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YOUNG PEOPLE'S FRIEND Page 3

Mother

M is for the million things she gave me,
O means only that she's growing old;
T is for the tears she shed to save me,
H is for her heart of pure gold;
E means everything she's done to help me;
R means right, and right she'll always be;
Put them all together—they spell Mother—
A word that means the world to me. —Sel.

Little Lights For Jesus

Jesus says, "I am the light of the world." And He says, "Ye are the light of the world."

When you accept Jesus as your Savior, then He makes the light to shine through you. Jesus says He is a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our pathway. He watches over us and puts it into our minds to do right when we ask Him. You must learn to be kind to the ones at home, learn to be unselfish, and to do to others as you would like to have them do to you. If you have two apples you can give your sister or playmate the larger one, the one you keep will taste better, for you will feel you have done right. When we do wrong then we don't feel happy, do we?

The more kind deeds we do the happier we will be. When at school you will find many chances to do good. If a child falls you can run and help them up and wipe their tears away and tell them not to cry. In so doing you will be a good Samaritan. When one of them is sick you can call at the door and give mother something for them, —an orange, or a bouquet of flowers. If you are allowed to see them you can sit by the bed and read the Missionary or some other good reading to them. You might win them to Jesus that way. Also ask children to go to Sabbath school with you. Most children would like to go.

Each good deed makes your little light to shine brighter. We must remember that God watches with an all-seeing eye everything we do whether good or whether evil. He sees us in the dark or in a room without windows, so we must be very careful what we do. We must ask Him every morning to guide us and keep us from evil. He

will not fail us, and will give you more opportunities to do good and your light will be like a city set on a hill that cannot be hid, and will shine more and more unto the perfect day.

We are little lights for Jesus,
Spreading sunshine on our way;
Then as we do more for Him
We'll be greater lights some day.

Carol's Obedience

It was little Carol's greatest delight to visit the sick and to try in her simple childlike way to make some lonely person happy.

There was an aged lady who lived only a few doors from Carol's home. Carol would go and rub her headache or comb her hair when she had a disease called neuritis which made her arm and shoulder too lame for her to comb it herself.

One evening Carol's mother called to her and told her to take this dear old lady some hot buns for her supper.

This little sunshine-bearer had been at play on her teeter-totter, and had torn her stocking very badly. At first she thought she would take time to change her stockings; but no, she must not do that because the buns would be all cold by that time, and how dear old Mrs. Morton did love them piping hot! "It won't matter about my stockings," she said, "I will run so fast that no one will see me; and Mrs. Morton will understand that children can't always look their best at play."

Her mother tucked the napkin in around the edge of the basket, and away went the little feet.

Mrs. Morton was glad to see her little sunshine bearer. How surprised she was when she peeped into the basket! It was full of sunshine, too.

"For me? How nice!"

"They are just out of the oven," exclaimed Carol, very happy that she had not waited until they were cold.

"I was just reading the evening paper," said the kind lady. "There is a big sale in town tomorrow, and I think I shall go." Then she caught sight of little Carol's stockings. "They surely can't be very warm."

She patted the little torn stocking and then turned to look at her own warm woolen ones.

"Your stockings can't be very warm, dear,"

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EDITORIAL

Jesus once told about a man who sowed good seed in his field. An enemy came and sowed tares. Tares are like weeds. When the good seeds grew there were the tares growing among them.

This man's servants asked him what the trouble was. Why were there tares among the good seed? He explained to them that an enemy had sowed the tares. Then the servants asked if they should go and gather the tares up. But the man was afraid if they tried to dig up the tares that some of the wheat might be ruined also. It would be better to let them all grow together until the harvest. Then the tares could be gathered into bundles and burned and the wheat gathered into the barn.

Jesus was thinking of the good people when He spoke of the good seed. The tares are the wicked people. They all live together on this earth. But when Jesus comes, the tares will be destroyed and the wheat saved.

Which are you—tares or wheat?

CAROL'S OBEDIENCE

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she said. Carol laughed and changed the subject. When the little girl returned home, she found her parents talking about the big sale too.

"Yes, here is something I would like to buy, but I can't walk so far," said her mother.

Carol, who seemed to be all ears, was anxiously waiting her time to speak. "Mother, Mrs. Morton is going. Why can't you ask her to get it for you?"

"That is a good suggestion," said her mother.

Early next morning it was arranged that Mrs. Morton should do the shopping for two. Mrs. Morton succeeded in getting the things Carol's mother wanted.

"Here is something for you, Carol," she said as she turned to Carol with a smile. "I just felt as if I owed you something for rubbing away my headache."

Of course Carol thanked her over and over again for the new pair of stockings. How glad she was that she had taken the buns before they cooled.

