if you pray to Him. We are to love our enemies and pray for them. God will help us to do that. God loves every one. Jesus loved those who did not love Him and died on the cross for them.

In the days of the disciples some of them did not want to obey Jesus' words. They went away from Him. But His disciples knew that He had eternal life for them and had many more blessings than the world could give them. They wanted to stay with Jesus. They followed Him and God blessed them. Today they are with Him in heaven. There is no time in eternity. It's wise to live right here so we can be with God in eternity. Hell is real, too, and a terrible place. There will be fighting and torment there. I don't want to go there, do you? God will help us to take some trouble here which won't be but very little, but in hell it will be terrible. Not one ray of love or good is there. May God help you to obey His word and love Jesus is my prayer for you.

—Aunt Marie

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Lesson 11, June 16, 1974

### SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

John 5:39; Matt. 5:38-41, 43-46;  
John 6:63, 66-69

John 5:39 (Jesus said) Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have

eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.

Matthew 5:38 Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth:

39 But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: But whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

40 And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have thy cloak also.

41 And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain.

43 Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbor, and hate thine enemy.

44 But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

45 That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

46 For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?

John 6:63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

66 From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him.

67 Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away?

68 Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life.

69 And we believe and are sure that

thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.

Memory Verse: But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. Matt. 4:4.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Have you ever made a 'search' for anything?

2. Why do you think we should 'search' the scriptures, (or Bible, as it is called today)?

3. Is it important to know about Jesus? Why?

4. Do you know where the saying, "An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth", comes from?

5. Jesus said, "Resist not —." Did Jesus live the way He has taught us to live?

6. When someone takes away our things, we usually resist, don't we?

7. Does Jesus want us to do this?

8. Do you ever think about how Jesus loved His enemies and prayed for them while He was hanging on the cross?

9. Do you know the Words of Jesus are the only words that can give us eternal life?

10. Did Jesus have some disciples who went back and walked no more with Him?

11. What did Peter say when Jesus asked if the twelve disciples would go away also?

12. Did the disciples believe that Jesus was the Christ?

13. Is it all right to just live by part of the words Jesus spoke?

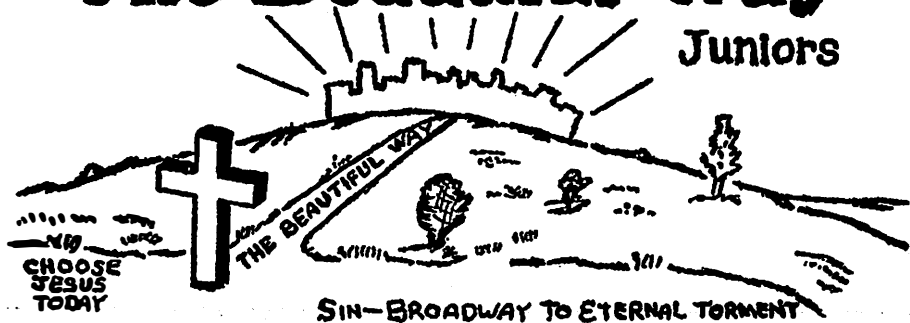
14. Do you believe the Bible is the Word of God?

15. Are you obeying it so you can go to heaven when you die?



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## Olive's Story

### (Chapter 21)

So I managed very nicely, and all went on well till I arrived at Birmingham, one of the places where there was a red line, and where I expected to have to wait half an hour.

When the man came to take the tickets I asked him on which platform I should find the train I wanted, but found it had gone a quarter of an hour before. We had lost time on the way, and could not catch the express, he said. We should be shunted on to another line, and go on by a slow train presently.

We did not go into Birmingham station, but were shunted round the town for about twenty minutes. Oh! what a large place it looked, with its rows of smoking chimneys, its long streets, and its large warehouses! It looked very dismal to me that evening; for I was feeling more lonely than I had ever felt before.

I was beginning to feel very anxious as to what time I should reach Clinton. Uncle John had told Miss Maynard that I should arrive by the eight o'clock train. What if I should miss that, and there should be no one there to meet me!

