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LIFE'S BOOMERANG

It's not so much the thing you do,
But it's the way you do it,
That counts for most along life's road,
If you but only knew it.
The way you speak, the way you lend
A helping hand unto a friend.
It's not so much the joy you crave,
But what you give to others,
That lifts the spirit close to God,
And self completely smothers.
An adage old, yet strangely true:
"What you give out comes back to you."
—By Alice Whitson Norton, (Sel.)

But somehow playing in his sand pile wasn't as much fun as it usually was. He stopped playing and sat quietly at the edge of the sandbox. He heard the bus stop down at the corner. He dropped his shovel and ran around the house. Yes, Mother was coming up the street.

"Mother! Mother!" cried Dick as he ran to meet her. "I'm sorry I didn't come quickly when you called me this morning."

Mother put her arms around Dick, "Of course you are, dear."

"And Mother, I'll come quickly the next time you call me." And he always did. —Sel.

BABY TALKS

Dick and His Sand Pile

"Dick! Dick!" called Mother. "It's time to come in and get cleaned up. We are going downtown."

"All right, Mother. I'll be there in a minute," answered Dick, but he kept right on playing. One minute—two minutes—three minutes went by, and Dick was still playing in his sand pile. He was right in the middle of building a fort, and it was lots of fun. Suddenly he remembered that his mother had called him. He dropped his bucket and little shovel and ran to the house.

"I'm coming, Mother," he called, "I didn't mean to forget." When he got to the house, Nora, his older sister, met him.

"Help me get cleaned up quick, Nora, cause Mother wants me to go to town with her," called Dick.

"But Dick, Mother has already gone downtown. She couldn't wait for you."

"She couldn't wait for me! Why, she called me," said Dick.

"Yes, but that was quite a while ago. You didn't come when she called," Nora told him.

"I know. I meant to, but I was busy playing," explained Dick.

After lunch Dick went back to his sand pile. He made tunnels, houses, and all sorts of things.

Say "Thank you," Betty," repeated Billy for the fourth time. Finally Betty said something that sounded nearly like the words.

Billy liked to think he was big enough to teach his little sister things. Soon she would know a lot of things and all because he could help teach them to her.

One day Billy asked Betty to hand him his ball from the floor.

"Won't, won't, won't", said Betty.

She stood with her back against the door and would not move.

"She learns fast, doesn't she, Billy?" said their big brother, Jack, who was in the room with them. "Remember when you told her 'I won't' when she wanted a piece of your candy a while ago? You are teaching her a good many things."

Billy knew Jack was right. Betty could learn to say, "I won't," from him just as easily as, "Thank you."
—Sel.

Jesus said, "Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven." Matt. 18:3, 4. Let us all try to be the kind of children Jesus used here as an example. Pray the Lord to help you to be such.

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Editorial

When we obey the Lord, He blesses us in many ways. He watches over us day and night. He gives us whatever we ask Him for, if it is something we need.

When you ask your father or mother for candy it is because you want it, isn't it? But if they think you do not need any more candy, they do not give it to you. It is because they love you.

It is the same way with your Heavenly Father. When we ask Him for something that we want, He does not give it to us, if He knows it would not be good for us.

When the Lord blesses us, we can be a blessing to others. I mean that we can be a help to them. We can do good to them.

When the Lord gives you children good health, you can run errands for your parents or do something nice for sick people. You do not even have to be old enough to go to school before helping others, do you? You can help your mother by not coaxing and fretting.

You are very happy little lads and lasses, when you know you are obeying the Lord and helping other people, aren't you?

UNUSUAL HAPPENINGS

How was a ground used to protect a man?

Mrs. G. E. Hughes

Answer to question in last issue is found in 1 Kings 21:4.

"OUR SABBATH SCHOOL"

HINTS TO PRIMARY TEACHER

If we instill in the young minds one thought each Sabbath it is better then to try to teach many truths and fail to impress any of them. Too many ideas are confusing. Teach one thing at a time and help them to master that one thing before attempting another.

When we are teaching children, we should adapt our words and actions to the understanding of children. Just as the young require simpler food and habits than we, so also do they need simpler language.

Nature offers a great opportunity for us to show the children the power, wisdom and love of the Creator. Each season can be used to acquaint beginners with a knowledge of God without their realizing that a lesson is being taught.

—Editor.

SUNBEAMS

FROM MISSOURI

Dear Friends:

I like to hear the little letters read from the girls and boys. I am a little boy seven years old. I like to go to school and like my teacher. His name is Mr. Berry. We have just started a Sabbath School at Christian Home Church and I like to go. I want to be a good boy and when I get old enough be baptized. Brother Rodgers preacher for us sometimes when he is not too far away. I have one brother and two sisters.

