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Editorial

This has been a very warm afternoon. I have been turning the pages of a magazine—just looking. Don't you like to look at the advertisements? Such bright, pretty colors, illustrating products!

The breakfast food ads emphasize the fact that the rich, fine flavor is caused by using the very best methods in preparing the product.

The candy ads have pictures showing how clean the cooks are and that the very best materials are used. We wouldn't expect good candy to be made from poor material, would we?

These things are true about our lives. Whenever work we do we must do it well. That reminds me of a stanza learned in my first school days:

"All that you do, do with your might,

Things done by halves, are never done right

We might compare our thoughts to the materials used. Our lives are influenced by the kind of thoughts we think. If a boy or girl fills his or her mind with wicked thoughts, the wrong kind of life will result. I hope we all think pure thoughts. Then our lives will be pure and pleasing to the Lord.

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This is the last chance to try for the contest. The next issue will contain names of winners. So please write at once.

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OUR SABBATH SCHOOL

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Watch this space next issue for winning letters

"CLIPPINGS FROM MY GRANDMA'S BIBLE"

THE BUSINESS MAN'S PRAYER

"Teach me that 60 minutes makes an hour, 16 ounces makes one pound and 100 cents makes one dollar; help me so to live that I can lie down at night with a clear conscience, without a gun under my pillow, and undaunted by faces of those to whom I may have brought pain; grant that I may earn my meal ticket on the square, and in earning it, I will do unto others as I would have them do unto me; deafen me to the jingle of tainted money and to the rustle of unholy skirts; blind me to the faults of the other fellow, but reveal to me my own deficiencies; guide me so that each night when I look across the dinner table at my wife (who has been a blessing to be), I will have nothing to conceal; keep me young enough to laugh with little children and sympathetic enough to be considerate of old age; and when comes the day of darkened shades and the smell of flowers—the sound of soft foot steps and the crunching of wheels in the yard! Make the ceremony short and the epitaph simple: "Here Lies A Man!"

"Graces to Say"

Before we eat this food, dear Lord,

We bow our heads to pray;

And for thy love and all thy gifts

Our grateful thanks we say. —Amen.

—Evelyn McCance



"Blessed are the undefiled, in the way,

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who walk in the Law of the Lord."

## Can We Find God?

One day while I was a pupil in a history class, my teacher, who was an elderly gentleman and a great scholar, came to his desk one afternoon and began to talk. He had just been reading a poem written by Mrs. Calvin Coolidge after her son's death. Something about "My son has showed me God," was the subject.

My teacher read the poem to us. It was very touching and must have made quite an impression on me, for I have never forgotten how my teacher sat a few moments, then brushed a hand across his eyes, and apparently having forgotten we were there, he said, "I'd give all I possess to be sure that when I see my loved ones laid in the grave, that I could say with conviction—there is a life beyond the grave. This isn't the end. There is a life eternal! There really is a God! That we could find Him, but I don't know. No one knows and there is no way to find out."

I was stunned and astonished. The answer seemed simple to me, but before I could speak he took up the day's lesson. Ever since I have been haunted by a sense of failure, because I didn't make more of an effort to answer him. I've wondered many times how I would have answered the question. How can I find God? How can I gain eternal life? How would you answer them?

The Bible is God's book. It is God's own holy, inspired word! Let us see if it will tell us how to find Him? "And ye shall seek me and shall find me, when ye shall search for me with your whole heart." Jer. 29:13.

Mark this verse and remember it. Now where shall we search? "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life and they are they which testify of me." John 5:39. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God," so we know these verses must be true. If we can believe and seek He gives a promise in Matt. 7:7, 8. "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For everyone that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth, and to him that knocketh it shall be opened."

So if we seek we will find God. If we ask for His Holy Spirit it will be

given to us. If we knock, the way to God will be opened, but there is only one way. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life. No man cometh to the Father, but by me." John 14:6. "Jesus cried and said, He that believeth on me, believe not on me, but on Him that sent me." John 12:44.

See how Jesus ever pointed the way to God? The way won't be dark if we believe on Jesus. "I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness." John 12:46.

Jesus said, "If a man love me he will keep my words: and my Father will love Him, and we will come unto him and make our abode with him." John 12. Isn't that a wonderful promise? Those who seek, not only find God, but have a promise that He Himself will love them and abide with them. They needn't feel lost anymore.