—By Violet Mount. —Sel.

A Message From Aunt Lena

Dear Nieces and Nephews:

What a lovely Sabbath day and time for me to write you another letter! The time seems to go so fast especially when we are busy.

Last Sabbath I was at an all day meeting in Grand Rapids. We like these meetings for we have special music, songs and messages of inspiration. We also love the fellowship of one another and sometimes we make lovely new friends and that makes us very happy doesn't it?

I'm wondering how many of you children are making garden. I think I shall do my first planting tomorrow (April 28). It has been so cold here all this month but is getting nicer each day now.

The farmers are sowing all kinds of seeds these days, such as corn, peas, beans, potatoes, oats, and clover. Can you think of others?

Our verse today is about sowing too, but a different kind of seed than the farmer plants in the ground.

Mark 4:14 says, "The sower soweth the Word" and Isaiah 32:20 says, "Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters." Our heavenly Father wants us to be Christian boys and girls, then we can tell others about Him and help them to be Christians too. We can sow the Word to others by following Jesus, for then others can see by our lives that we love Him.

When we do kind deeds for one another then we are sowing seeds of kindness. Now don't you think they are lovely seeds to sow! We can also pass on our little Missionary paper to someone that would enjoy it.

Let's see how many pennies we can save to help some minister preach the gospel. Just think if one hundred boys and girls could save one penny each a week, why, that would make a dollar wouldn't it?

That would help a lot in sending ministers to sow the word beside all waters wouldn't it? And when we help them we have a share in spreading the gospel. If we could earn a little bit too we might help those that sow the word over our radios. We can reach many people that way and how happy it makes us when we hear of people enjoying these messages of love and truth.

There are just hundreds of ways we can sow seeds for the Master but I think helping at home, being kind to brother and sister and to keep smiling are pretty good seeds to sow too, don't you? Here are some beautiful verses from a song that I have. I wish I knew the tune.

Scattering seeds of hope, peace and mercy
Scattering seeds of blessing and love.
Scattering seeds for Jesus, our Savior
Scattering for the Harvest of God.

Scattering seeds of love by the dawning
Scattering seeds of love at the noon.
Scattering seeds of love in the evening
Scattering seeds of love all the day.

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"For where your treasure is,

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there will your heart be also."

A Favorite Verse

One of my favorite verses is 1 Cor. 2:9, "But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." Many times when I see a beautiful sunset or some very pretty scenery I think of this verse. I have seen many interesting places in this world, my friends have told of others and I have read articles about the magnificence of many, many others but still, "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." Surely those things would be so marvelous that we can not grasp but a small part of their beauty. Several are toiling and saving their money so they will be able to see the Grand Canyon, Yellowstone Park, one of the World Fairs, and many points of interest in the future. I wonder how many of these are toiling so they will be able to see the beautiful things that God has prepared which excell all of these and which no man has ever seen or imagined. These things are all free for those that love God. We know that God loves mankind very much to prepare all of these things in this world for us to enjoy then prepare things still more beautiful for those that love Him.

John 14:15 says: "If ye love me, keep my commandments." This is the way we can show our love for God. If we do not care enough for our Creator to keep the commandments HE gave us we can not expect to see those beautiful things He is preparing. If we care so much about what the world thinks of us and our "peculiar" religion that we change our ways so they are like the world we, too, will be among the many the Lord will cast aside in the last day. Several places in the Bible it is mentioned where there will be just a few saved so if we go where there are the most people now we will be where the many are then. When we look about us we can see how true this is for there are such a few who are keeping the commandments of God. Several more are

keeping the commandments of man as men have said it was all right to keep them. There are a great number who have gone to a revival meeting or church long enough to get their names on the church book and seem to think that will save them but we must have the love of God in our hearts and a love for our fellowmen which makes us want to help him in order to be saved. We could go to church regularly twice a week but if our mind was elsewhere it wouldn't do us a particle of good. God knows our heart and hates anyone who is *pretending* to be a Christian.

We must live as righteous a life as possible and pray for help to overcome our weaknesses. Everyone has his faults so we should not feel discouraged for Christ has promised to be our Advocate and plead with God to forgive and help us. Christ has known the temptation of a sinful world so with His help we should be able to keep the commandments more nearly perfect and that way show our love for God.

Hoping someone will think of the above verse when he sees some beautiful sight of this world and will press forward more earnestly with the love of God in his heart so he may see the things God has prepared for them that love Him.

—Agnes M. Haffner

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TEACHING CHILDREN

I do not wish to take issue with any one but I would like to make a few comments on the subject of parents commanding or not commanding a child to do or not to do a certain thing.

