

The Beautiful Way



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Part One

January 3

Our Debt

"Mother, you forgot to pray,
For the boys and girls so dear;
In countries far away;
For Jesus to them be near."

"Yes, son, we must not forget
Jesus to save them has died;
If we pray, many may yet
Let Jesus in them abide.

Pennies will help too, you know,
To send the gospel to them,
So they will not go below,
But to heaven enter in."

—Marie Miles.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

IRISH MIKEY

One day, late in the fall, a poor Irishman was sawing wood for Henry's father, and had brought with him one of his boys to pile it. The weather was cold and windy and the ground frozen, and Henry was surprised to see the boy in such thin and ragged clothes and without any shoes

or stockings on his feet. He was shivering at his work, and his feet were red and chapped.

Henry asked him why he did not wear shoes and stockings; and he said he had none.

Henry then asked the boy's father why he did not buy him some.

"Faith, an' I'd be glad to," was the answer; "but I'm a poor man, and it's little work I git to buy the bread for seven hungry mouths that there are of us, let alone the shoes and these things that I'm sure Mikey is wantin' bad enough."

Henry told his mother about the boy, and asked permission to give him a suit of his own clothes. His mother consented; and one could hardly have told which was the happier, Henry or Mikey, as the latter put on the warm garments, which were found to fit quite well.

Still Mikey's feet were bare and cold, while Henry's were dressed in comfortable shoes and stockings. It troubled Henry. What could be done? He had no shoes for him. His old ones were too small; besides, they were not worth giving away; they

would have been no protection against the snow and wet.

He went to his mother. "If I were a poor boy like Mikey," he said, "and couldn't earn my own clothes, I think I should want somebody to give me some good shoes and stockings."

"I have no doubt you would," answered his mother.

"So I think that, according to the Bible rule, I ought to give Mikey some. I have forty-two cents, that I was saving for a set of tools; but that won't buy a pair of shoes, will it?"

"That is not enough," said his mother.

"Mary has some money; may I ask her if she won't give it towards some shoes for Mikey?"

"Yes. I have no objection to her giving it, if she wishes to."

Henry ran to Mary. She pitied Mikey very much, and was glad to give her money to help him; for she was very generous, and ready to do any good she could.

Susy heard what was going on, and kept saying, "Poor Mikey! poor Mikey! I'm sorry!" in a very pitiful tone. She went to a drawer where she kept her little treasures and found two bright cents. She ran with them to Henry, saying, "There; I will buy some shoes for Mikey."

Henry's mother told him he had better ask Mikey's father what he could get him a pair of shoes for.

Henry did so, and came back to say that he thought he could for about sixty-two cents. "Here is enough for the shoes," he added, after counting the money contributed, "and eight cents over. I wish there was enough to buy some stockings too."

Mrs. Day said she would make it enough and purchase the stockings for Mikey herself.

Henry gave the price of the shoes to Mikey's father, charging him to buy "good ones;" and Mikey was told to come with them the next day, and he should receive a pair of stockings.

Breakfast was scarcely over in the morning when Mikey appeared, looking an inch taller than before, in his new shoes and clothes and his pleasure was unbounded.

"I've come at Master Henry's bidding," he said; "and sure I'm very thankful for the shoes and the good clothes."

When Henry brought him, as a gift from his mother, two pairs of nice, thick stockings, it seemed as if he would never have done praising them, and saying, "I'm thankful to ye, and I'm thankful to your mother."

"You ought to thank God the most, Mikey," said Henry, who remembered that the Bible says, "He giveth us richly all things to enjoy."

— To be continued —

A Deaf Woman Prayed

Not long since, in a church in Scotland, a minister suddenly began to preach with unprecedented power. The whole congregation was aroused and sinners marvelously saved. He himself did not understand the new endowment. In a dream of the night it was strangely suggested to him that the whole blessing was traceable to one poor old woman who was stone deaf, but who came regularly to church. Being unable to hear a word, she spent all the time in prayer for the preacher and individual hearers.

God waits to be asked. In him are the fountains of blessing and he puts at the disposal of his praying saints all their abundance; they are, however, sealed fountains to the ungodly and the unbelieving. There is one

key that always unlocks even heaven's gates, one secret that puts connecting channels between those eternal fountains and ourselves. That key, that secret, is prevailing prayer.

—T. Pierson.

"Pray without ceasing." We can pray as we walk down the street. Be in a prayerful attitude all the time.

Sensing Danger

Did you know that some animals and some insects can sense danger when it is approaching?

Scientists say that ants will leave their nests, taking their babies with them twenty-four hours before a forest fire sweeps over their nests. They tell us too that rabbits with burrows made in low-lying ground will leave long before a flood occurs.

In some way God has given them the ability to sense danger and they in turn flee from it.

It has also been said that when the Great Titanic ship reached the area of the iceberg that sent so many to a watery grave, that the very atmosphere changed prior to the disaster. Oh, that someone had sensed the danger in time!

God has given us all the ability to sense danger in regards to our soul. If we are already saved, when danger is near, the Spirit of the Lord will certainly impress us to watch and pray. If we are not saved it will admonish us to become Christian.

Children, let us not turn a deaf ear when the danger signal appears.

—O. A. D.

Search Question

What was the name of the son God gave Adam and Eve in place of Abel?

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Answer to Last Week's Question

Nathan, the prophet. 1 Kings 1:11.

Dear boys and girls,

The first of the year we hear about people making themselves some promises. They promise they will be real kind to everyone this year. They promise themselves that they will not tell any lies, nor take anything that does not belong to them. They promise that they will try to go to church services more often through this year than last because they feel they must do that so God will take them to heaven if they lie. In fact, they just promise themselves to live better. I have even heard of some who say they will not smoke nor drink strong drinks this new year. Now all of this is very good but one thing that people leave out is God. Neither boys or girls, nor men or women can do good all the time without the help of God. First we must get right with God by asking him to forgive and take away all of our sins. Then we must always pray and watch. We can't just pray all the time and not watch, nor just watch and not pray, but we must do both. You must pray and ask God to help you and then watch and see that you let God help you by being careful that you obey the Bible.

Our lesson today tells us about how the prophets and teachers were fasting and praying. God spoke to them and told them to send Saul and Barnabas out preaching the Gospel and telling others about Jesus who will save from sin. They were called missionaries.

Saul (whom they called Paul), and Barnabas got on a ship and sailed away. They stopped at different places and preached the gospel. Once they stopped at an island and the deputy of the island wanted them to tell him about Jesus. There also was a wicked man and he tried to get the deputy not to listen to the missionaries. Paul rebuked him and told him he was obeying the devil and was an enemy of the right. Paul told him that the hand of the Lord was upon him and he would be blind for a while. And immediately he could not see and tried to get some one to lead him. When the deputy saw this he was astonished and believed on Jesus.

Many of the Jews would not hear the word of God as Paul and Barnabas went from place to place so Paul and Barnabas told them that they would spend their time preaching to the Gentiles.

We want to help others to find the Lord but one thing we do not want to do and that is to say or do anything that will keep someone from believing in God or we will be punished.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 1, January 3, 1960

FIRST MISSIONARIES

Acts 13: 1-4, 13, 14, 44-49

1 Now there were in the church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.

2 As they ministered to the Lord, and

fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.

3 And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.

4 So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost, departed unto Seleucia; and from thence they sailed to Cyprus.

13 Now when Paul and his company loosed from Paphos, they came to Perga in Pamphylia: and John departing from them returned to Jerusalem.

14 But when they departed from Perga they came to Antioch in Pisidia, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and sat down.

44 And the next sabbath day came almost the whole city together to hear the word of God.

45 But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy, and spake against those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and blaspheming.

46 Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles.

47 For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.

48 And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.

49 And the word of the Lord was published throughout all the region.

Memory Verse: Repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations. Luke 24:47.

Central Truth: Jesus loves all the boys and girls in the world.

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Part Two

January 10

Be Strong

"Why are you crying?"

Mother asked little May.

"No time for sighing—
Just run out and play."

"Faye doesn't like me,
'Cause for Jesus' sake.

His ways she can't see,
Kindness she won't take."

"Oh, be strong, my dear,
God will help you out.

Now dry every tear,
And never, never doubt.

—Marie Miles.

Our Family Hour

"Hurry up, James, and sit down. Mother promised to tell us a new recipe in our family hour tonight. I do want to hear it."

"You mean we're going to talk about cooking and things like that instead of Bible verses?"

"I don't really know, but I believe it will be interesting to try."

"Oh, Mother, we're trying to guess

your new recipe," said Janice as Mother entered the room. "Do hurry and tell us."

"The name of it is

'Fruited Love Knots' "

"That's a funny name for food. How do you make it. May we make some tonight?"

"Just wait until I complete it: use one clean heart and then add a large amount of the following:

Faith — belief in God and His Word

Virtue — purity

Knowledge — learning the Word of God

Temperance — self control

Patience — calm, long suffering

Godliness — God-like; Christ-like

Mix the above with brotherly kindness and then top heavily with charity 2 Peter 1:5-8. You may take as many helpings as you desire, daily. By doing so, you will never be undernourished (unfruitful).

"You ask when we may try it, perhaps we should begin tonight. Some of these terms you may not fully understand, so I think you should get your New Testaments out and read in

Peter. Each night this week we'll take one of these ingredients and discuss the meaning so that you'll understand more clearly the recipe. Tomorrow night we'll talk about the first one: Faith.

—O. A. Davenport

PAY DAY

It is sad to see the disrespect shown to older people by the youth of today. We laugh as someone passes a silly remark in mockery of an aged person. We think it's a big joke when an older person is outwitted and put to confusion by someone who should know better. Perhaps it has never entered your head that what you are sowing now you will be reaping later on. While it may be that the crowds laugh with you now, remember pay day is coming.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

When Henry returned to his mother, he said, "I have not forgotten what you told me when you gave me the geranium, that we must 'do good, hoping for nothing again.' I don't expect any pay back from Mikey. I shall have to go without my tools this winter."

"I don't think you will ever be sorry for what you have done for the poor boy," answered his mother. "I have lived a great many years longer than you, and I have never yet been sorry for a good action. It would have been very cold-hearted and cruel in you to have let a poor child suffer from cold when you could prevent it by denying yourself some playthings."

"What do you think Mikey would have done if we had not given him the shoes?" asked Henry.

"Some one else might have given him

a pair; but most likely he would have picked up some old things to cover his feet, which would have been almost as bad as nothing, or perhaps worse. Poor children often suffer very much from old, slipshod, leaky shoes, which were never made for them, and are unfit for any wear. I saw a little girl on the Common the other day who was very lame. She was carrying a large basket of freshly-ironed clothes, and it seemed as much as she could do to get along with her cumbersome load. I pitied her; and, as I came up with her, I asked her what made her so lame.

"I had very bad shoes, ma'am," she answered, "and my feet would be wet almost all the time; so I got a bad pain in my back one night, and I was very sick; and when I got well I could hardly walk, and have been lame ever since."

"How long were you sick?"

"O, I couldn't leave the bed all winter and more. It was seven or eight months I was lying there."

"Did you go to the hospital?" I asked.

"No, ma'am; I did not," she answered.

"And who took care of you?"

"My mother."

"Ah," thought I, "what trouble, what distress, what lifelong deprivation, just for the want of a pair of shoes for the child!"

"You can't run any more, can you?" I said pityingly, as some merry children with hoops and skipping ropes bounded by us.

"No, ma'am," she said. "I used to run very fast; but I can't any more."

There was no more lightfooted joy for her; and her look, so old, and worn, and saddened before her time, showed that she knew it.

"Where do you live?" I asked her.

"In C — Street."

"And where are you carrying these clothes?"

"To S—— Street."

It was half across the town; and, as the little girl hobbled on with her clumsy basket, I thought of the long, weary walk home again, and wondered if there was anything, when she should get there, to cheer her and make her glad. Poor thing! I feared not. I feared there was too much work, weariness, and poverty there for that. It needs a great deal of hope, and patience, and trust in God for the very poor to be cheerful and happy. I thought, too, of the many foolish toys and ornaments which many children have, the price of one of which might have spared to this young girl the free and happy use of her limbs, and saved the poor washerwoman so much care and trouble and anxiety on account of her child.

"Had the little girl good shoes on when you saw her, mamma?" asked Henry.

"Yes, I noticed that she had; and her stockings looked warm. No doubt her mother will keep her feet well clad now, even if she goes barefooted herself."

"I should think she would," said Henry.

"The poor are generally very kind and generous among themselves. I have heard it said that they do more for each other than other classes do for them. There would, no doubt, be far more suffering among them if it were not for the little timely helps they give each other."

"Why, how can they?"

"By effort and self-denial. I have a very good story, which shows what a poor boy could do when influenced by a spirit of love and sympathy. If you would like to read it, and will hand me my portfolio I will find it for you."

Henry gave his mother her portfolio; and she found therein the story which makes the next chapter.

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"Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right." Eph. 6:1.

Search Question

Who was known as the father of those that handle the harp and organ?

Answer to Last Week's Question
Seth. Gen. 4:25

Dear boys and girls,

I trust that you boys and girls obey your parents. You do not know just how much they have done for you. When they want you to come straight home from school they are thinking of the many dangers that could come upon you if you were allowed to come when you thought best. When you are older you will understand it better and thank God they were so careful with you. Some parents do not love their children and do not care if they get into trouble. They just let them play along and other boys and girls fight with them and get them into trouble. I'm glad your mother and daddy love you, aren't you?

Paul and Barnabas continued to tell the people about Jesus. Many of them worshipped idols made out of stone or metals. Some worshipped the sun, moon, and stars. Oh, how Paul and Barnabas wanted them to worship the true and living God!

They went to some cities and preached the gospel. At one place (Acts 14:6-18) a man came to hear them that had been crippled from a tiny baby. He was listening to them tell about how Jesus saved the soul and healed the body. As he listened he began to think about how wonderful it would be to be healed and then he thought if God had healed others he could heal him. His faith began to take hold of God and Paul looked at him and saw that he had faith to be healed and he spoke to him and said for him to stand upon his feet. That was all he needed and he arose leaping and walking, praising the Lord. Now all the people saw this and they began to cry aloud that the gods had come down to them. They named Paul Mercurius and Barnabas they called Jupiter. They called the priests of their gods to come with oxen and garlands and would have done sacrifice to Paul and Barnabas, but they would not let the people. Paul and Barnabas did not want them to honor them because they did not heal, but God did. They begged them to listen to them, telling them they were just men like they, but that God who made the heavens and earth, the sea and all things was the One that blessed them and that they should serve Him. Finally they persuaded them to not offer sacrifice to them.

Later some Jews came to the people at that place and told them that Paul and Barnabas were wicked men. The People believed them and stoned Paul and drug him outside the city thinking him to be dead. The disciples stood around him and God healed him. He arose and went back into the city. God was not through with Paul yet.

I'm glad that we know the true God and are serving Him, aren't you?

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 2, January 10, 1960 HELPING THE CHURCHES

Acts 14:19-28

19 And there came thither certain Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the people, and, having stoned Paul, drew him out of the city, supposing he had been dead.

20 Howbeit, as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and came into the city: and the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.

21 And when they had preached the gospel to that city, and had taught many, they returned again to Lystra, and to Iconium, and Antioch,

22 Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.

23 And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.

24 And after they had passed throughout Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia.

25 And when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down into Attalia:

26 And thence sailed to Antioch, from whence they had been recommended to the grace of God for the work which they fulfilled.

27 And when they were come, and had gathered the church together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles.

28 And there they abode long time with the disciples.

Memory Verse: The Lord direct your hearts into the love of God. 2 Thess. 3:5.

Central Truth: We can help only those who will let us.

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January 17

A Better Way

Moses's law was very good:
Spotless lambs were killed each
year

For sins committed, it stood,
Taking away all their fear.

Before God's Son we bow,
Who died upon the cross;
No lamb is needed now:
Jesus has paid the cost.

By the law we do not live,
But Jesus' words we obey;
Lives and hearts to Him we give,
And to Him we often pray.

—Marie Miles.

Our Family Hour

(FAITH)

"I trust you children haven't forgotten our discussion."

"Oh, no, Mother, even though we've had to stop while our revival was on, we haven't forgotten about the fruited love knots. The recipe is found in 2 Peter 1:5, 6, and we were just beginning with Faith."

"James, can you tell me in your own words what real faith is?"

"Yes, faith is believing what you do not see."

"That is correct and real faith believes the word of God. Even since our last family hour I've had to exercise some faith. You remember the night we came in from service? I could hardly get to bed fast enough and no sooner had I lain down on the bed than I was impressed of the Lord to get up and resist my sickness. It took faith to obey the command of the Lord, but I did, and the Lord wonderfully blessed.

"I should like for one of you children to tell me about an experience you have had."

"Last month we were in a real rain storm and I began to get afraid until I remembered the verse we had read in devotion about the Lord preserving our going out and our coming in. When I thought of that scripture, I just knew nothing was going to happen to us and forgot all about being afraid."

"You had faith in the Lord and his

word, didn't you Janice? That's a wonderful thing."

Since we seem to have a knowledge of faith, we'll talk about Virtue in our next devotion. Good night children."

O. A. Davenport.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

JUDY'S SHOES

Jemmy had a pair of decent shoes; but Judy's were all out at the toes and run down at the heels. Wretched things they were; and she could hardly keep them on her feet.

Jemmy had to have good shoes, or his feet would have frozen while he was going about the streets and wharves in the cold winter weather, gathering wood for the fire at home; and so his father, though very poor, made out to buy him some. But Judy's work was to help her mother in the house; so she was left to go nearly barefoot; and though her feet were very cold on the floor, which was full of great wind-whistling cracks, yet they were not cold enough to freeze.

But she could hardly step into the street with such shoes as she had, and could never have any out-door enjoyment. Poor children think it a pleasure just to go to the grocery on a trifling errand; for it delights their eyes to see the sacks of ripe, juicy apples, the baskets of rich nuts and luscious oranges, and dates and raisins, there temptingly displayed. They like to see the good things, even if they cannot have them. But Judy's shoes were so bad she could not even go to the grocery.

When Jemmy came home she would ask him all about what he had seen, about the swift-running sleighs, and

the jingling sleigh bells, and snow-balling, and the snow men, the sliding, and sledding, and coasting. She wanted to know, too, about the Christmas shows in the shop windows, and the new toys; and Jemmy kindly told her; but he pitied her that she was so shut up in one little room, and could see and know so little of the merriment of winter life out doors.

He wondered if there was no way to get her a pair of shoes. He studied and contrived how he might buy her some himself. He often looked most longingly in the shop windows at the little shoes hung up for show; and one day he went in and asked the price of a pair which he thought would fit Judy. They were half a dollar—more money than Jemmy had ever had at once; but he had a brave heart. He would try and buy them; for he loved Judy,—she was a dear sister to him,—and he should so like to make her glad.

Heavy snows were falling now almost every week; and Jemmy thought he was large enough to clear them off the sidewalks, and in this way earn a half dollar; but he had no shovel. The neighbors had shovels; but it was just at snowfalling that they wanted them most. And it was then, too, he had to work the hardest himself; for wood was less easily found, and more of it was burned. But he could get a large store before hand, so that there would be no need to go in search of it at the next snowfall; and then he could clear sidewalks, if he only had a shovel.

At last he hit upon a plan by which he thought he could get the use of one. The grocery man had one which he would not use after his own walk was cleared. Now, Jemmy would clear it for him, on condition that he would loan him the shovel afterwards.

He looked anxiously to see the sky grow misty, and, on getting up one morning, was glad to find that the air was full of snow. There had been a fine fall during the night, and it lay quite deep in the streets.

Jemmy hurried to the grocery to make the offer he had planned. The grocer was glad to accept it; for he thought Jemmy was honest and that he would return the shovel.

Jemmy was but a small boy, and the shovel was large and made of heavy iron; it was, therefore, very slow as well as very hard and tiresome work for him to clear off the snow with it; but his purpose gave him strength and energy, and he did his best. The grocery stood on a corner, too, so that there was a great deal of shoveling to be done there; and when it was finished, and he started off to look for other work, he found the shovels in operation every where and almost every sidewalk half cleared.

He began to fear that he had lost his morning's labor and that his plan would fail. But he did not give up. He went through every street and court in the neighborhood, and at last engaged a job at the end of a narrow court where the snow was very much drifted. The shovelers had all wanted ten cents or more for this job, because it was so heavy; but six cents was all the woman who lived there would give; and it was, therefore, left till Jemmy bargained to do it. It was harder than that at the grocery, and took almost as long a time; but he was full of hope and energy.

— To be continued —

Search Question

Who was the second murderer recorded in the Bible?

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Answer to Last Week's Question

Jubal. Gen. 4:21.

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Dear boys and girls,

If we lived during the time of our lesson and could listen to the conversations of a Jewish boy, a Gentile boy, and a Christian Gentile boy I think the conversation would be like the following: "I like to eat the meat that is offered on the altar to God who is up in heaven," said the Jewish boy. "I don't think it would be good at all; but the meat that is offered on the altar to our great idol, Diana, is very good," said the Gentile boy. "I don't want to eat either one because someone might think I believed we should worship idols or should keep the law of Moses and offer a lamb to God for our sins, when I know that Jesus was the Lamb of God—offered once and for all time for our sins," said the Gentile Christian boy.

In our lesson today there were some Jews who wanted to make the Christian Gentiles keep some of the laws of Moses. There arose such a stir about it that Paul, Barnabas, and others went up to Jerusalem where the apostles and elders were to help them decide the question.

Paul, Barnabas, and others were received of the church at Jerusalem and the question was asked whether or not

the Christian Gentile should be commanded to keep the law of Moses. Some thought they should but Peter spoke reminding the brethren that God had accepted the Gentiles and gave them the Holy Spirit just as he had given him to them. He said he did not think a yoke of keeping the law of Moses, which none of them could keep, should be put on the Gentile Christian. He said that we are saved through Jesus Christ even as they. Then the group kept still and listened to Paul tell of the miracles and wonders done among the Gentiles and how God had blessed them.

James, who seemed to be the pastor of the Jerusalem church of God, arose and spoke, saying, "I feel we should write them that if they will not eat meat offered to idols nor things strangled, nor blood, and not commit fornication that that will be acceptable to God and us." This seemed to please all the church at Jerusalem. A letter was written and men of good report were chosen from among them to go with Paul and Barnabas and their company to deliver it. So the question was settled.

It is good for boys and girls who have questions to go to the right ones to help them decide what is right. You can go to your pastor, Sunday school teacher, or any Christian who has lived a good life and they can tell you what is the right way to take.

—Aunt Marie.

Lesson 3, January 17, 1959

QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Acts 15:1-2, 12-21

1 And certain men which came down from Judea taught the brethren, and said, Except ye be circumcised after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved.

2 When therefore Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and disputation

with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, should go up to Jerusalem unto the apostles and elders about this question.

12 Then all the multitude kept silence, and gave audience to Barnabas and Paul, declaring what miracles and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles by them.

13 And after they had held their peace, James answered, saying, Men and brethren, hearken unto me:

14 Simeon hath declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for his name.

15 And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written,

16 After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up:

17 That the residue of men might seek after the Lord, and all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called, saith the Lord, who doeth all these things.

18 Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world.

19 Wherefore my sentence is, that we trouble not them, which from among the Gentiles are turned to God:

20 But that we write unto them, that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and from fornication, and from things strangled, and from blood.

21 For Moses of old time hath in every city them that preach him, being read in the synagogues every sabbath day.

Memory Verse: A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels. Prov. 1:5.

Central truth: It is good to ask for help to answer some questions.

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Part Four

January 24

The Jailer

"It's an earthquake," cried the jailer,
"Doors are open; pris'ners all gone!
My life I'll take for this failure,
For them I stand all alone."

Paul cried out, "Do thyself no harm,
We are all here, the Lord heard
prayer."

God took away his alarm—
His life to take he didn't dare.

Said, as upon his knees he fell,
"What must I do to be saved?
About Jesus they did tell,
"He's the One your heart has
craved."

—Marie Miles.

Is Your Life Up Or Down

Mother listened to her four year old son, Aundree, play funeral. Of course Aundree had to play different parts of the funeral service himself. As the service was under way, Aundree said, "I've got to write how she lived." When he began writing his sister, Yvonne, said, "Mother, he's not writ-

ing, he's just going up and down." Mother thought of many people who live up and down lives so she decided to check the marks Aundree made and the last mark ended down.

Aundree did not realize what a good lesson he portrayed during his play. Eccl. 11:3b says, "If the tree fall toward the south, or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be."

We should be very careful to live a life that is up to the Word of God so that death will not catch us with the mark pointing down.

—Annie Bell Allen.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

Continued from previous issue

When he took the six cents, though it was small pay, he grumbled not a bit in word or heart. He even felt well paid. He had made a beginning. The little silver piece looked very bright to him; for it was so much towards Judy's shoes.

The next two days he was very diligent in getting wood; for he heard

people say another storm was coming, and he wanted to be ready for it.

It came as foretold; and Jemmy hurried again to the grocer to hire the shovel as before. The grocer was willing to loan it to him; and Jemmy cleared off his walk. He then went to the little court to get the six-cent job there. He was fortunate enough to find an easier one on the way; and, hurrying with all his might, he got it done in time to do the job in the court too.

He felt very happy this morning, almost triumphant, as he pocketed his twelve cents—so much more toward the shoes.

When he returned the shovel, the grocer said to him, "Well Jem, how many walks did you clear this morning?"

"Two, sir, besides yours."

"And how much money did you get?"

"Twelve cints, sir."

"And how much did you get the other day?"

"Six cints, sir."

"Have you spent it?"

"No, sir."

"What are you going to spend it for?"

Jemmy hung his head. He hesitated to tell.

"Apples and gingerbread, I s'pose," said the grocer.

Jemmy looked up half indignant.

"I want to buy my sister some shoes," he said.

"Really, are you the boy for that?"

