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## Jackie's Lesson

Mr. James was very serious as he eyed the boy at the table opposite him. Jackie was a sulky boy that night; even at that moment he was pouting.

"Why can't I have some more cream? Trevor Smith eats what he likes! Why can't I?"

"Because," said Mr. James, "you have had enough."

Tears of temper flooded the boy's eyes, and getting down from the table he ran into the living room to sob and cry for the next quarter hour. At last, when he had finished, Jackie's father quietly rose from his chair; then going into the room, he picked Jackie up and sat him on his knee. Gently brushing his tears away. Mr. James said: "Jackie, I want you to come with me tomorrow. I have a surprise for you."

Jackie's anger faded, and a smile lit up his wet cheeks. "A surprise, for me, daddy?"

"Yes, for you," replied his father. "Now be a good little boy, and run along to bed."

For once in a long time, Jackie did as he was told. Visions of that tricycle his father had promised him floated before his eyes. That may be the surprise, he thought. Little did he know how concerned his father looked when he stroked his tousled head that night.

The next afternoon seemed a long while coming; but at last it did, and it was a very excited little boy that skipped down the path beside his father. As they walked down the road, Jackie's face became very puzzled, and the farther they walked the more puzzled it became. Jackie was not taken to the shops as he had expected; he was being taken through dirty old streets and little alleyways where the sun could never reach.

At last they stopped. It was outside a house which even the look of made Jackie shiver. Mr. James raised his hand and knocked on the half-rotten door. They stood and waited, and when at last the door was opened, they were confronted by a thin, pale-looking woman whose hands were covered with soapsuds.

"Why, Mr. James!" she cried; "I—I didn't expect you so soon. I'm afraid I haven't the in-

surance money yet. I—I haven't finished Mrs. Harris's washing."

"It's all right," assured Mr. James, "I haven't come for that. I've come to show Jackie something."

They went in, and Jackie shuddered as he looked at the one and only room. A dirty old fireplace blocked one corner, and ashes were the only sign that was left of a fire. On the rickety table were a half loaf and a small piece of cheese, while a newspaper served as the tablecloth. On the floor sat two thin, pale-looking children, but nevertheless, happily playing with some old clothespins.

A lump rose in Jackie's throat, and he looked up into his father's face. "Ask them," said his father, "if they had enough cream for supper last night, Jackie."

Jackie's face fell, and all of a sudden he burst into tears. He could see now he was wrong, terribly wrong, and there and then he made up his mind that he would never sulk again.

Mr. James had taught him a lesson, a lesson he would never forget. In that poor room a note of happiness had been struck, a kindly note which I'm afraid Jackie had forgotten despite all the comforts he had. But he has learned his lesson. Very often he takes Ray and Charlie some of his toys and other things and he goes home happy, with the thought that he has made them happy also. —M. Betts in *Our Little Friend*.

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### PRAYING IN HALF A ROOM

In a large boarding school two boys from different towns, and strangers to each other, were compelled by circumstances to occupy one room together. It was the beginning of the term, and the students spent the first day in arranging their room and getting acquainted. When night came the younger of the two boys asked the other if he did not think it would be a good idea to close

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**EDITORIAL**

I want to tell you a story I read the other day. Mickey was a newsboy. A truant officer took him to the judge because he would not go to school. The judge had Mickey taken to school, but at recess time he ran away and began selling papers again.

A few weeks later the officer again took him to the judge who sent him to school again. Mickey ran away the second time.

When the officer found him the third time the judge told him if he ran away again, he'd have to send him to reform school where they keep bad boys.

Would you believe it? Mickey ran away the third time. When the judge asked him why he ran away when he knew better, Mickey answered, "Your Honor, my father was a bad man. He ran away from home when my mother was sick, so I had to take care of her. Then she died and they buried her in the cemetery. All the other graves had stones on them and I wanted to have a tombstone on my mother's grave too. But I didn't have sixty dollars. It takes a long time to earn that much money selling papers when a fellow has to buy his meals and everything. It takes a heap sight longer when one has to go to school besides. So I decided not to go to school until I had it all ready. You can send me to the reformatry now, because the stone is in place and it's all paid for."

The judge felt very sorry. He said, "Mickey, any boy that loves his mother as much as you do is all right. Instead of sending you to the reformatory, I'll take care of you and help you to become a fine man." And he did.

That was a fine way for Mickey to honor his mother, wasn't it? But you need not wait until your mother is dead to honor her. Help her all you can with her work. No matter how small you are there are things you can do to help. At school, at work or at play, always be honest and true like she wants you to be.