Your little friend,

Elden Shisler

FROM TEXAS

Dear Missionary Readers:

This is my second time to write to the little paper. I enjoy reading the little paper very much.

I am in the fourth grade and eleven years old. I would like to see all the Missionary readers over the world.

We do not have a church house here, but we have church in our home.

Brother Denoyer is our preacher. We have services each Sabbath at 2:30 P. M.

Eileen Reynolds, you are my twin. My birthday is also December the 16th. I would like for you to write me a letter. My address is R. 2, B. 1029, Texarkana, Texas.

As my letter is getting long I will close.

Your friend,

Odie Evelyn Wade

FROM NEBRASKA

Dear Missionary Readers,

I have been going to Sabbath S. only about a year because we have never lived in town until now, where there was a S. S., but I am glad and thank God that we now live in Bassett and can have this opportunity.

My brother, Clarence Faubion is now home



They that forsake the law

April 17, 1939.

praise the wicked... Prov. 28:4

Joy In Gospel Work

It was in the middle of the afternoon on a bright spring day when Charles Benson stepped upon the porch of the last house on Maple Street and rapped on the door. At least a full minute passed before some one answered his knock, and during this pause he said to himself: "So far this afternoon I've made—let me see—I think at least thirty calls. Most likely I can finish this town yet today and then tomorrow—"

Just then the door opened and a pleasant middle-aged lady greeted him with a smile.

"How-do-you-do," Charles began, "I am doing some missionary work in your town and making some gospel calls in this neighborhood and would appreciate just a moment of your time to show you a strictly gospel magazine." As he handed her a paper to draw her attention to it she said:

"Thank you. Won't you step inside a minute?"

"Yes, thank you," responded the young man.

She glanced at the paper he had handed her as he seated himself, and at once continued a conversation. "I don't believe I ever heard of this paper before—'The Bible Advocate.' Where are you from?"

"My home is in Mayfield, about a hundred miles east of here, and I'm out trying to get people interested in the Gospel of the Savior by giving free copies of 'The Bible Advocate' which is devoted to strictly Bible themes. I urge you to read your copy carefully, noting the many Bible references it contains and how strictly it follows Bible teaching. Then if you like it well enough to subscribe in the near future, and I hope you will, the office address is found on page 2."

"Oh, you're from Mayfield," she queried in some surprise, and then appeared to be thinking of something rather definitely.

"Yes, tho it's not a big town." He then continued quickly. "I've found several people in this community who seem to be interested in the gospel, and while there are a number of churches here my purpose is not to oppose any, necessarily but just spread

the Gospel of Christ."

"I'm glad to meet any young man interested in such a lofty work," she encouraged. "And might I ask you a question?"

"Certainly," granted Charles with attention.

"Since you are from Mayfield, do you happen to know a young minister by the name of Benson, Charles Benson?" And before he could answer she went on: "I was just thinking of my sister who lives there. She wrote me a few months ago concerning a fine sermon she heard this young man deliver, and I was wondering if you might know him."

Charles smiled; "My name happens to be Charles Benson."

"You are Charles Benson!" she said in surprised emphasis; "I'm very happy to know you. This is indeed a surprise—a pleasant one—and most opportune. My name is Arthurson."

"I'm glad to know you, Mrs. Arthurson."

"Isn't it rather strange how things do work out," she said. "You couldn't have come along a better and more opportune time. This evening a group of Christian young people are meeting at my house and I would be happy indeed if you could be here with them."

"Thank you for the invitation. I'd be glad to come and be of any assistance possible."

With a few more references to his Gospel magazine the young man soon departed, rejoicing over such an opportunity that had just opened before him. He made a couple more calls, handing out his last samples with him, and then took lunch at a Cafe where he also spent a short time studying his Bible in preparation for the anticipated evening meeting. Some of the customers where he ate glanced at him curiously, but he felt perfectly free in reading his Bible any place he happened to be when time permitted. He was not ashamed of his Bible.

Not wishing to be the first one to arrive for the meeting he waited until shortly before 8 o'clock before starting. When he reached the house he heard singing and decided he was

a little late. Mrs. Arthurson received him with a warm welcome and introduced him to the group of cultured young people, who also were pleased at his presence. The meeting had not started; a new hymn was merely being practiced.