And now we answer the second question. Jesus saith, "I am the resurrection and the life. He that believeth on me, though he be dead, yet shall he live." John 11:25.

I believe that verse alone should have answered my teacher's question, don't you? But he said he didn't believe, and Christ said we must believe on Him. Then we can nearly all quote John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Everlasting means for always and forever. So God has not left us without hope.

In Paul's time there were also those who doubted the resurrection of the dead. Let us read Paul's answer to their doubts. 1 Cor. 15:12-14, "Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen: and if Christ be not risen then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain. If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable." (V. 19).

But we believe the scriptures as Paul did. "But now Christ is risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that slept." "For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall

all be made alive." 1 oCr. 15:20, 22.

"In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet, for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible and we shall be changed." 1 Cor. 15:52.

God's plan is sure. He has made the way clear through belief in Christ and His salvation.

—By Viola Ahlborn

## OUR Y. P. DEPARTMENT

To the Church of God Young People, Greetings:

Another camp meeting is history! Catching up the threads of our everyday existence may tend to lessen the zeal we felt when we just parted from one another. Let it not be so with us! There is still a work to be done and plenty of time in which to work.

As you already know a new Young People's Committee has been appointed: Bro. Clayton L. Faubion, Bro. Ersol Davison, and myself. We hope to carry on the work that our predecessors have started for us. However, let it not be supposed that because we are a committee that you need not shoulder some of the responsibility. The Y. P. Dep't includes all the Church of God young people. To make any department a success there must be no slackness, and we feel that our department has proven a success in the four years that it has been a part of our General Conference. This success is evidence to the fact that all of us have worked together. However there are many things yet to be accomplished.

We are planning to enlarge our Y. P. Tract Dep't. As you know this will take more funds. We appeal to all the young people to help supply this need. Each individual or each group should work out some satisfactory method of sending offerings for this work—a regular monthly offering, something you have earned yourself—there are any number of ways that an imaginative group of young folks may earn money for such a worthy cause. Each may work out his own method, but let's all send in something. We want our Dep't to be as nearly self-supporting as possible. The more we put into it, the more we get out of it—"as ye sow so shall ye

reap." Let us not wait for some one else to be first either. Let us all go right ahead with whatever talent the Lord gives us.

We also hope that all of you keep on writing articles for publication. The greater the variety, the more interesting the reading! The Bible is such an inexhaustible book that we should never run out of material. Whenever an idea for an article comes to you, sit down right then and put it on paper. Often a short delay and the thought is lost entirely, something that might have reached the heart of some sinner may then be lost forever.

May the Lord bless and keep you all, and may we meet soon and often thru the written pages of our Young People's paper.

A Co-worker for Christ,  
Opal Williams  
Branch, Mo.  
Chairman of Y. P. Committee

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Dear Y. P. F. Readers,

This is to call your attention to the great work which is to be done by us as a group and which, as yet is hardly started. The reason this work has not progressed is the lack of co-operation. If it is to progress we must have the whole-hearted support of each and every one of the young people—not just a few who give their support half-heartedly.

Few of the young people realize the full importance of their organization. Few seem to see the work that is ahead of them. Let us stop right here and consider.

First, we are all growing older and the time will soon come when the ones who are now carrying the load of leadership will be with us no longer, or at best will be unable to perform the duties of office. Then what will our organization do for leaders? Should we wait until we are called on to adapt ourselves as leaders? Should we wait until we must step into the harness before we learn to pull? Does a farmer wait until all his old horses die before breaking young horses? No, my friends, now is the time for us to take out stand and start *Doing Our Part!*

Second, are we going to struggle along, attending small Sabbath schools and isolating ourselves from all other young people of different faith, or joining them, place ourselves in positions to be tempted by things of this world? Our duty is to try to get other young people interested—get them to join us. If we but try, each of us a little, we will soon see how much difference our efforts can make. However, no matter how small our bit is, our heart must be in it to get the desired results.

If every one of you young people could have attended the last general conference you would all easily understand the work and the responsi-

bility placed upon us. There we had some very interesting Y. P. meetings. There were over 100 in our group and each one doing his part made each meeting a blessing and spiritual feast to us as well as to the older folks. It is not the few that put their all into the work and can write to the paper and take part in Camp Meeting programs; it is the large number of those that put what they can into every work, not only at C. M. or in the Y. P. F. but in the personal work which must take place. The life we live is of much importance.