"My sister's shoes are very bad, sir."

"Well, Jem," said the grocer, "I guess I owe you a dime. I think it's worth a nickle besides the use of the shovel to clear off my great walk; don't you think so?"

"I am glad to get the shovel, sir,"

said Jemmy.

"Well, here's a dime for you."

"Thank you, sir," said Jemmy.

What a lucky day that was for Jemmy! He had now more than half enough for the shoes.

A boy who was in the store, and saw Jemmy receive the money, hurried after him as he went out and joined him.

"How much money have you got, Jem? How much have you got?"

"I haven't counted it yit," said Jemmy.

"Let me see it. I'll count it for you," said the boy.

"I can count it meself," said Jemmy, walking straight along.

Some boys, proud of having so much money, would have been foolish enough to take it out of their pockets and make a great show of it, and so run the chance of losing it or having it snatched away from them by bad boys, and stolen; but Jemmy would run no such risk.

"Come, Jem," said the other boy; "I know your pockets are full. Come, I'll go halves with you for a fine nut cracking."

"I don't want to spend my money for nuts," said Jemmy; "I wouldn't be driving the sweat out of me over the snow shovel sich a day as this for a few nuts."

"And I wouldn't have taken ye for sich a mean stingy. I took ye for a jinrous feller," answered the other. "You may keep your old coppers till they're gone with the rust." And, giving Jem a push that sent him to the ground, he turned and ran away.

It was hard for Jemmy to be called stingy or thought so; hard to be treated so badly too; but he got up, and, finding his money all safe in his pocket, went quietly home. He had only to look at poor Judy's feet to

forget the ill treatment he had received.

The next snow storm he was as successful as at the last. When he returned the shovel this time, the grocer said to him,—

"Well, Jem, what luck today?"

"I cleared two walks besides yours again, sir."

"And how much money for them?"

"Twilve cints, sir."

"And how much of the other have you spent?"

"Not a cint, sir."

"Then how much have you in all?"

"I have 18 cints, and the dime you gave me, sir, and the twilve cints today, sir."

"And how much is that?"

"I couldn't count it quick, sir."

"Well, let's see," said the grocer, counting. "It's forty cents, Jem. Will that buy the shoes?"

"The shoes are fifty cints, sir; please, sir, how much, then, is lacking for the shoes?" asked Jemmy.

"Ten cents," replied the grocer; "and I guess I'm owing you as much as that this morning," he added, giving Jemmy the money.

"Thank you, sir," said Jemmy; "thank you, sir."

"Now go quick and buy the shoes; and here are some apples to eat after the shoes are bought. When I see that a boy is above picking my groceries and pilfering in a small way, I like to give him a good thing."

"Thank you, sir," said Jemmy again. And, with a quick step and light heart, he went home for the rest of his money, and then for the shoes.

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Search Question

The first man on earth lived to be how old?

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Answer to Last Week's Question
Lamech. Gen. 4:23

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Dear boys and girls,

Paul and Silas, the missionaries, did not know where to go to preach the gospel only when the Holy Spirit spoke to them. They obeyed and went to the riverside where some women met to pray. They told them about Jesus and His power to save. Lydia, who was a seller of cloth was very glad to hear the gospel. She opened her heart and accepted Jesus. Paul baptized her and all of her household. She then invited Paul and Silas to stay in her home.

It is important to obey the Holy Spirit. Maybe the Holy Spirit would want you to give someone some tracts that told them about Jesus. Maybe you could take some flowers to a man or woman who was sick and could not get out of bed. While there you could tell them Jesus loves them. Maybe you could go to the store for the neighbor woman who is busy. In this way we are being missionaries. When we do good things for others then they know we love them and we can tell them about Jesus. I know a little girl who stopped by to see Blind Auntie on her way home from the store. While she was there she was able to bring some sunshine into her room. Blind Auntie had something to think

about for a long time. Let us work for Jesus because the things we do for Jesus are the things that will count in heaven.

Paul prayed for a girl who had a bad spirit and the Lord delivered her. She was a fortune teller. Her masters were angry with Paul because she was delivered. They went into the marketplace and stirred up the people against Paul and Silas. Finally they found themselves in jail with their backs bleeding. But did they cry and mourn about it? No, they began to sing praises to God and pray. At midnight the jail was opened by an earthquake. The jailer started to kill himself because he was held responsible for the prisoners. Paul told him to do himself no harm because they were all there. He was so touched that he fell on his knees and wanted to get saved. Paul told him to believe on the Lord Jesus and he would be saved. God wonderfully saved him and his whole house.

It surely pays to pray when in trouble, doesn't it? God will help us out in ways that we will be surprised about. Oh, how happy the jailer was and also his family. Now he had Jesus in his heart. If you will believe on Jesus he will save you also. There is no better way to live than for Jesus. Aunt Marie

Lesson 4, January 24, 1960

NEW FRIENDS OF JESUS

Acts 16:22-34

22 And the multitude rose up together against them: and the magistrates rent off their clothes, and commanded to beat them.

23 And when they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast them into the prison, charging the jailer to keep them safely:

24 Who, having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks.

25 And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.

26 And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed.

27 And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison doors open, he drew out his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing that the prisoners had been fled.

28 But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here.

29 Then he called for a light and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas,

30 And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?

31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

32 And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house.

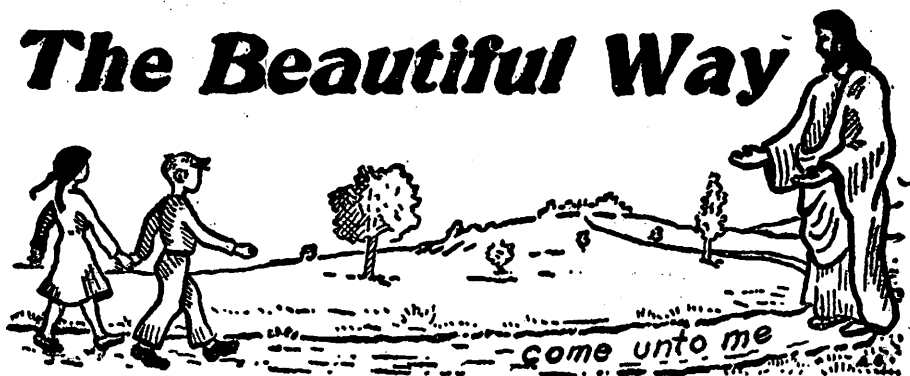
33 And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway.

34 And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.

Memory Verse: Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, Acts 16:31.

Central Truth: When people believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and are saved, their lives are changed.

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Part Five

January 31

The Known God

The heathen boy did bow
Before the unknown god:
A monkey or a cow,
As through this life he prod.

For him they couldn't do
What God can do for us:
God saves us through and through,
In Him we always trust.

Our God is not unknown,
To us He's very real,
Never leaves us alone,
Our bodies He does heal.

—Marie Miles.

Our Family Hour

(VIRTUE)

We are to talk about virtue tonight, children. Get your school dictionary, James, and tell me the meaning of it."

"The dictionary gives as its meaning: 'Purity and goodness.' "

"That's a very good meaning. When we think of something pure we think of it as being clean, don't we? We

wash our outside body, take baths and keep our hair combed. That's cleanliness.

We take great thought of the food we eat, making sure it is well prepared and unspoiled. We are careful about where our food came from. If it doesn't look just right, we refuse it.

But there is another part of us that we must take care of if we want to grow up to be virtuous. Did you know, boys and girls, that we have a mind that we need to be just as careful about feeding as we do our bodies? Now we know that if we do not have the proper diet we will become sick. Some children even die from eating the wrong type of food. Sometimes they drink poison unintentionally and die. Likewise, children, if we feed our minds with the foolishness and filthiness around us we, too, become sick in a spiritual way. By reading impure books—and much is to be found in some of the comics and funny papers. Our minds become poisoned and we think impure thoughts. This leads to other things

and hinders us from leading a virtuous life.

"When you are tempted to look at, or read something that seems the least impure, think like this: if I saw a fairly good piece of candy in the garbage can with flies around it, I wouldn't eat it, so likewise I will not feed my mind on anything that comes from Satan's garbage cans.

I wish I could impress you with the thought of thinking, reading, and seeing only that which is pure. When you see impure things do not take the second look." O. A. D.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

He found a pair that he was quite sure would suit Judy, and purchased them. What great joy was his! His end was accomplished, and Judy would be so happy! What a surprise he would give her, for she knew nothing of what he had been doing. He had kept everything from her; for, if he did not succeed, he did not want her to be disappointed.

On his way from the shop, the boy who had pushed him down saw him, and called out, "Hey, old stingy bones, how are you?" But he did not heed him. The bundle he carried told him he was not stingy. Something within told him so too. If God and our own hearts whisper to us pleasant things, we need not care for the sneers, and gibes, and revilings of evil persons.

When Jemmy opened his bundle and handed the shoes to Judy, she was greatly delighted as well as surprised.

"Ain't they good ones?" she exclaimed; "so warm and strong!

Where did ye git them?"

When his mother saw them, she, too, asked, "Where did ye git them? Sure ye didn't find a pair, and this jist to fit Judy. There niver was sich luck. And who would ever give ye such a fine pair as that?"

"Why, I bought them meself," answered Jemmy.

"Now, don't be jokin', Jem. Say, where did ye git them?"

"Sure I did buy them meself, with me own money," persisted Jemmy.

"And ye to buy thim, whin ye niver had so much money in your life!" said his mother, still doubting.

But when Jemmy told her all, and that he had been hard at work when she thought he had been snowballing and sliding with other boys, she lifted up her hands, exclaiming, "God bliss ye! Ye're the joy o' my life, Jem!"

It would have been hard to tell which was happiest, Jemmy or Judy, as the shoes were tried on and found to be a perfect fit.

Then the grocer's apples were produced; and, as they all ate them together, they thought them the best they had ever tasted.

Jemmy was rewarded a thousand fold for his goodness to Judy. He felt newly paid every time he saw her walking pleasantly along the street, or playing with other little girls, or heard her firm step, so different from the skuff skuff of her old slipshod shoes.

One day, before the winter was over, as he was passing the grocery, he heard some one calling him,—

"Jem! Jem! Come in here!"

It was the grocer. He told Jemmy that he wanted a boy to sweep the store, clean the sidewalk before it, and help his man answer orders and deliver packages.

"You're a smart boy and a good one, Jem, willing to work, self-denying, and generous," he said, "and you may have the place. It will be a dollar and a half a week for you."

"Thank you, sir," said Jemmy. "I shall be very glad to work for you. I'll speak to me father, and then I'll come to you."

Jemmy's father was very glad to have him accept the grocer's offer. The dollar and a half would be a great help to them, he said, and they would be able to buy with it now and then a load of good fuel.

So Jemmy went to work in the grocery; and he not only helps his poor parents with his wages, but is learning many useful things. He can already reckon rapidly more than the price of a pair of shoes; he can weigh and measure; and is so careful, and thoughtful, and desirous to do well that he will some time, no doubt, be a good grocer himself.

"And then I shall buy my groceries of him," said Henry, playfully. "Isn't Jemmy a fine character? Sometimes I think I should like to be a poor boy and do some generous and noble thing."

"You need not be poor for that," said Mrs. Day. "You can be generous and noble as well as Jemmy, though perhaps not exactly in the same way. Whatever may be your lot in life, you will, no doubt, find opportunities to perform all the worthy actions of which you are capable."

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Search Question

To whom did God promise that he would not curse the ground for man's sake?

Answer to Last Week's Question
(Adam); 930 years. Gen. 5:5

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Dear boys and girls,

Did you know that today there are people in the world who are worshipping an idol made of stone and others of other materials? In Japan there was a woman whose son gave his heart to the Lord and quit worshipping the idol called Budda. This woman was so amazed at the change in her son that she became interested in the gospel of Jesus Christ. But she did not want to quit worshipping Budda. She wanted to worship Budda and Jesus too. One night after the service the missionary felt led to talk to the woman. He felt that she desired to give her heart to Jesus. Together they sat down with a Bible and in simple Japanese he explained anew to her what she must do to be saved. He asked her if she was ready to live for Jesus and she replied that a few days before she had cast away her idols and that she believed in the living God. They bowed in prayer and with tears she confessed her many sins and received Jesus as her Saviour. God blotted out the sins that had grown to be a big amount over the 51 years. She now was very happy and took her place in the family of God. She no longer bowed to Budda which was just an image that could not help her.

In our lesson Paul dealt with people like this dear woman. They worshipped images. Paul was in the city of Athens

on Mars' hill. There he saw many images that the people worshipped. There was one altar and on it was written, "To the unknown God." God spoke to them about the true and living God which was unknown to them. He told them that the God of heaven made the world and everything in it. Can you tell me how many days it took Him? Yes, it was six days. Then Paul told them that a God so wonderful and big could not and would not live in some little old temple built by man. Even the biggest building in the world could not hold Him. Paul went on to tell them that God was not worshipped with man's hands. That is one reason we do not use musical instruments in our chapels to worship God. "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." (John 4:24). The worship that God accepts is that love and praise that comes from the depths of our hearts. Before the New Testament and the Holy Spirit came they used instruments in worshipping God but in the New Testament church we do not hear of it. One would have been out of place when Peter preached on the day of Pentecost and thousands were saved.

Paul told them that God gave to all life and breath and all things, and we should worship Him. Today God is unknown to many because they do not believe he can heal, save, or keep them from sinning. I'm glad I know the true and living God, aren't you?

—Aunt Marie.

Lesson 5, January 31, 1960

TEACHING ABOUT GOD

Acts 17:10-12, 22-23, 29-34.

10 And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who coming thither went into the synagogue of the Jews.

11 These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.

12 Therefore many of them believed; also of honourable women which were Greeks, and of men, not a few.

22 Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious.

23 For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.

29 Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device.

30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

31 Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.

32 And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said, We will hear thee again of this matter.

33 So Paul departed from among them.

34 Howbeit certain men clave unto him, and believed: among the which was Dionysius the Areopagite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.

Memory Verse: Walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory. 1 Thess. 2:12.

Central Truth: People who know about God and the way of salvation should give heed to His messages.

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Part Six

February 7

Don't Look at The Crowd

No one seems to like me
'Cause I love my Lord.
Wish I like Paul could be
And not become so bored.

He loved the Lord and faced
The wicked, cruel crowd;
He never was abased
Tho they all shouted loud.

I know what I will do,
I'll not look at the crowd.
God will see me through,
'Cause to Him I've bowed.
—Marie Miles.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

THE DOVES

It was not more than a month after Mikey had received the shoes, that Martha, Mrs. Day's maid, came up stairs to say that the "wood sawyer's boy was in the kitchen with a great box of a thing, and wanted to see Henry."

Henry went to the kitchen; and there was Mikey, smiling and looking happy enough.

"Good morning to ye!" he said. "I thought ye might be pleased with the doves when ye were so kind to me."

"Doves!" said Henry, laughing. "Have you got some doves?"

Mikey raised a little slide which was on one side of his box, so that Henry could look in; and there were two as pretty doves as he had ever seen—one as white as milk, and the other spotted with black, with a pretty green and violet neck.

"I've brought them for ye, if your mother don't care," said Mikey.

"And where could I keep them?" asked Henry.

"Sure, I made the house to go wid' em," said Mikey.

Henry's mother said he might take the doves; and then there seemed no end to his questions about them.

"And it's painted so nice!" said Henry.

"Sure the strong shoes got me some fine chances in shoveling snow," said Mikey; "so I could pay for a drop of

paint."

"Is your own bird house painted so nicely?" asked Henry.

"Ay, sure, it's no matter for the like o' me; and the birds would never be carin'," said Mikey.

Mikey gave full directions as to the treatment of the birds; and, when Henry's father came home, he fastened their house in the window of a back attic.

Henry kept his birds shut up for a fortnight, feeding them well with crumbs from the kitchen and giving them fresh water every day. Sometimes he would take them out of their house, feed them from his hand, and show them to his sisters, who were delighted with them and liked to hold them.

The little girls handled them very carefully; and the birds grew to be so tame that they were not afraid to be with them, and would even fly upon their shoulders and arms.

Henry called the little white bird Rosy; and the spotted one Daisy. Susy thought Rosy the prettiest; and she would wrap a handkerchief around it for a shawl, leaving only its head uncovered, and then walk softly around the room with it, and rock it and sing to it as if it were a doll.

When the birds had been shut up so long that they had become accustomed to their new home and had learned to like it, Henry opened their window one fine day to let them fly out. They seemed to think this very strange at first; but after a time approached the window cautiously and looked out. Then they went upon the step outside and flew off a little distance.

They hardly knew how to use their liberty. They looked carefully about

them to see where they were; flew here and there as if to try their powers, looking all around them at each new point of observation; and finally they spread their wings and soared far away out of sight, behind the high houses.

Henry and his sisters watched them with a pleased and eager interest till they took this long flight, and then they were afraid that they were quite gone forever.

"I'm sorry!" said Henry. "I think we have lost them. They have gone so far away they never can find their way back."

"I'm so sorry!" repeated Mary.

And little Susan began to cry.

"I don't want Wosy to go away. I want Wosy to come back again," she said.

The next day, at sunset, as Henry was sitting at a back window, what should he see but his dear little birds, alighting on the next roof in the rear! And then, spying their own little dwelling, they flew across to it, as if glad to get home.

He was not long in announcing the good news through the house, and then ran to give the little wanderers a plentiful supply of food.

Susy could hardly contain her joy.

"Wosy has come back again! Wosy has come back again!" she exclaimed, running about and clapping her little hands.

"Daisy has come back, too," said Mary. "Don't you care any thing about Daisy?"

"Wosy and Daisy have come back! Ain't thoo gad?" said Susy, running to her mother with the news for the third time.

"How did they know their way back when they went so far off and had

never been away from here before?" asked Mrs. Day.

It was a mystery to the children; and they asked her, "How did they know their way back?"

"Birds seem to see and mark the things which they pass, and go by these when they return," she answered.

"But they fly so fast I should not think they could notice anything or remember it again," said Henry.

"It does seem strange that they can; still it must be so," replied his mother. God has given every animal all the powers it needs, and some of these seem to us, who have them not and who have no need of them, very wonderful. It is beyond our comprehension that the little summer birds, who go south to avoid our cold winters and return to us again in the spring, should be able to come back to the same spot where they before lived and sung, though they have been thousands of miles away, over strange lands and seas, and over streams and forests innumerable."

"I think that is very wonderful," said Henry.

"Yes," said his mother; "and the more we learn of animals, the more we study their powers and habits, the more we shall see in them to excite our wonder and admiration. The same is true, also, of all the works of God. They all show forth his omnipotence and wisdom. 'Behold, they are very good.'"

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Search Question

Whom did Abraham marry after Sarah's death?

Answer to Last Week's Question
Noah. Gen. 8:21

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Dear boys and girls,

A minister said that one time after he had finished having a number of nights of meetings in a certain town a man came to him and said that he had enjoyed the meetings but that he was sorry he came. He went on to say that that week's meeting had brought afresh to him that he had missed God's best for him in life. He said that at one time he was called to take the gospel to Africa. He said that he thought he could earn enough money to take care of his passage and outfit. He thought it would be so much easier to do it that way. So he stayed and entered business. He said that today he owned a business. He had everything money could buy. He had a beautiful home, lovely wife and family. But he said that in his heart there was a void and a great emptiness. He said he considered his life a failure and all through the meetings he was reminded of that big failure. He said he knew that one day when he stood before God he would look back and know that his life was a big failure.

I feel sorry for that man, don't you? He had everything but he was not happy. He had failed to obey the Lord. He let his business keep him from taking the good news to Africa. God does not want us to do that. In our lesson we read that Paul was a tentmaker and he went to a

certain city and lived with a man and his wife who also were tentmakers. But we do not read that he stayed there and made tents and let others die without knowing that Jesus died on the cross to save them. Even though he made tents for a while he went to the synagogue every sabbath and tried to persuade the Jews and the Greeks that they should accept Jesus as their Saviour. We find that they would not believe in Jesus so Paul and the others refused to go there any more. They went to a man's house close by named Justus and preached to them, Jesus. They believed and even the chief ruler of the synagogue believed on Jesus and all his house. There were many of the Corinthians who believed. In the New Testament we have two books which Paul wrote later to them to help them. He referred to his visit with them and how he taught them in weakness and fear but with the power of the Holy Spirit. He told them that he told them about Jesus and how he was crucified for our sins. God blessed his preaching and souls were saved.

We want to be like Paul and obey the Lord and we will not be afraid to stand before God and look, with Him, back over our life. We will be clear because if it is lived for God it won't be a failure.

—Aunt Marie.

Lesson 6, February 7, 1960

GOD'S HELP IS SURE

Acts 18:1-11; 1 Cor. 2:1, 2

Acts 18:1 After these things Paul departed from Athens, and came to Corinth;

2 And found a certain Jew named Aquilla, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla; (because that Claudius had commanded all Jews to depart from Rome:) and came unto them.

3 And because he was of the same craft, he abode with them, and wrought: for by their occupation they were tent-makers.

4 And he reasoned in the synagogue every sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks.

5 And when Silas and Timotheus were come from Macedonia, Paul was pressed in spirit, and testified to the Jews that Jesus was Christ.

6 And when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, he shook his raiment, and said unto them, Your blood be upon your own heads; I am clean: from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles.

7 And he departed thence, and entered into a certain man's house, named Justus, one that worshipped God, whose house joined hard to the synagogue.

8 And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized.

9 Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace:

10 For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city.

11 And he continued there a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

1 Cor. 2:1 And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God.

2 For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

Memory Verse: Be ye steadfast, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. 1 Cor. 15:58.

Central Truth: God will bless us if we love Him best.

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Paul, Our Example

Paul went from place to place,
The gospel story took;
His travels we do trace
In God's blessed, good Book.

An example is he,
For you and even me;
Like Paul, we want to be
Others, Jesus help see.

I will tell all my friends
The rich, the poor and sad,
The good news we will send,
The world we'll help make glad.
—Marie Miles.

A Precious Pearl

Aunt Lou had just finished praying and reading in God's Holy Word. Her heart was filled with praises and good things from the Lord. She was very thankful for the gift God had given her. It was as a precious pearl to her. Yes, it was salvation that made her so happy.

In prayer Aunt Lou had asked the Lord to help her to witness for

Him. That morning as she left her apartment room she met a young lady. This lady had traveled for many miles, and was now looking for a job. Her car had broken down, so Aunt Lou offered to take her to town to help her find work. But her greatest desire was to tell her about the Lord and the precious pearl in her heart.

Aunt Lou and the young lady got in the car. They hadn't gone far when Aunt Lou said, "You know, I have something in my heart that not everybody knows about."

"Oh," said the young lady, "what's that?"

"It's a precious pearl, the pearl of great price."

The lady looked at Aunt Lou with great wonder. Aunt Lou began to tell her how she, too, could have the great gift, and testified how she was going to keep her valuable gift. The lady seemed not to know much about the precious pearl.

So boys and girls, it's up to us who have the gift to tell others about it. No doubt there are many who have

not heard about what we are enjoying in our hearts. Let's not keep it hid, but tell others. May God bless you.

Malinda Penner.

"Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it." Matt. 13:46.

Our Family Hour

(KNOWLEDGE)

"Good evening, children, we are still adding to our recipe. Tonight we are to add knowledge to our virtue which we said meant purity.

"James, what is knowledge?"

"The dictionary says that it is understanding or skill in anything. I suppose if we had real Bible knowledge we would understand the word of God."

"That is true. Now I don't expect you children to have as much understanding as I do but you should have some. That is why Mother always asks you to explain the Bible verses that you memorize, otherwise, they would have no meaning."

"No wonder our Sunday school teacher praised Mary Ann for learning and knowing the meaning of the four verses she learned. And I was thinking Doretha deserved the most praise for she had learned ten. Of course she didn't really know the meaning of but two."

"So you see, children, let's put more stress on understanding the words of the Bible.

"Some people brag about how many times they have read the Bible through. It's good to read the Bible through, but it will profit nothing if you do not understand it. It's better to read and understand one verse than to read ten without understanding. Good night, children."

O. A. D.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

"Won't you tell us more about birds?" asked Henry.

"Some of the most remarkable things which I know concerning them are told of varieties of the pigeon kind."

"Henry calls his birds pigeons, sometimes," said Mary.

"So they are," said Mrs. Day. "Doves are species of pigeons. It is said that the carrier pigeon may be hoodwinked or carried in a covered basket hundreds of miles from its home, even across seas, and yet it will return to it again. It will find it out by some unerring sagacity which we do not understand.

"The wild pigeon of this country is also an interesting bird. Its powers of flight and of seeing are surprising. It is, I believe, the most rapid of all birds on the wing. It has been shot down here with the rice of the South Carolina swamps still undigested in its stomach, showing that it must have travelled a thousand miles in a very short time. Though it flies so rapidly and at a great height above the ground, it can distinguish its food in its course, and descends when it finds it plentiful. But you had better read for yourself the history of birds; you will find it full of interest."

Henry's little doves never strayed away from home all night again. Though they often flew off very far out of sight, they always came back in good season.

The children were very desirous for the time when they should build their nest and lay their eggs. They had to wait for this several long months; but at last, one bright spring morning, they saw Daisy fly to his house with a straw in his mouth: then he

flew away, and soon returned with another straw. He was very active and full of business; but nothing was to be seen of Rosy.

On looking into the dove house, she was found to be as busily employed as Daisy in laying around her the straws he had brought; and the children were pretty sure that she was now making her nest. She stopped working when she saw them looking at her; so they went away and left her to herself.

Henry was afraid that Daisy would not be able to carry enough straws to make such a nest as Rosy would like; so he put a fine handful near the place where she was at work.

Daisy still carried straws for a few mornings; and then he seemed to have nothing more to do, but flew to his house, and down again, and then to his house, backwards and forwards, and swelled and strutted about as if he had grown greatly in importance.