If our children were "automatons" we could command and they would obey. But as they are thinking individuals the same as we, they like a reason for our decisions. Many times (and with many children) a simple command is quite sufficient. Other times it is not. For example, I might tell my child not to touch a hot stove. Is that all that is necessary or would it be better if I were to patiently explain that the hot stove would burn the fingers and cause pain? If my child is not to touch the stove today because I said not to,

then tomorrow, if I did not forbid, it might touch the stove and be burned, while if it refrained from touching it because of the injury to itself, the effect would be much more lasting. Now this illustration may seem far fetched to young people who have not had little children to deal with but theories are one thing, actual experience another. I am not putting myself up as authority or as an example, but I have always wanted a reason for things and have never been satisfied to accept a thing without knowing the reason. The example—As a child I went to a Methodist church. Each "Easter" many of the children were "Sprinkled" and joined the church and each year I was invited to join with them. Many of my closest friends begged me to, but I could not understand a reason for it. Many of them only did it because others did. Others because it was a parent's desire. Those reasons were not enough for me. After I was old enough to figure this out for myself I knew that I must be *baptized* as a token of my faith in the death, burial and resurrection of Christ, and His power to blot out my past sins. Now here's the point—God does not ask blind obedience. He wants us to know the cause and effect and the consequences of our acts—good or bad. Then why should we as parents, exact more from our children than our Heavenly Father exacts from us—His children?

I do not say that God does not give direct commands. We have a perfect set of Ten Commandments that is a complete standard of our duty to God and man. But are these commandments all we have? No, we have many passages of Scripture that explain and show the need of obeying these and tell of our reward for obeying them. Then there are many other passages that tell us the consequences of disobeying them and the punishment we must suffer. We are invited to use our own reasoning power instead of blind obedience. Also Christ was our perfect example.

Now then to our everyday experience with children. "Train up a child in the way it should go—" Prov. 22:6. It is our duty to teach a child right from wrong. It has a mind of

its own and we should teach it to use its own reasoning powers. The first important thing is to live a life that is a fitting example before it. A child imitates the things others do. It learns the words it hears us say and it does the things it sees us do. If we jerk things away from it that it should not have, we can only expect it to jerk things from our hands. I do not mean to imply that we should expect a child to follow in our footsteps or look to us as a perfect example. We should hold Christ us as that standard and teach our children true Christianity. A child must learn these good things in place of the wicked things. It is not enough to a young mind to refuse it pleasures in worldly things. That alone leaves a void. We must give it wholesome, Christian pleasures in place of the sinful things that we do not allow it to have. We may refuse a child the privilege of going to a "show" or "wild party", flatly commanding it not to go, and allow it to think about the pleasure it is missing and brood over a seemingly unfair decision on our part or we may reason with the child, explaining the undesirable elements associated with these forbidden pleasures and suggesting some wholesome entertainment, even if it means leaving our own work and going some place with it or helping it to find entertainment at home.

If there is no mystery or secrecy about the things we do not want our children to take part in, they lose three-fourths of their desirability. That may sound like a pretty strong statement, but I believe that with the majority of people it is true. Talk with one who has gone deep in sin and often the story will be that sin was made inviting to them because it was shrouded in secrecy and mystery that made a glamorous attraction, where in all probability if they had understood the vileness of it, there would have been no attraction in the first place.

—Opal Williams
(To be continued)

From Iowa

I think I'll write to let you know how much I enjoy the paper—our paper, in fact. I look forward to its coming and the time seems so long during the two weeks between issues. I'm very much in favor of the plan presented in the paper four weeks ago, aren't all of you? It seems to be the best way to get a larger paper or to have it more often. Let's all support it, shall we? You know it's our own paper and it's up to us (or should be up to us) to keep it going. Surely we young people don't have to lean on the General Conference fund to give us our paper. We should be able to lean on ourselves.

I'll let you know now a little of

what I'm doing this year. I'm getting ready to graduate from high school in May. I'm working on the school annual and newspaper. I like it a lot.

The work I like best though perhaps I shouldn't call it work because I enjoy it so much—is teaching the Beginners' Class at S. S. It is very interesting to find out how much a child remembers and retains in his mind. This is always shown when I review the lesson cards each week; when we run across one they don't remember very well, we always go over the lesson again in detail; then the story is nearly always remembered by the class the next week. One thing they all like and which helps them a great deal I think is the book which each child has with his lesson cards pasted in it.

I use a blackboard as much as I can for I find it holds their attention much better than just telling the story does. My little class likes the paper even more than I do, I believe, for each week they ask for their paper as well as their cards, and they are very disappointed on the "off" week. Today in class my "littelist"—a boy of three said, "Next time we get our paper, don't me?"