There are thousands of young people who must be reached. There are few who are really doing much toward this end. The aim of the Y. P. Committees for the past several years has been to systematize this personal evangelism. To enable this work, the Y. P. Dep't was organized under the direction of the General Conference, and given power to solicit and spend whatever funds were necessary. A tract department was formed, and a Y. P. manual with a title similar to 'Y. P. Christian Standards' was planned. Much work was done along these lines which, I dare say, a large number of our Y. P. know little or nothing about.

Let us consider these things. Let us look forward to the time when we *must* put our shoulder to the wheel—when we must assume the responsibility now resting upon our predecessors. Let us get in the harness now and learn to pull.

Let us then look about us at the work to be done by each of us. Let us take it upon ourselves to make this Y. P. Department an active organization, a living part of our church. Let us determine to do our part in every way possible. We all are able to help. Furthermore, we are duty-bound, as followers of Christ, to give our all to His glory. We *must* let our light shine. How are we to do it?

First, let us remember Paul's admonition to Timothy, "Let no man despise thy youth." Although we are young, we can become an active and vital part of the church and that is only by giving our undivided and whole-hearted support to His cause.

I have mentioned personal work. Let us all be ready to "stick up" for our faith. Be ready at all times to give "an answer". Much good can be done by sending the Y. P. F. or Bible Advocate to our friends or by passing our copies along to them.

The Y. P. Dep't has a tract Dep't. Let us get that to functioning. You all know what can be done with tracts. Let us do our part here. This department is not as developed as it should be. We must get it on its feet—get some Y. P. Dep't tracts into circulation.

These are only a few of the many,

many things ahead of us. The point is this, leaders are no good if no one will support them! But with your help your leaders can accomplish much, for in union there is strength. Please consider this letter an appeal for the support of you young people, wherever you are.

Watch this column. There will be something in it every issue which will be of interest to you all. And don't feel restrained to silence. If you have suggestions, the Y. P. Committee will readily accept and consider them. This *must* be your work because there is no one else to perform it.

Write to us, through the Y. P. F. and individually. Let us know your suggestions of what can be done, and what you will do. We cannot discern your minds except by your letters. Let us see how many respond to this call. We are all watching and waiting to hear from *each* one of you!

Write to one of the Committee members or the Y. P. F.

Yours in Christ's Name,  
Clayton L. Faubion  
Y. P. Committeeman.

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### BIBLE TEST NO. 16.

(Check the a, b or c that gives the correct answer to each of the following. We have received several of these tests from our readers and we will try to have them appear in the order in which we received them).

- Aban was—  
a. Father of Aaron; b. Chief of the rivers of Damascus; c. Town in Moab.
- Barabbas was—  
a. A notable prisoner; b. An apostle; c. Son of Timothy.
- Darius was—  
a. Ham's eldest son; b. A Babylonian city; c. A Persian king.
- Goliath was—  
a. A Hebrew leader; b. Giant slain by David; c. City by the dead sea.
- Hagar was—  
a. Ishmael's mother; b. A prophet; c. A well in the desert.
- Manoah was—  
a. Paul's home; b. Samson's father; c. A large river in Judea.
- Patmos was—  
a. An island; b. A large city; c. A mountain near Jerusalem.
- Shem was—  
a. A descendant of David; b. A Levite; c. Noah's son.
- Tarsus was—  
a. Birthplace of Paul; b. A rebel leader; c. Capital of Israel.
- Vashti was—  
a. Where Job lived; b. The queen of king Ahasuerus; c. A sister of Moses.
- Thessalonica was—  
a. Capital of Macedonia; b. A large river; c. A Roman Emperor.
- Tebeth was—

- a. A small desert; b. A man of Judah; c. 10th Hebrew month.
13. Solomon was—  
a. The wisest man; b. The strongest man; or c. A relative of Ruth.
14. Pharaoh was—  
a. A brother of Simon; b. Solomon's father-in-law; c. A priest.
15. Jeroboam was—  
a. The first king of Israel; b. The 3rd king of Israel; c. The fourth king of Israel.
16. Drusilla was—  
a. A goddess; b. Aprippa's daughter; c. Moses' sister.
17. Charity means—  
a. Love; b. grudge; c. lukewarm.
18. Laodecia is located in—  
a. Asia; b. Syria; c. Arabia.
19. Esau was—  
a. Isaac's son; b. A city in Judah; c. Paul's brother.
20. Ruth was—  
a. Benjamin's wife; b. small city; c. Naomi's daughter-in-law.