I had a feverish cold last week, and Uncle John had said in his letter to Miss Maynard that he was not quite certain that I should be able to travel; so I felt sure that, if I did not reach Clinton at eight o'clock, she would not expect me later. I should arrive in the middle of the night, quite alone, with no one to take care of me, or to tell me what to do.

(To be continued)

## Monkey or Dirt

"Hurry, Billy, we want to see the monkeys," Jane yelled.

"Oh yes, I want to see them too," Billy answered as he started running to catch up with Jane. "Did you know that we were monkeys one time?"

"Monkeys, did you say,—not me," Jane exclaimed.

"Well, it's in the Bible," affirmed Billy.

"Oh it's not either," Jane quickly said. "The Bible said that we were made out of the dirt. Didn't you ever read that?"

"I heard Mr. Brown say that we were

one time monkeys, and he is smart," Billy said.

"Well, he isn't as smart as Moses, because Moses talked to God," Jane declared. And Moses wrote the first book of the Bible and it says that God made the first man Adam out of the dirt and I believe the Bible."

—M. Miles

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## Prayers Answered

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"Did you like to go to Sunday School?"

Mother asked Betty as she came into the house.

"Oh yes, Mother," Betty exclaimed.

"The pastor wants you and Daddy to go next Sunday. Won't you go? Please do! Just to please me, won't you?"

"We will see about it," Mother said.

"Since we have seen such a change in you and Larry since you have started we have thought that we should get started again."

"Oh Mother, I must go right now and get Larry. We want to kneel down and thank God for answering our prayers."

—M. Miles

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## At Grandfather's Farm

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Susan and Sammy had just seen a baptism take place. Two people who had been saved recently, went down into the water of the creek that flowed on Grandfather's farm. There the minister had been waiting to baptize them, one at a time.

Susan: "I was a little excited when Brother Brown (the minister) put them completely under the water! I couldn't see a bit of them! They were BURIED under the water!"

Father: "Yes, Susan, the Bible says we are to be 'buried' with Christ in baptism."

Mother: "When Jesus was baptized, he went 'down' into the water. Jesus left

us an example He wants us to follow."

Father: "After we are saved, and we know our sins are forgiven, Jesus wants us to be baptized to show to the world that we have died to sin"

Sammy: "One of the boys at school told me he was going to join his church and be sprinkled on Easter Sunday. Wouldn't that be better than getting all wet in that dirty creek water?"

Father: "Sammy, do you remember when we went to the cemetery with others who had attended the funeral of Brother Smith?"

Sammy: "Yes, I noticed what a deep grave had been dug to put the casket that Brother Smith was in."

Father: "It is necessary to 'bury' a dead body, isn't it? We wouldn't want to just 'sprinkle' a little dirt over the casket and go away and leave it like that. When someone dies, they must be buried."

Mother: "When we get saved, we have died to sin, so when we are baptized, or buried, in the water, that is to show to the world we have died to sin, and when we come up out of the water, that shows we are being resurrected (raised up) to walk in newness of life, or to live like Jesus."

Susan: "Mother, Jesus didn't ever sin! Why did he have to be baptized?"

Mother: "Susan, Jesus was baptized by John in the river Jordan to show us what He wanted us to do."

Father: "That's right. You know in one place in the Bible it says, 'He is our example, who did no sin.' An example is a pattern. Jesus did the things He wants us to do. That is why we must be baptized after we are saved. I am sure Jesus is pleased with us when we follow His example, just as God was pleased on the day Jesus was baptized."

Sammy: "I remember the words God spoke from heaven! Oh, I want to please God and obey His word, too."

—Thelma Sprague

## LESSON ILLUSTRATION



Dear Boys and Girls:

Our lesson today is about baptizing. John the Baptist came preaching and baptizing people that came out to see him. He was in the wilderness. But he had a message and multitudes were drawn to this strange man that was clothed differently than others. He was sent of God to prepare the way for Jesus to come. It is wonderful when we think of the great plan of God. He never left one thing out. He wanted Jesus to be introduced to the world so John the Baptist came to do that. God told him about Jesus. So John told the people about him. He said that someone greater than he was coming. He felt so humble before Jesus that he said that he wasn't even worthy to untie His shoes.