A few minutes were spent in visiting and getting acquainted and then one young man took charge of the meeting. Several hymns were sung; one girl and her brother sang an inspiring duet. A season of prayer followed and then three ten minute talks were given. Charles was pleased to notice during prayer that every one took part, and did so as though they were accustomed to calling upon the Lord. Following the last talk the leader announced that the evening Bible discussion would be concerning "Tritheism". Charles had been asked to speak, but said he would rather take part in the discussion. Tritheism, the leader explained, was the doctrine of "three persons in the God head and they are three distinct beings." One girl had been appointed to present in brief two differing ideas on the subject, so he called on her.

"Concerning differing views of the Trinity," she began, "I find there are some who hold that God is a Supreme being, that Jesus is His Son and is a separate being, and that the Holy Spirit is also a being. Then there are those who are called "Jesus Only" people. They hold, as I understand it, that Jesus is the only Being in the Godhead. One text they use is where Jesus said, 'I and my Father are one.' I will now read a paragraph from the "Foursquare Crusader" which I quite agree with:

"These Bible teachers who deny the Trinity, assume a similar attitude as the Jews, only the 'Jesus Only' people deny the Father, and the Jews deny the Son. One of the most difficult doctrines for the Jews to accept is the doctrine of the Trinity. All Orthodox Jews believe in Jehovah. One passage of Scripture to which the Jews constantly refer is found in Deut. 6:4, 'Hear O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord.' The literal translation in Hebrew of this passage is, 'Shoma Yisrael, Yahovah Elo-henu Adona' Echad.' This word 'Echad' means 'one' or 'Unity,' the other Hebrew word, 'Yacheed' means 'an only one.'

"However, I do not believe that the Holy Spirit is a personality like our Savior, but I believe someone else has prepared a discussion of this point."

The leader then called on the one who was to give some thoughts about the Holy Spirit.

"The subject of the Holy Spirit," began the second speaker, "is a very deep subject, and I have not had the time to study it as I had hoped. However I will give a few thoughts in line with our subject. As far as I can find in the Bible the Holy Spirit is not a being in the way we think of tangible beings. The Holy Spirit is Divine power of or from God the Father. Some of this power can come into our heart. I am unable to find one place in the Bible where it speaks of anyone ever seeing the Holy Spirit in a form like an angel or a human being, though it did descend in the form of a dove upon Jesus at His baptism. Some argue that because the Holy Spirit is spoken of as 'He' a number of times, it therefore must be a personality or being similar to Christ. But by the same grade of reasoning we can make 'Wisdom' a being too, for in Proverbs 1 wisdom is called 'she' several times. As far as I understand, the Holy Spirit is part of the Godhead and would not exist unless the Father did. Jesus said He would send it unto the disciples when He went away. It comes into the hearts of all true Christians, but not in a bodily form—it is part of the mystery of God."

Several of the other young people gave some good thoughts on the subject, but made their remarks short, being anxious to hear from their new visitor. The leader then called on Charles to make a few final additions.

After a brief introductory preliminary Charles began: "I have a list of texts in the back of my Bible on the topic under discussion, but time will not permit the discussion of more than a few. It is true there are some texts that apparently bother some people, but many verses are clear and to the point. We all know John 3:16. God loved the world and gave His Son that believers might be saved. If God and Jesus are one person, that would force the idea that God gave Himself to die for mankind, and that during the 3 days and 3 nights in the grave the world, yea the universe, was without a God.

"In Matt. 3, at Jesus' baptism, a voice from heaven said, 'This is my beloved Son—' If this wasn't actually the voice of God the Father it would make Jesus a ventriloquist, and that He merely threw His voice into the air as though it came from heaven, that He was His own Son and well pleased with Himself. Does this make sense?

"In John 8 Jesus said, 'It is my Fa-

ther that honoreth me.' Did He mean He honored Himself? To the Jews He said, 'I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me.' This cannot be harmonized with the idea that Jesus is God Himself without doing some twisting of the Scriptures.

"In Acts 7, Stephen, full of the Holy Ghost, looked up into heaven and saw Jesus standing on the right hand of God. If Jesus is His own God, how could He stand at His own right hand? It would be just as easy for any of us to sit on our own lap.

"Jesus truly said, 'I and my Father are one,' and He explained himself clearly in John 17. Both in Genesis and in Eph. 5 it is said of the Husband and wife in marriage, 'They two shall be one flesh.' We all should understand what kind of oneness is meant here—not a oneness of physical being, but while being two distinct beings there is to be oneness of mind and purpose, etc. Now in John 17, Jesus prayed thus for all believers, 'That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us:—' This is easy to understand. Jesus prayed that all believers might be one—not one personality or being—but have 'unity' like Him and the Father. There are hundreds of believers, but they are not literally one person. Jesus and God are one in the same sense believers are to be one.