Henry looked into the dove house; and, just then, Rosy flew off from her nest, and he saw a pretty white egg in it. He called his sisters to see it; and they both laughed for joy.

"Is it my egg? Will thoo give it to me?" asked Susy.

"It is Rosy's egg; we must not take it away from her," said Henry; "but if Rosy has a little bird, you shall have that."

"Will thoo take Wosy's little bird away?" asked Susy, looking sorrowful.

"No; we will let it live with her; but when it is large enough you shall take it sometimes and feed it and hold it, and it shall be yours."

"And I will call it Wosy," said Susy, her face all bright again. "And will my bird be hite?"

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more subscriptions to one address.

"I don't know," said Henry.

"I want my bird to be all hite,"
said Susy.

— To be continued —

Search Question

What did Moses do to make the bitter
water of Morah, sweet?

Answer to Last Week's Question
Keturah. Gen. 25:1

Dear boys and girls,

I'm so glad that I know about Jesus, the true and living Christ, aren't you? But there are people in the world who are still longing for something in their hearts. I read about one dear Japanese woman who worshipped the image, Buddha. One day her heart was longing for someone on whom to lean. She went to the temple and drew lots to see if she could not get some comfort. When she opened the little package which fell to her, a note said, "There is no help for you. Lean on your own shadow and go on." The poor woman was so confused, and lonelier than ever. She said that she looked at the great sun by day and the moon by night and felt there should be some one, somewhere, who would care for one so needy.

Later, as a missionary told her of our heavenly Father and of His love, she burst out with a joyful shout while tears of relief rolled down her face. "I thought

that there ought to be such a God. Oh, I have found Him at last!"

In the towns where Paul went there were not very many who were longing for the true and living God. They were satisfied with the great image, Diana, their goddess. They thought that the first image of Diana had fallen down from Jupiter. Of course it had happened, they claimed, so long ago that no one living had seen it happen. The people believed these false stories and many believed in the great image.

Paul and the missionaries tried to persuade the people that this was not true and that there was only one living God. Now Demetrius who was a silversmith and made silver shrines for Diana was afraid that if the people believed Paul that his business would fail. He was making good money, so he called the others who also made shrines and told them that their craft was in danger and that they needed to do something about it. When the others heard about it they were full of anger and ran out in the streets crying, "Great is Diana of the Ephesians." The whole city became alarmed and a big uproar started. Others joined the cry and they rushed into the theater where Diana was. In the rush they got two of the Christians and took them in with them and would have done them harm. After two hours the town clerk finally talked to them to calm down because they would get into trouble because of the uproar. He told them the law was open and they could plead their case then. He then dismissed the crowd.

God protected Paul and the Christians that day from great danger. Paul left after this and went into Greece. There he stayed three months.

—Aunt Marie.

PAUL'S WORK AT EPHEBUS

Acts 19:8-10, 23-28

8 And he went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months, disputing and persuading the things concerning the kingdom of God.

9 But when divers were hardened, and believed not, but spake evil of that way before the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples, disputing daily in the school of one Tyrannus.

10 And this continued by the space of two years; so that all they which dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks.

23 And the same time there arose no small stir about that way.

24 For a certain man named Demetrius, a silversmith, which made silver shrines for Diana, brought no small gain unto the craftsmen;

25 Whom he called together with the workmen of like occupation, and said, Sirs, ye know that by this craft we have our wealth.

26 Moverover ye see and hear, that not alone at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Aisa, this Paul hath persuaded and turned away much people, saying that they be no gods, which are made with hands:

27 So that not only this our craft is in danger to be set at nought; but also that the temple of the great goddess Diana should be despised, and her magnificence should be destroyed, whom all Asia and the world worshippeth.

28 And when they heard these sayings, they were full of wrath, and cried out, saying, Great is Diana of the Ephesians.

Memory Verse: Mightily grew the word of God and prevailed. Acts 19:20.

Central Truth: If evil becomes too great at one place, missionaries can flee to another.

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February 21

Johnny's Trials

One day Johnny lost his ball,
Next day Johnny had a fall;
On the day right after that
Johnny soiled his Sunday hat.

When these trials Johnny had
He felt very, very sad;
But when for him Daddy prayed,
Round his mouth the dimples played.

God will hear us when we pray,
Any time at night or day.
Be our trials great or small,
He will help us through them all.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

The next morning there was another egg in Rosy's nest, and Daisy sat upon it almost all day. A little before night Rosy took his place, so that he might get some food and water and rest himself by flying about; and through the night and the next morning she sat unmoved on her eggs till Daisy came to relieve her.

So they took turns in sitting on their eggs every day for a great many days, till at last the shells were broken and two little yellow-looking birds were to be seen.

Rosy and Daisy still sat on the nest, covering the tender things to keep them warm, and now and then feeding them from their bills till they were quite large and strong and were nearly covered with feathers. As soon as they could fly a little, Henry took them from the nest and gave them to his sisters.

There was "a hite one, all hite," such as Susy wanted; and Henry gave it to her. The other, which looked almost like Daisy, he gave to Mary.

Susy called her bird Effie. Mary named her bird Lightwing; for she said she was sure it would fly fast.

The little girls were very happy with their birds; and this made Henry happy too.

"How pretty doves are," he said; "and how I always am rewarded when I mind what God says! I did not hope for any thing from Mikey,

he's so poor; and yet he gave me just what suited me."

"I am glad," said his mother, "that you have proved that God's laws are excellent and that 'in keeping them there is great reward.' But there is a command about doing good which you might, perhaps, find somewhat harder to obey than the one, 'Do good, hoping for nothing again.' It is, 'Do good to those that hate you.'"

"I don't think any body hates me, mother."

"Perhaps not, now; but wicked people often hate others. Even Jesus Christ had enemies. There were those who hated him; yet he did them good, the greatest good possible. He prayed and labored for them, and finally died for their redemption.

"Do you think we could ever be like Jesus Christ?" asked Henry.

"We are told by one of his apostles that 'he left us an example, that we should follow his steps.'"

LITTLE EFFIE STOLEN

When the young bird's wings were grown so large and strong that they could fly a little, the parent birds called them out of the nest, and, flying a little way themselves, urged them to follow. They did so; but, when they tried to follow the old birds on a longer flight, little Effie missed her aim and was not able to alight: she fell to the ground, in a rear alley.

Henry saw her fall, and ran as fast as he could to pick her up; but he was too late. When he reached the spot a boy had already caught her, and would not give her to him. Henry told him the bird belonged to his little sister; but the boy only made a wry face at him.

"It certainly is my little sister's" said Henry; "and she will cry very

hard if you do not give it to me."

"Let her cry, then; for I'll do no such thing," said the bad boy, beginning to run.

Henry ran after him; but he could not overtake him; nor did he care to; for he would not have tried to obtain the bird by force, and so get into a fight; but he saw where the boy carried the bird and where he probably lived.

— To be continued —

Our Family Hour

(TEMPERANCE)

"Janice, did you say last night that you had something to tell us about temperance?"

"Yes, Mother, but first let me tell you what I think temperance means. It means to be moderate and not to overdo anything. Most of the time people think about alcoholic drinks but the Bible tells us to abstain from such so we shouldn't even think of that when temperance is mentioned.

"Our Sunday school teacher had us to name several things in which we could be more temperate, and right away Billie named eating. He said that he had eaten nine biscuits that morning just so he could say that he had eaten more than his older brother. He admitted that he had had enough after eating six. He promised his teacher that he wouldn't do that anymore."

"That is more a temptation for boys than for girls. Remember when we are saved the Lord, through his Spirit, will check us when we are doing a certain thing more than we should. Sometimes children are in-temperate in their talking. If we listen, we can hear the Spirit telling us it is time to pray or read the Bible. If we do so, it will cause us

to avoid later trials or at least be better prepared to overcome them. Always obey the checks given us by the Lord.

O. A. D.

God's Beautiful Birds

Dear boys and girls, I wish you could see all the beautiful birds in my yard this morning. There is a little snow on the ground and a few beautiful snowflakes still falling. The little birds are finding food on the lawn. Nearby is a grain elevator. Around it they can always find food when it is not covered with snow. Also my neighbors and I put out food for them. When tender plants spring up in my garden they fly down and eat and are happy.

There are perhaps a hundred sparrows. I haven't seen a robin yet, but later they will join the sparrows. They all fly up into the tall trees when they are frightened, but soon they fly down again and search for food.

They are not even forgotten by our heavenly Father. Not one falls to the ground unless He knows about it. Luke 12:6. Sometimes boys come and shoot at them. You won't kill the birds, will you?

How they sing for us! When it is very cold they come and sit on my eve troughs near the chimney and window where a little warmth escapes from my house. They build nests in my trees and later there are many small sparrows, which soon learn to fly. I would miss God's birds.

—E. C. J.

Search Question

Moses was the leader of the Israelites; Aaron, the high priest. What was their sister, Miriam?

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Answer to Last Week's Question

He cast a tree that the Lord shewed him into the water. Ex. 15:25.

Dear boys and girls,

God loves those who will leave home and friends and go tell others about Jesus. He needs workers in his field. He needs someone who will go where he sends them to give out the good news. One man felt the call to tell others about Jesus so he got him a little motorboat and fitted it up for use on the rivers in Louisiana where thousands of people at that time could only be reached by boat. One day he started out on what was to be a two-week's trip, but soon when rounding the bend there was a terrible noise and his boat broke down. His plans were ruined, and he pulled for the shore and there put up his little tent. He found that there was much work right there to do for the Lord. There were hundreds of people in that section who had never heard the gospel but were hungry for it. There was not a Bible in any home for miles. He held a meeting and many were converted. Two men who owned most of the land in that section offered ground to build a chapel. Lumber from two empty buildings were secured and a large group gathered one day and within a week's time a chapel

was finished so they could worship God in it. It was built at the place where the boat broke down. God blessed that place and soon many were coming out to hear the gospel.

Paul and the missionaries went on ships, walked from house to house, and went everywhere they could with the gospel story. Our lesson says that Paul told the Jews, Greeks, and the Gentiles that Jesus wanted them to repent of their sins. He did not just tell them part of the gospel but he told them all they had to do. He was true to their soul. He did not say they could lie just a little and steal a little and be right but he taught them they had to quit lying and quit stealing. He taught them they had to take back what they had stolen and make it right. He told them they must clean up their lives to enter God's heaven. We can't get there unless we get everything clear and keep it clear.

Paul spoke of the many things that he met as he went about preaching. In 2 Cor. 11:24-28 we read of the things that he suffered to take the gospel to others. He was in prison, five times beaten with 39 stripes, three times beaten with rods, stoned, three times shipwrecked, and many more troubles came to him. He said that it seemed trouble waited for him in every city, but he said, "None of these things move me." He did not count his life dear to him. He was looking forward to that reward in heaven. He wanted others to follow his example and help others. —Aunt Marie.

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GOOD LEADERS IN THE CHURCH

Acts 20:17-22, 32-38

17 And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church.

18 And when they were come to him, he said unto them, Ye know, from the

first day that I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you at all seasons,

19 Serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears, and temptations, which befell me by the lying in wait of the Jews:

20 And how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publickly, and from house to house,

21 Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

22 And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there:

32 And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.

33 I have coveted no man's silver or gold, or apparel.

34 Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me.

35 I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

36 And when he had thus spoken, he kneeled down, and prayed with them all.

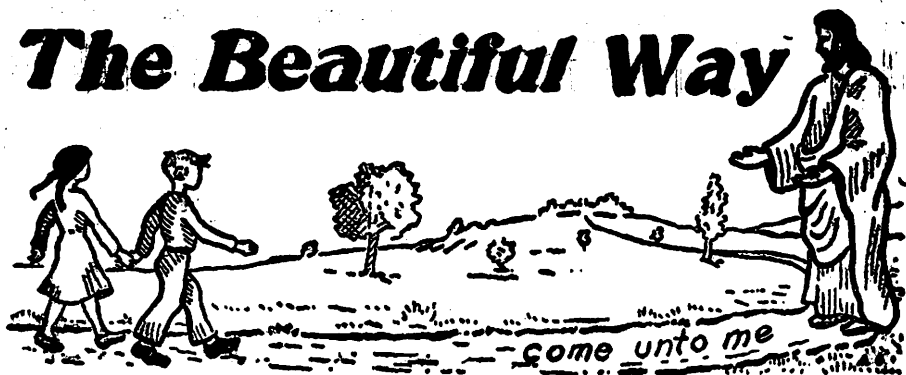
37 And they all wept sore, and fell on Paul's neck, and kissed him,

38 Sorrowing most of all for the words which he spake, that they should see his face no more. And they accompanied him unto the ship.

Memory Verse: We are labourers together with God. 1 Cor. 3:9.

Central Truth: Those who have the care of souls should set before them a worthy example.

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February 28

Paul, Jesus, and Me

Paul was in the temple,
Soon he was surrounded,
His soul did not tremble
Tho violence abounded.

Jesus suffered and died
Upon the cruel cross
As the multitude cried.
This salvation did cost!

Am I better than Paul?
Or my Jesus so dear?
To God I give my all,
My heart will never fear.
—Marie Miles.

“Victory To Jesus!”

Hoomesh Baboo, a Christian native of India, was dying, when a friend asked, “Do you pray for your recovery?”

He replied, “I pray saying, ‘Lord, let Thy will be done.’ ”

“Are you prepared for death?”

He replied, “What do you mean by preparation? Jesus Christ is my only preparation.”

While he was ill and near death, he cried out, “Victory to Jesus; victory to Jesus! Let it be said everywhere in the world, victory to Jesus!”

Yes! Victory to Him who died and rose again, to HIM who is in glory, having finished the work His Father gave Him to do. Are you, dear young reader, prepared to meet God? Have you Christ as your Saviour?

The Keys

While Mother was working in the back yard one afternoon, her two little girls, Marcia and Sharon were playing under the car port. Marcia remembered how fascinating it was to see her mother or daddy take a key and open the door of their house. She wanted a key and try to unlock the door. Her parents told her that she shouldn't play with the keys because there was danger in loosing them.

Marcia obeyed, but the desire to play with the keys was still in her heart. While Mother was in the yard and Daddy at work, she thought that, would be a good time to play with the

keys. She entered the house and began to search for them. In her attempt to find the keys she got into other things. She had to climb on chairs to look on top of the higher furniture and could have fallen and hurt herself. Through all this Marcia failed to find the keys. She decided to return to the back yard and play with her sister, Sharon.

Mother asked, "What have you been doing in the house?"

Marcia answered, "Oh, I was just in the house."

"But what were you doing in there?" asked Mother again.

Marcia hesitated to answer but Mother insisted that she tell her. Though fearful, Marcia answered, "I was looking for your keys so I could lock the door."

Mother gave Marcia some instructions about the keys then turned her mind to playing a game with Sharon. Marcia felt good in her heart because she had told the truth.

The next morning her mother read to her this poem:

Speak the truth;
Speak it boldly, never fear;
Speak it so that all may hear.
In the end it shall appear
Truth is the best in age and youth.
Speak the truth.

Speak the truth;
Truth is beautiful and brave,
Strong to bless and strong to save.
Falsehood is a coward knave;
From it turn thy steps in youth,
Follow truth.

Marcia's mother had forgotten the incident about the keys but Marcia was thinking about how she was tempted to tell a lie.

Marcia said, "Mother, do you re-

member yesterday of asking me what I was doing in the house alone?"

"Yes, I remember, but what connection does that have with this poem?" asked Mother.

"Well, Mother, I knew that you didn't want me to play with your keys and I first thought I wouldn't tell you,—but—I wanted to tell the truth." The end.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

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When he went home with the news that the bird was stolen, his mother and sisters were all sorry. Little Susy cried as if her heart would break.

"I don't like that boy!" she said. "I don't like him! Will he kill my Effie?"

"He ought to go to jail, oughtn't he?" said Mary, whose indignation was quite roused.

"What will thoo do with him, Mamma?" asked Susy.

"I should like to make him better if I could," answered her mother.

"I think he is a very bad boy," said Henry.

"I fear he is," said Mrs. Day; "but we ought not to judge him very severely till we know more about him. It is possible that he was never taught to do right; he may even have been taught to do wrong. There are some parents so very bad as to compel their children to sins which the children shrink from and abhor."

"Is it wicked in the children to do bad things when their parents compel them to?" asked Henry.

"Yes; we must not do wrong to please any one or to escape any suffering—not even to save our lives."

"Do such children always know what is right and what is wrong?"

"They have not so correct notions about such things as those who have been taught the Bible; but each one has a conscience, which tells him of sin and righteousness; as Paul says, he has a 'law written in his heart, his conscience also bearing witness, and his thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing him.' "

Susy was still crying for her poor bird, and Mary was trying to soothe her, but in vain.

"There, don't cry, Susy," said Henry; and he picked some clusters of pretty flowers from his geranium and gave to her. "There, don't cry, and you shall have another bird some time. Let's go and see if Rosy hasn't got some eggs in her nest again."

Susy hushed her crying and went with Henry; and, sure enough, Rosy had a little egg.

Susy's tears were changed to smiles as Henry promised her that if Rosy had another little bird it should be hers, and she might call it Effie.

"Won't that be good!" said Susy. "And thoo won't let that bad boy get it; will thoo, Henly?"

"Not if I can help it," said Henry.

"I want to kiss thoo, Henly." And little Susy put up her sweet lips in her gratitude. "See my fowers! Ain't they nice? Thoo did give them to me, didn't thoo? Well, some time I will give thoo a fower with a wrose on it. Then won't thoo be gad!"

Henry kissed the dear child tenderly; for he was already glad at having soothed her infant sorrow. What kind heart can bear to see the grief of such a little innocent?

— To be continued —

Search Question

Did any of the children of Israel go out on the seventh day to gather manna?

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Answer to Last Week's Question

A prophetess. Exo. 15:20

Dear boys and girls,

There are people in the world today that love God better than their own lives. Some are well known but others may not be as well known, but their love is just as fervent. One woman was in a hospital and while there she was saved from her sins and rejoiced in her new-found friend, Jesus. One day she asked the doctor how much longer she would live if she stayed in the hospital. He told her that she would live about four months. She then asked how long she would live if she went home. He told her that she would not live more than two months. She said that she wanted to go home. He told her she would lose half of her life which was left to her if she went home. She then said, "Do you not think I would be glad to give half of my life for the sake of telling my people of Christ's love?" She accordingly went home and spent her short life in telling others about Jesus and his power to save and about what a comfort he was to her. She loved Jesus more than her own life of comfort. God wants us to love him more than our own life.

Our lesson tells us about Paul being

in Jerusalem. He told James and all the elders about what God had done for the Gentiles in saving, healing, and filling them with the Holy Spirit. The leaders were so happy to hear and they praised the Lord. But they told Paul that many of the Jews who lived among the Gentiles had complained to them that Paul was teaching the Jews to forsake the law of Moses. The leaders were afraid that Paul would be harmed while there in Jerusalem.

Later Paul went down to the temple and some Jews from Asia saw him. They recognized him as the one who had taught against the law of Moses. They began to cry aloud and others joined them. They said that this was the man who taught the people everywhere against the law, the people and Jerusalem. They even accused him of bringing a Gentile into the temple which was forbidden by the Jews. Finally a great mob gathered and they would have killed Paul but the chief captain brought soldiers and rescued Paul from being beaten. They took Paul to prison.

Truly that day Paul proved that he loved Jesus more than himself. He was willing to die for Jesus. He had been told by the prophet that trouble awaited him in Jerusalem but he did not let that bother him. He was a brave friend of Jesus. We want to be brave and be willing to lay down our lives for Jesus.

—Aunt Marie.

Lesson 9, February 28, 1960

A BRAVE FRIEND OF JESUS

Acts 21:17-20, 27-33

17 And when we were come to Jerusalem, the brethren received us gladly.

18 And the day following Paul went in with us unto James; and all the elders were present.

19 And when he had saluted them, he declared particularly what things God had wrought among the Gentiles by his ministry.

20 And when they heard it, they glorified the Lord, and said unto him, Thou seest, brother, how many thousands of Jews there are which believe; and they are all zealous of the law:

27 And when the seven days were almost ended, the Jews which were of Asia, when they saw him in the temple, stirred up all the people, and laid hands on him,

28 Crying out, Men of Israel, help: This is the man, that teacheth all men every where against the people, and the law, and this place: and further brought Greeks also into the temple, and hath polluted this holy place.

29 (For they had seen before with him in the city Trophimus an Ephesian, whom they supposed that Paul had brought into the temple.)

30 And all the city was moved and the people ran together and they took Paul, and drew him out of the temple: and forthwith the doors were shut.

31 And as they went about to kill him, tidings came unto the chief captain of the band, that all Jerusalem was in an uproar.

32 Who immediately took soldiers and centurions, and ran down unto them: and when they saw the chief captain and the soldiers, they left beating of Paul.

33 Then the chief captain came near, and took him, and commanded him to be bound with two chains; and demanded who he was, and what he had done.

Memory Verse: Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. 2 Tim. 2:3.

Central Truth: We should stand for the truth, and follow what is right, even in places where this is unpopular.

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March 6

God, The Missing Link

Forty men a promise made,
That they would not eat or drink,
To kill dear Paul they waylaid,
The chain had a missing link.

Paul's nephew heard of the plan
The murderous men had made,
So quickly to Paul he ran,
Then brought official aid.

When the officers did hear,
They took him away by night.
Paul gave praise to God so dear,
Who helped him make his safe flight.

—Marie Miles.

Wastefulness

We had an old horse with poor teeth. Father bought grain ground fine to feed him. We had our wagon parked under an apple tree and fed him in the wagon bed. He would get his mouth jammed full and then hold his head almost anywhere except over the feed box, and chew with his mouth open, wasting most

of the feed. I said to myself, "I'll fix that!" I got into the wagon and sat on the horse's neck, holding him by the ears. He soon got enough of that and violently raised his head throwing me through the limbs of the tree to the ground behind him.

Now Jesus, you remember, when he fed the multitudes, taught us to not be wasteful, but to make use even of the fragments. When Mother or Father puts good things to eat on your plate, you should try to eat every thing and not be wasteful. Do not throw off their instructions like the horse did me. Learn to be careful with your toys and clothes too. You will then grow up to be thrifty men and women and good stewards or keepers of God's possessions put in your trust.

—E. E. F.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

When Mr. Day came home to dinner, Susy ran to him with her story. "Papa, my bird Effie couldn't fly velly good, and it fell in the alley,

and a bad boy stole it, and he wouldn't give it to Henry. Wasn't that a naughty boy? and I don't like him."

"What boy was it?"

"He was a bad boy, and he will kill my Effie," said Susy. And her lip began to tremble and the tears to gather as she renewed her grief.

"What boy was it, Henry?" asked Mr. Day.

"I don't know him," answered Henry; "but another boy told me his name is John Collins. I know where he lives; at least, I know where he carried the bird; for I followed him to see."

"What will thou do with him, papa?" asked Susy.

"Papa doesn't like it that he stole his little daughter's bird; and perhaps we can get it again."

"Then I will be glad," said Susy, putting her little hands together.

After dinner, Mr. Day went with Henry to the house where John Collins lived; but he was not at home. They saw Susy's white bird in a cage, and asked for it. A woman who was there gave it to them; and Henry carried it to its little mistress, who laughed and danced about, and kissed its soft feathers again and again, so great was her delight at having it once more when she had thought it quite gone forever.

Effie looked and acted as if she did not know what to make of all her adventures; but she seemed glad, as well as Susan, when she was put back into her house and saw her little nest-mate and the parent birds again. She ran up to Daisy, screaming loud and earnestly and shaking her wings. It was her bird way of asking for something to eat; for she had not yet learned to pick up her own food, and was very hungry. Daisy, like a good father, gave her some dinner.

The little thing did not venture from her home again that day; and when she next tried a long flight she knew how to fly better than before, and, when her journey was over; was able to alight in safety.

But this was not the end of the matter for Henry. John Collins was very angry when he went home and found the little white bird gone. He had already shown it to several boys, and had bargained to sell it to one of them for a quarter.

The next time he saw Henry in the street he called out, in a rough tone, "What'd ye come and take away my bird for?"

"It was not your bird. It was my little sister's," said Henry, mildly.

"It was mine, too," said John. "I found it in the alley."

"It was my sister's, and she cried very hard at losing it," said Henry, going on his way.

"Your're a mean thief!" said John, and, whenever he had a chance afterwards, he would try to annoy by calling him abusive names, knocking off his cap, or crowding him from the sidewalk.

Henry told his mother of John Collins's conduct, and was reminded by her of the command, "Resist not evil; but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also."

Henry thought he had obeyed it in his treatment of John Collins, though he did not say so. He spoke of Mary Lundie's touching obedience to this command, the story of which he had read in one of his books.

"Won't you tell about it?" asked Mary, who was present.

"When Mary Lundie was in her fourth year, her little brother struck her in a fit of anger. She instantly

turned the other cheek, and said, mildly, "There, Corie." The boy dropped his hand; and when Mary was asked who taught her to do that, she said she heard papa read it one morning out of the Bible at prayer time."

"Wasn't she a very good little girl?" said Mary.

"And thoo are a good little girl too; ain't thoo, Maly?" asked Susan.

Mary made no answer; but Mrs. Day said, "I want all my children to be as good as little Mary Lundie was; like her to learn early of Jesus, who was 'meek and lowly in heart;' 'who was brought as a lamb to the slaughter; and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth.'"

"How good he was!" said Henry. Sometimes it almost makes the tears come to my eyes to hear about him."

"His love, his patience, and endurance were indeed wonderful," said Mrs. Day.

"His love exceeds our highest thought;

He pardons like a God." "

—To be continued—

Search Question

Why did Moses command the Israelites to fill a pot with this manna?