John baptized the people. So one day Jesus came to him to be baptized. God had made John know that the one upon whom the dove sat would be the Christ, the Lamb of God who was sent to take away the sins of the world. You see, in the old Testament, they offered a lamb for a sacrifice to God for their sins. This was a type of

Jesus, the Lamb of God who was to come and be offered on the cross for our sins. What a wonderful scene that was that day when Jesus went down into the water! There He stood to be baptized. God sent the Holy Spirit in the shape of a dove and sat upon Him. Then God was moved up in heaven. He could not keep still. God was happy about His Son, who was so willing to come to this old wicked world to live and die for our salvation that He spoke out of heaven. He said, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." All that were there heard His voice. What a glorious thing it is to know that the Trinity was there. God, the Father, Jesus, the Son and the Holy Spirit in the shape of a dove. The three in One. All working together.

Boys and girls, when people get saved they are to be baptized. We are baptized because Jesus left us that example. We are showing the world that we have left all to follow Jesus. We are obeying Him. Our lesson tells us that we are "buried with him (Jesus) by baptism into death; like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." In other words we are to live differently after we are saved and baptized. We arise from the watery grave to be a new creature. Jesus was put in the grave after He died on the cross but He arose from the grave. If we live faithful we will arise from the grave when we die and be with Jesus.

—Aunt Marie

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Lesson 12, June 23, 1974

### JESUS IS OUR EXAMPLE

Matt. 3:13-17; John 1:30-33; Romans 6:4, 5; Acts 2:38a

Matthew 3:13 Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptiz-

ed of him.

14 But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me?

15 And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness. Then he suffered him.

16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him:

17 And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

John 1:30 This is he of whom I (John), said, After me cometh a man which is preferred before me: for he was before me.

31 And I knew him not: but that he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water.

32 And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him.

33 And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost.

Romans 6:4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

5 For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection:

Acts 2:38a Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ.

Memory Verse: He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. Mark 16:16.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Jesus came from G—to J—unto John, to be b— of him.

2. Did John want to baptize Jesus? Why, or why not?

3. The word 'suffer' means something else besides to hurt, or be in pain. Read the 15th verse and use the word 'allow' instead, and see if it sounds better.

4. Why did Jesus want John to baptize him?

5. What makes us to know Jesus was 'buried' in baptism? Read verse 16 and Romans 6:4.

6. What happened when Jesus came up out of the water?

7. What did the voice from heaven say?

8. What sign did God tell John he would see so that he could know who Jesus was?

9. John baptized with water. What did John say Jesus would baptize with?

10. What does "buried" mean? Does it mean to just sprinkle a little water on ones' head?

11. When one is buried, what does that mean?

12. When one is buried with Christ in baptism, does that mean one is 'dead to sin'?

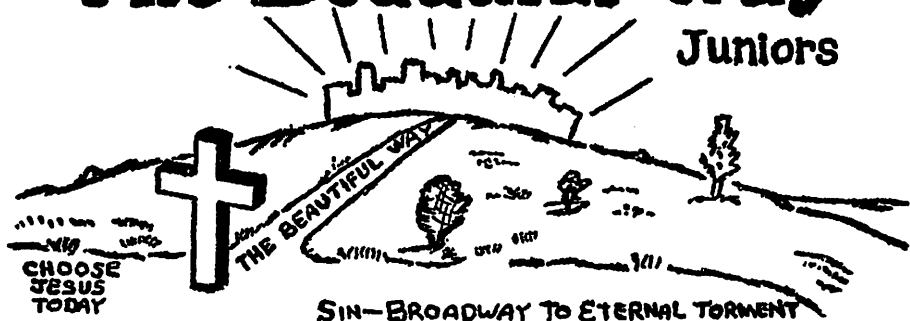
13. How are we to walk (or live), after we are saved and baptized? (Romans 6:4.)