Then when she is old, if she needs someone to

care for her, remember all she had done for you.

Maybe you can also help some one else's mother who is alone and needy.

Don't make Mother's Day come just once a year. Make every day her day.

A letter from Mrs. C. A. Reynolds tells of their Sabbath School activities at Nevada, Missouri, where they have an enrollment of over fifty.

We also enjoyed hearing from Mrs. Jan Brown, whom we have known for over thirty years. She and her husband, who live in St. Joseph, express their trust in the Lord, looking for His soon-coming.

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the day with a short reading from the Bible and a prayer. The request was honestly made, without cant of any kind. The other boy, however, bluntly refused to listen to the proposal.

"Then you will have no objection if I pray to myself, I suppose?" said the younger. "It has been my custom, and I wish to keep it up."

"I don't want any praying in this room, and I won't have it!" retorted his companion.

The younger boy rose slowly; walking toward the middle of the room, and standing upon the seam in the carpet which divided the room nearly equally, he said quietly:

"Half of this room is mine. You may choose which half of it you will have. I'll take the other, and I will pray in that half or have another room. But pray I will, whether you consent or refuse."

The older boy was instantly conquered. To this day he admires the sturdy courage of the boy who was brave enough to stand for the right.

—Presbyterian Record.

**HOW EUGENE CHEATED HIMSELF**

"I can't learn to spell these words."

Eugene did not know anybody heard him, for he did not speak aloud.

A voice whispered, "Write them on a piece of paper and look at them during recitation."

"I will just once," Eugene replied to the voice.

Eugene Harrison was beginning his second year in school and spelling was hard for him.

While the teacher was pronouncing the words she saw Eugene take a paper out of his desk and look at it. "You may remain after school, Eugene," Miss Hall said, as she marked zero on his paper.

Mrs. Harrison told Eugene to come home promptly after school as she had a surprise for him. When twenty minutes had passed, after the close of school, and he did not come she told Harold that he need not stay longer. Harold was Eugene's cousin, and Mrs. Harrison had invited him to play with Eugene a new game she had bought for him.

Eugene was truthful and when he came home he told his mother he had looked at words writ-



*"Seek the Lord and ye shall live."*

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*"Hate the evil, and love the good."*

## Are YOU One Of God's People?

When we think about God's people of long ago we may recall they were to be a peculiar people unto God. They were to be a holy people unto the Lord. But were they a peculiar people because of their language or their dress? Were they peculiar in being odd looking?

God is more interested in what a person actually is rather than what he may appear to be to the world. God is anxious that our hearts, our minds be sincere toward Him. The make-up on the outside does not make the person though it often indicates to a considerable degree some of what is within. In the true Christian the inside has much to do with the outside. So with the sinner. A person that has lived a hard and wicked life often shows it in his very looks.

God does not change. He desires that people serve Him today as He longed to have Israel serve Him long ago. God does not desire slave worship, but willing worship. Listen: "Ye shall walk after the Lord your God, and fear (reverence) him, and keep his commandments, and obey his voice, and ye shall serve him, and cleave unto him." Deut. 13:4. Do you think a majority of even those who claim they belong to the Lord, *cleave* unto Him? Isn't there far too much half-hearted *leaning* toward God rather than *cleaving* unto Him?

The Lord knows how easy it is for man to get *slack* in obeying Him, and He knows how prone man is to follow the ways of others, so He said, "Take heed (give careful attention) to thyself that thou be not snared by following them (the heathen), after that they are destroyed from before thee—" Deut. 12:30.

Many times God warned Israel against following after the nations about them. Israel was to be a peculiar nation in the sense that they did not do after the abominations of the heathen, but rather obeyed the righteous laws of God. Our Maker knows what is good for us and how to prolong our days. He wants a people who will willingly serve Him.

When we think of the heathen we

think of some people in far off lands who worship idols and know not God. But, did you ever stop to think that right in your own community, very likely, there are people who are no better in God's sight than heathen people of foreign lands? Yes there (Continued on page 5)

### "DEAD-LINE"

Speaking of feeling as though you should go to all places in order to know for a fact about them, and try getting drunk in order to know the actual effect on a person, and other things that are commonly done by the average sinner, as some people argue a Christian should do, I heard the following illustration:

"A man boarded a boat on a river. The river was very rough and at a certain place huge rocks caused very great danger. The swift current was likely to carry the boat into one of them if it came too close. The pilot was very steady and piloted the boat through as sure of himself as though he were on smooth water.