"Then in 1 Cor. 15 we learn Jesus in to reign until the last enemy, which is death, is destroyed. Then Jesus Himself gives up the Kingdom to God, even the Father, and Jesus becomes subject to the Father.

"There are many more verses I could give but I will close with these few remarks."

The leader again took charge. A song was sung and they were dismissed. Mrs. Arthurson invited Charles to come back any time he could, and several of the young people sincerely hoped he would attend their meeting again soon with more interesting Bible thoughts.

The young man then departed, delighted and overjoyed with the evening so profitably spent, hoping that he might return before long to present more Bible truths.

By a Y. P. F. Contributor.

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ONE DAY I heard a news commentator say, "You can thank the weather bureau for another beautiful day today."

Why thank the weather bureau when they have nothing to do with the kinds of weather we have? Are we inclined to thank men for blessings which are really direct from God? Let us give God more praise and glory.

—A. M. H.

THE THREE JUDGMENTS

The above may seem a queer heading but in which will you have part, dear reader? Just what will we be judged by anyway? Some folks know that each and everyone shall stand before the judgment seat of God, yet they do not seem interested in knowing what constitutes judgment.

The words of Christ will give us a clue. John 12:48, "He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, *the same* shall judge him in the last day." Matt. 12:36, "But I say unto you, That every idle word that men (mankind) shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment." John 21:25, "And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which if they should be written everyone, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written."

How can we have an easy, peaceful judgment? might be the question most important to each of us. Let us examine the Scriptures—1 Tim. 5:24, "Some men's sins are open beforehand, going before to judgment, and some men they follow after." These then going *before* have been confessed and forsaken. 1 John 1:9, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from *all* unrighteousness." Rom. 3:25 speaking of Christ, "Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood... for remission of sins that are past—" They are as far as east is from west. Ps. 103:10-12, "He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities—as far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgression from us."

It stands to reason we'll have to turn them loose before he (God) can remove them that far! Isa. 38:17, "—but thou hast in love to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back." And God doesn't turn around! Thanks be to Him! Heb. 8:12, "For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness and their sin and their iniquity will I remember no more." Jer. 50:20, "—iniquity of Israel shall be sought for and there shall be none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found." All who have been pardoned and keep that way are the ones who can say as did Paul in Rom. 8:1, "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."

The foregoing constitutes the 1st Judgment, so to speak. Now for the next:— Matt. 25:31-34, 41, 46, "When the Son of man shall come in his glory and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the

throne of his glory: and before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: and he shall set the sheep on his right hand but the goats on his left. Then shall the king say unto them on his right hand, come, ye blessed of my Father; inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me ye cursed, into everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels. And these shall go away into everlasting punishment (Note: This is punishment and not everlasting punishing. When you are punished for something then your punishment is over with, done, but the act has an everlasting significance. Everlasting punishing would signify continual torturing which the Bible does not teach—see the difference?) but the righteous into life eternal." 2nd Tim. 4:1, "I charge thee therefore before God, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom." From this it would mean judging the quick (living, good and bad) at his appearing, then the resurrected dead in His kingdom. 1 Cor. 4:5 could also be taken on this subject, "Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the heart: and then shall every man have praise of God."

Now comes the last judgment. Isa. 66:15-18, 23, 24, "For behold the Lord will come with fire, and with his chariots like a whirlwind to render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire. For by fire and by his sword will the Lord plead with all flesh; and the slain of the Lord shall be many. They that sanctify themselves and purify themselves in the garden behind (one after another) one tree in the midst, eating swine's flesh and the abomination, and the mouse, shall be consumed together saith the Lord. For I know their works and their thots; it shall come that I will gather all nations and tongues; and they shall come and see my glory."

Rev. 20:11, "And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away, and there was found." V. 12. "And I saw the dead small and great, stand before God, and the books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of Life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works." V. 13. "And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and

they were judged every man according to their works.

Summing all up we could say:

I. Judgment: Those in this life confessing and forsaking sin. 1st Peter 4:17.

II. Living wicked judged at His appearing.

III. Wicked ones who have not had a judgment as, those dying on Armageddon battlefield, and others who were dead when Jesus came 2nd time.

—By Minnie Mims

BIBLE TEST NO. 5.