14. What does our memory verse tell us to do?

15. Believe and be baptized and we shall be —.

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## Olive's Story

### (Chapter 22)

I was growing more and more tired, my head ached, and I felt sick and miserable. There was no one else in the carriage, and after a time, it got quite dark, and the lamps had never been lighted. I crept into a corner, and leant my head on a cushion, and cried. I felt so very lonely and unhappy. "Oh! mother, mother," I said, "if only you were here, to take me in your arms and comfort me!"

But, as I said it, a verse came into my mind, a verse which had come in our reading with mother, a short time before she went away: "Underneath are the everlasting arms."

I am sure God's Holy Spirit, the Comforter, whispered that verse to me just then. It was just what I needed, the Everlasting Arms—the arms of the Lord, —strong, loving arms underneath me. As I lay in the corner of that dark carriage I rested on those arms, and on that love. And I do not think I felt at all afraid after that.

At half-past eleven the train reached Clinton, and drew up on the platform. How anxiously I looked out of the window

as we steamed into the dimly lighted station. A few porters, a man-servant in livery, and several other people were standing waiting for the train, but no one seemed to be looking for me.

I stepped out of the carriage, and the light of the station lamps dazzled me, after being so long in the darkness. A porter came up to me and asked about my luggage, and I followed him to the van, but I felt as if I were walking in a dream. I was worn out, sleepy, and bewildered.

(To be continued)

## Oldest Man

"Who is the oldest man that ever lived?" asked Della.

"Oldest man that ever lived," repeated Sammie. "I don't know where you would be able to find out."

"I know," declared Della.

"Where?" asked Sammie.

"In the Bible," said Della. "It was Methuselah and he lived to be 969 years old. You can find that in Genesis 5:27. We learned that in Sunday School."

—M. Miles

"If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door (of your heart)" Genesis 4:7.

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## Loving Our Lord

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Mother was reading about the "last supper" to the children. Sammy and Susan had been listening attentively.

Susan: "Mother, that was a sad occasion. I almost feel I could cry as I think how Jesus felt at that time."

Mother: "I believe Jesus was sad also. He wanted His disciples to understand what was going to happen, and He was trying to help them so that after the dark hour of crucifixion was over, they could understand."

Father: "I believe the disciples all felt very grave. They didn't know at that time what all of this meant. Today, we feel the same gravity and awe as we partake of the Lord's supper. As we eat the bread, we think of Jesus' precious body that was nailed and pierced for our sins, for it was our sins that nailed Him to the cross. Then we sip the grape juice, and remember His priceless blood that was shed for us, so that our sins might be blotted out."

Mother: "There have been times when I felt I could see Jesus hanging there on the cross; His hands and feet torn by the nails, and a stream of blood flowing from His side where the soldier pierced Him with his spear. At such times I wanted to bow down and worship Him, because He loved us so much."

Sammy: "Can anyone take part in the Lord's supper?"

Father: "No one is forbidden by us to take part if they say they are saved. But the apostle Paul gives us a solemn warning. Before we take the bread and the grape juice, we should examine ourselves to be sure our sins are all for-

given and that we are living right, and no unsaved should ever take part, for the Bible says that person would be eating and drinking damnation to himself."

Mother: "I would feel as though I were one of those who cried 'Crucify Him! Crucify Him!' if I took part when I knew I was disobeying any of God's commands."

Father: "Jesus left us this ordinance to solemnize our hearts, and help us take examination of our spiritual condition. He wants us to remember that He loved us and washed our sins away with His own blood."

Susan: "How often are we to have the Lord's supper?"

Mother: "The Bible doesn't name a certain time, or amount of times. If we did it every week, it would soon lose its sacredness to us. If we fail to observe it at all, I'm sure the Lord would not be pleased with our forgetting to remember the sacrifice He made for us. I think the Lord can direct us and help us to know the proper time to keep the ordinances."

Sammy: "Do we have to wait until we have a large crowd?"

Father: "No, where there are just a few, I believe God wants them to obey His word, just as much as where there are many Christians. Jesus will be where two or three are gathered together in His Name."

Mother: "Jesus also gave us another ordinance He wants us to keep. Can you tell me what the other ordinance is?"

Both children at once: "Was it feet-washing?"