Perhaps, that is one reason why I feel we need the paper more often for I see the demand for it each week. Today in class my "littelist" the little people as well as to we older ones. Please don't let our little folks down or yourselves either. Both need it. Remember, even a few cents a week helps.

I sincerely hope we young people of this church can face the challenge, and come thru with flying colors—this flag of victory a weekly paper.

A Sister in the Faith,
Shirley Carver

From Wisconsin

(We regret this letter was overlooked. It should have appeared sooner. Editor).

Dear Readers:

I have seen three or four of my pen pals write in the Missionary paper and none from Wisconsin, so I am writing to help get a few points for Wisconsin.

I would have written sooner but as I was busy at school I had no time.

I think the best part of the paper is the letter pages. I like to hear from everybody everywhere. I would like to see some of May Cumberbatch's interesting letters printed again.

We certainly have been having nice weather up here.

We were asked by our Sabbath school teacher to send in a poem, story, puzzle or something for the paper to earn a few points for our state, so I have donated a few thots.

THE HOUSE BEAUTIFUL

"Where there is faith there is love,
Where there is love there is peace,
Where there is peace there is God,
Where there is God there is no need.

A reader,
Shirley Harris

From Oregon

Dear Y. P. Readers:

On this Sabbath day I thought I would write a few lines.

I just finished the Bible crossword puzzle and am sending it in. It is about the Bible birds. I looked up in the Bible for one of the birds.

Today is quite windy. A few days ago it was so hot. At least it seemed like it. I haven't seen any snow this winter.

Our school is out May 10. I am in the seventh grade.

We bought a church building and it was quite small so we have gotten some lumber to build on to the building. The average number of people that come is 65. Last time there was 77.

I wish more people from Oregon would write.

I have given two missionaries away to my friends. I am sending in a poem and the alphabetical completion test. I will close.

Your friend,
Lavonne Henion

St. James, Trinidad, B. W. I

Dear Y. P. Friend:

Our island is becoming very beautiful with the laying out of streets of the lower district of Port of Spain. They would be now known as streets and not roads.

When we look around us we see that spring is here. Everything looks green and fresh. The fruit trees are bearing many kinds of fruits, such as mangoes, oranges, figs, cashews, papaw, cymits, sapodillers etc., and flowers of every hue which are so beautiful. The green grass serves as food for the animals, but in hot seasons dry grass is preferred by them.

To think of all this, isn't it wonderful, though God has once cursed the earth through man's sin He has not left us off with His nature.

I will close with some questions: Of what nations was Darius? Who is the Ancient of days?

Your friend in Christ,
Lucille Stewart

(We have another letter from Trinidad. It will appear next time and is from Lucille's brother.)

CAN CHRISTIAN'S DANCE?

Burdette answers this question in his usual unique fashion. May a Christian dance? Of course he may. He might swear and lie too, but it would not make him a better Chris-

tian. Surely, Christian, you may dance, but dancing will never identify you as a Christian. What puzzles us is that you ask the question so often. Christians who don't dance never ask it. Yes, Christians, dance if you can't live without it. Join hands with Salome Herodias and circle to the left. But don't be surprised if you are taken for a goat. That is the side they are on.

Sel. from an old scrapbook of my mother's by Genevieve Moore.

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BIBLE TEST No. 32.

- 1—Who was the youngest king to reign who walked in the way of his father David?
a. Josiah; b. Joash; c. Jonathan.
- 2—How many books are there in the Old Scriptures (Testament)?
- 3—How many in the "New?"
- 4—Who was Laban?
a. Father of Rachel,
b. Father of Rebekah,
c. Abraham's brother.
- 5—Gennesaret was a—
a. lake; b. city; b. mount.
- 6—"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of—" a. Understanding,
b. Wisdom; c. Knowledge.
- 7—Which one of the kings of Israel kept the most wonderful passover?
a. David; b. Josiah; c. Solomon.
- 8—Who said, "God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ?"
a. John; b. Paul; c. James.
- 9—Who was the lamenting prophet?
a. Jonah; b. Isaiah; c. Jeremiah.
- 10—Who said, "My little finger shall be thicker than my father's loins."
a. Jeroboam; b. Rehoboam; c. Jehu.
(Answers on page six)

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TEST YOUR MEMORY

(Two points for each correct answer).

- 1—Was Lamech Noah's son?
- 2—Did Esau accept the present Jacob offered him when Jacob was on his way to his home land?
- 3—Was Moses older than Aaron?
- 4—Did Ruth marry Obed?
- 5—Did David marry Abigail?
- 6—Was Peter ever married?
- 7—Was it Lydda who made coats and garments for the poor?
- 8—Did Paul jump out of the boat into the water to hasten to Jesus?
- 9—Did Sstphen see the vision of the sheet which all kinds of animals in it?
- 10—Did Paul and Barnabas ever work together in the ministry?