—By Jewell Brandt

(Answers on page 6).

### ANSWERING A FEW QUESTIONS

1. What evidence have we that the True Sabbath is a memorial of creation? First, let us ask, What does the word "memorial" mean? Something "in memory of a person or an event"; "a thing serving to keep alive the memory of a place, person, etc.," (in this case "creation" as we shall show).

Throughout the Bible we find a number of memorials pointing to and intended to keep alive the memory of certain events. In Exodus 12 and 13 we find the Passover day to be a memorial of Israel's deliverance from Egypt. In Joshua 4 we learn twelve stones were set up as a memorial of the Jordan river being cut off that Israel and the Ark might pass over. In Mark 14 the act of anointing Jesus is told of the woman who performed it, for a memorial of her. There are other memorials also.

Since the creation of heaven and earth and the things therein is such a wonderful act, isn't it only reasonable that God should have a memorial of this work of His? Let us see. In Genesis 2 we learn that *because* God had rested from all His work which He had made, He blessed the seventh day and sanctified it (made it holy and set it apart from the other days as a distinct, special day). And since God has set no other day of the week apart and blessed it after this manner, why shouldn't we honor it above all other days?

But let us find more proof of the Sabbath being a memorial of creation. In Ex. 20, where the commandments are recorded, we are divinely instructed in the fourth command to "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep

it holy." Also we are plainly informed that the "seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God," and we are clearly told not to work on that day. Then we learn "why" this particular day was made a Sabbath. We are not to work on this particular day *because* or "For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth. . . , and rested the seventh day, "wherefore (for that reason) the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it"—made it holy, sacred, to be held in reverence.

We see then, how creation is definitely mentioned in connection with the Sabbath command. At once we note why the seventh day was so set apart—because that following the creation, God rested on that very day, and blessed it. Therefore the Sabbath should remind us of God's setting an example of resting and the fact that He created all things. By reminding us of creation it can well be called a memorial of creation. Had it been kept by all people from the beginning, thus reminding them of the great work of the True God, wouldn't such have eliminated any cause for idolatry and going after strange gods?

2. What is Sunday keeping a memorial of? First, it is not a memorial of Christ's resurrection, since the Bible does not affirm such inasmuch as our Savior did not rise from the dead on that day. Matt. 28 informs us it was in the "end" of the Sabbath (not after) when the earthquake occurred and the visitors were invited to see the empty tomb where Jesus "had" lain, but was gone when they arrived.

Those who are well informed and know where Sunday-keeping originated, realize that Sunday might well be called a memorial of an act of the Emperor Constantine in his attempt to get people to keep it or rest on that day. In 321 A. D. Constantine made the first great Sunday law that people should cease from labor on that day. Encyclopedia Britannica, 9th edition, article "Sunday" says in part: "The earliest recognition of the observance of Sunday as a legal duty is a law of Constantine in 321 A. D., enacting that all courts of justice, inhabitants of towns, and workshops were to be at rest on Sunday, (the venerable day of the sun—" Later the Roman church claimed authority to change the Sabbath (7th day) to Sunday. (See Catholic Mirror, official organ of Cardinal Gibbons, Sept. 23, 1893, and "A Doctrinal Catechism," by Stephen Keenan p. 174). Shall we honor Sunday—a memorial of both the act of Constantine and authority assumed by the Roman church? Why should anyone honor man rather than God in sacred matters? "Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, 'his' servants ye are to whom ye obey—?" Can any one make the 4th of July holy by going to

church on that day? God did not bless and sanctify Sunday as the Sabbath, and no matter what we may do on that day, we can not make it, in God's sight, a holy day.

Sunday as a Sabbath might be said to be a memorial of rebellion to God's holy Law and honoring man as equal with the Creator in his defying God's order to Remember the Sabbath day, and substituting a day in its place. Let us never exalt man to the position of law-giver in sacred matters.