Answer to Last Week's Question

Yes, but they found none. Exo. 16:27

Dear boys and girls,

I read one time about a man whose family were professional killers. This man said that his house was full of images and pictures of saints. He knew but little about Jesus and his power to save. One day he was riding down the road on his horse when he came to a crossroad. There he saw two of his nephews, one on one side of the road and one on the other side of him. They

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both shot and he cried out, "Lord Jesus, save," as he fell off his horse. He said he lay there for a while and then realized he didn't feel any pain. He said that there were eleven bullet holes in his clothing and not one scratch on his body. He said it was a miracle. When he arrived home he tore up the pictures of the saints and broke up the images to whom he had prayed so long. He, from that day, served Jesus, the One who had spared his life. Not only did he get saved, but also his wife. So we find that the plot to kill him only brought eternal life to his soul.

Last week we talked about how Paul was rescued from danger. Can you tell it now? Now in our lesson we read that he is in danger again. The Roman governor, Lysias, brought Paul before the Jewish council and tried to find out what all the trouble was about. But he did not learn much. A great argument arose among the Pharisees and the Sadducees. The Pharisees defended Paul. But Lysias was afraid Paul would be injured so he had his soldiers put him back in prison. Lysias saw that Paul was accused of things pertaining to the Jewish religion and was not a criminal, so he became Paul's friend.

Paul was still in danger but God sent an angel to comfort him and told him he would not be harmed. The message came at the right time because the next

morning more than 40 men agreed on a plan to kill Paul. Paul's sister's son heard about it and went to tell Paul. Paul told him to tell the governor, Lysias. They were going to kill Paul when he would be requested to be brought down before the Jews to question him. These men had agreed between themselves that they would not eat nor drink until he was killed. The chief captain told the young man to tell no one that he had come to him. He then called two centurions and told them to get 200 soldiers and horsemen with 200 spearmen and be ready at night to take Paul down to Saesarea. He wrote a letter to Felix, the Roman governor, and sent it with them. Paul was safely kept there in a palace.

God will care for his children. I'm glad I'm one of his children. We can trust Him to care for us, can't we?

—Aunt Marie.

Lesson 10, March 6, 1960

A PLOT FAILS

Acts 23:10-13, 16-24

10 And when there arose a great dissension, the chief captain, fearing lest Paul should have been pulled in pieces of them, commanded the soldiers to go down, and to take him by force from among them, and to bring him into the castle.

11 And the night following the Lord stood by him, and said, Be of good cheer, Paul: for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome.

12 And when it was day, certain of the Jews banded together, and bound themselves under a curse, saying that they would neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul.

13 And they were more than forty which had made this conspiracy.

16 And when Paul's sister's son heard of their lying in wait, he went and entered into the castle, and told Paul.

17 Then Paul called one of the centurions unto him, and said, Bring this young man unto the chief captain: for he hath a certain thing to tell him.

18 So he took him, and brought him to the chief captain, and said, Paul the prisoner called me unto him, and prayed me to bring this young man unto thee, who hath something to say unto thee.

19 Then the chief captain took him by the hand, and went with him aside privately, and asked him, What is that thou hast to tell me?

20 And he said, The Jews have agreed to desire thee that thou wouldest bring down Paul to morrow into the council, as though they would enquire somewhat of him more perfectly.

21 But do not thou yield unto them: for there lie in wait for him of them more than forty men, which have bound themselves with an oath, that they will neither eat nor drink till they have killed him: and now are they ready, looking for a promise from thee.

22 So the chief captain then let the young man depare, and charged him, See thou tell no man that thou hast shewed these things to me.

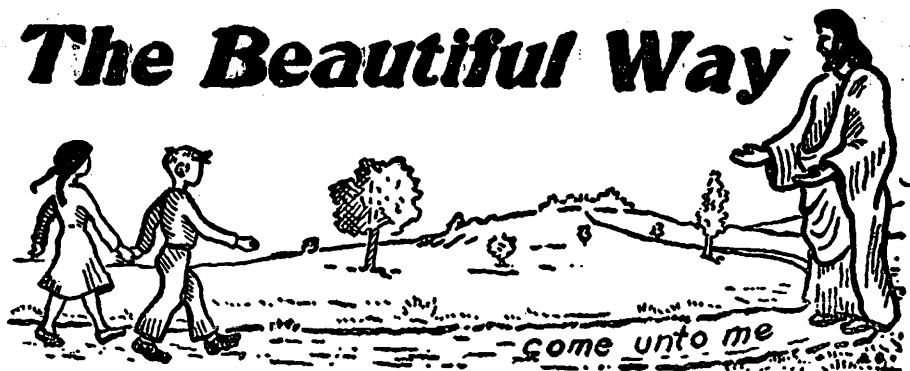
23 And he called unto him two centurions, saying, Make ready two hundred soldiers to go to Caesarea, and horsemen threescore and ten, and spearmen two hundred, at the third hour of the night;

24 And provide them beasts, that they may set Paul on, and bring him safe unto Felix the governor.

Memory Verse: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Psalm 46:1.

Central Truth: In providing help God can bring things to pass in ways that we would never guess.

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March 13

Child's Evening Prayer

Jesus, tender Shepherd, hear me;
Bless Thy little lamb to-night;
Thru' the darkness be Thou near me;
Keep me safe till morning light.

All this day Thy hand has led me,
And I thank Thee for Thy care;
Thou hast warmed me, clothed and
fed me;

Listen to my evening prayer.

Let my sins be all forgiven;

Bless the friends I love so well;

Take us all at last to Heaven,

Happy there with Thee to dwell.

Jesus' Helpers

How would you feel if you could not speak and were crippled and had to lie in bed all the time? Oh, I can hear you say that that would be awful. Did you not know that there are people in the world like that? Do you know of anyone like that? One lady wrote me the other day that she visited a lady like that who loved the Lord dearly. She wanted to make

her day a little better and give her something to think about so she took some tracts and the "Faith and Victory" paper with her and read to her. I'm sure that for a long time after the lady had gone this dear crippled lady had many things to think about.

One dear, blind lady, who loved the Lord told me about a girl stopping in to see her just for a few minutes on her way from town. She said that it did her so much good and she had something to think about for a long time.

Sometimes short visits with old people are better than long ones. So try to go often but do not stay too long. Sometimes they aren't able to have company too long. But be one of Jesus' Helpers and visit someone today, won't you? —M. M.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

THE KITE

As Henry was flying a new kite upon the Common, he noticed a boy, whom he did not know, stand watch-

ing it as it danced and fluttered in the air. After a while the kite began to sink; and Henry drew it in, and waited for a breeze to carry it aloft again.

The strange boy came up and admired the kite very much; and, indeed it was a fine one, so large, yet light, with such a pretty, graceful tail. When the wind blew strong enough to bear it, he offered to help set it off.

Henry let him take the string and run with it, for this was the easiest thing to be done; and he himself was going to give the kite a toss into the air and start it well on its upward journey. But, instead of stopping at the right time and giving out string, the strange boy continued to run on, drawing the kite after him.

Henry pursued, and saw him hand the string to another boy who had joined him, who, in his turn, ran with all his might, till the kite was caught in a tree and he was obliged to stop to extricate it.

Henry called out to him to leave it there or give it to him, but only received the provoking answer,—

"Get it if you can."

Henry kept saying, "Let me have my kite!" and, as he came up with it, caught hold of the string; but the boy who held it, whom he now saw to be John Collins, struck him in the face, saying, "There! Take that, and let go!"

The blood rushed fast through Henry's veins: he felt that he was trampled on, and was going to return the blow, and use all his strength to regain his property; but something in his breast stopped him.

"No; I can't fight, if I am wronged and abused," he said to himself, as the boy, unable to get down the kite, cut the string, and ran off with it,

laughing and shouting as he went.

Henry walked slowly homeward, thinking of the command, "Resist not evil." It now seemed to him the hardest of all he had tried to obey.

When he reached home it was nearly tea-time. He at once made known his loss and the ill treatment he had received. He also confessed that he had been tempted to do wrong himself.

"I am glad you did not strike back," said his father; "but I am sorry you thought of doing so even for a moment. Learn to control your temper entirely, so that it may not tempt you to sin. Be more like Him who, 'when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, threatened not; but committed himself to Him for those who had scourged, spit upon, mocked, and crucified him: 'Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.'"

"I never knew anybody so good as Jesus was," said Henry.

"Nor I," said his father. "In him alone 'was no sin.' But his disciples may be like him; and I have known some, who, in their treatment of their enemies, showed plainly that 'they had been with Jesus, and learned of him.'"

"Who were they, father?" asked Henry.

"I knew one man, a merchant, who showed uncommon meekness and forgiveness of temper towards a young man, his brother-in-law, who treated him in the most insulting and injurious manner.

"The young man had received from him large and repeated favors, and was under great obligations to him. He asked still further favors which the merchant, for a good reason, declined to grant.

"This greatly incensed the young man; and, forgetful of all his indebtedness, in spite of the common claims of gratitude, the ties of kindred, and the decencies of social life, he attacked his brother-in-law, in the open day, in one of the most public streets of the city, and flogged him most severely with a rawhide.

"The merchant made no resistance, but bore the insult and the cruelty in silence, and, when the young man had satisfied his wrath, went quietly to his own dwelling, and, without mentioning to his wife or any one what had taken place, sought his closet and poured out his soul to God in prayer for him who so hated him and had so grievously wronged him."

"He was like Christ," said Henry; "wasn't he?"

"I think he was," said his father. "He was very good; and there is a power in goodness that is felt. I never knew a single act do more to elevate a man, in the opinion of all who knew it, than this of quiet Christian endurance and forgiveness."

— To be continued —

Search Question

Who gave Moses counsel as how to instruct the children of Israel?

Answer to Last Week's Question
So their generations (or children)
could see the bread they were fed.

Exo. 16:33

Dear boys and girls,

The Lord wants us to be brave and obey him. He wants us to not be ashamed of Him. We find that Paul was never ashamed of Jesus. He loved Jesus with all of his heart, mind, soul, and strength. He was bold for Jesus.

Boys and girls, you can be bold for

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Jesus too. Do not be ashamed for others to know that you are a Christian. They may make slighting remarks but that doesn't matter. They do not have a heaven for you to go to. By you being bold for Jesus others might be brought to love Him. I read about one boy who was traveling. He took out his Bible and read it while the porter made up his bed and fixed his berth. Then later he knelt down by his bed and prayed before retiring. Some business men saw him and they were touched. They had not thought about Jesus for a long time. They gave their hearts to the Lord. The boy may never have known that but God did. You might never know how much good you do but God will and others will be helped.

Paul was brave and when he was brought before the king he told all about how God had saved and filled him with the Holy Spirit, how God had changed him from wanting to take peoples' lives, into a person who was wanting to help people to go to heaven. As King Agrippa listened to him he was stirred in his heart. The Holy Spirit made him know that he needed to be saved. He was so touched that he told Paul that he almost persuaded him to be a Christian. Oh, how that touched Paul's heart. He longed for him to be saved and he said he wished he had what he had in his soul. Paul was in chains but his soul was free and

happy. No one could chain his soul. Man can kill the body but they can never touch our soul. God will take our soul to be with Him, safe from any harm or danger. Oh, we want to be sure our soul is right with God. That is the most important thing. Our hearts must be clean from sin.

One time a witchdoctor wanted the missionary to come and help him clean up his house of all stuff that he used. When he arrived he found a pile of things in the middle of his hut. Looking up at the roof he saw a bunch of leaves and he asked what that was. The witchdoctor said that was only where the spirit of the house lived. The missionary said that must go too. He climbed up and cut it down. Later the witchdoctor came to the missionary asking him to pray for him for he said that he still didn't feel right. The missionary told him that he needed to make a bonfire in his soul and get rid of all his sins and heathendom. The missionary prayed earnestly for him and God saved him. He went out and was a great worker for Jesus.

—Aunt Marie.

Lesson 11, March 13, 1960

BEFORE A KING

Acts 26:1, 19-32

1 Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Thou art permitted to speak for thyself. Then Paul stretched forth his hand, and answered for himself:

19 Whereupon, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision:

20 But shewed first unto them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coats of Judaea, and then to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works meet for repentance.

21 For these causes the Jews caught me in the temple, and went about to kill me.

22 Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say should come:

23 That Christ should suffer, and that he should be the first that should rise from the dead, and should shew light unto the people, and to the Gentiles.

24 And as he thus spake for himself, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, thou art beside thyself; much learning doth make thee mad.

25 But he said, I am not mad, most noble Festus; but speak forth the words of truth and soberness.

26 For the king knoweth of these things, before whom also I speak freely: for I am persuaded that none of these things are hidden from him; for this thing was not done in a corner.

27 King Agrippa, believest thou the prophets? I know that thou believest.

28 Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian.

29 And Paul said, I would to God, that not only thou, but also all that hear me this day, were both almost, and altogether such as I am, except these bonds.

30 And when he had thus spoken, the king rose up, and the governor, and Bernice, and they that sat with them:

31 And when they were gone aside, they talked between themselves, saying, This man doeth nothing worthy of death or of bonds.

32 Then said Agrippa unto Festus, This man might have been set at liberty, if he had not appealed unto Caesar.

Memory Verse: God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. 2 Tim. 1:7.

Central Truth: In witnessing before rulers or people, we may have confidence and boldness such as comes from God.

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It's In Your Bible

The devil is going to and fro
Seeking whom he may devour,
Little children stay hid in Jesus
He'll protect you each day and hour.

Don't forget to pray each day
That God will help you to be good,
Resist evil; draw nigh to God,
And He will draw nigh to you.
E. M. Miller

A Bible Verse

My little granddaughter, Kay, is very good about remembering her Bible verse for Sunday school, and she also tries to remember her little friend, Sherrill Ann's too.

One day while playing, she tried to think what her little friend's verse was, but she couldn't remember it, no matter how hard she tried. So she ran to her mother thinking she could get some help. She exclaimed, "Mother, I can't remember Sherrill Ann's Bible verse. It's something about an egg." Her mother tried to think of some

verse to help her out, but she finally gave up and told her she didn't believe she could help her. So Kay went back to play but didn't give up trying to remember the verse. Finally, it came to her. She ran to her mother and said, "I know what it is now, it's, 'Take my yoke upon me.'"

Little children may not remember things just right, but the Lord understands and loves them just the same. So, keep true to Jesus, little children, and remember your Bible verses.

—E. M. M.

Our Family Hour

(Patience)

"Well, children, I think we are to talk some about patience tonight. James, what is patience?"

"The dictionary gave more than one meaning, Mother, but there are two I think you would like. The first one means to be able to endure the faults of others and the second one means to be able to wait without becoming upset."

"Both are good, James. I believe

you lack one kind of patience and Janice the other. I'm glad you gave both meanings."

"Oh, Mother, it was only yesterday that I showed so much impatience while waiting for the train to arrive. It seemed so long in coming that I couldn't help but complain. Just to think that all the time I had been telling James that he didn't have much patience because he didn't enjoy teaching little Johnny how to skate. Things like that I enjoy doing."

"But Janice," replied James, "You know how many times you have to tell him the same thing over and over."

"Don't forget that I said that James had one kind of patience. Remember how quietly he waited for the train. He made use of the time by reading a good book he had brought."

"Shall we pray for more patience, children?"

"If we do, Mother, we will be asking the Lord for tribulations, but I suppose it will take that to keep us bearing fruit."

"Will you pray for us that we can stand our tribulations, Mother?"

"Yes, children. Good night."

—O. A. D.

"Come Unto Me"

C hildren

O ld people

M iddle-aged people

E verybody

"Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matt. 11:28. When Jerry said that nobody loved him his mother quickly said that she knew of someone who loved him so much that He gave His

life and died upon the cross so he could go to heaven. Then she asked him if he knew who that was. He quickly said it was Jesus. She then told him that when the devil told him that no one loved him that he could know the devil was a liar because Jesus did.

He wants us to come to him when we are sad and lonely and pray. He will help us. He will help everybody in the whole world who comes to him. He will forgive your sins and give you rest.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

"Have you prayed for the boy who injured you, Henry?" asked Mrs. Day.

"Not yet," said Henry.

"Have you forgiven him?"

"I forgave him very soon, mother."

"That was right; but it was not enough. The command is, 'Love your enemies; bless them that curse you; do good to them that hate you; and pray for them that spitefully use you and persecute you.'"

"I know it, mother; and I mean to try and keep it."

When Henry knelt alone before God that night he was not afraid to say, "Forgive me my trespasses as I forgive those who trespass against me;" for he had forgiven him who wronged him. He prayed for him, and then considered how he might do him some good, and perhaps, thereby, "lead him from the error of his ways."

He made another kite, larger and handsomer than the one which John Collins had stole from him, and early one morning took it to the house where he lived. He rapped at the door. John had not yet gone out, and opened it for him.

"Good morning," said Henry. "I've brought you a kite."

"What for?" said John, surprised at Henry's visit.

"I thought you'd like one," answered Henry. "Don't you think this is a fine one?"

"Yes; but you needn't give me kites."

"I made this for you, so that you needn't take the other boys'."

John hung his head.

"It's wicked to steal," continued Henry; "and I don't want you to be tempted to do it again."

"Steal!" said John, growing very red. "Getting away boys' kites ain't stealing; it's fun."

"I think it is stealing; it is taking without leave what doesn't belong to you; besides, it is doing what you would not like to have done to you. I brought you this kite, so that you wouldn't do it again; and when it is torn and broken I'll make you another."

"I don't want it," said John, who had now grown greatly ashamed, "I could make a kite myself if I had some good paper and sticks."

"This is already made, and flies well. I should like to have you take it," said Henry.

"I don't want it," persisted John; "I'd rather make one myself."

"I didn't want you to take any more boys' kites unless they gave them to you, and I thought you'd like one," said Henry. And, again bidding John "Good morning," he went away, the latter still declining to take the kite.

Watch for more of "Henry"

Search Question

Upon what mount did Moses meet the Lord?

Answer to Last Week's Question

Jethro, his father-in-law. Exo. 18:17-23

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Paul now was to be sent to Rome to go before Caesar. He was not the only prisoner on the ship. As he sailed away he saw for the last time his home country. They stopped at Sidon and Paul was given permission to visit some friends there. After they again boarded the ship and set sail the winds were strong and from the wrong direction. No wonder the passengers were glad to stop at Fair Havens. Winter now was coming on and sailing was already dangerous. Paul told the owner and the captain that it would be a dangerous voyage and much damage will be done if you sail on. The owner was willing to let the captain, who was anxious to get back to Rome, sail on. They had not gone far until the strong wind swept down upon them. The angry waves rolled high. Now there was no turning back. The ship tossed to and fro. They did not know when it might be torn to pieces. The captain and owner remembered Paul's advice. They began to lighten the ship by throwing overboard unnecessary articles. They could not see the sun by day nor the moon by night.

One morning Paul called everyone to him. Above the roar of the storm he told them that an angel had appeared to him and said that none of them would lose their lives and for them to cheer up.

Two weeks passed and the storm raged on. Finally one of the sailors discovered they were nearing land. No one knew where they were. They threw out anchors and waited for day. At daybreak they could see land. The sailors tried to steer the ship into a small stream. Soon the ship ran aground and stuck fast. The sea beat against the back of the ship so hard that the ship began to break up.

The captain ordered them to jump into the water and swim for the shore. 276 people were saved from drowning. On the shore of the island a group of excited men waited for the strangers who were wet and cold. The natives felt sorry for them. They built a fire and all gathered around it. The fire was burning low so Paul gathered some wood to put on the fire. As he did so a snake bit him. Since the natives knew he was a prisoner they said that he would surely die because the snake was very poisonous. But God did not let him die. They then thought he must be a god. They treated him nicely and he was able to tell them about Jesus. —Aunt Marie.

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THROUGH MANY DANGERS

Acts 28:1-14

1 And when they were escaped, then they knew that the island was called Melita.

2 And the barbarous people shewed us no little kindness: for they kindled a fire, and received us every one, because of the present rain, and because of the cold.

3 And when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks, and laid them on the fire, there came a viper out of the heat, and fastened on his hand.

4 And when the barbarians saw the venomous beast hang on his hand, they

said among themselves, No doubt this man is a murderer, whom, though he escaped the sea, yet vengeance suffereth not to live.

5 And he shook off the beast into the fire, and felt no harm.

6 Howbeit they looked when he should have swollen, or fallen down dead suddenly: but after they had looked a great while, and saw no harm come to him, they changed their minds, and said that he was a god.

7 In the same quarters were possessions of the chief man of the island, whose name was Publius; who received us, and lodged us three days courteously.

8 And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick of a fever and of a bloody flux: to whom Paul entered in, and prayed, and laid his hands on him, and healed him.

9 So when this was done, others also, which had diseases in the island, came, and were healed:

10 Who also honoured us with many honours; and when we departed, they laded us with such things as were necessary.

11 And after three months we departed in a ship of Alexandria, which had wintered in the isle, whose sign was Castor and Pollux.

12 And landing at Syracuse, we tarried there three days.

13 And from thence we fetched a compass, and came to Rhegium: and after one day the south wind blew, and we came the next day to Puteoli:

14 Where we found brethren, and were desired to tarry with them seven days: and so we went toward Rome.

Memory Verse: I will praise thy name; for thou hast done wonderful things. Isa. 25:1.

Central Truth: 'God's eye is over all of His trusting children all the time.

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WHO?

Who wants to be humble?
Who wants to be kind?
We must not grumble,
And surely must mind
The words of the Bible
And parents most kind;
Leave pouting behind,
All frowardness, too.
In obedience then
These virtues we'll find
To sweeten the home life
And keep us in line.

—Little Mother M.

Courage and Cowardice

Robert and Henry were going home from school, when, on turning a corner, Robert cried out, "A fight! let us go and see!"

"No," said Henry; "let us go quietly home and not meddle with this quarrel. We have nothing to do with it, and may get into mischief."

"You're a coward, and afraid to go," said Robert, and off he ran. Henry went straight home, and in the afternoon went to school, as usual.

But Robert had told all the boys that Henry was a coward, and they laughed at him a great deal.

Henry had learned, however, that true courage is shown most in bearing reproach when not deserved, and that he ought to be afraid of nothing but doing wrong.

A few days after, Robert was swimming with some schoolmates, and got out of his depth. He struggled and screamed for help, but all in vain.

The boys who had called Henry a coward, got out of the water as fast as they could, but they did not even try to help him.

Robert was fast sinking when Henry sprang into the water. He reached Robert just as he was sinking the last time.

By great effort, and with much danger to himself, he brought Robert to the shore, and thus saved his life.

Robert and his schoolmates were ashamed at having called Henry a coward. They owned that he had more courage than any of them.

Never be afraid to do good, but always fear to do evil.

"Melt 'Em Down"

Some of you boys and girls, who live in cold parts of our land, make snow men. It's fun, isn't it? But snow men are cold, stiff, silent fellows. They can't do anything, except stand there and look at you. And they can't even stand, unless the weather's cold!

Every time a snow man gets "warmed up" he begins to lose weight, and after a little while, runs away. Snow men don't like sunshine—can you imagine that?

Sunshine, you know, is a lot like a bright, warm, cheery smile. The sort you boys and girls can smile, if you want to do it.

Some people are like snow men, too—so cold, stiff, silent, unfriendly. But people aren't like snow men when it comes to "warming up." If they are really warmed by a friendly smile, they don't run away. Next time you meet a "snow-man" person, try "melting him down" with a smile and a cheerful word. Watch his cold, snowy look change into a smile also. In most cases, this will work, and you'll have fun trying it.

When the love of the Lord Jesus is in the heart, a happy smile will help people.

—C. Shuler.

Diana Found a Place to Pray

A basket dinner was prepared at the Walley's home, near Cedar Village. Diana, a young Christian girl was there enjoying a visit with Grandmother, Grandfather, uncles, aunts, brothers and sisters. Diana had only been saved a year, but she loved the Lord. She loved to read her Bible and talk to Jesus. Many times one would find her on her knees, praying.

This day at the Walley's Diana felt so hungry in her heart to go pray, but because of all the people, she just couldn't find a place to slip away and be alone with God. Looking out the kitchen window, Mrs. Walley noticed Diana's car was partly parked on the lawn. She asked Diana if she would move her car, and Diana was glad to. As she went out the door, Jesus spoke to her and said, "This is a good time to pray." So Diana not only moved her car, but drove to the Cedar Village Park, and there she found a place of prayer, and strength soon filled her hungry soul.

After nearly forty-five minutes of being alone with God, Diana returned to the Walleys. They did not wonder where she had been or what she had been doing. They told Diana when she was missed they knew she was somewhere praying. This made Diana feel very happy, because they thought that, instead of thinking maybe she had slipped away to a ball game, show, dance or just running around.

Another time Diana had an appointment with a friend. When she got there, the friend asked what she had been doing. Diana said, "Praying and reading some." Her friend said, "Yes, I imagined."

Boys and girls, Jesus has taught us how to live, and we do want our friends, neighbors, and relatives to see that life of Christ in us. Even when we are not in their presence, let us hold their confidence, and let them know that we are still living for Jesus.

—Malinda Penner.

The Place Of Safety

A Scotch gentleman was lately walking through his fields when he heard the cries of a bird apparently in distress. Looking up, he saw a

lark hotly pursued by a hawk, which by a series of fierce dashes tried to secure his prey, but the lark was for a time successful in evading the attacks. The hawk however was gaining the mastery, and the lark, terror stricken, seeing the man below, came down like an arrow, and fluttered actually inside the man's coat, where it covered, trembling, in his bosom. The hawk followed until within six yards, but seeing what had occurred, he flew off as if in disgust. When the lark was liberated, it soared upward, singing doubtless a song of gratitude to its deliverer.

How safe and happy was the little bird! But not half so safe and happy as those who have fled for refuge from the power of sin, and Satan's malice, to the Lord Jesus Christ! Of these He says, "They shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand. My Father which gave them Me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of My Father's hand."

Are you, dear children, in that place of safety? You know how afraid of the man the little bird would naturally have been; but in the presence of a greater danger, its terror overcame its timidity, and it flew to the only place of shelter.