—By Minnie Truman.

ANSWERS: (1) Gen. 5:28-29; (2) Gen. 33:11; (3) Ex. 7:7; (4) Ruth 4:13-17; (5) 1 Sam. 25:40-42; (6) Matt. 9:14; (7) Acts 9:36; (8) John 21:7; (9) Acts 10:9-16; (10) Acts 11:25, 26.

Fill In The Blanks

1. "He asked water and she gave him milk; she brought forth butter in a lordly dish. She put her hand to the nail, and her right hand to the workmen's hammer; and with the hammer she smote—she smote off his head, when she had pierced and stricken through his temples."

Judges 5:25, 26.

2. "And — said unto God, If thou wilt save Israel by mine hand, as Thou hast said Behold I will put a fleece of wool in the floor; and if the dew be on the fleece only, and it be dry upon all the earth beside, then shall I know that Thou wilt save Israel by mine hand, as Thou has said."

Judges 6:36, 37.

3. "And the Lord said unto — The people are yet too many; bring them down unto the water, and I will try them for thee there:... And the Lord said unto — Every one that lappeth of the water with his tongue, as a dog lappeth, him shalt thou set by himself; likewise every one that boweth down upon his knees to drink".

Judges 7:4, 5.

4. The next day — seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sins of the world."

John 1:29.

5. "And he (who?) said unto them, The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath."

Mark 2:27.

—By Minnie Truman.

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QUESTION DEPT.

QUESTION: Is it right for Christian parents to allow their young people to keep company too freely with unbelievers?

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Do you believe many unhappy marriages and divorces are the result of marriages made when one or both participants were under age?

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Do you think chain letters are worldly?

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Should we follow the example of others or do as we think is right?

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY SENT IN

QUESTION: How may we know when we reach perfection? reference of James 3:1;2 given.

ANSWER: I do not believe we will reach the highest state of perfection in this life although in places it means sincere.

I believe when we accept Christ and try (by studying Bible) to follow His will then our imperfections are covered by Christ when we appeal to God. God sees Christ's perfection covering us. Matt 5:48 reads, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is

in heaven is perfect." 2 Cor. 7:1 is good—"perfecting holiness in the fear of God."

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QUESTION: Is it wrong to expect a little praise or show of appreciation for work well done?

ANSWER: In my opinion it is not wrong. Notice Jesus commends the servants in their gaining more talents (Matt. 25:21-23). There is a song which reads, "Gives me the roses which I live." Notice when training children if a little praise for obedience doesn't help in the correction of the child's ways. We older ones would find it a more bitter world if no one ever acted like they appreciated our efforts. I do not believe in this worldly flattery but a "word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver." Prov. 25:11. So, show your appreciation—it helps us climb.

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QUESTION: Is it a sin to work until your brain is too tired to concentrate on the Word of God?

ANSWER: Jesus tells us to lay up treasures above and where our heart is there is our treasure also. In the light of these texts a Christian should find it best to not work too hard for these perishable things but to remember we are to "study to show ourselves approved unto God." 2 Tim. 2:15.

Mrs. H. F. Thoms

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QUESTION: Should you take the the Lord's Supper the night He was betrayed or the night after He was betrayed?

ANSWER: Personally, I believe the Bible teaches the communion service to be the same night in which He was betrayed. Let me cite some texts Luke 22:7 "Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the passover must be killed." V. 14 "And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostiles with him." We find in comparing scripture with scripture, Jesus partook of the passover supper, washed the disciples' feet, then instituted the communion service on the same night. Luke 22:19, 20. This do in remembrance of me. In Matt. 26:20 we find it was "when the even was come" The old passover supper was to be kept on the 14th day of 1st month. Ex. 12:6 And to be a feast throughout your generations, a feast by an ordinance forever. V. 14. Surely, Jesus kept it on the correct date only earlier than some, for we read in John 18:28, "Then led they Jesus from Caiaphas unto the hall of Judgment: and it was early; and they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled; but that they might eat the passover." This was after Jesus had partaken and had been brought from the garden of Gethsem-

ane but before morning. Remember it was near the cock crowing when Peter denied Him. In 1 Cor. 11:23, 24 which was about 59 A. D. or 26 years after Jesus was crucified, Paul wrote, "For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you. That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread: and when he had given thanks, he brake it and said, Take, eat, this is my body which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me."

We may not always know just when the 14th comes but I believe we should partake of the service as near the date as we can. Let the spirit of the service have first place. Our God is reasonable.

Mrs. Velma Thoms

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QUESTION: Is it wrong to ask God to help us get well by using medicine?
ANSWER: If the one asking this questions means, is it all right to ask God to help us get well and then take medicine too, we have a very interesting question. The following remarks will be given to stir up thought and aid the reader in a further study of this question.