1. Naphtali was—
 - a. A son of Nathanael
 - b. A king of Ammon
 - c. A tribe of Israelites
2. Delilah was—
 - a. Samson's wife
 - b. A judge in Israel
 - c. One hired to entice Samson
3. Joseph was sold to—
 - a. A band of Egyptians
 - b. Midianite merchantmen
 - c. Company of Ishmaelites
4. Barnabas was—
 - a. A companion of Paul
 - b. A robber released instead of Christ.
 - c. A keeper of a prison
5. In 1 Corinthians 15 we find
 - a. The Beatitudes
 - b. Discussion about the resurrection
 - c. Concerning spiritual gifts
6. An Ethiopian treasurer was baptized by—
 - a. Paul
 - b. Stephen
 - c. Philip
7. The tower of Babel was built—
 - a. To make the people a name
 - b. As a refuge in case of a flood
 - c. As a stronghold
8. Zadok was a—
 - a. Prophet
 - b. Priest
 - c. Judge
9. Sennacherib was—
 - a. A king of Babylon
 - b. A Phillistine king
 - c. An Assyrian king
10. Ruth and Naomi were—
 - a. Sisters
 - b. Mother-in-law & daughter-in-law
 - c. Mother and daughter
11. On Elijah's altar was poured—
 - a. 12 barrels of water
 - b. 6 barrels of water
 - c. 3 barrels of water
- 12—How many times did Noah send a bird out from the Ark?
 - a. one, b. two, c. three, d. four
13. In old times a seer was—
 - a. A prophetess
 - b. A fortune teller
 - c. A prophet
 - d. One with a familiar spirit
14. David went against Goliath with—
 - a. One stone, b. Two stones
 - c. Three stones, d. Four stones
 - e. Five stones.
15. The witch of Endor lived in—
 - a. The days of Saul

- b. Samson's time
- c. The time of Jezebel
16. "I have fought a good fight"—
 - a. Said Peter
 - b. Said James
 - c. Said Paul
17. As the Armor of God, above all, take the shield of—
 - a. Hope, b. Faith
 - c. Courage, d. Charity
18. The cares of this world choked the word sown—
 - a. Among thorns
 - b. On stony ground
 - c. By the wayside
19. The Book of Mark has—
 - a. 16 chapters
 - b. 20 chapters
 - c. 15 chapters
20. Who chose "rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season." (This was especially said of—)
 - a. Abraham
 - b. Moses
 - c. Joseph, d. Daniel

From Missouri

Dear Y. P. Friends,

Tho it isn't entirely spring yet my ink has thawed out sufficiently to flow a little from my pen.

I have certainly enjoyed the contest and am glad to see Missouri take so many honors, tho I have not, until now, taken part to do my share of point winning. I think it would be nice if each of us would resolve to write something for the paper every month. Maybe the editor would accumulate so much material that he'd enlarge the paper and we'd have more fine reading every two weeks. I think we should all extend him a vote of thanks for his successful efforts to make the Y.P.F. more interesting as well as to all the others who have so ably done their share.

The Hidden Verse in the last issue brought to my mind the beauty of youth. "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth—the years draw night, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them." Eccl. 12: 1. It does my heart good to know that the young people can "pull together in the harness" and grow old abounding in the grace of God. If we lean on Him now we will have comfort later. The story is ever told of the fond mother who nourished up her child and when she was old and no longer able to stand, her child repaid her by caring for her. So it is with Christ. If we uphold Christ, now, while we are young and strong and able, if we spread the the gospel and set wayward feet aright, and live always in the "Light," when the time comes, death and the resurrection, and we are unable to do more, then does Christ repay us by exalting us to Eternal Glory. It takes a will, it takes perseverance it, takes

sacrifice, it takes time and effort and prayer and love and a strong determination for the young people of today to stand fast in the Lord, where there are so many seemingly attractive things in the world to draw us away from the goal we have set out to attain. But if we keep our eyes on that goal we shall reach it. Paul compared the Christian life to a race, with a prize waiting for all who reach the mark, whether first or last. When one runs in a race, his chief concern is the race. His mind, heart, and effort are concentrated on winning that race. So it should be with the Christian person. If the mind and heart are set on living a good life and the efforts put forth are aimed to accomplish that purpose, then may God tell us, at that great day to come, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Enter thou into the joys of thy Lord." I want to hear that, don't you?

A Christian friend,
Opal Williams

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A QUESTION ANSWERED

In the March 20 issue of this paper the question was asked: "Why do you suppose God sanctioned wars in old Testament times but does not now?"

Back in that dispensation God dealt with His people Israel as a nation. This nation began with Abraham, then Isaac and Jacob. From Jacob came the twelve tribes of Israel which became a great nation while down in Egypt.

God had promised Abraham, Isaac and Jacob that He would give them the land of Canaan for a possession if they obeyed Him. Thru signs and wonders God brought Israel out of bondage that they might serve Him and possess the land of promise. Canaan at that time was inhabited by wicked heathen nations. With the help of God, Israel was to drive them out.