"The passenger was very surprised. 'How do you know where the rocks are, sir? and how did you make it so perfectly around this dangerous place?'

"I do not know where the rocks are, I know this course where they are not and know that they are there, for I have been told so and have seen many boats crushed and many lives lost there. I have traveled this river for years, but have never tried to pass through the treacherous way."

How true this is to moral life! It will crush our "boats" and likely destroy our souls if we try out the habits of evil. There are so many clean things to do for us to think we have to search among the questionable things, and don't ever think you have to understand how the sinners feel, for you would have more things to try out than the longest life would have time for, and you'd have to be a sinner in order to understand. Keep in the right way and you are sure to reach that perfect land of sunshine.

—By Mrs. H. D. Taylor.

Don't fail to read the article by W. R. Kaps, soon to appear in the Bible Advocate!

## WHAT GOD EXPECTS OF YOUNG PEOPLE

Youth of today are expected to dedicate their lives to their Master. We have all been fashioned for a purpose in His work. Older men and women are commanded to be sober, that they might teach young people likewise, as found in Titus 2:4-8—"That they might teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed. Young men likewise exhort to be sober minded. In all things showing thyself a pattern of good works; in doctrine showing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity, sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you." If we live as these verses command we are doing a good work. We are told how to act regarding our elders in 1 Tim. 5:1. "Rebuke not an elder, but intreat him as a father and the younger men as brethren." We are told in 2 Tim. 2:22, "Flee also youthful lusts; but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart." We may find hardships in living a Christian life, but what life doesn't in this world? We know our Lord will care for us as told in Ps. 37:25. "I have been young, and now am old, yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread."

We are never to be ashamed to do right for fear of what our school-mates, employers, friends or neighbors might say. In Ps. 56:11 we find this verse: "In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me." We are to keep the commandments from youth up. They are not grievous; they are a pleasure for us, a standard to follow. We shall endeavor to teach our children and train them in the right way that they may very naturally be young people, pleasing in the sight of God.

—Helen Palmer.

"Do all things without murmurings and disputings." Philip. 2:14. Is there place in your life to improve in this way?

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How are people far from God? The abundantly pardon." See Isa. 55:6-7. answer—sin separates people from God. Those who desire to be saved know that only God can give eternal life. They learn they must get forgiveness from sin, so they seek God in prayer for pardon. They draw nigh to Him in this way (spiritually; mentally) that He may draw nigh to them. How long do we seek Him? Until we find Him; until our heart through faith assures us our sins are forgiven. His Spirit witnesses with our spirit, and we have a clear conscience and confidence in Jesus' redemptive work and God's promises. We do not discontinue praying, for we live a continued life of prayer that we may always find grace to help in time of need, and thus stay in His favor. We need the help of God to live an overcoming life and so we need to pray often.

To "feel after" God is another way of expressing our seeking the Lord. He is not far from us in the sense that He is an ever present help in time of need.

Heb. 10:22, "Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience—" It is wonderful to have full assurance of or through faith—"full assurance of hope unto the end." To have this we must come to God in His appointed way—believe (faith), repent, confess, be converted and baptized. We must forgive others or God will not forgive us. So in obeying God thus we have peace within and are among those who have found God. Our feeling after God might be said to be this process of finding God whereby we gain forgiveness, peace, assurance and joy in the Lord.

—Editor.

## Y. P. LESSON STUDY

### SERVING GOD WHOLE-HEARTEDLY

- 1—Can we love God and not serve Him? Then how and to what extent should we love or serve God? Matt. 22:37.
- 2—With what kind of heart and mind did David charge Solomon to serve the Lord? 1 Chron. 28:9. (This is a verse well worth memorizing.)
- 3—How did God want Israel to serve Him? Does He require the same of us today? Deut. 10:12.
- 4—Emphasize and comment on the word in Deut. 11:13 that tells how we should hearken unto God's commandments.
- 5—How should we then walk? What word in Deut. 13:4 shows how we should adhere unto God.
- 6—Comment on Joshua 22:5.
- 7—Comment on what Samuel said unto Israel in 1 Sam. 7:3. What were they to prepare? What does this mean? Emphasize the thought that goes with "only" in V. 4.

8—In 1 Sam. 12:14-15 Israel should obey and .....not. What would happen if they rebelled?

9—What did Jesus say we can't do? Matt. 6:24.

10—To serve the Lord, comment on what we must do as found in John 12:26.