Mother: "Can you picture in your mind the Lord Jesus as He laid aside His long robe, girded Himself with a towel, and took the pan of water and stooped down and washed each of the disciples feet?"

Sammy: "Did Jesus wash Judas' feet?"

Susan: "I wouldn't want to wash the feet of the one who was going to betray me!"

Mother: "Jesus did wash Judas' feet, because He said, 'Ye are clean, (He meant saved) but not all', for He knew Judas would betray Him."

Father: "Jesus' example just gives us a greater lesson in humility. He was willing to wash the feet of His enemy."

Susan: "How do we know we should wash each other's feet today?"

Mother: "Jesus said 'If I your Lord and Master have washed your feet, ye ought also to wash one another's feet'. Ought means it is our duty to wash the saint's feet. It isn't hard to obey when we have real humility."

for 1-13

—Thelma Sprague

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### LESSON ILLUSTRATION

Washing  
Feet



Showing  
Love

Lord's  
Supper



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Dear Boys and Girls:

Our Lord and Saviour had come down to the last hours of His life here on earth. He knew that soon He was to die on the cross for our sins. He spent these last hours with His disciples. They were the ones who were very close to Him. Through them He left some very precious things for us. He told them what He wanted His followers to do. Jesus knows all about us

Jesus knew that many people would be busy about the cares of this life and would be neglectful about remembering His death. He wanted us to have a memorial service often, so we would remember what He went through so we could have salvation. On that night He instituted two ordinances which He wanted the church to keep. One of them was foot-washing. Jesus wants us to not feel that we are better than our brother or sister in the Lord. Jesus wanted us to be humble. He wanted us to bow before our sister or our brother and wash their feet. Not because it was needful but because we love them. Of course the Bible commands that all things are to be done, "decently and in order." so the brothers wash the brothers feet and the sisters wash the sisters feet. The word "ought" in our lesson makes us know that we are duty bound to obey this commandment and example that Jesus left. We obey the command, "Men ought to always pray" so we need to obey this command also.

Now the Lord's Supper is a very solemn time. It was a solemn time for our Lord, as the cross was before Him. He knew that He would spill His blood for our sins on the cross, and He knew that they would break His flesh and He would die. As we take of the bread, we think about the body of Christ, that was put on the cross. His hands and feet were pierced by the nails that were driven through them. Then they took a spear and pierced His side. Oh how He did love us. He willingly went to the cross for us. He took our punishment. Then we think about His precious innocent blood that was spilled when we drink of the grape juice, which Jesus called, the "fruit of the vine." How our hearts are melted with love for our Lord and Saviour. We want to please Him and obey Him do we not?

—Aunt Marie

**Lesson 13, June 30, 1974**

**OBSERVING ORDINANCES**

**Matt. 28:20a; John 13:4, 5, 12-15;**

**1 Cor. 11:23-29**

Matthew 28:20a (Jesus said) Teaching them (believers, you), to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.

John 13:4 He (Jesus), riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel and girded himself.

5 After that he poureth water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.

12 So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you?

13 Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well, for so I am

14 If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; Ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

15 For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

I Corinthians 11:23 For I (Paul) have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread:

24 And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take eat: this is my body, Which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.

25 After the same manner he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

26 For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.

27 Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord.

28 But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.

29 For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

Memory Verse: Now I praise you, brethern, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances, as I delivered them to you. I Cor. 11:2.

**QUESTIONS:**

1. How many of the things Jesus taught us are we to observe?

2. What did Jesus gird himself with?

3. What did Jesus do with the water in the basin, and the towel?

4. What was the question Jesus asked after he had finished washing their feet?

5. Who was their Lord and Master?

6. Then, what did he tell us we ought to do?

7. For I have given — an —, that ye — do as I have —.

8. What night did Jesus take bread?

9. What did Jesus do with the bread?

10. This is my — which is — for you.

11. When we observe the Lord's supper, what are we doing?

12. What does the cup represent?

13. If we take the Lord's supper and we are not saved, what are we doing? (verse 29)

14. The Bible says "Let a man — himself".

15. Is it important to keep the ordinances?

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