In a vision God told Abraham concerning his seed in this manner: "But in the fourth generation they (Israel) shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full." Gen. 15:16. A very important thing to notice here is the expression "the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full." Daniel uses a similar expression: "When the transgressors are come to a full." That is, when they have filled up the cup of their iniquity. God is longsuffering, and gives people abundant time to repent and turn to Him, but His Spirit will not always strive with man. There is a limit to man's probation, and a limit to how long God will allow people and nations to continue on in sin. When their iniquity comes to a full then God metes out punishment. Ancient history shows how many people and nations which

lived in sin and idolatry became utterly extinct in time because of not repenting.

When Abraham had the vision referred to, the Amorites still had time to go before their cup of iniquity was full. But hundreds of years later, when Israel left Egypt it was then time for punishment to be measured out to those nations. God chose to do this by the hand of Israel warring against them to destroy them.

Let us hear Moses now: "Did ever people hear the voice of God speaking out of the midst of fire, as thou (Israel) hast heard (at Sinai), and lived? Or hath God assayed to go and take him a nation from the midst of another nation, by signs, and by wonders, and by war—?" Deut. 4: 33, 34. Notice Joshua 23:9, "For the Lord hath driven out from before you great nations and strong: but as for you (Israel), no man hath been able to stand before you unto this day."

War was the method God used to bring retribution upon those nations. Israel was to destroy the heathen that they also might not remember or learn any of their evil ways and forget God (tho they did not obey in every instance). However at one time they did possess the land. "So Joshua took the whole land—for an inheritance—And the land had rest from war." Joshua 11:23. But the sad part is, the story does not end here. Israel soon turned to sin, displeasing God, and for punishment the Lord often brought heathen nations to war against them. Many times Israel lost in battle because of their sins. When they turned again to the Lord, He helped them win. So we see for what purpose God used war.

But now in this dispensation God is not so much dealing with nations. He is dealing with individuals. Salvation is not a national affair. It is "whosoever will"—individually. We are pilgrims and strangers in this world. We are in the world but not to be "of" the world. God is not now leading nations like He led Israel by the hand of Moses. All nations are full of sin and we are to be a "called out" people. Our mission is to preach the gospel, not kill people in war. We believe "Thou shalt not kill" applies even in war times, and we do not believe in taking part contrary to this command unless God tells us to as distinctly as He told Israel to drive out the wicked nations. *Editor.*

A QUESTION was recently asked to be answered in this paper, which was as follows: "Were all the disciples of Jesus Jews?"

Ans.: Some think the "twelve" were all Jews, but notice Matt. 10:1-4. Notice carefully the 3rd word in verse 4. However, a Commentary states that "This surname has no reference

to Canaan, and should be "Kanan-aean," a Hebrew appellation (of which the Greek is 'Zelotes' (Luke 6:15) given to a sect to which Simon had belonged." This would lend strength to the thought that Simon was a Jew so likely all of the 12 were Jews.

KNOW YOUR BIBLE

How well do you know where to find different instances and people in your Bible? Try this easy test. Mark the correct answers and then turn to your Bible to make sure you are correct.

- Matthew 5 tells about—
 - The parable of the sower
 - The Lord's prayer
 - The beatitudes
- Mark 15 relates—
 - Jesus' crucifixion
 - Healing of lepers
 - Prodigal son
- John 10 speaks of—
 - Raising of Lazarus
 - Jesus as the Good Shepherd
 - John baptizing Jesus
- John 15 tells of—
 - Nicodemus and Jesus
 - Jesus as the Vine
 - Jesus' resurrection
- Acts 2nd chapter relates—
 - Paul's conversion
 - Stoning of Stephen
 - Coming of Pentecost

—*Editor.*

We received another long and interesting letter from Brother Ersol Davison which will appear in our next issue. Bro. Ersol is working with Elder Ennis Hawkins, the general evangelist.

OUR HONOR STATE

IOWA again takes the Honor State ribbon—making twice in succession—this time with 56 points. Wisconsin comes in second, and being in second place last time also, receives a Star this time along with Iowa.

Missouri and Wisconsin have tied now, both having the same number of Stars. Which will take the lead next time, or will some other State capture first place next issue. Watch and see.