11—The blood of Christ purges our conscience from what kind of works? Heb. 9:13-14.

12—How then should we serve God as found in Rom. 14:16-19?

## FROM NORTH CAROLINA

Dear Readers,

At my last writing we were seeing the sights of Washington. It was very interesting to see all the many things, but we missed being in the service of the Lord while there. And so it is needless to say that we are more than happy to be with Brother and Sister Rodgers again, and to meet the brethren here in N. C. I was rather surprised to find such a large group of young people here. It seemed almost like a young people's meeting at Campmeeting, last Sabbath. Every one of them took part in the service, and I believe all enjoyed it. (I am sending in a report of it.) There is much good talent here, and as soon as these young people realize that they have the talent right in their midst to lead out for themselves, they can have many wonderful services. I wish it were so that all of them could attend a good Campmeeting. I think that is the greatest help to young people that I have ever found.

There are so many things we can do for the Lord in these times that we should not overlook any opportunity to do good. I am so thankful that the Lord has given me strength again to be in the work and that He has sent me here where there are so many young people desiring to follow Him. I just pray that I may be used to His glory and I ask the prayers of others for the work here. When a group is asleep or is satisfied to go on as they are, then God's glory cannot shine out, but when you find a wide awake group that is wanting to do more, as they are here, then you feel that much can be done. We plan to have Y. P. meetings every Sabbath while the meetings are in progress. Bro. Rodgers preaches at several different places, having a certain week night for each place. There is quite a number interested, and more different people get to attend as services are held in their communities. I feel that there is much to be done here.

We did not get here in time for the Pasover (Lord's Supper) service as we had planned, so we hope to take it in the second month, as provided in the Scriptures. I think there will be others who have come

forward that will take it with us. This is a very important service and I am glad that Scriptural provision is made that we may not have to miss it. God is so very good to us, that we should never cease to praise His wonderful name.

I do not intend to make my letter sound as if there are only young people here. There is quite a group of older members too, and all seem to be wide awake in the Lord's work. All are very hospitable and have given us a hearty welcome. It almost seems that we just belong here.

This country makes me think of Nebraska (Bassett) where we had Campmeeting in '40, as it is all sand except there are no hills here at all. The main crop raised here is tobacco. There is quite a bit of timber, mostly pine, and there is lots of dogwood scattered through it, and it is blooming now. It is rather interesting to notice the difference in climate and scenery, etc., of the different places where we go. And yet we are glad to find that our greatest desires are to follow Jesus no matter where we live. May God bless all of you, and don't forget that our paper needs the support of you and you and especially YOU! Don't wait for someone else to fill up the space, for if so many write that the paper can't take care of all the manuscript that comes in, then we shall see about having a bigger paper.

Yours in His service,  
Mrs. Opal Williams  
In Care of J. H. Brann,  
R. 1, Winterville, N. Car.

## A BIBLE VERSE PUZZLE

The first word of this verse you are to find in Psalm 44:1.

The 3rd word is Isaiah 13:21, the 13th word.

The 5th word is the first one in Matt. 15:17.

The 8th word is the 2nd in Luke 8:34.

The 12th word in the 4th word of Job 6:25.

The 18th word is the first word of Mark 15:33.

The 21st word is the 3rd word of Proverbs 14:33.

The 24th word is found in Rev. 21:21—4th word.

The 7th word is the longest word in Exodus 15:26.

Now see if you can figure out the rest of this verse which has a total of 27 words.

—By LaVerne Ward.

In studying Algebra "X" stands for unknown quantity so in spelling Christmas this way "Xmas", we use an X to take the place of Christ, and I'm sure Christ is not unknown to Christians so are they showing proper respect by using an X for His name? I think not. I'm sure Christians only need it brought to their attention.

—A. M. H.

ten on a paper when he was writing his spelling lesson, and "had to stay in with the teacher" as he explained it.

Then Mrs. Harrison explained to her son how he had cheated himself out of the confidence of his teacher and classmates, and then out of a visit with his cousin.

Mr. Harrison had planned to take the family out to Uncle George Brown's farm that evening. Eugene enjoyed his visits there, for Uncle George let him ride his black horse, Prince. He had cheated himself out of this pleasure, too, for he must go to bed immediately after supper. Grandma Harrison had baked one of Eugene's favorite pies, but he was not allowed to have a piece, and Grandpa Harrison had a bright new dime for his bank, but this also was withheld.

After his mother had reviewed the things that he had cheated himself out of, Eugene said, "But mother, a voice really whispered to me and told me to do it. Who was it?"