3. Have you ever heard any one say that since Joshua caused the sun to stand still for about the space of a day, therefore the sacredness and the sanctification of the Sabbath is shifted and now falls on Sunday? Oh what straws people will grasp after in an effort to avoid the True Sabbath and keep afloat in the pool of tradition! Strict as the Sabbath keepers were in Christ's time, we have no record that they were in the slightest doubt as to when the Sabbath came, or that Joshua's act moved its sacredness a fraction. Jesus is Lord (and Master) of the Sabbath, and had the days of the week gotten out of order before He came we have no doubt but that He would have straightened them out when He was here. And too, if the Sabbath was to have a change which Christians should recognize after Jesus ascended, surely He would have informed us, a thing He never mentioned.

Not one text of Scripture directs us to keep any 7th part of time rather than the seventh day. The days are regulated by the sun. In Joshua's time, supposing it was on a Tuesday that the sun stood still. No matter how long the sun stood still it would still have been Tuesday, and such would not have effected the Sabbath a molecular degree. We only keep the day when it comes and it follows the sun.

4. Is observing the 4th commandment, doing works for Salvation? Some contend that Sabbath keeping is works, and makes void the fact that salvation is a gift. It is true we cannot earn one inch of salvation, we cannot of ourselves atone for our smallest sin. Jesus did it all—salvation is a gift. But have we nothing to "do"? Indeed we have—not in earning salvation, but in showing our acceptance and appreciation of it and love for God. If the gospel does not transform us into Christians, it has done us no permanent good. If we are Christians (new creatures) we are going to "do" Christ-like things. Is not "doing" something "works"? Jesus said, "If a man love me, he will keep my words." We cannot "keep" His word without "doing" it. This doing shows "love" not earning life eternal. Remember too, "Faith without works is dead"—lifeless—worthless—deceptive.

If obeying the 4th commandment is

works, then obeying any of the other nine precepts is works too.

If any one confronts you with the idea that honoring God's Holy day is abiding by the letter of the law, ask them how they can keep any law in the spirit and at the same time violate it in the letter. Can anyone keep the spirit of "Thou shalt not steal" by going around taking things that do not belong to him no matter what a nice spirit he may outwardly show in his longfingerness?

Let us strive to be numbered among the saints which "keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus." Rev. 14:12 and Rev. 12:17.

Since Jesus was the light of the world and set us an example of walking in the light of the Sabbath, let us follow both Him and God, for "if we walk in the light, as he (God) is in the light... the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanse us from all sin." 1 John 1:7.

Let us join right in with Paul when he said "Yea, we establish the law." Rom. 3:31, last part. May God help us to love His word—all of it.

*Y. P. F. Editor*

## KNOW YOUR BIBLE

(In the last issue under this feature, mention was made that our next test would be on the book of Matthew. We hope you have reviewed this book during the past two weeks in preparation for the following test. Draw a circle around the chapter which you think contains the subject referred to in each case.)

1. The betrayal of Jesus is found in—chapter 20, 23, 26
2. The beatitudes are recorded in—Chapter 3, 4, 5
3. "Thy kingdom come," see verse 10—Chapter 6, 7, 8
4. The parable of "The Ten Virgins" is given in—Chapter 19, 25, 17
5. Jonah in the whale is mentioned in verse 40 of chapter 5, 12, 18
6. Jesus and His disciples in the corn field we find by turning to—Chapter 4, 12, 27
7. Jesus' baptism is recorded in—Chapter 3, 6, 9.
8. Herod and the wise men we learn of by reading chapter 2, 4 6.
9. Jesus temptation in the wilderness is recorded in chapter 4, 5, 6.
10. Read — to find the parable of the "Sower". Chapter 8, 13, 28.
11. "Ye are the salt of the earth" and "Think not that I (Jesus) am come to destroy the law" we find in—Chapter 5, 10, 15.
12. Jesus' resurrection is recorded in, Chapter 26, 27, 28,
13. The parable of the marriage supper, see—chapter 22, 27, 3.
14. The parable of the "treasure hid in a field" and "a merchant seeking goodly pearls" we find in—

Chapter 7, 13, 25.

15. What to do if thy brother trespasses against thee is found in verse 15 of—chapter 18, 24, 2.

16. "I know not the man," said—in verse 74 of—chapter 16, 20, 26.

17. "And behold there was a great earthquake"—chapter 23, 28, 21.

(Use your Bible to see how many your have right. Our next test will be on the book of Luke so review it before your next Y. P. F. arrives).