I hope that our dear young readers are able to say with the Psalmist; "I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in Him will I trust". Psal. 91:2.

Search Question

He that covereth his shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.

Answer to Last Week's Question
Mt. Sinai. Exo. 19:20

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Dear boys and girls,

Did you ever go to the jail to visit? There you see iron bars and the people who have committed some offense are put behind these iron bars. I have gone to the jail with others to have meeting. We would stand outside the bars and sometimes we would be allowed to stand in the hall where the bars would be on either side of us. I have seen some come to the bars and kneel inside and we outside of the bars to pray for the help they needed in their souls. God would help them. One time while I was with my father and others at a jail meeting some of the prisoners were digging a hole in the back to make their escape. Later they were caught. But prison is an awful place and we do not want to be put there, do we? We want to pray for those dear ones because God loves them and wants to save them.

Do you remember when Paul first became a prisoner? It was when he was rescued by the soldiers from a mob in Jerusalem. The officials could not find anything wrong with him only just a difference in belief of the law of Moses. They would have freed him but he had appealed to Caesar in Rome so he had to be taken. He was taken there as a prisoner. God blessed him on the rough voyage to Rome and protected him. When he arrived in Rome he was accorded much favor. God worked for

Paul and he was allowed to dwell in a house by himself with a soldier that kept him. That is quite different than prisoners of today, isn't it?

Paul had longed many times to come to Rome. Here he was in Rome but as a prisoner. He could not go to the people to help them but he sent for them to come to see him. Paul freely preached to those who came about the power of Jesus Christ to save, sanctify, heal, and keep from evil in this present world. The fact that the Jews were able to come to his lodging on an appointed day in great numbers (so one version of the Bible says) shows that the house that he had was a large one.

One thing we want to learn from our lesson is that we can work for the Lord under hard times. Paul did not mourn and become discouraged because he was in bonds but he worked for the Lord. He did all that he could even if it was limited. God blessed that work and many heard about Jesus. Many were helped the two years he dwelt there, and as Rome was a large city people from many other countries came to trade, so Paul was able to tell them about Jesus and they went to their homes and told others.

—Aunt Marie.

Lesson 13, March 27, 1960

PAUL, A PRISONER IN ROME

Acts 28:16-24, 30-31

16 And when we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of the guard: but Paul was suffered to dwell by himself with a soldier that kept him.

17 And it came to pass, that after three days Paul called the chief of the Jews together: and when they were come together, he said unto them, Men and brethren, though I have committed

nothing against the people, or customs of our father, yet was I delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans.

18 Who, when they had examined me, would have let me go, because there was no cause of death in me.

19 But when the Jews spake against it, I was constrained to appeal unto Caesar; not that I had ought to accuse my nation of.

20 For this cause therefore have I called for to see you, and to speak with you: because that for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain.

21 And they said unto him, We neither received letters out of Judaea concerning thee, neither any of the brethren that came shewed or spake any harm of thee.

22 But we desire to hear of thee what thou thinkest: for as concerning this sect, we know that every where it is spoken against.

23 And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning till evening.

24 And some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not.

30 And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him,

31 Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.

Memory Verse: In all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. Rom. 8:37.

Central Truth: Even a prisoner in chains may witness for Christ.

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Part One

April 3

The Better Plan

Before the mount they quaked with fear,
Which shook 'neath smoke and fire;
God's voice did thunder loud and clear
The law of His desire.

But never was the law to make
The soul from bondage free,
Its great commandments man did break,
And vict'ry did not see.

But Jesus came new hope to bring,
And in His wond'rous grace
Sweet vict'ry we can fully sing,
And see His blessed face.

—Leslie Busbee

The Name in The Book

Arthur Willis had received a new book as a gift from his mother. There it lay, when its wrappers were removed, in its pretty binding of blue and gold, with beautiful colored pictures.

He turned to the flyleaf, and his face fell.

"There's no name in it," he said.

"But it is yours," returned his mother. "Why do you want your name in it?"

"To show other people I have a right to it; to show them who gave it to me. Mother, it is nothing without your writing."

Mrs. Willis smiled, and taking a pen and ink she wrote his name upon her gift. Then she asked: "My son, is your name in the Lamb's Book of Life?"

The boy hesitated. "I don't know," he said.

"Then you may know it dear, if you will but obey the call of Jesus. The Bible speaks of some whose names are in the Book of Life. They are in the Book of Life. They knew it. God offers us salvation as a free gift. If we take it, He will inscribe our names in His great record of the saved.

"I read a beautiful story of a soldier who when he was dying opened his eyes. Looking up brightly he exclaimed: 'Here!' On being asked what he wanted, he said, 'They are calling the roll-call in heaven, and I was answering to my name!'"

I think it was not long before Arthur sought by faith to have his name written in heaven.

Kitten Healed

"Oh, Jesus heal my little kitten. You know how it got run over and it was almost killed," prayed Dwayne and Phyllis.

"I do trust the Lord will heal the kitten. The children have prayed so hard," said Mother to Daddy.

"The Lord will have to do it because it is almost dead," said Daddy.

God did hear Dwayne and Phyllis' prayers and healed the kitten when it was hurt so badly that it didn't seem possible for it to live.

God Is Love

Dear little folks and all the readers of the Beautiful Way paper. As I have enjoyed the paper so very much and have been taught many precious lessons by reading it, I desired that God would use me to write something which would be a blessing to others. All that the Lord has saved, He has saved to work for Him. We are all workers together in God's vineyard.

Here are a few ways by which God proved his love to me when I was in sin to draw me unto Himself so I could work for Him. When I was small a horse kicked me and Dad carried me to the house and told Mother he thought I was dead. She prayed for me and God raised me up and she took me to meeting that night. After I was married I was standing by my brother's car and he was drunk and backed the car up. The front bumper cut a big gash on my leg and scraped the bone. He could have easily killed me.

I have traveled long distances driving day and night and have dropped off to sleep to wake up with my car almost into another car or on the wrong side of the road. I fell off a horse once and almost killed myself.

How I do praise God for sparing me until He saved me! I'm sure each one of you can look over your life and tell some of God's great love for you. So let us be willing to give our time and life for Him although we can't ever repay Him for His love to us.

—Nora C.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Soon after this, as Henry was on his way to Sunday school, he met John. Henry stopped and spoke to him.

"Are you going to Sunday school?" he asked.

"No; I'm going to the wharf," answered John.

"What for?"

"Oh, nothing but to look about and see the ships, and the sailors, and such like."

"Don't you ever go to Sunday school?"

"No."

"I wish you would go with me this morning. It is better than to go to the wharves."

"Is that where you learned to be so good?"

"They teach children to be good there—better than I am."

"Well, I don't care if I go and see how it looks. 'Twon't hurt me, any how," said John, as he turned and went with Henry to the Sunday school.

Henry's forgiveness and generous kindness, so different from any thing he was accustomed to see or had ever felt, had made an impression on him. Though he had tried not to show it, he had been touched by the offer of the new kite from one whom he had injured, and was in a state of mind to receive good.

Henry took John to the class to which he himself belonged and gave him a seat next to his own. The teacher received him with a cordial welcome.

It so happened that the lesson for the day was the story of Christ's agony and prayer in the garden. John had heard of Jesus Christ; he knew who he was; but he knew little of his history, and never thought or cared any thing about him. He was now struck with his self-sacrifice, his surpassing love, his willing endurance. "Surely here is where Henry Day learned to be good," he thought.

Henry was pleased that John had come even once where he might hear the Word of God and learn righteousness; but he felt very much afraid that he might not be willing to come again. He chose the most interesting book in the library for him, and treated him with the greatest attention.

When school was over, he asked John how he liked it.

"Well enough; why?" was John's rude answer.

"Because I want you to like it and come again."

"Why?"

"I want all boys to come and learn to be good. You'll come again, won't you?"

"I'll see. If I feel like it, perhaps I will," said John, with an assumed air of indifference, as though he didn't care much about it. (To be continued)

The Love Of God

Do you have the love of God
Deep down in your soul?
And when people o'er you trod
You wish to win the goal?

When you sometimes make a fall,
And wish you hadn't done,
He will forgive you of it all
Through His blessed Son.

God gave His only Son to die
Upon the cross, so pure:
They pierced Him in the side
To make His love secure.

—Bonnie Matthews, age 14

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Search Question

What did Jesus say was better to happen
to a person than to offend his little ones?

Answer to Last Week's Question
Sins. Prov. 28:13

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Dear boys and girls,

I hope you enjoyed the lessons we had in the book of Acts. Now we are going to study about the things the greatest teacher that ever lived has taught us.

What kind of a teacher do you like best? I'm sure it is the teacher that can make things plain to you, one that is interested in you and really wants you to learn, and one that you are sure knows what he is talking about.

Now Jesus is the Son of God. The truths that He taught do not get out of date. He used many stories, called parables, which the people liked to hear to bring out his point or help others know what he meant.

This quarter we are going to study the Sermon on the Mount. Can you not see in your mind's eye Jesus sitting up there on the mountain, just a little higher than all the people? Close by were his disciples waiting to hear what he had to say. As he looked out over those people his great heart of love was touched. Here were people who had within them a soul. That soul which was in-

side the body will live on and on after the body has died and is put away in the ground. Jesus knew that it was important that the people know how to come to God and find forgiveness for their sins and know how to live in such a way in this world so when their soul left their bodies in death it would live on and on with God.

These people had been taught the law of Moses. Can you say the Ten Commandments? Yes, it is important to obey them and Jesus told the people that he did not come to do away with these commandments, but to fulfill them. Moses' law said, "Thou shalt not kill." But Jesus came to forgive your sins and send the Holy Spirit within to give you grace to love your enemies, therefore no hate can get into your heart. Hate causes a person to kill another. Can you not see how he came to fulfill the law? Under the law they still hated, but were commanded not to kill.

Jesus spoke a parable or told them a story to show them that they could not patch up the old goat-skin bottles and put new wine in them because they would break. But they put new wine in new bottles. It is the same way with cloth. If you patch with a new piece of cloth, the old cloth will tear out beside the new cloth. Jesus wanted them to know he did not come to patch up the law of Moses but to bring in a new law of love. They need not offer a lamb for a sacrifice because Jesus was the Lamb of God that was offered on the cross for the sin of the whole world. —Aunt Marie.

Lesson 1, April 3, 1960

LEARNING FROM JESUS, THE TEACHER

Matt. 5:1, 2, 17-20; 9:14-17

5:1 And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:

2 And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,

17 Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

19 Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

20 For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

9:14 Then came to him the disciples of John, saying, Why do we and the Pharisees fast oft, but thy disciples fast not?

15 And Jesus said unto them, Can the children of the bridechamber mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken from them, and then shall they fast.

16 No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made worse.

17 Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved.

Memory Verse: Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom. Matt. 4:23.

Central Truth: Jesus, the Son of God was the master teacher of all time, whose authority still abides.

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Part Two

April 10

Sorrows or Joys?

When you are evil in your way,
And sin your bosom sweeps,
Be sure of this, my child, I say,
For you some other weeps.

But when, with joy, true happiness
You feel in heart and voice,
Be sure your peace will richly bless,
Some other will rejoice.

—Leslie Busbee

A Double Lesson

The children at the girl's home in India desired some candy. They began asking God to send them some. One day a man came bringing a large quantity of home-made candy and their prayers were answered. How happy they were! How much they enjoyed the candy knowing that their heavenly Father had sent it to them.

Some of the workers were away when the candy arrived so some was saved for them and placed on a plate. When the workers returned they were told of how God had sent some candy. But when they went to get it, the candy was gone.

The children were gathered in and inquiry made as to who had taken the candy. No one confessed so some of the workers prayed earnestly about the matter. The missionary was desirous that God would give them a lesson that they would not forget.

Time went on and one day there was not enough food for the children. There was enough for the smallest ones, but the older ones had only rice water. The next day it was the same, just enough for the smallest children. On the third day it was the same. One of the children asked, "Why does God not send enough for all, but sends only a little for the babies?"

"I don't know," replied the missionary, "unless there is sin in the camp and God is waiting for it to be cleaned out. I am quite sure that not one of the babies came in and stole the candy. We must pray earnestly. We must have food."

Suddenly a sweet-faced girl about eight years old arose weeping. "It's me, it is my sin. And all my sisters are suffering hunger because of what I have done."

"Did you take the candy?" Did you eat it all?" asked the missionary.

"Yes, I took it but I only ate one piece and gave a piece to some of the other girls."

"Every girl who ate a piece of that candy please hold up your hands."

Several hands were raised bravely, then all went down on their knees. There was real sorrow and repentance and the girls prayed through until all was cleared away.

At six-thirty the next morning, as the postman started early, a letter came to the Home which contained a money order. They rejoiced that God had sent money for food for all at last. When the stamp was examined it was found that the letter had layed in the post office a few blocks away for three days while they went hungry. They never forgot the experience. They had learned that God does answer prayer and that He is not pleased with sin.

From Highways and Hedges and
Living Faith

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

The next Sunday morning, Henry, to make sure that he would go, called for him and took him with him, and so he did for several Sundays, till John told him he needn't have all the trouble of calling for him; he could go alone.

A change for the better was soon visible in him. He stole no more kites from other boys, and by degrees became more agreeable and kind in his speech and manners.

He continued to go very regularly to the Sunday school till he shipped on board a vessel as cabin boy. But the

good impressions he had received did not leave him then. They seemed to sink deeper into his heart.

He took with him a Bible, the parting gift of his teacher, which he often read, not lightly and carelessly, but applying its truths and commands to himself.

On his return from his first voyage he left a beautiful miniature ship at Henry's house with this little note, Henry being at the time on a visit from home.

"Henry Day: I thank you very much for your goodness to me. The Bible, which I should like to go by, requires that he who has stolen shall in some cases return fourfold. According to that, I ought to give you four kites; but I think you will like this little ship, which the sailors have helped me build, better than you would the kites I owe you."

Your friend, John Collins

The ship was a fine plaything, one that would make almost any boy's eyes dance and sparkle with delight; and Henry was greatly pleased with it.

"O mother!" he exclaimed in his first joy, "I think my ship will outsail every other vessel on the Frog Pond."

"What is its name?" asked his mother.

Henry looked for a name on the ship, but he found none.

"Well, I will call it the Robert Raikes, I think. Isn't that a good name for it?"

"I don't think it is a pretty name at all," said Mary.

"I think it is very good," said Henry. "It is the name of the man who established the first Sunday school; and if John Collins hadn't gone to a Sunday school, I don't think I ever should have had this boat. Don't you believe John Collins is getting to be a good boy, Mother?" he added.

"I hope he is."

"He tries to mind the Bible in some things, at any rate. It was generous in

him to give me this splendid ship for that kite. I think it is worth more than four kites."

"Sunday schools have often proved to be blessings," said Mrs. Day, "particularly to children who have been neglected at home. A little effort made to bring them into Sunday school often results in great good. When they have once become regular attendants, they seem better to appreciate the advantages they receive there than those who are more favored.

"A number of years ago I was a teacher in a Sunday school in A—. I sometimes passed through a street in the outskirts of the city where there were only a few houses and where the children seemed almost as wild and neglected as savages.

"They did not look like Sunday school scholars, or indeed scholars of any other school but that of sin; and I determined to visit them and learn if they were attending Sunday school. They were not. Two or three of them went, now and then a day, to the district school; but not one out of the eight children, all of whom were over six years old, could read a sentence fluently.

(To be continued)

Every day should be Thanksgiving day for Christians. We have many, many things to thank the Lord for. How many things can you name right now that you are thankful for? When we pray we should always thank the Lord for all He has done for us.

Search Question

Who spread a thick cloth dipped in water over a king's face so that he died?

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Answer to Last Week's Question

A millstone hung around his neck and then be cast into the sea. Mark 9:42 .

Dear boys and girls,

Have you ever been around boys or girls who seem to act as if they knew more than you did and wanted to have their own way all the time? It isn't very pleasant, is it? But isn't it pleasant to be with the one who is thoughtful of everyone and says for you to be first or waits to be asked. It makes you thoughtful of them too, doesn't it? You are quick to reply, "Oh, you just go ahead now." I hope you do not know too many who are proud and selfish, but there are a few and even many grown up people are like that. They are not respected very much so it is a good thing to begin while you are young to not let those selfish desires grow. Ask God to help you overcome them now.

Jesus said, "I am meek and lowly in heart." Jesus is our example and we want to follow in His footsteps. He thought of the rights of others. Others have feelings and we do want to be careful how we speak and what we say. We have no right to make slighting remarks about boys and girls who may not be able to dress nicely or who do not always have some money to spend as we do. They can only have what their parents can afford to get for them. Then we

also should remember that God isn't pleased with us if we are always bragging on ourselves. Others do not enjoy listening to your brags either. Generally the people that are always telling what they can do will stretch the truth. They aren't as good at the thing as they think they are.

Jesus gives us a parable about some that came to the wedding feast. They walked right in and took seats up close to the host which were reserved for others. Jesus said it is best to take lower seats and then be asked to come up higher than to be asked to take seats that are lower. That would make you feel very embarrassed. But when you are asked to come up higher, that makes you feel honored.

Jesus also tells us that when we are having a dinner we should invite the poor and lame. If we do that we will receive our reward in heaven. But if we invite the rich and those whom we hope will ask us to their home, then we shall have already received our reward. Jesus wants us to live for others.

Some of you might remember dear Sister Harmon who has gone to her reward in heaven. She said it was her motto to live for others. Even in her last days she would go down the street and read for some other elderly lady who could not read. She also made small quilts to sell so she could give the money to the work of the Lord. God blessed her in a special way.

Let us live for others and be happy.

—Aunt Marie.

Lesson 2, April 10, 1960

REMEMBERING THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS

Matt. 5:3-5; Luke 14:7-14

Matt. 5:3 Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

5 Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Luke 14:7 And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief rooms; saying unto them,

8 When thou art bidden of any man to a wedding, sit not down in the highest room; lest a more honorable man than thou be bidden of him;

9 And he that bade thee and him come and say to thee, Give this man place. and thou begin with shame to take the lowest room.

10 But when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest room; that when he that bade thee cometh, he may say unto thee, Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee.

11 For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalteth.

12 Then said he also to him that bade him, When thou makest a dinner or a supper, call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen, nor thy rich neighbors; lest they also bid thee again, and a recompence be made thee.

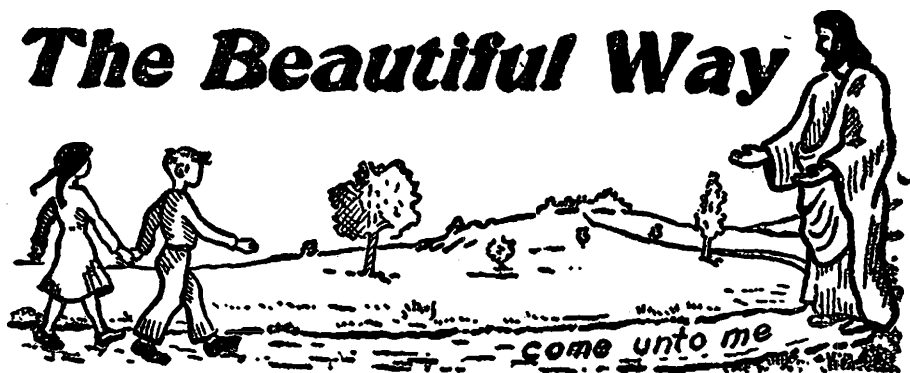
13 But when thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind:

14 And thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.

Memory Verse: Whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted. Luke 14:11.

Central Truth: When we manifest a humble spirit God is pleased and others will accord us greater respect.

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The Song The Angel Sang

Why seek ye now the living here
Among the halls of dead?
Let not thy tremb'ling spirit fear,
Be glad, rejoice instead!

He is not here, the One ye seek,
His presence far hath flown;
This message to you sad and weak,
We sing with joys unknown!

See where He lay! go quick and tell
His brethren, them to cheer,
That they shall see Him very well,
His light so bright and clear.

—Leslie Busbee

A New Life

Boys and girls, did you ever think you would like to have a new life? Maybe you feel that your life is full of troubles and heartaches. Then perhaps you and your friends don't get along, or maybe you have taken things that do not belong to you; or maybe you have told untruthful things. Yes, I would say it would be time to desire a new life.

That life is for every one, and it's not just for a short time, but it's for eternity. Jesus came down into this sinful world to give us life, and to give it to us more abundantly. This new life is filled with plenty of new things. It puts new ideas, ways, and thoughts in our hearts. It brings sweet peace, joy, and happiness, and of greatest importance—love. This love makes us love everybody, yes, even our enemies. When we are mistreated, God's grace and love just flow into our hearts as peaceful flowing water.

To get this new life, we must first put away our old life. That is to repent of all our sins, and believe Jesus forgives. We accept Him into our life, which is our new life. Through Him all things become new, and old things pass away. It's as a new birth for you, for you have been born again through Jesus' blood.

Children, if you do not have this new life, why not seek for it? It will make everything new for you, and help you to enjoy living here on earth.

Malinda Penner.

"Business Before Pleasure"

You have often heard the saying, "Business before pleasure," haven't you? Well, that is a good motto for boys and girls to follow.

We like boys and girls who attend to their duties well, until they are all finished. Then they can romp and play with a free heart, and rest content and happy. Nothing is then left undone to trouble their minds, and give them unrest.

So it is when we love the Lord Jesus. If we have pleased Him during the day, we can rest sweetly on our pillows at night. We can almost see Him smile upon us.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

"In a low cellar I found two little boys, the oldest a chubby, broadfaced fellow, about four years old. His name was Cornelius. I told his mother I had received a promise from the children in the neighborhood that they would go to Sunday school, and I should like to have Cornelius go with them, if she thought he would walk so far.

"I don't remember what answer she made me; but I did not expect to see the boy at school. It was but one or two Sundays, however, before he made his appearance there with the other children, and was put into a little class who were learning to spell.

"After this he came regularly every Sunday. Whether the neighbor children came or not, he was always in his place, barefooted and without any jacket. When I sometimes met him and asked him if he liked the Sunday school, he would smile and answer that he did. I don't think he had any encouragement from his parents to attend the Sunday school,

for his father was a drunkard; and though I did not learn that his mother drank, she never went to church, and seemed a hopeless, discouraged woman.

"When the weather grew cold Cornelius wore a thick jacket, which kept him warm, though it had holes in the elbows; but he was still barefooted. Yet he came nearly, if not quite, a mile over the icy pavements, and part of the way over rough, frozen ground."

"Why didn't you give him some shoes, mother?" asked Henry.

"I had so many of the children of my own class to help clothe that I had not much to give to any one else; but I would have gotten some shoes for Cornelius in the cold weather if I had known his need. He sat at the other end of the school room from me; and, though I could see his head and knew that he was always there, I could not see his feet. But one of the gentlemen teachers saw that they were bare, and told his class, who gladly bought him a pair of shoes with the money in their charity box.

"That was good, wasn't it?"

"Yes; and so Cornelius went to Sunday school all winter through the snow. The next summer his little brother, younger than himself, went with him. For two or three years, so long as I afterwards lived in A—, the little fellows were among the most regular attendants of the Sunday school, and there were no brighter or better looking faces there than theirs."

"Do you know what has become of them now?" asked Henry.

"No; but I am quite sure that, if Cornelius is alive, he has grown to be a worthy youth. He loved the Sunday school so much, and was so good a boy while there, so prompt and regular in his habits, with so much perseverance and endurance."

"I wish I could get some poor children to go to Sunday school," said Henry.

"No doubt you could by helping to clothe them, so that they might make a decent appearance. Few will bear the shame of being barefooted and in shirt sleeves among those who are well dressed, as Cornelius did. Children are more observing and sensitive about such matters than grown people. Besides, a few clothes are an inducement to their parents to let them go, or to encourage them in going."

Watch for more of "Henry"

Our Family Hour

(GODLINESS)

Children, we are down to godliness in our recipe. Let's see what it means to have that added.

"Oh, mother, I think I can tell you. We learned something about that in Sunday school. Our teacher said that if we possess godliness it would cause us to act in a Christ-like manner, and it would be easy for some one to tell that we had it even though the other person wouldn't know us personally.

"She said that one day she was riding on the bus. The others about her were smoking and joking. She never even reproved them in words, but just in her quiet manner they knew that she must be a Christian, so they soon quit telling their jokes and some even stopped smoking."

The Christ-life (godliness) in her was showing out. That's one jewel that cannot be hidden in our Christian life. Children, let's cultivate that so we may have more of it. That seems to be just the thing to add to patience and our next ingredient is brotherly love. I'm sure you will have much to say about that.

—O.A.D.

Search Question

What does the Bible say will drive foolishness out of a child?

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Answer to Last Week's Question
Hazel. 2 Kings 8:13-15

Dear boys and girls,

Sometimes when a war is going on and many are being killed, it is hard to be able to keep count of each one. Down through the years there have been reports to parents that their son was killed and then later the boy appeared. Can you imagine the happiness, the joy, that fills the heart of a mother when she sees her son whom she had thought was dead, but is now alive? In fact, the relatives and friends of that boy whom they love are made very happy and thankful.

In our lesson today we read a wonderful and beautiful story about three women, who loved Jesus very much. Very early in the morning they took spices to put on the body of Jesus. As they walked along they were very sorrowful. Oh, how much they wanted to see Jesus again alive but now he was dead. They wondered who would roll the great big stone away from the door of the cave where Jesus' body lay. But the fact that they could not do it did not stop them. They went right on with faith, expecting it to be rolled away somehow. Boys and girls, we need to also have that same kind of faith, too. Never say, "I can't." Just pray and ask God to

help you do that thing which may seem too hard to do. You will be blessed if you will, by faith, just keep working at it. Just think of the blessing awaiting the three dear women. When they arrived and looked they were very happy because the stone was already rolled away. They were also surprised, because it was a huge stone. God had sent an angel to roll it away for them. We are serving the same God today. Even if the angel had not been there God could have worked in other ways, could He not? Can you name some other ways it could have been done? Yes, God could have had some men there or he could have even given the women extra strength to do it. So let this encourage your faith to believe God will help you in every time of need.