MISSOURI	* * * * *
WISCONSIN	* * * * *
IOWA	* *
ARKANSAS	* *
IDAHO	*

ANSWERS TO BIBLE TEST NO. 5

- (c) Num. 1:43; 2 (c) Judges 16;
- The Bible doesn't say Delilah was Samson's wife, tho he did love her.
- (b) Gen. 37:28; 4 (a) Acts 16:35; 5 (b) 1 Cor. 15:12 & 42, etc; 6 (c) Acts 8:26-38; 7 (a) Gen. 11:4; 8 (b) 2 Sam. 19:11; 9 (c) Isa. 37:37; 10 (b) Ruth 1; 11 (a) 1 Kings 18:33-35; 12 (d) Gen. 8:13 (c) 1 Sam. 9:9; 14 (e) 1 Sam. 17:40; 15 (a) 1 Sam. 28:7; 16 (c) 2 Tim. 1:1 & 4:7; 17 (b) Eph. 6:16; 18 (a) Mark 4:18; 19 (a); 20 (b) Heb. 11:24.

from Amsterdam, Missouri where he has been studying for the ministry with Elder Frank Walker.

I go to S. S. nearly every Sabbath and regret it every time I have to miss.

I will close with this question: Who compared the perfection of God's law with that of the stars and where is it found? Your friend,

Doris Faubion

FROM MICHIGAN

Dear Missionary Readers,

It has been a long time since I have written to the Missionary. I have just finished reading the little paper and have worked the puzzles. I like the stories that are in it.

I played for a tent meeting two years ago and I've been wanting to do it again. I'm just hoping and praying that I can. I can take ten more lessons and can give music lessons.

I am staying at West Olive, right now at Mary Goodin's. I can't think of any more so I will close. With love to all readers.

Audrey Sparks

P. S. Here is a puzzle: Ni eth g'nminbe Ogd decreta het hvenae nad eth hreta.

(How you must enjoy your misic! The Lord always gives us something to do, if we are anxious to work for Him, although it isn't always what we expected to do. —Editor.)

FROM MICHIGAN

Dear Missinary Readers,

I haven't written to the paper for a long time. I like to read it very much. I go to Sabbath School almost every Sabbath.

Never take the name of the Lord in vain. If you hear anyone take the name of the Lord in vain, correct them.

I like to go to school. I am eleven years old and in the sixth grade. My school teacher's name is Mrs. Hoag. I will close with a puzzle: enim seye era reve wadtor eth dlror rof eh llash kluck my teef tou fo eth ten. A reader,

Sadie Lorraine DeWind

(Here's another girl who likes the Missionary and likes to attend S. S. Your advice is good, also your puzzle. —Editor.)

FROM ARKANSAS

Dear Readers,

It has been two years since I have written to the Missionary. I am now twelve years old, and in the sixth grade. I have a fine school teacher. His name is Marion Faucett. There is no church school here, but I don't see any difference in boys who go to a public school than boys who go to a

church school. My teacher lets me write another story when he assigns a fairy story because it doesn't agree with my religious belief.

At a recent debate he had it on Thursday night instead of Friday night. I have a large supply of tracts on the Sabbath and other things, which I give away to my classmates and my teacher.

I have had trouble with three or four boys because I wouldn't have anything to do with their Hallow'een and Christmas outfit. I have induced two boys to stop smoking. My father comes over to the school house sometimes and tells stories of great men like Lee, Washington and (Stonewall) Jackson, who became famous because they acknowledged their faults. I will close and leave room for others.

A friend in Christ,

Fred F. Lewis

(You must not wait two years before writing again, Fred. You seem to be making good use of your opportunity to help your school mates. We'll send you some copies of the Missionary to hand out to others sometime. —Editor.)

FROM ARKANSAS

Dear Missionary Readers:

It has been some time since I have written to the little paper, which I like to read very much.

We had two of my schoolmates to be with us in Sabbath School. We were glad they were with us. There are only two of us, grandmother and I. We would like to have others come and be with us.

I have five kittens, three grown cats, a cow, and calf, a dog, horse and four chickens. I claim them all.

I am sending in some questions and a poem.

1. How did Gideon prove to himself he was chosen to drive out the Arabs?
2. What was Jonathan's son's name?
3. What did John the Baptist ask the Pharisees when they came to be baptized?
4. What did Peter say when Jesus began to wash his feet?
5. What did Jesus say to the people that sold oxen and sheep and doves in the temple?

Your friend, Charles Cox

(You are a faithful writer, Charles. In the earth made New, there will be many to meet together in S. S. That will be a wonderful time.)

—Editor.

PRAISE AND TRUST

Nannie Blain Underhill

Little birds flitting here and there—

They are glad that Spring has come.
Their glad songs that float on the air,
Are sweet music for some.

I love to watch them in the trees,
Dancing—hopping to and fro.
They enjoy the gentle breeze,
Wafting whereso'ere they go.