## APPRECIATION

I thank God for dark days,  
When wind and rain  
Howl around the windows,  
Beat against the pain,  
For when the skies are clearing,  
As the shadows run,  
I beheld new beauties  
In the shining sun.

I thank God for sorrow,  
That is bringing tears,  
As I walk the high ways  
With the fleeting years,  
For, when grief has left me  
To myself once more,  
I am finding living  
Fairer than before.

—By Edgar Kramer, Sel. by  
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## BIBLE CONUNDRUMS

### GUESS WHO SAID IT.

I

When God called him, "Behold, I am here, Lord," he'd said,  
And was told the Lord wished him to go  
And restore sight to one God would use though the man  
Had been known to God's saints as a foe.

II

He had hoped to find health at the long journey's end,  
Yet was angry when told how he might;  
But they said, "Had he bidden thee do some great thing,  
Wouldst thou not have done that with delight?"

*Answers to appear later.*

ANSWERS TO LAST BIBLE CONUNDRUMS: 1. Job; 2. Jesus Christ; 3. Joseph; 4. Rebekah.

## OUR HONOR STATE

MISSOURI \*\*\*\*\*  
WISCONSIN \*\*\*\*\*  
IOWA \*\*\*  
IDAHO \*\*\*  
ARKANSAS \*\*  
COLORADO \*  
CALIFORNIA \*

MISSOURI leads this time with 147 points. Two readers from this State alone earned over 50 points each. Fine work—congratulations to your Missourians.

WISCONSIN earned \$1 points for second place. Just one more second place for this State and another star will be added to their long row of stars. Little more steam, you young Badgers

IDAHO is credited with 68 points, placing it third. We looked for more points to come in from this part of the country but did not receive them. Surely you don't claim the postmaster failed to pick up your letter. Come on, you Idahoans. Some of you are doing fine. We appreciate the splendid articles you are contributing, but send in your test scores too.

Which state will be the victor next issue? Well, it is up to you readers. Some are doing almost more than their share of boosting, and we appreciate their zeal. What about our Oklahoma young people? Many of you attended the Camp Meeting at Stanberry so we know what fine material we have down there. So you who have never helped out in this feature before, or at least not for some time, why not determine to do something for your State this time and surprise us. No, don't run for a dugout—run for your pen (or pencil). —Editor.

## Keep The Fires Burning

One of the greatest hazards that Admiral Byrd encountered when he sailed into antarctic waters was mammoth icebergs. But as long as the fires below deck on his ship kept burning, affording sufficient steam pressure, all went well. For when the lookout above shouted "Berg dead ahead!" the engineers sprang to their posts, and the ship was steered safely past the hazard.

However, one day when the familiar warning came, the engineers shouted from below, "Fire's out" Water had seeped into one of the oil tanks and when pumped to the burners had put out the fire. With no fire, pressure dropped fast. The ship lost steerage way. Slowly the seas began buffeting her about until she was soon drifting down wind, rolling and pitching helplessly at the mercy of the elements.

Young people leaving for college, have you a Bible tucked unto your bags? Students need their Bibles as much as their manuals for chemistry and physics. Reading the Bible affords power to steer for righteousness; for mental development without spiritual standards, is dangerous. Don't let your spiritual fires go out.

—In Y. P. Weekly.

## ANSWERS TO BIBLE TEST No. 16.

1 (b) 2 Kings 5:12; 2 (a); 3 (c); 4 (b); 5 (a); 6 (b); 7 (a); 8 (c); 9 (a) Acts 22:3; 10 (b); 11 (a) Acts 17:1; 12 (c); 13 (a); 14 (b); 15 (a) 1 Kings 12:20; 16 (b); 17 (a); 18 (a); 19 (a); 20 (c).

### THE SAND KENNEL

Jimmy was tearing along the sands with his dog, Jack, when he saw a big man coming towards them with a big board and easel.

The man made his way to the most crowded part of the beach. He put up his board and easel and began to write in big letters.

A boy standing near Jimmy read each word aloud as it was written, so he found out that next week prizes were to be given for the best things modelled in the sand.

Jimmy loved making things with the sand, but he was sure it was no use for him to try to win a prize, because the big boys and girls could do much better than he could.

But just then the man wrote something else underneath the other words and read it aloud.

To Jimmy's delight he heard that the little ones were to have a corner of the beach to themselves and were to have three special prizes.