But how perplexed the women were when they heard the news, "He is risen; he is not here." They thought some one must have stolen his body and they began to weep. But later we read in the twentieth chapter of John about how Mary stood without the sepulchre weeping and Jesus appeared to her and asked her why she was weeping. She supposed him to be the gardner and she said that someone had taken away her Lord and she knew not where they put him. No doubt she did not look up and knew not that it was Jesus speaking. But then he said, "Mary." Oh, that voice was familiar and she looked up and oh, she was so happy! It was Jesus speaking! She said, "Master," and fell at his feet. Then the three women told the other disciples and all rejoiced together when later he appeared to all of them.

Today we are rejoicing, too, because Jesus is alive. He is sitting on the right hand of God interceding for us. We are not worshipping a dead Christ but one that is alive. Let all rejoice together today as we think of what God did for us

by sending His Son to live and die on the cross and arise again all because we sinned and could not help ourselves.

—Aunt Marie.

Lesson 3, April 17, 1960

JESUS HAS RISEN

Mark 16:1-8

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.

Memory Verse: He is risen; he is not here. Mark 16:6.

Central Thought: We are not serving a dead Christ but he is alive today in heaven.

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Be Ready To Forgive

If mean and hateful words are said
Against the life you live,
Oh, be not bitter, but, instead,
Be ready to forgive.

Should evil snare you in the way
And steal your treasure dear,
Just look to Him that awful day,
Forgive, and do not fear.

Christ grants forgiveness, oh, so free
To whosoever will;
We must be like Him for to see
Our soul His goodness fill.

—Leslie Busbee

One Dark Spot

The revival was on and the saints were rejoicing. They were singing with praises in their hearts to the Lord for His goodness to them. The preacher delivered his message and the invitation song was being sung.

Rose, a young girl was saved now, and, oh, how she did enjoy those sweet songs and God's word! It meant much to her, but soon the words touched her heart. Rose began to

pray. The Lord reminded her of a confession she must make. Tears soon filled her eyes. The wrong seemed as a dark spot in her life. She remembered in God's word it told her to live holy, without spot or wrinkle. Oh, she desired so much to be rid of that one dark spot. It was hard for her to make the confession.

The saints were singing, "Just as I am, and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot, To thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come." Rose's heart was touched for she wanted to be rid of that one dark spot. It was hard for her to say, "Yes, she would clear the wrong."

That night she prayed earnestly for the Lord to help her. After much praying, willingness came into her heart and, oh, how happy it made her feel!

Children, there can not be one dark spot of sin in our lives. God knows and sees everything we do. May the Lord help us to be as Rose was, wanting to rid her soul of the one dark spot or wrinkle. His blood will cleanse each spot of sin. Malinda Penner.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

THE NEW BOOK

One morning, as Henry Day sat studying his lesson, his little sister Mary asked him to lend her his new book. Henry did not look very pleasant, and kept on studying, without seeming to take the least notice of her.

She asked again, in a softer tone than before, "Henry, will you please to let me take your new book?"

Henry continued to study without answering or raising his head.

Mary asked the third time, and then began to cry.

Their mother had heard and seen all, and now said, in a voice of mild reproach, "Henry, are you doing right?"

"I don't want her to have my new book," he answered; "she'll rack it and soil the leaves."

"I'll be very careful," said Mary, in her softest tone. "Look, my hands are clean." And she held up to Henry the palms of her little hands.

But he would not look at them. He still kept his eyes on his lesson; though I doubt whether he saw any thing there.

"What is the great rule for us always—the Bible rule?" asked Mrs. Day.

"I can tell it," said Mary.

"I want Henry to repeat it."

"'Do unto others as you would have others do unto you,'" answered Henry, in a low and hurried way.

"If Mary had a new book, you would like to have her lend it to you," began his mother.

Henry did not wait to hear her apply the rule to his own conduct, but went for his book, brought it, and

tossed it into Mary's hands, saying, "There, I wish I could have something to myself. I never can have any thing."

"'God loveth a cheerful giver,'" said Mrs. Day.

Then, turning to Mary, she added, "If Henry didn't want me to have his book, I shouldn't take it. I am sorry he is doing so differently from what Jesus Christ told him to do, and would have done himself. Give him back his book. Let him have it to himself, and see if he will enjoy it. Let him learn that it is good to mind God's holy rules."

Henry felt ashamed of his selfishness, and was beginning to be sorry for it; but he was too proud and stubborn to say so. Oh, how much better it is, when we feel that we have done wrong, to own it at once, without a minute's waiting, and begin to do right! How much nobler and braver it is to overcome all wicked pride and shame, all naughtiness, and say right out, "I did wrong; I am sorry; will you forgive me?" and then go and pray to God for his forgiveness!

Henry was not good and brave enough to do so. He took his new book, as Mary handed it to him, and laid it away in his drawer; but he could hardly study at all when he went back to his lesson. He could not look in his mother's face; he felt as though he should cry. He wished his uncle had not given him the book. He tried to drive the thought of it from his mind; but it would keep coming back.

When his lessons were learned, he said to his mother, "Wouldn't you like to have me read to you from my new book?"

"No," she coolly answered; "I want you to have it all to yourself."

Henry was cut to the heart. The tears started to his eyes; and he went into his own room to get rid of them. What a pity that he did not then humble himself and confess his sin!

He took out his book and read in it a little; but he had no interest in what he read, and put it away.

He heard his little sisters playing and laughing. They seemed very happy; and he wished he was innocent and good as they. He knew he was not; and so he did not go to play with them, but stood by his window and looked into the street. He cared for nothing he saw there; but he did not know what else to do.

In the evening he again took his new book, and was sitting by the stand, reading it, when his father asked, "How do you like Uncle George's book, Henry?"

"Don't ask him," said Mrs. Day; "selfish boys want their books all to themselves."

His father's countenance changed towards him; and he said in a sorrowful voice, "Is Henry so selfish?" Oh, how Henry felt then! But he read on without saying a word. His heart was very proud and obstinate.

— To be continued —

Prov. 4:26, "Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established."

Search Question

What was the name of Job's three friends?

Answer to Last Week's Question

The rod of correction. Prov. 22:15

Dear boys and girls,

Years ago a man did a great wrong to Mr. W—. Mr. W— hated him for it and vowed in his heart that if he could ever work out a scheme so he wouldn't

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be caught, he would kill him. He carried this in his mind with a deep hatred for the man. Time went on and before he carried out his intentions God began to talk to his heart. He was in a revival meeting one night and the Spirit of God so came upon him that he went to the altar and gave his heart to the Lord. Oh, the love of God and peace that flooded his soul! He felt that he truly was a new creature. It seemed his family looked better to him and everyone else, too. Then he thought about that hatred he had carried for the man who had wronged him. It was gone too. Then a longing came into his heart to see the man. He wanted him to know that he had forgiven him and that he loved him now. Oh, what a happy meeting that was! The man that did him the wrong was sorry and wanted to fix it up, too. That is what God does for people who will come to him. God does not want us to hold things against anyone but he wants us to forgive. Show mercy, and God will be merciful to you.

Jesus gave a parable in our lesson about a king who wanted to collect some money a man owed him. This man owed him \$7,000,000.00. (Margin of the Bible says, "A talent is 750 ounces of silver, which, after one dollar the ounce is \$750.00.") That is a lot of money, isn't it? This man could not pay the king when he was asked so the king command-

ed that this servant, his wife, his children, and all that he had be sold. Oh, how grieved the man was. He couldn't bear for such a thing to happen so he fell at the king's feet and begged for mercy. "Please wait, and be patient with me. I'll pay you all I owe," said the man. The king was touched when he saw how sorry the man was and he said, "You won't have to pay one penny of that money. I forgive you of the whole debt." How wonderful that was, and merciful.

We had a debt of sin upon us and we couldn't help ourselves, but Jesus says, "I'll forgive you of all your sins and take you to heaven." Oh, how happy this makes us feel.

But this same man that was forgiven went out and found a man that owed him \$18.00 and he told him to pay all. When the man could not, then he put him in prison. When the king heard about it, he was angry. He said, "I forgave him, and he should have forgiven his fellow-man." So the king took him and made him pay all. Oh, how God wants us to forgive others, and if we do not, neither will he forgive us. The best thing to do is to forgive right away the person who does a wrong to you.

—Aunt Marie.

Lesson 4, April 24, 1960

BEING READY TO FORGIVE

Matt. 5:6, 7; 18:23-35

5:6 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

7 Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

18:23 Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants.

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

him ten thousand talents.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Memory Verse: Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Matt. 5:6.

Central Truth: Righteousness and mercy are in a true child of God today.

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Part Five

May 1

Thoughts of Grace

True thoughts will make you strong to stand,

Thoughts honest give a fruitful hand,
Pure thoughts will help you see our God
In bliss or 'neath His chast'ning rod.

Just thoughts will gain a faithful friend,
Thoughts lovely will your troubles end.

Of good report your thoughts rejoice,

And put a song within your voice;

If virtue lives it will abide,

If praise is there, it will not hide.

True, honest, just, pure, lovely, too,

Your thoughts true joy will bring to you;

And they will shine their precious light
To those in sinful darkened night.

—Leslie Busbee

Maggie Appreciates A Praying Mother

Maggie is a young Christian girl. Since she has been saved her mind has gone back many times to her childhood days. She remembers the many, many times she heard her mother pray. At that time Maggie wasn't too interested in those prayers, or in reading God's word. Maggie,

with some of her brothers and sisters wouldn't show much interest in the family worship hour.

Many times Maggie heard her mother praying in the barn or behind the haystack. Sometimes her mother would go after the cows. While out in the woods she would stop for a season of prayer. She did her best in trying to get the family together for worship. Many times she went to the children's rooms to read God's word and have prayer with them while her children were still in bed. She didn't like to start the day until she had worship with her family.

Maggie appreciates her faithful praying mother now. She realizes those prayers have saved her from many troubles and heartaches. Her heart has melted in love and praises to God for a praying mother.

Boys and girls, if you have praying parents, appreciate them. Some children don't have them and how sad that is. Children, don't make fun of your praying parents, but instead, kneel down with them and agree in prayer. May God bless you.

Malinda Penner

Spoiling A Brass Monkey

A man who kept a store had a brass monkey, which he set up with a cigar in its mouth. The cigar was lighted, and by machinery the monkey could draw the smoke from the cigar and puff it out again. After it had run for quite a while, one day the works stopped. The monkey was taken apart to discover the cause. The works were found to be clogged and in such a filthy condition that they would not run until they were cleaned.

The tobacco had been too much for the brass monkey! What then must its effects be on the inside of a boy? A good many boys who smoke cigars or cigarettes fare worse than the brass monkey. They stop, but they never start again—they cannot be cleaned up, they die. Beware of tobacco—it is enough to spoil a brass monkey. —Sel.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

Henry was reading his book through in course; and it so happened that one story to which he came this evening was called

"Selfishness"

It read, "There were two boys, named Joseph and Thomas. They were cousins. Joseph's father had died when he was quite young, and he was left entirely to the care of his mother, who was a feeble-minded and sickly woman.

"She was very fond of Joseph and foolishly indulgent to him. She thought she could not do too much for him, and would not suffer him to be crossed in the least thing if she could prevent it. She showed him so much attention and flattered him so much that he grew to be one of the proud-

est, vainest, and most selfish boys in the world, and therefore one of the most unlovely and disagreeable.

"When he was about eight years old his mother died, and he was taken by his uncle, his father's brother, into his own family, to be reared with his son Thomas, who was of nearly the same age with Joseph.

"Thomas was a good boy, who had learned to love others as well as himself; 'to suffer long and be kind; to envy not; to vaunt not himself; to not be puffed up; to seek not his own.' He had always shared his playthings and books, and whatever good thing he had, with his younger brothers and sisters, and liked to do so. One of his first thoughts when he was pleased was to make them share his pleasure, to make them happy; and, as they had the same kind spirit, they were a very lovely family.

"When Joseph went to live with them, his uncle and aunt were very careful to treat him in the same way that they did Thomas; but this did not satisfy him, and he was much of the time cross and sullen.

"If both of the boys received gifts which were intended to be exactly alike, Joseph would examine them carefully, and, if he found the smallest season for preferring that which had been given to Thomas, would insist upon having it himself; and Thomas had too little regard for trifles and too much good nature to refuse him.

"When Thomas received a present and Joseph did not, Joseph would be so angry and behave so badly, that, in order to soothe him, Thomas always gave him something himself; and the more he gave to him, the more would Joseph the next time require.

"One day the two boys were in a bookstore which was kept by a friend

of Thomas' father, who, pleased with Thomas, gave him a copy of Aesop's Fables, bound in red morocco and full of fine pictures. The bookseller did not like Joseph's conduct; but, as he did not wish to neglect him entirely, he gave him a small book, plainly bound, called History of Animals.

"Joseph cared nothing for the instruction or improvement he might derive from books; all he wanted was show or amusement. He therefore despised the book which had been given him, and determined to have Thomas'. He had no sooner left the bookstore than he began to reproach the bookseller with meanness; and, throwing his book upon the pavement with the greatest contempt, went on, leaving it there. Thomas returned and picked it up. He offered it to Joseph, telling him it was very valuable; being full of important information; but Joseph refused it; at the same time knocking it from his hand. Thomas again picked it up and went on his way.

"It was not long before Joseph asked to take the book of fables; and Thomas handed it to him. Joseph looked at the binding and some of the pictures, and then, closing it, carried it along as if it were his own.

"Thomas asked him for it; but he only answered, 'You've got one.'

"'But this is yours,' replied Thomas; 'and I want you to take it and give me mine.'

"'I'll do no such thing,' said Joseph. 'I like this book best.'

"'So do I,' said Thomas; 'and it was given to me.'

"'You can keep the one you've got, you think so much of it,' returned Joseph.

"Thomas tried all his powers of argument and persuasion to obtain his book, but without success.

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"He would not resort to force; and he did not wish to complain to his father unless it was necessary. He determined to wait quietly, thinking that, when Joseph had had time for reflection, he might, perhaps, do right of his own accord.

— To be continued —

Search Question

Where did Jacob request to be buried?

Answer to Last Week's Question
Eliphaz, Bildad, and Zophar. Job 2:11

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Dear boys and girls,

Suppose you were washing a big bowl and cleaned the outside so that it looked fine from where it was standing, but you didn't bother to wash the inside where there was dirt and a little rotten food and some worms crawling around in it. Would you think that bowl really clean? I'm sure you would not. In our lesson Jesus speaks of some Pharisees and scribes who cleaned the outside of the cup and the plate, but left the inside dirty. The cup and the plate represented their own hearts and lives. Men saw the outside which might have been clean and their dress all in order. But God saw the inside, which meant their thoughts and desires and plans, and they were filthy and wicked. God called them hypocrites, because they were not what they pretended to be. They were not

pleasing in God's sight. There is a blessing upon those who are pure in heart.

We have to come to God to get our hearts pure. We need to ask him to forgive us of our sins and to cleanse our hearts from all impurity. Then we must watch to keep our heart pure. Your mind is the gateway to the heart. Jesus told the people to "Take heed what you hear." When you are around other boys and girls who are telling dirty jokes or saying curse words it will affect you. Do not listen to them or it will cause something to get down in your heart. It has been said that the person that tells a dirty joke hangs a picture in your mind that is hard to take down. When you are with someone else the devil will suggest that you tell it to them. But do not do that. It is a beginning that will lead you astray. If you tell it to them and they laugh then later you will be with a group and the same thought will come to you to tell it to the group and get a laugh out of all of them like you did the other person. If you do, then the devil will tell you to listen to some more dirty jokes so you can tell the group and you will become popular. Then after a while when the temptation arises to do wrong you will be so full of evil thinking that it won't be very hard to yield and then real trouble starts. On and on you are lead until you get far from the right path. Boys and girls, the devil is a sly old fox. He knows just how to lead you on little by little. Don't fall for his traps. Be wise!

The last verse in our lesson tells us what to think on. Each one of you should memorize this verse and put it in practice. I'm sure that you will be blessed of the Lord if you put it in practice. If you have not asked Jesus to forgive you of your sins and make your heart clean, I pray that you will. God bless you.

—Aunt Marie.

Lesson 5, May 1, 1960

WHAT WE THINK ABOUT

Matt. 5:8, 12:34, 35; 23:25-28; Phil. 4:8

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

12:34 O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

35 A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.

23:25 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess.

26 Thou blind Pharisee, cleanse first that which is within the cup and platter, that the outside of them may be clean also.

27 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whitened sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness.

28 Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.

Phil. 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

Memory Verse: Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. **Mat. 5:8.**

Central Truth: Keep pure within and you will live a pure life.

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Part Six

May 8

YOUR MOTHER

She bathed you, kept you sweet and clean,
You learned to love her touch;
The dearest friend you've ever seen—
Your Mother—love her much.

She nursed you when your sickness came,
With kind, unflinching care,
She burned love's brightest, sweetest
flame—
Your Mother—pure and fair.

And even yet her love's aglow
With int'rest in your state,
Don't fail regard and love to show—
Your Mother—before too late.
—Leslie Busbee

"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. "O 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.

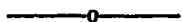
"Mother, I do love you now," all the day he sobbed and cried. "O Mother, Mother, forgive me." Then he would not leave his mother. "Speak to me, Mother!" but she could never speak

again, and he—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."

—"Touching Incidents"



On Mother's Day

After breakfast the day before Mother's Day, Marcia hugged her mother tightly.

"I love you, Mother," she whispered, as she kissed her. "I wish I had a really true present to give you, but I have not, so I will help you with your work all day, and every day after this. I am big enough now to do many things."

"That will be fine, dear," Mother told her gratefully. "You know Aunt Mae and Uncle Jim are coming today, so I shall be glad for your help."

Marcia knew just what had to be done without being told. First she washed the breakfast dishes.

When Mother began to prepare dinner for the guests, Marcia ran to find the very best company tablecloth. She was very careful not to rumple any of the linens in the closet, and when the right tablecloth was found, she carried it to the dining

room. There she smoothed it on the table just as she had seen Mother do so many times before.

"My, what a big help you are!" Mother said.

"I will get out the best company silverware and will be very careful of your good china, too," Marcia promised as she began to set the table.

First of all she carried the bowl of roses to the dining room and set it in the center of the table. Then she placed knives, forks, spoons, plates, and glasses just where they belonged.

It took a long time to do it just right, but Marcia knew it must be done slowly and carefully. When the table was finished it looked lovely! Then it was almost time for dinner, so Marcia got out the vegetable dishes for Mother, and the meat platter, and carried the bread in for her, and filled the salt and pepper shakers.

"Oh, here they come!" cried Marcia when she saw Aunt Mae and Uncle Jim drive up to the house.

Aunt Mae noticed how pretty the table looked and Marcia felt very good when Mother told her what a fine little helper she had received for a Mother's Day gift.

"I never knew dinner could taste so good!" Marcia smiled as they ate the meal.

"That is because you helped to make it enjoyable for others," Mother smiled back. "It tastes better to me, too, because you helped to get things ready." "Then every day will be happier for you, Mother," Marcia told her, "because every day I shall help you just as I have today."

Search Question

What was Moses' wife named?

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Answer to Last Week's Question

In the land of Canaan. Gen. 50:5

Dear boys and girls,

Today is the day that has been set aside to honor our mothers. Do you not know that your mother loves you more than anyone else in the world? But did I hear you say that she is always telling you what to do? Well, did you ever stop to think that is because she loves you? It would be doing you a great injustice to let you grow up and not know how to work. Some girls have mothers that never teach them how to sew or cook and when they grow up and get married they are so sorry they do not know how. Some do not know how to keep a house clean and that makes their husband very unhappy and even friends will make remarks about them and when it gets to them they are very hurt. And as you stop and think back, you will say with tears, "Oh, I wish Mother had made me keep my room clean or that she had taught me to sew or cook." Mother knows best. Our boys likewise need to know how to cook some and especially to keep the house clean and pick up their clothes. When you grow up and your wife gets sick you will have to help out, or if you do not marry you will need to know how to do these things. And, any-

way, who is happy that is lazy? Why should Mother do all the work for everyone in the house when if everyone works together it would be so much easier? We should not be selfish and only think of ourselves, should we boys and girls? I'm sure that each of you are helping in the house to make it easier on Mother, the one who works many times when you are asleep. Today, tell her in some way, how much you appreciate her.

Our lesson is very important. We want to be peacemakers. Learn to get along with people. Don't go along and hit someone just to get them upset. Learn to use your hands at making peace by doing kind deeds, such as picking up a pencil someone has dropped or helping some little fellow up that has fallen down. On the other hand, do not be the kind of a person that has to hit back everytime some one hits you. If you do, it might start a fight, but if you take a few hits, it will stop a fight. That is more pleasing in the sight of the Lord. You are then a peacemaker. The Bible says, "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." Do good to those who do evil to you. When someone comes to you angry, many times it helps them to calm down when you speak kindly to them. Be a peacemaker. A blessing is upon all who practice peace. May the Lord help you to live at peace with all. He will help you if you will pray to him. God loves peace and he wants us to be peacemakers. He tells us to pray for them who treat us wrong. That will cause you to love them. —Aunt Marie.

Lesson 6, May 8, 1960

PEACEMAKERS OR PEACEBREAKERS

Matt. 5:9; 38-48

9 Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

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.

42 Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.

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?

47 And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so?

48 Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

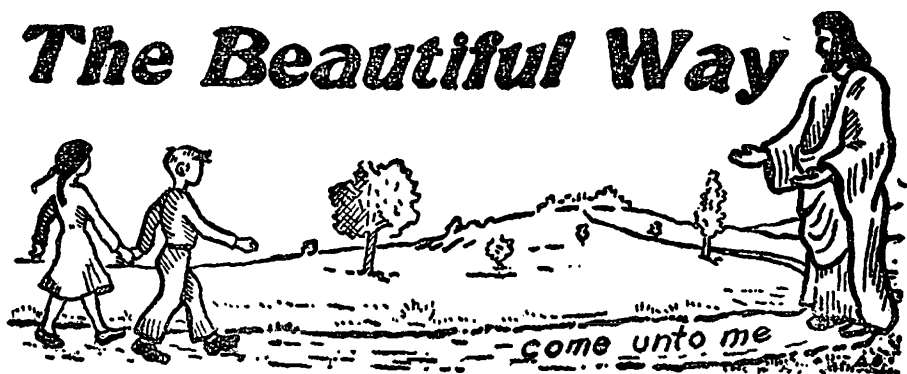
Memory Verse: Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. Matt. 5:9.

Central Truth: Peacemakers are a great asset in every realm where they are found.

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God will help us to be "two-mile" Christians.

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Part Seven

May 15

The Light Within Your Heart

Within your heart there lives a light

That heaven gave, you say;

'Twill help the soul in sinful night—

Then, let it shine today!

This light that burns within your breast

Is peaceful in its ray;

It gives you sweet and perfect rest:

Then let it shine today!

This light that glows will never fade,

Nor shall it pass away;

'Twill shine when heaven's bliss is made—

Then let it shine today!

—Leslie Busbee

Let Your Light Shine

Sometimes young Christians feel that there is very little they can do for the Lord Jesus. They often think that because they cannot do great things, there is nothing they can do at all.

Some years ago a Christian man was traveling to India by boat. He had never been on a ship before, and feeling rather seasick, he spent most of his time in his own cabin. One

dark night, he heard a cry, "Man overboard," and there was a sound of tramping feet overhead.

At first he thought he would hurry up on deck and see what was taking place, but then on second thought, he felt sure he would just be in the way. But he did wish that there was something he could do to help. Quickly he seized his trusty flashlight and held it to the window of his cabin. Although he could see nothing at all, he held it there till at last he heard the cry, "Safe on board."

Next morning he was told that the beam of his light fell right on the poor man in the water, and had enabled others to rescue him.

Perhaps there is not much that you can do, but you can let your light shine for the Lord Jesus. First of all, you can confess Him as your Lord and Saviour, and then you can seek, with His help, to be true to Him by your words and your ways. At school, at work, or wherever you may be, let your light shine for Jesus.

"Holding forth the word of life."
Phil. 2:16.

Jesus' Little Helper

Jane bounded in the house one afternoon after school. She was all smiles as she walked into the kitchen to see her mother.

"Mother, I was Jesus' helper today," said Jane proudly.

"I'm very glad to hear that," replied Mother. "In what way were you Jesus' helper?"

Jane walked close to Mother and said, "I heard a bad story about Sandra, the girl next door, and I didn't repeat it to anybody."

"That's a wonderful way to be Jesus' helper. It would be a much better world if people wouldn't repeat the bad things they hear about others," said Mother.

Be Thankful For Mother

Dick handed his mother a neatly folded piece of paper one day. Upon opening it, his mother was surprised to find it was a bill, and it read something like this:

"Feeding chickens, twenty-five cents; running errands, fifteen cents; watering lawn, ten cents; total, fifty cents."

His mother said, "All right, Dick, I'll pay you today. But what would you do if I should hand you a bill which read:

"Getting three meals a day, seventy-five cents; mending stockings, fifteen cents; washing clothes, fifty cents; making bed, ten cents; total, \$1.50? And that wouldn't be half I've done for you just this one day!"

Dick was very much ashamed, and decided he had not half appreciated all his dear Mother had been doing for him. Wouldn't this be a good time to figure up all the blessings that come from Mother?

—Sel.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

"A day or two passed, and Joseph showed no sign of repentance or intention of doing justice; and again Thomas asked him for his book, at the same time offering Joseph his own.

"Joseph answered haughtily, 'You have had that book so long, you've got to keep it. You needn't think I'll change with you now.'