Soon they will build their tiny homes
In the tree-tops leafy shade,
(All secure beneath heaven's dome)
Protection which God hath made.

They are trusting in our dear Lord,
They know He loves every one.
Should not we trust His holy Word—
His living word—God's own Son?

All His creatures confide in Him,
Knowing He cares for them all.
We should daily rejoice and sing—
Heeding His kind, tender call.

Listening always for His sweet voice,
Just longing to do His will.
May we ever truly rejoice—
Lord, my heart, Thy Spirit fill.

PRIMARY LESSON No. 5, April 29, 1939

GOING THRU THE RED SEA

Exodus 14:10-16, 21, 22

Memory Verse: Exodus 14:22a, "The children of Israel went into sea upon dry ground."

REVIEW briefly last week's lesson. Some one in class may tell it or teacher may ask questions about it. Each one present recite all 5 memory verses.

After the Lord had caused so many of the Egyptians to die, Pharaoh was willing for the Israelites to go away. He told them to go. They took all their flocks and herds and families and all the riches of jewels and such like that the Egyptians gave them and went out in the wilderness. Pharaoh was sorry he let them go. He gathered an army and went after them. They were camped by the side of the Red Sea. When they saw Pharaoh's army they were afraid. They blamed Moses. Moses told them the Lord would help them. God did help them. He caused the waters to divide in the sea and make a dry path thru the middle. While a dark cloud kept the Egyptians from seeing them, they went across the sea. When the Egyptians finally saw them, they rode in after them and God let the waters come back and drown the Egyptians. (Paste your picture card in your book).

PRIMARY LESSON No. 6, May 6, 1939

HOW GOD FED HIS PEOPLE. Ex. 16:3, 4, 14-21

Memory Verse: "Give us this day our daily bread." Matt. 6

Make a brief review of last lesson and each one repeat all 6 memory verses today.

The children of Israel wandered around in the wilderness. They found no food. Again they blamed Moses and wished themselves back in Egypt where they could

have good things to eat. God told them He would rain bread from heaven for them. They called this bread "Manna." It covered the ground like dew. God told them to take vessels and gather each day only enough to last that day. Some disobeyed and gathered more. The next morning it was spoiled. On the sixth day God told them to gather enough for the next day, because it was the Sabbath. Those who did not obey had to go hungry on the Sabbath for no manna fell that day.

Paste in your picture card.

INTERMEDIATE LESSON No. 5, April 29, 1939

GOING THRU THE RED SEA

Memory Verse: Exodus 14:22a.

REVIEW the last lesson and recite all 5 Mem. verses.

After reading the lesson story, answer these:

- 1—Why was Pharaoh willing for the Israelites to leave?
- 2—Did Pharaoh pursue them?
- 3—Where did he overtake them?
- 4—How did God deliver them from Pharaoh?
- 5—Would you be brave enough to walk out in the sea with water high on each side of you? Did this test their faith?
- 6—Did Pharaoh follow them?
- 7—What happened to him? To his army?
- 8—Do you think God will always help those who trust Him? Why?
- 9—Is the fate of Pharaoh and his army a good example for us today? Does it not show us how much better off God's people are than sinners?

FOR YOUR STORY BOOK OF MOSES:

Chapter 5. Insert your picture card. Also the Missionary Story or write the questions above and your own answer to them. Poems or pictures of the Lesson should not be difficult to find.

Before next Sabbath read from Exodus 14:28 down to and including Ex. 16.

INTERMEDIATE LESSON No. 6, May 6, 1939

HOW GOD FED HIS PEOPLE. Ex. 16:3, 4, 14-21

Memory Verse: Matthew 6:11.

REVIEW the last lesson and repeat all six of the memory verses.

Answer the following after reading the lesson:

- 1—Where did the Israelites go after they crossed the sea?
- 2—What did they complain about?
- 3—Who did they blame?
- 4—What did they wish?
- 5—Did God help them again?
- 6—What did He do?
- 7—What happened to the manna that was saved over?
- 8—Did what they saved for the Sabbath spoil? Why not?
- 9—Don't you think this teaches us to do most of our preparing of foods the day before the Sabbath?
- 10—Can anyone tell what kind of food Manna was? See Exodus 16:31.

STORY BOOK OF MOSES CHAPTER 6

Put in your card and the story lesson. Write in your own words how the Bible is food to us, spiritually, as the manna was temporal food for them. For example, they are both sent from God. Both must be accepted by faith. You can think of more than that, I'm sure.

Before next Sabbath read from the close of today's lesson to Ex. 20:1-19. If you do not already know the Ten Commandments, memorize them too.