As he walked away Jimmy tried to think what he could make. Suddenly Jack barked at a crab in a pool, and it gave him an idea.

"I know," he cried to Jack. "I'll make you a sand kennel."

He got his spade and set to work at once. He built up a fine mound, shaped the top, then carefully scooped out a hole for Jack to go in.

The most difficult part was to make Jack understand what he was expected to do. He fussed about and jumped on the kennel—and then, of course the sand fell in.

Jim tried again, and made it bigger, and at last Jack learned to lie down inside as soon as he was told.

Every day the two practiced together, until when the time came they both did their part splendidly.

The man and two ladies came round to look at the children's work.

"This gets first prize," said one of the ladies directly. She saw the sand kennel with Jack lying inside, pretending he liked it.

The other lady nodded her head, and took a snap of him to send to the newspaper.

Soon after Jimmy had to go up to a big stand and get the prize. It was a huge rubber fish.

As it was already blown out, the two chums were soon in a big pool having the jolliest time splashing about with their prize.

—My Magazine

### TELL THE OTHER BOYS

One of the most terrible warnings against cigarette smoking was given by a chorister boy in one of the Brooklyn churches, who died in great agony at St. John's hospital.

Almost his last words were: "Let any boy who smokes cigarettes look at me now and know how much I have suffered, and he will never put another in his mouth." He was a bright boy, an exquisite singer, and had many friends. He lived with his grandmother, and worked in a chandelier factory.

Here is his story as he told it to his nurse: "To me he confessed that his trouble had originated from cigarette smoking. Some days, he

said, he smoked twenty cigarettes. At first he kept his grandmother in ignorance of his indulgence. As he continued to smoke, the appetite grew upon him with such force that he could not break off; and it began to affect his constitution.

"'Why,' I asked him, 'did you not stop when you saw what it was bringing you to?'"

"'Oh, I could not,' he replied. 'If I could not get to smoke I almost went wild. I could think of nothing else. That my grandmother might not suspect me, I would work extra hours instead of spending my regular wages for cigarettes. For months I kept up this excess, although I knew it was killing me. Then I seemed to fall to pieces all of a sudden.' His disease took the form of dropsy of his legs, and was very painful."

The nurse continued the story: "During all his sufferings he never forgot what had brought him to this terrible condition. He kept asking me to warn all boys against their use. A few days before he died he called me to his bedside and said he thought that he had not lived in vain if only those boys who were still alive would profit by his sufferings and death."

There is no other form of tobacco so dangerous as cigarettes, because the nicotine in the smoke is not absorbed in the loose tobacco smoked clean up to the end, but is taken, unfiltered and undiluted, into the lungs. It was not the poison in the paper, but the poison in the tobacco, which killed Samuel Kimball, and is ruining the health of thousands of other palefaced boys. —Sel.

## SUNBEAMS

### FROM WISCONSIN

Dear Missionary Readers,

This is my first time to write to the little paper, and I don't think it will be the last. I am 12 years old and going to be in the 7th grade. Our school started Sept. 1. I like school very much.

There aren't very many Sabbath keepers in our town so mother teaches us at home, and with the Bible and Missionary we get along fine.

There haven't been many letters in the Missionary so I thought I should help along. If some of you Missionary people will write to me I will answer. My address is 230 2nd Ave., Stanley, Wis. I think a good motto in the Bible is "Trust in the Lord and do good." God be with everyone.

Love,

Gracia Korn

(We enjoyed your little letter, Gracia; you must write again. Yes your motto is a good one. —Editor).

### WHY THE TOAD IS SO USEFUL

Toads and frogs are often called the gardener's most valuable helpers, and they are encouraged to live in greenhouses, as they are useful in destroying insects and vermin harmful to plant and vegetable life.

As a destroyer of bugs the toad has no equal in the animal world. The United States Department of Agriculture estimates that toads are worth \$20 each per year to the farmers for the numbers of noxious insects, bugs and worms which they destroy. Never harm a toad. He is nearly worth his weight in gold.

The toads do not find it easy to live. They may be parched by the summer sun or crushed under plows and the feet of the cattle or eaten by birds and snakes. The plucky little toad as he hops away from his old home goes to face dangers and to do us a valuable service.

There is no truth in the fancy that toads are poisonous or that warts are produced by handling them. Treat them kindly. They are entitled to our best for their good works.

—Christian Advocate.