In 1 Cor. 12 we learn of the gifts of the Spirit. One of these is "gifts of healing." All do not have the same gifts, but God gives them as He will. Today it seems that the gift of healing is not as prevalent as we would like to see it. We are living in an age in which "faith" in God is very scarce. Few have the gift of healing. Some claim to have this gift, but we must remember that their is a counterfeit. God tells us to try the spirits. But even tho some do not have the gift of healing, does that mean they should never pray for God to restore their health when they are ill? Does not James say, "And the prayer of faith shall save the sick"? He also says, "Is any among you afflicted? let him pray." And, "Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him in the name of the Lord." Ch. 5:14. "Pray one for another, that ye may be healed." James does not say that only those who have the gift of healing should pray, no, but it is "faith" that brings the answer from God. If you were many miles from where an elder lived and could not call for him, God would understand, and your prayer would be answered according to your faith, and according to the kind of life you were living.

More directly to the question, surely it is not wrong to call upon God at any time, tho sometimes answers may not come until wrongs have been made right.

Suppose some person had very little knowledge of how to prepare foods or what was good for him, and therefore ate harmful combinations

and unbalanced diets until he had stomach trouble and other ills. Do you think God would heal him if he asked, as long as he kept on eating wrong? God could, but would He? Nothing is too hard for God. But, has He not also endued us with a mentality by which we may help ourselves much?

Suppose a storm came and you were under a big tree that was about to be blown over on you. Which would be the sensible thing to do, pray God to sustain the tree or hurry for shelter? Suppose you had an accident whereby an artery in your arm was severed, should you pray God to stop the blood and just stand there, or would you quickly tie something about the arm tightly and go to a doctor? Suppose you stepped on a rusty nail. Would you only pray or might you also apply some iodine and pray too that blood poison would not set in? If it would not be wrong to use a little external medicine (salve or iodine, etc.) wouldn't it be just as right to use some internal medicine under many common conditions?

Suppose your child swallowed some poison, would you refrain from quickly giving it an antidote to cause it to throw up the poison? It is true that if we had the faith of Paul or Elijah we could do almost anything, for then we could touch a cut or broken arm and suddenly heal it, but who has that much faith?

Yes, according to Mark 16:18 "If they (believers) drink any deadly thing, it shall not harm them." Not that we should deliberately show our faith by taking poison to prove it, for that would be tempting God.

God says His people are destroyed for lack of knowledge, and I believe this can be applied to knowledge of how to live and eat for the best of health. It is said many people dig their grave with their teeth—they destroy their health and finally their life (dying sooner than they would otherwise) because of lack of knowledge concerning how to live.

It has also been said, "Man's extremity is God's opportunity." When we have done the best we can and have tried to help ourselves with what knowledge we have tried to increase, and still fail, then we should lay our lives in God's hands and be resigned to His will. Not that we should wait until we have tried everything before we come to God, no, no, but pray always, and at the same time in plain language, use our common sense.

Paul told Timothy to "use a little wine for thy stomach's sake and thine often infirmities." 1 Tim. 5:23. Only a *little* was allowed and "only" as a medicine. Just what this wine was I do not exactly know; but it was something Timothy could take a little of for his stomach's sake.

In 1 Chron. 16 king Asa was diseased in his feet and sought the doctors and did not seek the Lord. He made a mistake in not seeking God.

In Isaiah 38:1 Hezekiah prayed to God for life and healing and the prophet said God had answered his prayer but that he must apply something on the boil he had and he would recover. V. 21.

May God increase our faith in His wonderful power.

—Editor

OUR HONOR STATE

WISCONSIN — 3,449 points.
MISSOURI — 3066 points.
OKLAHOMA — 2708 points.
CALIFORNIA — 1665 points.
ARKANSAS — 1418 points.
IDAHO — 1096 points.
MICHIGAN — 1053 points.
COLORADO — 830 points.
IOWA — 693 points.
W. VIRGINIA — 295 points.
KANSAS — 124 points.
NEBRASKA — 103 points.
OREGON — 43 points.

Twice in succession Wisconsin has taken first place as Honor State. Come on Missouri, Oklahoma and you other states. Some in Missouri who have sent in points in the past have failed to help the last issue or two, but on the whole, our readers are doing fine.

We are glad to see Oregon admitted to our group of point boosters and feel sure if they will get busy they can make a tower of points, since there are a number of young people in that state. 13 states are now in this column. Let us hear from other states that have not reported.

Remember that all material you send in for publication counts points immediately regardless of how soon it is used. If some of your contributed material is held over, we beg of you to be patient.