"Thomas thought his conduct so dishonest that he told his father, who was greatly displeased with Joseph.

"He obliged him to give back Thomas' book; and then, calling all the children together, he said to them, 'Joseph is an orphan; and since he came among us, we have pitied him, and tried to make him feel that he had father, mother, brothers, and sisters here; we have tried to teach him to be good and happy, to obey the blessed rule, 'Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.' But he will not obey it; he does not seem to understand that it is the only rule of conduct by which we can please God and be happy ourselves. Now we will treat him according to his own way; we will do to him as he does to us, that so he may learn the wrong and folly of his course—that he may see what selfishness is. I want each one of you to treat him precisely as he treats you.'

" 'We don't want to,' said one of the little girls; 'we don't want to treat him badly.'

" 'I wish you to,' said her father. 'It will, I think, be the best thing we can do for Joseph, the easiest way to make him see his great fault.'

"So the children refused to play with him whenever he asked them to,

and insisted on his playing with them whenever they had a mind to, and, if he did not comply with their desires, pulled him by the sleeve or tipped him out of his chair. They suffered him not to touch their playthings or books if they could prevent it; and, if he did, they scolded him in the same harsh words he had been accustomed to use to them; and yet they took his things, whenever they could get them, and tossed them about without any care. If they had any thing good to eat, they gave him not a bit; and if he had any thing nice, they would not let him eat it in peace. Sometimes, when he spoke to them, they did not answer him, or if he asked for help, took no heed of him. In this way Joseph was made very uncomfortable.

"If he had thought his cousins really selfish and unkind, it would only have made him still more so; but he knew they were only trying to show him to himself; and he grew to be quite ashamed that he was so bad. He told his uncle so, and that he would reform. His uncle was glad to hear this, and bade the other children, not only to set him a good example now, but to try and help him."

On finishing this story, the writer of Henry's book went on to say, "Many who read this will no doubt be shocked by the very wicked behavior of Joseph; but Joseph did not become so selfish and so bad all at once. No one does. Sin, if cherished, grows and grows till it destroys all goodness; and any child who is selfish, and indulges his selfishness instead of conquering it, may become as bad as Joseph was."

— To be continued —

Answer to Last Week's Question
Zipporah. Exo. 2:21

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Search Question

When Jesus was crucified, who brought about a hundred-pound weight of spices to put on his body?

Dear boys and girls,

Our lesson tells about the light of a candle, which if it is put in a right place will give light to all the house. In Jesus' time there were no electric lights that could be placed high in the street to give light to those who were outside of their houses. Of course there are many beacon lights that shine many, many miles. Upon the Empire State building in New York City there are four beacon lights that are the largest in the world. It is said that those who are coming to the city on a clear night in an airplane can see the light three hundred miles away and those who are on the ground can see them at a distance of ninety miles and from seven states.

The light that Jesus is speaking of is the light to the right way to heaven. He puts it in us and it comes from Himself. We could not return good for evil if Jesus did not do it for us through us. Of course we must let him work through us by the Holy Spirit. We can let our light shine by speaking of Jesus and what He can do to others. We let it shine by doing good to others and by being kind, loving and helpful. Then when others see that Jesus can make you happy and

loving it puts a longing in their hearts to have Jesus. We might not be able to let our light shine out very far but we want it to shine as far as we can. As we pray God to help others and live a life before them, God will work and much good will be done.

We think of the missionary, John G. Paton, who was on an island in the Pacific Ocean. He went through many hard things but he just kept loving the Lord and telling others about Jesus. The people there did not trust each other and many times they would come to meeting and bring their possessions in a sack. They were afraid to leave them at home. Sometimes they would have a brood of fowls or a litter of pigs in a bag which sometimes caused some commotion in meeting. But the Lord got hold of the heart of the chief after a well was dug and they said, "Jehovah God sent rain from below." He waved his tomahawk and declared himself to be a worshipper of Jehovah, calling upon the people to burn their idols. Later they made changes and took steps to make their possessions safe at home. They began to thank the Lord before eating and established family prayer. And as time went on everyone on the island became a worshipper of God.

The gospel is like the mustard seed that grew to be a tree. It is also like the leaven or the yeast in bread dough which rises up in the bowl. God will cause it to grow if we do our part and be lights in this world.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 7, May 15, 1960

A PROMISE TO BRAVE CHRISTIANS

Matt. 5:10-16; 13:31-34

5:10 Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

13 Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

14 Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

15 Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

13:31 Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field:

32 Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.

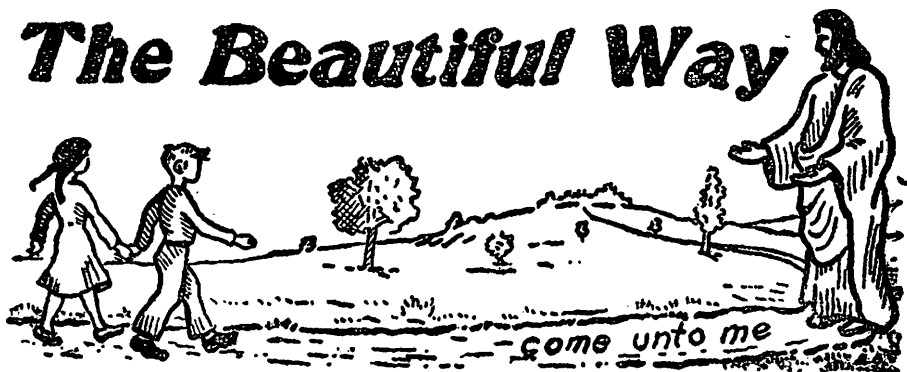
33 Another parable spake he unto them; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

34 All these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spake he not unto them.

Memory Verse: Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Matt. 5:16.

Central Truth: Brave Christians are blessed as they return good for evil.

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Part Eight

May 22

The Heart's Prayer

To pray, our minds must not be found
On things of earthly make,
In Father's ears our prayers must sound
Sincerely for His sake.

Don't pray that others 'round may hear
And praise you for your prayer,
But pray in secret, and so dear,
The Lord will answer there.

Pray with the heart, don't ever stop,
All day and through the night,
Until with joy you reach the top
Of vict'ry in His sight.

—Leslie Busbee

God Answered Prayer

It was during a war and the girls in a home for girls in India were hungry for meat. It was hard to get and they had not complained, but a group of them gathered under the shade trees and there had a prayer meeting. They told no one of their petition, but believed that their heavenly Father would grant them their petition.

Two days later a man came with a basket of meat with a note that the

meat was for the girls in the home. The girls rejoiced for they knew it was the answer to their prayers.

The following day the sisters in charge of the home visited the sender and told her of how the girls had prayed and waited two days for the answer and how she had been used of God in answering their prayers. The lady burst into tears and said she was ashamed of herself. Then she told of how God had spoken to her two days before they sent the meat, and told her to have a certain one of their sheep butchered and send the meat to the girl's home. They had only two pet sheep. She had refused to do so and on the following morning the one God had spoken to her about was dead. She was convinced that God had taken the animal because she had refused to give it. She and her husband at once called a butcher and told him to butcher the other one so it could be sent to the home.

Even children can love and serve God and get their prayers through. If the answer is delayed, do not become discouraged.

If we should sometime ask for something that God saw wasn't best for us then, He might tell us "no" or "wait." One small boy desired something of the Lord and the Lord told him no. I'm sure it was not best for him then. If He tells us "no" or "wait", then let us be satisfied for our Father loves us and knows better than we do what is best. If He does not tell us no or wait, then let us press our prayers until He answers or tell us He will.

—"Highway and Hedges"

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

After reading this, Henry was more unhappy than before. He trembled on account of his selfishness, lest it might at last become as monstrous as that of Joseph.

When he knelt to pray, on going to bed, he felt so guilty that he thought God would not hear him; and when he lay down, he could not go to sleep for a long time.

The next day some of his playmates came to make him a visit. He showed them his new book, exclaiming, "See what a beautiful book Uncle George gave me!"

"Lay it away!" whispered his mother. "I want you to have it all to yourself."

Henry obeyed; but his face turned very red with mortification. He took very little pleasure with his companions; and they soon departed.

When they were gone he went again for the new book, carried it to his mother and laid it in her lap, saying,

"I don't want this book at all; I won't have it."

"But you must, Henry. Your Uncle

George gave it to you; and you must not reject his gift. You must have it; it is yours; it is all yours; and you may have it entirely to yourself."

"I don't want it all to myself, and I don't want anything all to myself," said Henry, with a breaking voice.

"Have you found out that when it is all your own it is good for nothing?"

"Yes ma'am," replied Henry. "I thought it was the finest book I ever had; and now I don't want it. I don't care half so much for it as for my old books."

"I hope you have learned that the rule of God, 'Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them,' is very wise, the wisest and best that was ever made. When you obey it you are happy, and make others so; when you disobey it you are unhappy; are you not, my son?"

"Yes ma'am; I have felt very badly," said Henry, bursting into tears.

"You have felt unhappy. Have you felt repentant? Have you felt sorry for doing wrong?"

"I am sorry," answered Henry.

"Well, you know the Bible way for you now, God's way—repent, confess, forsake. The wrong was done to Mary in not sharing your book with her; it was done to God in breaking His law that you shall love others as you do yourself."

Henry stood and looked down.

"Never wait an instant in doing your duty," said his mother.

Henry went to his sister Mary, and, putting his arms around her neck, said, "I am very sorry, Mary, I was so selfish about my new book. Will you forgive me?" And he kissed her cheek heartily and tenderly, while the tears ran down his face.

"O, yes," said Mary, twining her little arm with his and returning his kisses. "I'm so glad you're good again!"

"May Mary take my new book now, Mother?" asked Henry.

"Yes, my son; give it to her, and then go to God for his forgiveness."

When Henry returned from his room, after having prayed to the loving and forgiving Father of all, he looked happy, and said to his mother,

"I was very sorry. I did want to be good; and, when I prayed to God about it, it seemed as if he really heard me and would do what I asked him to."

"Do you feel that God has forgiven you?"

"I think he has," said Henry.

"Then 'go and sin no more,'" said his mother.

— To be continued —

A Talk With Boys

Lorel loved to read. However, she wasn't particular what she read. She would say with a toss of her head. I don't care what I'm reading, just so I'm reading!"

Once she made this remark to a friend who asked this startling question, "Are you that way about your food too? You love to eat, but it doesn't matter what you are eating? It might be fruit salad or baked beans, or it might be poison."

Lorel was chagrined, but she saw the point. Some books are like good food—and some are like poison. Put evil books away from you with the same revulsion that you would spit out of your mouth something evil tasting. Your minds and bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit, and into them should go only that which is pure.—*Selected.*

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Search Question

Who did Paul tell would be blind, not seeing the sun for a season?

Answer to Last Week's Question

Nicodemus. John 19:39

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Dear boys and girls,

When we pray we should be sincere and mean what we say. Don't just be saying words but be in earnest about it. If your shoes were worn out and you would go to your father and say, "Daddy, you have always been so good to me and bought shoes for me when I needed them and I do thank you for them but now I need some new shoes. These shoes have a big hole in the bottom and when it rained this morning my feet got wet and they were cold all day at school." I'm sure you would be meaning every word that you said, would you not? You would not just be saying words when you talked like that but you would be earnestly desiring your earthly father to get you some new shoes to keep your feet dry. Now you have a heavenly Father, He is able to help you too. He can even do more than your earthly Father can do. But when you come to Him you need to be just as earnest about what you say as you would to your earthly father. First, we should thank God for what He has done for us, and

really thank Him from our heart. Then in just the same way ask Him for help each day to live for Him. You know the devil has more power than you have but he doesn't have more power than God. So you need God on your side every day so you can do the right. You need to earnestly ask God every day to help you do the right and he will do it, too, as you watch and pray.

We must not be like the hypocrites that Jesus tells us about in our lesson. They stand in the most public places and make long prayers so everyone will know they pray and think they surely are good men. They just say a lot of words to be heard of men and not of God. They are thinking of the men around them that listen and do not think of God. Their prayers go no farther than their head. The Lord wants us to pray to him and not just to be heard of men.

The last part of our lesson tells us about two men that prayed. They both needed to ask God for help but only one prayed sincerely. He begged for mercy as he was a sinner. The other man was a sinner also but he told the Lord how good he was and even showed the Lord the other man and said he was better than he. Jesus tells us that he did not get any blessing because he did not pray right. God wants us to be humble and pray from the heart and feel our dependence upon God. May the Lord bless each one of you to pray often and seek God for help. He will help you if you will.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 8, May 22, 1960

WHEN WE PRAY

Matt. 6:5-9; Luke 18:9-14

Matt. 6:5 And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets,

that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

6 But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

7 But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.

8 Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.

9 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

Luke 18:9 And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others:

10 Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican.

11 The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.

12 I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.

13 And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.

14 I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

Memory Verse: After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which is in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Matt. 6:9.

Central Truth: Mean what you say when you pray.

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May 29

God's Care

The little birds that throng the sky
Have all their needs supplied,
For grain, and food and strength to fly
They never are denied.

The lovely flowers never spin
Nor weave their colors bright,
God gives them clothes, and deep within
He loves their precious sight.

Then do not fear, O little child,
Oh, how much more are we!
His love, His favour sweet and mild
Will faithful to us be.

—Leslie Busbee

A Mother's Prayer Answered

A strong wind was blowing from the south, and signs of a prairie-fire warned the Green family who lived on the heavily grass-covered plains of Kansas that danger was near. The farm was surrounded by a wide "hedge-row" which in ordinary times would have been perfectly safe, but on this occasion it was absolutely nothing. The grass was the heavy bluestem, much of it very tall, with thick ground covering. On came

the fire with terrible speed. It looked like a solid wall of fire leaping hundreds of feet into the air, and it was burning homes and stock. All the family had been represented in the little house and barn, and the father was twenty-five miles away.

The mother took the children and the cow to the back part of a rye-field and told the children to lie close to the ground. Then she ran back and took her place directly in front of the house with the open field of grass in front of her. The stable, made of poles, brush and straw, was about ten rods north of the house and had no protection. The mother was heard calling on the Lord until the fire came so near that its roar drowned her voice. But when it had passed by, the mother, house, stable, etc. were all there. The fire had separated directly in front of her, gone around all the buildings, and come together again back of the barn—a miracle indeed. The mother said that when she kneeled down she resolved not to open her eyes lest the sight weaken her faith, and to perish, if need be, on the promise, "Ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."

—True and witnessed by J. L. Green

Ask, Seek, Knock

"Ask and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." Matt. 7:7.

Our Family Hour

(CHARITY)

"Well, children, I see we are ready to put the frosting on our Fruited Love Knots. The last thing to be added is charity and we certainly don't want to leave that out."

"James, what is charity?"

"It is Divine love which is a lot greater than human love."

"I'm glad you know the difference. Can you tell of anytime that divine love was used when human love ran out?"

"I can tell you about our Sunday school teacher:

"She told us that once she lived near some people who acted very unchristian-like. Something had angered one of them, so she took it out on her (the Sunday school teacher) and cursed her. She remained quiet. No doubt this made the woman more angry. That same night something else happened that aggravated the woman. The devil suggested to the lady to be glad that the neighbor was reaping this evil. But right away the Scripture came to her about praying for those that spitefully use you. So right away she sincerely prayed that the situation be changed so as not to aggravate her neighbor, and sure enough it was.

"She also said that the Bible says that charity rejoiceth not in iniquity, so since she had divine love it kept her from being glad to see her neighbor harmed."

That's certainly divine love and a good way to test it, for human love is glad to see those we love happy, but when our enemy is made sad, human love begins to say he deserves trouble. We have to ask the Lord and seek Him

earnestly for charity. Children, let us never be without it. We cannot even be Christians unless we have it.

Now let's go back to 2 Peter 1:5-8 and see if we have made our Love Knots correctly. If we have, and eat (live by it), we shall never be unfruitful. If we are lacking, we know that we need some more of the love of God.

Goodnight, children.

—O.A.D.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

ANTONIO

Henry had often seen in the street an organ grinder, accompanied by a little boy with a tambourine. When the organ played the little boy jingled the tambourine and thumped upon it, keeping time with his feet, hopping up and down, lancing and cutting antics, laughing himself as he saw that he had made others laugh. His pleasant drolleries brought the organ grinder many a little coin.

When the winter came on, the organ grinder went out alone. Henry missed the little boy, and asked the organ man what had become of him.

"He sick," said the man. "Can't dance good no more."

"What ails him?" said Henry.

The man did not understand Henry's question.

"What makes him sick?" then asked Henry.

"O, not much; he get well," answered the man carelessly, and went his way.

One morning, when Henry was in the yard, there was a rap at the back gate; and, as Martha opened it, he was surprised as well as pleased to see the little tambourine player. His clothes were very ragged, and he looked pale and feeble.

He asked for some cold victuals; and, while Martha was getting some, Henry inquired if he was sick.

"Woman say I got cold—no sick," was the answer.

"What woman is it?"

"Woman I stay wis."

"Haven't you any father or mother?"

"My mother dead; my fater no live here."

"Have you any brothers and sisters?"

"My broter no here—nobody."

"Are you a little Italian boy?"

"Yes."

"What is your name?"

"Antonio."

"Antonio."

"Who brought you to America?"

"Man."

"Was it the organ man?"

"No."

"Do you live with a good woman?"

"She scold; sometime she whip me."

"Does she give you your clothes?"

"I got these," he said, pointing to his rags; "no more."

"Ain't you cold?"

Antonio nodded his head. He was shivering then.

"What do you do with the food you beg?"

"Give to woman."

Henry took the little fellow to the kitchen fire to warm him, and told him to wait there while he went to his mother and obtained permission to give him a glass of fresh milk and a nice buttered roll.

The poor boy's eyes shone with pleasure as Henry placed them before him. He drank the milk and put the roll in his basket.

"Why don't you eat it?" asked Henry.

"Woman scold; I carry to her."

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Search Question

Who sent letters to Nehemiah to make him afraid while rebuilding the wall of Jerusalem?

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Answer to Last Week's Question

Elymas. Acts 13:8-12

Dear boys and girls,

I wonder how many of you worry about how you are going to get your next meal. You generally run to the table when Mother calls and you expect something on the table to eat. That is trusting your parents, is it not? Now when you grow older they will not be providing for you. You will be out of the home working to take care of yourselves and your own home. There will be many needs arise at that time. Sometimes when something comes up unexpected you will not have money to take care of that need. Maybe you will have a car. You will be using that car to take you to work. It seems necessary to have it. It might all of a sudden break down, when you thought it was in good shape for a long time. What if you don't have money to have it fixed? Now that is a time when you must trust your heavenly Father to help you out. You must not worry but just trust. As you pray and look to God He will make a way for you some way. He will help you to get to your work some other way or make a way that you never thought about, that is, if you will just pray and trust, and not worry.

In our lesson Jesus is teaching us that we are not to worry. Worry brings unhappiness to a person. Even some people become sick just because they worry. God wants us while we are young to learn to not worry but to trust God. Of course many people worry over things that never happen. Some people worry about the weather. Over and over they say, "Oh, I hope it is a pretty day tomorrow, because I want to do this or that." Some worry over going out on the highway or worry over someone else having an accident. God wants us to pray and ask Him to take care of us and trust Him. He wants us to commit the weather to Him. If it is pretty we can do what is needful but if it isn't we won't do it and say for God to have His way. Trust God and have confidence in Him.

God tells us that he takes care of the birds. The birds do not worry or fill barns full of food but God feeds them. Then Jesus asks the question, "Are we not better than the birds?" Then Jesus tells us of his power. Can you grow an inch taller in a moment just by saying, "I want to grow an inch higher?" No, you can't, but God can cause you to grow. We should trust one who has all power.

God caused the pretty flowers to bloom and grow. He caused the grass to grow, so surely He cares more about us than anything in this world. Mankind was the crowning glory of all his creations.

God loves us and understands all about our needs. He wants us to trust Him.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 9, May 29, 1960

GOD CARES ABOUT YOU

Matt. 6:25-34

25 Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat,

or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

26 Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?

27 Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?

28 And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

29 And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

30 Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?

31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithall shall we be clothed?

32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

34 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.

Memory Verse: He careth for you.
1 Peter 5:7.

Central Truth: God wants us to trust him as we do our parents.

"My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother." Prov. 6:20.

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June 5

Who Is My Neighbor?

The little child who cries for pain,
The man all crippled with the cane,
The one in want and poverty,
The one who suffers misery—

This is my neighbor!

The one who grows the apple tree,
The one who lives next door to me,
My mother, father, kinfolk, all,
The one who for my help doth call,
These are my neighbors!

Help me, dear Lord, to ever be
As true, as loving, kind, as Thee,
That as myself I'll love them so
And fruits of peace and goodness show
To these, my neighbors!

—Leslie Busbee

“Give and It Shall Be Given”

“Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom.”
Luke 6:38.

In one of our southern states lived a woman who worked in a factory and supported her five grandchildren.

Her aged father was ill and not expected to live. She wanted to visit him and hoped to win him for Christ before he died. Little by little she saved up money to pay the fare to go visit him. Finally the day came when she had twenty dollars—enough for the trip.

God spoke to her and told her to give the money to a sister minister who was passing through and was to preach that night. She reminded the Lord how she had worked and saved for a long time and her father was sick and she might never see him again. But God told her to give it and that he would provide a way for her.

She had to leave before the service closed that night but handed an envelope to the minister. Later, when the minister opened it she praised the Lord, for it was sufficient to get her to her destination. She had been trusting God to some way provide the necessary means but did not know how it would come.

A few days later a relative came by and stopped. They were on their way to see the aged father and stopped to

take her there. After a four weeks' stay she was brought home again. Could anything but thankfulness fill her heart that she had obeyed God when He told her to give?

The Word of God tells us also to not give grudgingly or of necessity, for "God loveth a cheerful giver." 2 Cor. 9:7.

Two boys had saved some money until they had several dollars. They had been instructed by their father to never let their hearts get set on their money. Ps. 62:10 says, "If riches increase, set not your heart upon them." Though the boys didn't have a great amount yet, there was a possibility of them letting their hearts get set on it.

The two boys learned of a need and felt that they should give some money to help fill that need. They talked to one another and then to their father and gave the money. Not long after God saw fit to reward the boys and they were given a larger amount than God had laid on their hearts to give. They found the scripture was fulfilled quickly, "Give, and it shall be given unto you."

Let us not give with the purpose in mind that we will profit by receiving more, but let us give cheerfully and willingly as we purpose in our hearts or as God lays it upon our hearts to give.

First story from "Highway and Hedges"

A Little Girl's Version

Many of you may know of the little girl who was asked to repeat the 23rd Psalm, but she didn't know it very well. Indeed she stumbled at the first verse and gave it like this: "The Lord is my Shepherd, that's all I want."

The Bible does not put it that way, but she gave us a beautiful thought,

didn't she? And after all, it's very true. If we know the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour and Shepherd, that is all we want and need.

A Saviour who saves and cleanses us from sin, and a Shepherd who always guides and keeps us. What more do we want?

Is He this to you? He is waiting to be, right here and now. Won't you accept Him as such?

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands ANTONIO

Henry pitied the poor boy and told him to come again. He also found out where he lived, and then went with a full heart to his mother.

"O mother!" he said, "couldn't I do something for that poor boy?"

"What could you do, my son?"

"I could give him clothes and shoes as I did Mikey; but that wouldn't be much when he's got no good home, and nobody to take care of him, and nothing to eat but what he begs. And he's sick, too; he looked pale, and coughed very hard."

"He seems, from your account, in a sad condition," said Mrs. Day.

"I think something ought to be done for such poor little boys, mother."

"So do I; but what do you think can be done?"

"Why, he could be sent to the poor-house; but that isn't much of a place for a sick child who hasn't any friends, is it? I wasn't thinking of that when I first spoke about him."

"What then?"

"Couldn't you let him come and live here?"

"Do you think we could, Henry?"

"I don't know."

"Martha and myself have as much work now as we can well do; and I don't

know whether your father would feel able to bear the expense of supporting another person in the family."

"Couldn't I help you and Martha? I think I could. If you'd make me a large apron, so that I shouldn't soil my clothes, I could bring in Martha's wood and make the fire in the furnace every morning. I know how, for I've done it. I could bring up all the water you want, and take care of my own room, too. You need not make my bed any more; for the boys over at the Blind Asylum make their beds, and they do it as neatly and well as any one could; so I am sure I can make mine, and Mary's too, if you would like to have me."

"Do you think you could do so much work and get your lessons in good season these short mornings?"

"I think so, if Martha will wake me when she gets up. I am sure Antonio will help some; and don't you think we both could do enough, so that you would not have any more work than now?"

"Perhaps you could. You must talk with your father about your plan; and, if he has no objections, I think we'll let the little Italian come, and see how we get along."

"I'm glad, mother; for I know that, if I were a poor little boy in Italy, I should want some good woman to give me a home and be like my mother to me; though I don't think any body would be as good to me as you are."

"A great many boys like their mothers and think they are the best in the world," said Mrs. Day, smiling.

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Search Question

What prophetess wanted to cause Nehemiah to be fearful?

Answer to Last Week's Question

Tobiah. Nehemiah 6:19

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Dear boys and girls,

The memory verse is called the "golden rule." Not very many in the world have this rule in their lives. Many are very selfish and think only of themselves but it is golden to obey it. Read the memory verse. It is golden to do unto others as you want them to do unto you. Do you like to be loved? Then love others. Do you like to be noticed? Then notice others. Do you like to have interest shown to you when you get hurt or sick or in need? Then do that to others. That makes your life golden and shine. Gold shines, doesn't it? If you are kind, thoughtful, unselfish, peaceable, loving, and forgiving toward others your life will shine as gold.