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### PRIMARY LESSON No. 14, Sept. 30, 1939

#### THE FIRST MIRACLE

JOHN 2:1-12.

MEMORY VERSE: JOHN 2:11.

After Jesus was baptized He was filled with the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit descended from heaven in the form of a dove and lighted on Him. God spoke from heaven and said, "This is my Beloved Son." After that Jesus spent His life in service to God.

In the days of Jesus there was always a big feast and many people at a wedding. Jesus and His mother attended a wedding. There was no wine when the people wanted it. Jesus' mother told Him there was no wine and then she told the servants to do as Jesus commanded them. He told them to fill six waterpots that were sitting nearby with plain water. They put the water in. Then He said to give the governor of the feast some of that which they had put in the waterpots.

Imagine the servants were almost afraid to pour it out for fear they would be giving water to them. But they obeyed Jesus. When the governor tasted it, he asked the Bridegroom why he had saved the best wine until last. The first miracle that Jesus performed was wonderful. This wine was probably more like our fruit juices and not intoxicating.

Repeat your memory verse and teacher may hand out new ones for next Sabbath. Color your pictures.

As this is the last Sabbath of this Quarter let each one show the pictures he (or she) has colored and make a short review of all the lessons so far on the life of Christ. Next quarter will be a continuation of the lessons about Christ and the pictures to color.

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### INTERMEDIATE LESSON No. 14, Sept. 30

#### THE FIRST MIRACLE

JOHN 2:1-12.

MEMORY VERSE: JOHN 2:11.

Let all repeat the memory verse with the lesson. John 2:11. Then each one recite the verse teacher assigned. Other verses may be assigned for next Sabbath.

- 1—Can you describe or tell something about marriages in Jesus time?
- 2—Who especially was mentioned to be present at this one?
- 3—Do you think it strange Mary should tell Jesus there was no wine? Why?

4—Do you suppose she knew Jesus could perform Miracles? He Had never performed any before as this was His first one.

5—What did Jesus command or tell the servants to do?

6—After they put the water into the waterpots what did He tell them to do with it?

7—Did the governor like it? What did he say about it?

8—Was it really wine (or fruit juice)? If so, how did it come from plain water?

NOTE: Jesus performed this miracle (as He did all the other miracles of His ministry) by the power of God. He really had the power to make wine from the water. Tho we cannot hope to perform such miracles, we could do much more than we do if we had greater faith. Even Jesus could not have done these things without faith.

Color the picture.

As this is the close of the Quarter, review the lessons for the entire quarter. The lessons next quarter will continue the life of Christ.

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### PRIMARY LESSON No. 1, Oct. 7, 1939

#### THE FIRST CLEANSING

LESSON: John 2:13-17.

MEMORY VERSE: Matt. 21:13

You remember, when Jesus was twelve years old, He went with His parents to Jerusalem to attend the Passover. Even then He was interested in talking about His Heavenly Father to the doctors and lawyers whom He found in the temple.

The temple was very beautiful and was built for God. People came to the temple to worship God and bring sacrifices and offerings. The wise teachers also taught the people what God wanted them to do.

Now Christ was past thirty years of age and was Himself a great teacher. We find Him again attending the Passover at Jerusalem.

When He came to the temple, He found not only those who had come to worship God, but also many who were selling oxen, sheep and doves. Money changers had their tables set about the place. He knew God was not pleased in having the temple put to such use. There were other places where those things could be bought and sold.

So Jesus made a whip of small cords and drove out the sheep and oxen and those who sold them. He told those who sold doves to take them away and He upset the tables of the money changers. He told them they should not make of His Father's house a house of merchandise.

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### INTERMEDIATE LESSON No. 1, Oct. 7, 1939

#### THE FIRST CLEANSING

LESSON: John 2:13-17.

MEMORY VERSE: Matt. 21:13

- 1—How old was Jesus when He first attended the Passover?
- 2—About how old is He now in Luke 3:23.
- 3—Where was the Passover observed?
- 4—Why was the temple built?
- 5—Why did people come to the temple?
- 6—What did Jesus find when He came to the temple that displeased Him? Why?
- 7—What did He do?
- 8—What do you think He meant when He said that they had made of God's house a den of thieves?
- 9—Do you think God is pleased with everything that is done in the Churches today?
- 10—Discuss some of the things which you think do not please Him.