Y. P. REPORT, PARKERSBURG

We have been having interesting young people's meetings with each one taking part. We use the young people's paper and enjoy the quizzes and other tests very much.

Total present 73; total collection \$1.58; total meetings 10.

We missed several meetings because of illness. We have never tried until last week to get points, but thought we would begin counting them. We now have 56 points for giving out Y. P. tracts and for answering the questions in the Y. P. F.

Your Sister in Christ,

Helen Eileen Leasure,

Sec'y-Treas.

ANSWERS TO TEST NO. 32

(1) a 2 Chron. 34:7; (2) c; (3) b; (4) a Gen. 29:10; (5) a Luke 5:1; (6) b Prov. 9:10; (7) b 2 Chron. 35:18; (8) b Galatians 6:14; (9) c Lamentations 2; (10) b 1 Kings 12:10.

—Genevieve Moore.

A MESSAGE FROM AUNT LENA

(Continued from page 2)

Scattering seeds in every location
 Scattering seeds with singing and prayer;
 Scattering seeds to every dear nation
 Jesus will surely garner the fruit.

Chorus:

Sowing by the wayside,
 Sowing o'er the earth wide,
 Sowing for the Master,
 Scattering precious seed by the way.

If we keep ourselves busy sowing good seed we need not worry what our harvest will be for the Bible tells us (Gal. 6:7) that whatsoever we sow that shall we also reap.

Hoping and praying that we all may reap eternal life. God bless you. Lovingly,
 Aunt Lena

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"Tobacco today is the most extensively used poison on earth, and America is the largest producer and consumer. This is chiefly due to the great increase in cigarette smoking in recent years. Americans puffed one hundred fifty BILLION cigarettes in 1936, or about three a day for every man, woman and child in the country. And the cigarette helps no one, but it certainly harms."
 —Sel.

(Your first letter is a good one, Margie. We hope to see you at the next Camp Meeting. —Editor).

FROM ST. JAMES, TRINIDAD, B. W. I.

Dear Editor and Missionary Friends:

This is my first writing for the paper. I am not quite good with a pen. I was born at Maracaibo, Venezuela and came to this Island to stay with my grandfather.

I go to the Church of God 7th day. Miss Cumberbatch my aunt, is my S. S. teacher. We are having evangelistic meeting with Elder Murray. There are picture shows of his travels and Bible. I want you to read Gen. 8:2. Eld. Murray read it to show the earth will not be desolate when Jesus comes.

Spring is nearly here. I go to a private school. I'm in the first grade. I have attended S. S. now five years, which is just my age. There are plenty of citrus fruits in this Island, and bananas. I will tell you later of the different kind of bananas we grow here. Your friend in Christ,

Alicia Dookie

FROM FLORIDA

Dear Missionary Readers,

I am 11 years old and in the sixth grade.

I enjoyed campmeeting last year and I hope I can go this summer if I can. I like to meet other Sabbath keepers.

The county I live in is called Lake County because there are 1400 lakes in the county. Some lakes are large 5 to 12 miles long. One bridge is 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ mile long. Lots of lakes are too little to name.

There are fruit trees all around my house. Howey in the Hills is the largest citrus development in the world. Most of the fruit was frozen during the winter.

Hope to see you at campmeeting,
 Marvin Lippincott

(Your county is well named. You should be able to catch a few fish. Write again. —Editor)

FROM COLORADO

Dear Friends,

This is my first time to write to the Missionary. I have read many other childrens' stories and puzzles. We have S. S. at home and have quite a number of friends. My story is getting long so I'd better close with a puzzle. utho slath tno tveoc yth hinosgrbe souhe.

I will close with love,

David E. Carvell

(We are glad you have S.S. to enjoy. Thanks for your letter and puzzle. —Editor.)

FROM ARKANSAS

Dear Missionary Readers,

As I did not see my story of "Jesus Walking on the Water" in print, so here I come again with a letter.

I'm glad to see Arkansas came creeping up in

SUNBEAMS

FROM MICHIGAN

Dear Missionary:

This is my first time to write to the paper. I am 12 years old and in the 7th grade at school.

At our community we have a Bible Study and memory verse contest. In it you must study the Bible every day and learn a memory verse every week. It is very much fun.

We hold our services at my grandfather's home near Jenison. Well, I will close for my letter is getting long.

Your reader,
 Sadie Lorraine DeWind

FROM FLORIDA

Dear Missionary Readers:

This is my first letter to the Missionary. I am six years old and go to school. I am in the first grade.

My pets are two puppies and one cat.

We have Sabbath school at home and I color the pictures in the lesson book while the rest study their lessons.