Our lesson reminds me of a story I read about. A Japanese postman was fighting in the war against the American soldiers. In the retreat several Japanese soldiers, including the postman fled to the jungles to hide. One by one they died by hunger and disease. The Japanese postman was the last and he lay on the ground too weak to rise up when he heard footsteps coming his way. He waited for the trust of the spear to end his life when suddenly someone stooped beside him and said, "Friend." Strong arms lifted him and he lost consciousness. Later he came to himself in a hospital with loving care all around

him. A chaplain visited him every day and told him about Jesus. He gave his heart to the Lord and when he was well he returned to his home after the war and won his family to the Lord. After that he was spoken of as the mailman who delivers the gospel along with the mail. The golden rule was shown to this man, wasn't it?

The word neighbor may mean just to you the one who lives next door or in your block, or maybe the next farm, but it also has a broader meaning given in the dictionary. It also means, "Fellow-man." This way it includes anyone who needs our help and whom we are able to help.

Which one of the men in our lesson was the happiest? Which one obeyed the golden rule? If you got hurt while playing, how would you like for others to run away and leave you alone? What would your playmates do if they obeyed the golden rule? Let us always keep in mind that God loves everyone regardless of the race, color, or creed, and he wants us to love them too, and try to help them. Then we will be keeping the golden rule.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 10, June 5, 1960

BEING GOOD NEIGHBORS

Matt. 7:12; Luke 10:25-37

Matt. 7:12 Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.

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

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

27 And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy

strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Memory Verse: Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets. Matt. 7:12.

Central Truth: Those who live by the golden rule will help others love Jesus.

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Are You Ready To Quit It?

You say your sin is heavy sore,
You're willing to forget it;
You're knocking loud at heaven's door—
But are you ready to quit it?

You say it's bad to have around,
You want to far-off set it;
You say you hate its sight and sound—
But are you ready to quit it?

You pray, you weep, you mourn, you
grieve,
You surely do regret it;
But answer me before you leave—
Are you truly ready to quit it?

Until you leave it all behind,
To never more sure let it,
You'll never gain forgiveness kind—
My child, you sure must quit it!

—Leslie Busbee

How A Boy Found Christ

By A. Thomas More

More than five-and-thirty years
have come and gone since the day
on which I found Christ, but how

clear and vivid is the memory of it.
I was but thirteen then—it seems just
yesterday!

It was at the close of a Sunday
afternoon in the November of 1874.
There was a thick, misty rain out-
side, and the day had been dull and
gray and heavy. I was sitting in the
rapidly-darkening school chapel,
where a few stray candles—it was
still the days of the tallow "dips," in
country places—scarcely allowed me
to see the pulpit from the farther end
of the chapel where I was sitting.
But I could hear. And to my heart
there came "wonderful words of life."

The ancient parish church was be-
ing restored, and during the progress
of the work, all the parochial services
were held in the school chapel. And
so it came about that the rector of
the parish was preaching there that
Sunday afternoon. He was a saintly
man whose all was Christ—to preach
Him and to live in, and for, Him.

I cannot remember either his text
or his sermon generally, but I can
remember that I found myself listen-
ing, and listening intently, too, as if
my very life depended upon what I

heard. And as though it were but yesterday I can hear him telling how "even boys" had sinned in Adam and by their own daily faults, self-will, and evil hearts. He just simply slew us all, as it were, showing us to be dead in trespasses and sins, and including all under sin and wrath of God. To one, at least—to myself—it was a true picture. And as I sat there I felt the misery of it all, longing to cry aloud, "Who shall deliver me?"

But then the good man turned the picture and showed us God's love, telling how He loved the sinner though He hated the sin. And then faithfully, tenderly, simply, he presented to us the Son of God as a personal Savior on whom the Father had "laid the iniquity of us all," and so went on to preach the wonderful Gospel in its fullness and its beauty. And, boy as I was, I realized that it was for me. The Spirit gave me, there and then, an "assurance" which—praise the Lord—I have never lost! I felt my sin and I found my Savior; the one was gone and the Other found; I was born again; old things passed away; all things became new.

Years afterwards I told the rector all about it, and we rejoiced together. He is now in the fuller life "forever with the Lord," and I look forward with a great joy to the day when I shall more fully tell him all the outcome of his sermon that afternoon, "in the presence of the King." (Dan. 12:3; Isa. 35:9, 10; 1st Cor. 15:51; 1st Thess. 4:17).

He ruined his health

Acquiring his wealth;

To save his soul he had not tried.

He squandered his wealth

Trying to regain his health—

Then the FOOL died. E. E. F.

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

ANTONIO

Henry obtained his father's consent to give the little Antonio a home as soon as he told him that his mother had already given hers. And now he was to inform Antonio of the matter, and get ready to receive him.

Antonio was very thankful for the new home. All children like new things; and there was nothing for him to love or regret in the place where, as he expressed it, he "stayed" but the cat who shared his meals and his bed.

The old woman who sheltered him was sorry to lose him; for she spent nothing on him, and he was a good beggar, supplying her with all her food; but she knew she had no claim to him, and there was no use in making any resistance to his going. When the organ man was done with him, she had taken him in to beg for her.

According to Henry's proposal, a little cot bed and a washstand were placed in his own room for Antonio; and he was to teach him proper care and cleanliness in his habits.

A new suit of clothes from a ready-made clothing store were in readiness for him when he came; and Henry showed him how to wash himself quite thoroughly and comb his hair before putting them on.

The first afternoon that Antonio spent in his new home, Henry asked him if he could read.

He said, "No;" an answer to be expected from a little foreign boy in such circumstances as his.

Henry brought one of his amusing books and read aloud from it. Antonio listened eagerly; for it was so simple he could easily understand it. The pictures had a great interest for him when he had heard the stories about them; and

he was quite pleased when Henry took Susan's "First Book" and tried to teach him the letters. But he liked better to hear Henry read, until he understood that he must learn his letters in order to know how to read himself; then he was desirous to be taught.

The first night that Antonio slept in Henry's room he went to bed without praying to God.

Henry noticed it, and said, "Don't you pray to God?"

"No; not now."

"Did you pray once?"

"Pray little in Italiene."

"What was it?"

"I forgot."

"Don't you want to pray?"

Antonio said nothing.

"Ain't you glad of a good home, a good supper, and a nice bed?"

"Yes."

"Well; God gave them to you, and I should think you'd like to thank him for them."

"Yes," said Antonio. "Thank you, God."

Henry could not help smiling at the simplicity of this thanksgiving; but he saw that it was sincere.

"And don't you want God to keep you alive and give you good food and a good home to-morrow?"

"Yes," said Antonio.

"Well, then, you had better kneel down, to show Him respect and honor, and ask him for these things. And if you have done wrong, you ought to be sorry for it and ask God to forgive you."

"Well," said Antonio; and he knelt beside his bed and prayed a little prayer.

(To be continued)

Search Question

In the letter to the Churches written in Revelation, which one did the Lord say was rich?

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Answer to Last Week's Question

Noadiah. Nehemiah 6:14

Dear boys and girls,

Sometimes boys and girls become dissatisfied with their home. They feel their parents are too strict and that they do not love them because they make them mind. If this has ever come to your mind, you need to know right away that it is from the devil. Parents make you mind because they love you. Some boys and girls decide they will run away from home. But of course they soon return because they soon learn that there is no place like home. One run-away boy slept in barns a few nights and then came home terribly hungry and sorry. Another boy left home one evening but in the night his mother heard him try the door. She got up and let him in. He was sorry. So boys and girls, don't try to do it. It won't work and doesn't pay. One girl ran away but the police soon had her brought back home. If this happens penalties are put upon you and a blot on your name. God wants you to obey your parents and you will be blessed.

Let us note six steps the prodigal son took that brought him down to starvation and to himself. When he became low enough he realized he wasn't nearly as smart as he thought he had been and

became in a condition that he became wise.

First he resented his parents restraining him. Second he went far from home. Third he fell into bad company. Fourth he wasted his money. Fifth he sinned terribly. Sixth he was on the verge of starvation. Little by little he got farther and farther away from home and God. That is the way the devil tries to lead boys and girls astray. He will try to get them to cheat a little, lie a little, and then steal a little, and then get them to do it more and in a bigger way and on and on until they are far from God. Be wise and do not follow the devil.

Now note the steps he took to come back to his home and God. First he saw how great his sin was and how far he was from home. Second, he made a decision to return home and confess his sin. Third, he went home and made an humble confession. Fourth, he was joyfully and fully forgiven.

The father represents God, who is willing to forgive sinners who truly repent from the heart and are truly sorry for doing wrong. God sees in the heart and he knows if you have godly sorrow. We must be sorry that we have grieved God and broken his commandments. He is a God of love and when we do wrong He feels very, very sad. He is the One who gives us all good things and we should want to please him, shouldn't we?

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 11, June 12, 1960

BEING SORRY FOR WRONGDOING

Luke 15:11-24

11 And he said, A certain man had two sons:

12 And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his living.

13 And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.

14 And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want.

15 And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.

16 And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him.

17 And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!

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

19 And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.

20 And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.

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

22 But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet:

23 And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it; and let us eat, and be merry:

24 For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.

Memory Verse: In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Prov. 3:6.

Central Truth: Repentance is necessary to win God's approval.

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June 19

My Dear Father

My Father is so strong,
And never would do wrong;
He prays to the dear Lord,
And reads His holy Word.

My father taught me right,
Praying morning and night
For God to keep me true
In all things that I do.

We honor you today,
Words do fail us to say
All that is in our heart,
So we won't even start.

—Marie Miles.

Honor

Honor means to regard with respect, to worship or admire. These are some of the meanings the dictionary gives for honor. Yet how often we fail to see honor bestowed on the ones the Bible tells us it should be given to.

Yes, again I feel impressed to write to you, boys and girls, admonishing you to HONOR your parents, for in doing so we are promised long life, and also that

"it may be well with thee"—things will go well with us.

Most of the time when I think of that verse I think of the long life promised, but the Lord said also that it would be "well" with us if we honored our parents.

We all want things to be well with us, don't we? Then let us begin doing the things that will cause it to be well with us. "Admire—worship." Can we very well pout or frown or talk back to anyone we admire? Hardly not, but yet we see this done. Children, the Bible is true. It will not be well with us if we do not respect our parents.

Just recently an acquaintance of ours died before he reached an old age. It is said that he was very disrespectful to his father. Others we know who disrespected their parents are in trouble. It is not well with them because they walked over their parents' instructions.

Let us resolve that from now on we will show respect and love to our parents.

—O.A.D.

Beautiful Hands

"O Miss Roberts! what coarse-looking hands Mary Jessup has!" said

Daisy Marvin, as she walked home from school with her teacher.

"In my opinion, Daisy, Mary's hands are the prettiest in the class."

"Why, Miss Roberts, they are as red and hard as they can be. How they would look if she were to try to play on a piano!" exclaimed Daisy.

Miss Roberts took Daisy's hands in hers, and said, "Your hands are very soft and white, Daisy—just the hands to look beautiful on a piano; yet they lack one beauty that Mary's hands have. Shall I tell you what the difference is?"

"Yes, please, Miss Roberts."

"Well, Daisy, Mary's hands are always busy. They wash dishes; they make fires; they hang out clothes, and help to wash them too; they sweep, and dust, and sew; they are always trying to help her poor, hard-working mother.

"Besides, they wash and dress the children; they mend their toys and dress their dolls; yet, they find time to bathe the head of the little girl who is so sick in the next house to theirs.

"They are full of good deeds to every living thing. I have seen them patting the tired horse and the lame dog in the street. They are always ready to help those who need help."

"I shall never think Mary's hands are ugly any more, Miss Roberts."

"I am glad to hear you say that, Daisy; and I must tell you that they are beautiful because they do their work gladly and cheerfully."

"O Miss Roberts! I feel so ashamed of myself, and so sorry," said Daisy, looking into her teacher's face with tearful eyes.

"Then, my dear, show your sorrow by deeds of kindness. The good alone are really beautiful."

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

ANTONIO

Henry did not, like many other boys, plan largely and promise largely as to what he would do, then begin, and, finding his work hard and beset with difficulties and hindrances, fret about it and soon give it up. God has given a particular command about work, "Be not slothful in business," and he knew it was meant for him as well as for his mother and Martha. He knew, too, that the great command, "Do unto others as ye would that they should do unto you," requires that each one shall do his own duty, so that none may be overtaken, and thereby suffer.

So when Martha called him in the morning at daybreak, though he felt very sleepy, he did not stop to consider his own ease or comfort, but sprang up and washed and dressed himself.

Antonio did the same. He saw that Henry knelt and prayed, and he knelt and prayed too; and when he finished his prayer saying, "Thank you, God, for a good new home—for Henry," Henry felt already paid for all the effort and self-denial he would have to make on his account.

He had made some kindlings ready the evening before, so that in a few minutes he had the furnace fire well burning. He put every thing about the furnace in good condition, and then asked Martha if she had any little jobs for him. He did what she wanted done promptly and well; fed the doves and gave them water,—for there was snow upon the ground, and he was afraid they could not provide for themselves,—and then returned to his own room and put it in nice order before the breakfast bell rang.

Antonio followed him about, helping him all he could, and saying, "I do by 'm by, Henry."

Every day Henry spent some time in teaching Antonio. He learned very rapidly, for he was often studying his lessons and trying to make them out when he was alone; and sometimes, when Henry was gone out, he asked Mary to help him.

Henry also took every good occasion to teach him what he had himself learned from the Bible, and was desirous that he should be good.

One morning, when the doves were feeding in the yard, Antonio threw a stick at them and frightened them away. He laughed heartily as he saw them fluttering and flying in every direction, and thought it was fine sport.

"O Antonio! How could you do so?" said Henry.

"I no hurt birds."

"You frightened them and gave them great distress."

"That notin. I make 'em fly quick."

"Why, hadn't you rather throw them a handful of crumbs, and have them come and eat them and be glad, than to throw a stick at them and make them afraid that some one is trying to catch them or kill them?"

"I throw stick no more," said Antonio. "I sorry."

"We ought to be good to every thing," continued Henry. "I don't see how any body can help loving the little birds and being kind to them—they are so innocent and pretty."

Then he told Antonio the Bible stories about birds, — about Noah's dove and raven, the ravens that fed Elijah, and the dove that lighted on the head of the Savior at his baptism.

Antonio listened intently, and then said again, "I sorry; I no hurt birds more."

Henry also told Antonio how he came by the doves; that they were the gift of

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Mikey's gratitude. Antonio looked very sad.

"Antonio no noting for Henry," he said. "I give my love."

"That is better even than doves," said Henry. "You needn't look so sober."

(To be continued)

Search Question

Of which church was it said that they were neither cold nor hot?

Answer to Last Week's Question
Smyrna. Rev. 2:8

Dear boys and girls,

Spring is a beautiful time of the year. The trees seem to come to life after the winter is past. They put on leaves and then they begin to bloom. Soon the blooms fall and the little fruit begins to shape. Finally you see some nice juicy fruit that is ready to eat. How disappointed you would be if you looked on your apple tree for some apples and you saw some black, ugly, rough-looking fruit. That is the way God feels when he looks at the lives of those who have sin in their hearts and bear the sin-fruit.

We cannot do good just within ourselves. We must have Jesus to help us. When we come to him and ask him to forgive us of our sins and ask him to save us then we belong to Jesus. Each day he still wants us to pray to him and

thank him for helping us and ask him to continue to help us to do good and bear good fruit. Our lesson says a corrupt tree cannot bring forth good fruit. So we need to be made clean to bring forth good fruit.

The corrupt tree bears corrupt fruit which is listed in our lesson as the works of the flesh. Some of them are big words and you may not understand all of them, but some of them you do. But all of them are bad fruit. The first four bring out some desires in the body for evil. We need to know that God made our bodies and all parts of our body are for a clean and holy purpose. We should not let unclean thoughts stay in our minds. We must keep our minds clean and pure. Don't ever be around that boy or girl who wants to tell what they call, "dirty jokes." Never listen to them. Keep yourself pure and bear pure fruit.

I'm going to list some of these and what they mean. Idolatry is excessive love for any person or thing. We want God to be first in our love. Witchcraft is black magic and fortune telling. (Deut. 12:10-12) Hatred means to dislike intensely. Hatred is the beginning of murder. Variance means to quarrel. All of these are fruit from the corrupt tree. Emulations means to strive to equal or excel with a view to outdo; envious rivalry. Wrath means violent anger or rage. Strife means discord, and contention. Space does not permit us to give definitions for all but all of them are very bad fruit that is born in the lives of those who do not have Jesus in their lives.

The good fruit that comes from the good tree is just one bunch of fruit which is named love. We are born of love. God is love. Joy is love bubbling over. Peace is love at rest. Longsuffering is love enduring. Gentleness is love being kind. Goodness is love in action. Faith

is love on the battlefield. Meekness is love in school and temperance is love in training. Be sure to bear good fruit.

—Aunt Marie

Lesson 12, June 19, 1960

LESSONS FROM FRUIT TREES

Matt. 7:17-21, Gal. 5:19-23

Matt. 7:17 Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.

18 A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

19 Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

20 Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

Gal. 5:19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these, Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revelings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

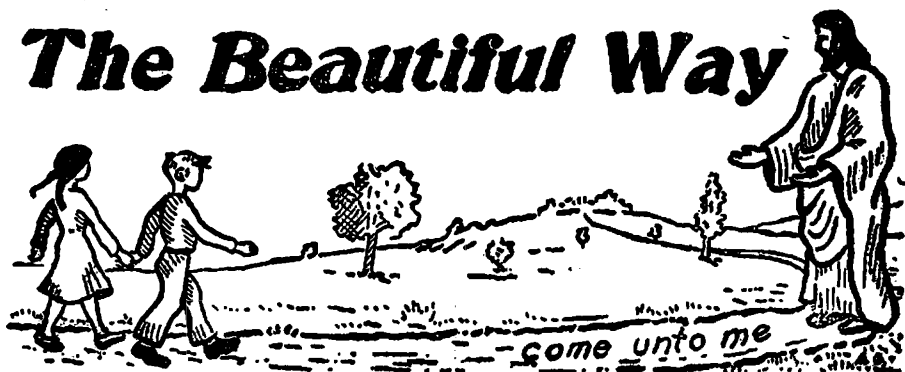
22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

Memory Verse: Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. Matt. 7:17.

Central Truth: The kind of fruits which are in our lives show whether we are true followers of Christ or not.

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Part Thirteen

June 26

Saying and Doing

The words we speak are vain and dead,
If to them we're not true,
We're better off to have not said,
Than say and do not do.

To speak one way with words so grand,
And, yet, to live another,
It is a shame, we understand:
A hindrance to our brother.

Speak what you live, live what you speak,
And thus your house will stand;
His grace don't fail to daily seek;
On heaven's shore you'll land.

—Leslie Busbee

As Good As Gold

"I sure wish I had some money to give old Brother Jim," said Peter, holding his head in his hands as he tried to think of something. Brother Jim had been sick for a long time and it seemed he never really had enough to go on. Peter would go over to see him a few minutes each day and usually he had something to take him or a coin or two to put in his hand as he left. Today Peter

had nothing that Bro. Jim could eat nor any money to give him.

"Aren't you going over to Brother Jim's this evening, Peter?" asked Mother. "I'm sure he'll be disappointed if you don't go."

"But, Mother, I don't have anything to take him and that might be a disappointment too," replied Peter.

"Well, you go, Peter, and the Lord will take care of the rest."

Peter thought maybe he might find some money on the way over there. He looked carefully, but didn't find so much as a penny. When he got there Bro. Jim was so happy his eyes filled with tears. "I thought maybe you were getting tired of me, and I did want to see you as today has seemed such a long one."

Peter told him all about the testimonies and prayers that went up in the prayer meeting the night before and even sung some of the songs that were sung in prayer service. Then Bro. Jim and he had prayer together.

By this time both were feeling better, so Peter confessed to Bro. Jim his reason for being late.

"I didn't have anything to bring you so I didn't want to disappoint you," said Peter.

"Have you read much in Proverbs, Peter? There is a verse I want you to remember. 'A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver.' Prov. 25:11.

"You wanted to bring me a little token of some kind. Yes, Peter, I would have been thankful but the words you've spoken tonight are as good as gold and even better. Remember, the good we do is not to be measured in terms of money."

Peter felt real good as he said good-night to Bro. Jim, even better than he felt when he gave him all his week's allowance.

—O. A. D.

Do You Know The Answers?

There are three clues given. See if you can tell the answer. Some are easy, some are difficult.

- A. A king:
1. I hunted for my father's asses.
2. I ate with Samuel.
3. Pride turned my heart from God.
- B. A widow:
1. I went to the land of Moab.
2. My daughter-in-law refused to leave me.
3. I was David's great grandmother.
- C. A self-made king:
1. I had 69 of my brothers killed.
2. One of them escaped.
3. My father fought the midianites.
- D. A prophet:
1. I plowed with twelve yoke of oxen.
2. I kissed my mother and father good-bye and followed another prophet.
3. My servant's name was Gehazu.
- E. An Israelite:
1. I caused the death of about 36 men.
2. I stole money and a beautiful robe.

3. My family and I were stoned to death.

F. A woman (harlot):

1. I hid some spies.
2. My house was upon the town wall.
3. My families' lives were saved thru me.

G. A judge:

1. I dwelt under a palm tree.
2. I gave courage to a faint-hearted man.
3. My husband's name was Lapidoth.

H. A king's son:

1. I ate wild honey when my father had called a fast.
2. My father and I died the same day.
3. I loved David deeply.

Loving Jesus

A father who was not a Christian beat his son to keep him from going to church or Sunday school. The boy came to his class many times with marks of the beatings upon him, and finally the teacher said, "I wonder what you do not run away from home." He looked up in surprise and said, "I ain't stood near as much as you said Jesus did. If I stay at home mebbe Pa will believe some time."

The boy had never heard of Jesus' death on the Cross for us until he started going to the Sunday school just a little while before that. Would you be as true to Jesus as he was?

Henry Day Learning to Obey Bible Commands

ANTONIO

The ship which John Collins had given Henry stood on a large bracket in his own room. On returning home from play one day, he saw that something had happened to it. He took it down,

and found that one of the masts and two of the little cords which were meant for ropes were broken. Who had done the mischief?

He at once thought of Antonio, and asked him if he had touched his ship.

"No! no!" said Antonio, his face growing very red, and his voice trembling with emotion. "I no touch it."

"If you did, Antonio, I want you to tell me; though I am very sorry, I would not scold you; for I am sure it must have been broken by accident."

Henry said no more then about the ship; but he could not help thinking that Antonio must have tried to take it down, and let it fall; for his little sisters asked him whenever they wished to see it; and, as he was always good to them now, and tried to please them, they treated him kindly, and never touched his things when they knew he did not want them to. Besides, whenever they did wrong, or any accident happened to them, they immediately ran to tell of it and express their sorrow.

When Antonio knelt to pray at night Henry said to him, very kindly, "Now, if you told a lie to-day, tell God about it, and we will both pray to Him to forgive it."

Antonio was very sensitive and tender hearted; and he was overcome by Henry's tone and manner.

"I did lie," he said, bursting into tears. "I broke ship; ship drop. O, I very sorry."

"Never mind the ship," said Henry; "I can get it mended; but I am sorry for the lie. It is such a great sin! O, never tell a lie again!"

"No, never," said Antonio; and while he prayed he wept.

He kept his word, too; he told no more lies, but seemed to try more and more to do right.

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F. Rahab
E. Achan
D. Elisba
C. Abimelech
B. Naomi
A. Saul

ANSWERS

Search Question

What was promised to those who were lukewarm (neither cold nor hot)?

Answer to Last Week's Question
The Laodicean church. Rev. 3:14, 15

Dear boys and girls,

Isn't it interesting to watch a house being built? I'm sure the one who builds a house enjoys looking at it after it is done, and has a good feeling about it because he put a good foundation under the nice house. It would be very foolish to build otherwise, wouldn't it?

Last fall when we had a big flood here in our town it washed out some of the foundation under the house where the workers live. We could not shut the doors until it was propped up. The foundation was not good and it caused trouble to the whole house.

In our lesson we read about the two houses. The wise man built upon a rock

and the foolish man built upon the sand. Jesus wants us to understand that each of us is building a house. The house he is talking about is our lives. Jesus stands for what he taught. So we want to build our house upon the rock, Christ Jesus. Read in the Bible what Jesus has told you to do and then take that into your life and act and think in that way. Use the block of honesty in your life, and the blocks of purity, kindness, and peace. It is important to add the block of truthfulness as you build. Never leave out the block of forgiveness. But you want all of these blocks to be on a firm foundation which is Christ. Be sure you have confessed your sins and with godly sorrow asked Jesus to forgive you. Be sure and make all of your wrongs right and start on a firm foundation and then build day by day. Your life will be a life that will be a help and blessing to others. Be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Let the Holy Spirit work through your life freely. Yield not to self. When the rain, floods, and winds of trouble come you will stand because Jesus will hold you up. But the boy or girl that tries to use all of these blocks and does not have Jesus in his life to help him will fall when trouble comes. If he gets in a corner he will lie to get out. He will end up in destruction and damnation. Be sure and build on Jesus.

The last part of our lesson tells about two boys. Which one do you think was the best one? Neither one did right but it would be better to be like the first one who repented. But of course it is best to not be like either one. We should say we will go and really go. That is the best way to treat our parents. And that is the way we should also do concerning the commands of Jesus, who loves us very much. We will never get to heaven

unless we obey the Bible. May the Lord help you to build right.

—Aunt Marie

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TWO HOUSES AND TWO BOYS

Matt. 7:24-20; 21:28-31b

7:24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

27 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

28 And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine:

29 For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.

21:28 But what think ye? A certain man had two sons; and he came to the first, and said, Son, go work to day in my vineyard.

29 He answered and said, I will not: but afterward he repented, and went.

30 And he came to the second, and said likewise. And he answered and said, I go, sir: and went not.

31 Whether of them twain did the will of his father? They say unto him, The first.

Memory Verse: Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only. James 1:22.

Central Truth: We should know Christ and his teachings and obey the commands which they contain.