I had a real good time at Camp Meeting last year and was in a play for the children's day program. I want to go to Camp Meeting next time. My new verse is, "We love Him because He first loved us."

We have a little calf two months old.

From a little friend,

Margie Lippincott

points like a snake. Maybe it will get to the top sometime. Oh well, its better to know that some body is trying. A few Sabbaths ago we were made to rejoice as we had Sister Wade and her two girls and Brother Pitman with us in our Sabbath School. That's something for us to rejoice over for we never have any Sabbath keepers to visit us only once in a great while.

I'm not as good a boy as I want to be and I do want to be a real good boy but I do keep God's commandments and I don't use bad language and I believe in all His Holy truths.

I don't see how that any one could believe that this body and soul could burn forever. There is no sin, let it be so great, God is too merciful to let this soul of our's burn for ever. If He was that kind of unmerciful God just because of sin He wouldn't have sent His only begotten Son, His well beloved who had no sin to suffer that great pain and shame for our sins. I think that's enough to burn us like stubble and put us out from His presence for ever. We then are lost for ever, lost from God our Creator, our friends and loved ones.

There are going to be a host of preachers heard in that great and terrible day lamenting and pleading for the crimes they have done leading people in that dangerous Broadway.

Well, it seems to me from what little that I see and hear, people aren't giving their souls much of a thought, both young and old. I know I would like to see my dear mother, dad, and my poor old grandma saved and walking a new life in this world. So will close asking one and all to pray for them and me that we can gather with the saints and Christ in the new earth.

Your friend, Charles Floyd Cox

PRIMARY LESSON NO. 8, MAY 25, 1940

JESUS CARRYING THE CROSS

LESSON: Luke 23:26-49 — MEMORY V. Matt. 27:31.

As Jesus was being led to His crucifixion a country man named Simon was called and compelled to bear the cross intended for Jesus. There was a great company of people, some of them women, who followed lamenting the fate of Jesus, but He turned to them saying not to weep for Him but to weep for themselves that they lived in such a wicked time. When they came to a place called Calvary they crucified Him and an evil-doer on either side of Him. One of these men taunted Jesus saying if He were the Christ to save Himself and them. But the other one said they deserved their fate because they had been evil but that Jesus had done nothing wrong, and he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom." Jesus replied that he should be with Him in paradise.

INTERMEDIATE LESSON NO. 8, MAY 25, 1940

JESUS CARRYING THE CROSS

LESSON: Luke 23:26-49 — MEMORY V. Matt. 27:31.

1—In the crowd that followed to Calvary why were many lamenting?

- 2—What did Jesus say to them?
- 3—Who were crucified with Jesus?
- 4—What did each say to Jesus?
- 5—What did Jesus reply?

(Note: Notice the misprint in verse 43. The comma should be after the word "today" instead of before. It was that day Jesus said that. They would not be in paradise until Jesus comes in His Kingdom.)

- 6—What caused the darkness?
- 8—Why did the people smite their breasts?
- 9—Why is the centurion especially mentioned?
- 10—In what languages was the superscription written?

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PRIMARY LESSON NO. 9, JUNE 1, 1940

THE RESURRECTION.

LESSON: John 20:1-18 — Memory Verse: John 11:25

Jesus tomb was hewn out of stone and was sealed with a great stone. Early the first day of the week women came to the tomb bringing sweet smelling spices. As they came they wondered who would roll the stone away for them, but when they drew near they saw it was already rolled away. Then Mary, one of the women, ran and told Peter and John the grave was open and the Lord was taken away. The men went into the grave and found the Lord gone and the linen burial cloths lying there. They did not know what to think but they went to their own home. Mary remained there, weeping. She stooped over and looked into the grave and there saw two angels; they asked her why she wept and she said because they had taken away the Lord. Turning she saw a man whom she thought to be the gardener and she asked him where they had taken Jesus. Then the man spoke, calling her Mary, and she knew it to be Jesus Himself. He told her to go and tell His brethren, which she did.

Jesus had risen late on the Sabbath day. These people did not understand that He was to rise. But we read about it today how it was God's plan for Jesus to be in the tomb three days and three nights and then arise. Things always happen just as God plans, but many people refuse to believe them.

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- 1—Why did they not come to the tomb until the first day of the week?
- 2—Why did they come then?
- 3—Had any been there before? What happened then?
- 4—After Peter and John inspected the tomb what did they do?
- 5—Verse 8. What was it they believed?
- 6—Tell what happened as Mary stood by the sepulcher, weeping.
- 7—Why might she easily mistake Jesus for the gardener?
- 8—Why did Jesus say for her to not touch Him?
- 9—Can you give an example of Jesus being touched before His ascension?
- 10—On what errand did Jesus send Mary?
- 11—How did the disciples receive her message?