"That was satan, my child, and when satan tempts you to do wrong look up to Jesus and ask Him to help you to do right. He always helps those who will try."

Eugene had had his lesson in cheating and he learned that when a boy cheats he cheats himself more than he does anyone else.

—Gospel Herald.

### DOING WELL DEPENDS ON DOING COMPLETELY

If I were a cobbler it would be my pride  
The best of all cobblers to be;  
If I were a tinker, no tinker beside  
Should mend an old kettle like me.

It is a rule that workman must follow his employer's orders, as a writer in the *Living Age* says, but no one has a right to make him do discreditable work. Judge M., a well-known jurist living near Cincinnati, loved to tell the anecdote of a young man who undertook the risk of not doing a shabby job even when directed to. He had occasion to send for a carpenter and a sturdy young fellow appeared.

"I want this fence mended. There are some unplanned boards—use them. You need not take time to make it a neat job. I will pay you only a dollar and a half."

Later the judge found the man carefully planing each board. Supposing that he was trying to make a costly job he ordered him to nail them on just as they were, and continued his walk. When he returned, the boards were all planed and numbered, ready for nailing.

"I told you this fence was to be covered with vines," he said angrily; "I do not care how it looks."

"I do," said the carpenter gruffly, carefully measuring his work. When it was done there was no other part of the fence as thorough in finish.

"How much do you charge?" asked the judge.

"A dollar and a half," said the man, shouldering his tools.

The judge stared. "Why did you spend all

that labor on that fence, if not for money?"

"For the job, sir."

"Nobody would have seen the poor work on it."

"But I should have known it was there. No, I'll take only a dollar and a half." He took it and went away.

Ten years afterward the judge had a contract to give for the erection of several magnificent public buildings. There were many applicants among the master builders, but the face of one of them caught his eye.

"It was my man of the fence," he said. "I knew we should have only genuine work from him. I gave him the contract, and it made a rich man of him."

It is a pity that boys and girls are not taught in their earliest years that highest success belongs only to those whose work is most sincerely and thoroughly done.

—Unknown.

## Loyal Juniors

### THE BIRD WITH THE BROKEN PINION

I walked in the woodland meadows  
Where sweet the thrushes sing,  
And found on a bed of mosses  
A bird with a broken wing.  
I healed its wing, and each morning  
It sang its old sweet strain,  
But the bird with the broken pinion  
Never soared as high again.

I found a young life broken  
By sin's seductive art,  
And touched with a Christian pity,  
I took him to my heart:  
He lived with a nobler purpose,  
And struggled not in vain,  
But the life that sin had stricken  
Never soared as high again.

But the bird with the broken pinion  
Kept another from the snare,  
And the life that sin had stricken  
Raised another from despair;  
Each loss has its own compensation—  
There's healing in each pain;  
But the bird with the broken pinion  
Never soared as high again.

—H. Butterworth, Sel. by Mrs. Frank Walker.

## SUNBEAMS

### FROM NEBRASKA

Dear Boys and Girls,

We usually read the little Sabbath School paper on Sabbath afternoons, and we like to have our mother read them to us. We are a boy five years old and a girl four years old, and we have a baby brother named Carl Daniel. We have a dog named Fido and a cat named Gray-tail.

It is raining now and we like the rain. We call the raindrops in the tank monkeys dancing.

We have planted some radishes and marigolds,

and we are going to plant some peanuts for our own garden.

We are going to start having Sabbath School pretty soon, but we haven't had it all winter.

Yours truly,

Ben and Florence Crouse

(Your garden enjoys the rain drops too. We are going to try raising some peanuts this year, although we haven't much space.)

Dear Readers,

I am here at S. S. My teacher today is Mrs. Faubion. The attendance is twenty-four. I am ten years old. I was baptized in August, 1940.

For pets I have a sheep. I will end with a puzzle. "tpew suseJ."

Your friend in Jesus,

Donald Keating

(A sheep makes a very nice pet. My little son wishes for one.)

### FROM OREGON

Dear Missionary Readers,

This is my first time to write to the little paper. I am twelve years old and like to go to S. S. My teacher is Blanch Benight. I go to S. S. at Scrael Hill. There are six children in our class now. For memory verses we have picked out three chapters to take verses from. Each one of us can pick out the chapter we want and each Sabbath learn a few verses out of the chapter we pick until we have learned the whole chapter.

Good-bye, Wayne Cole

(You have an excellent plan for memorizing verses and chapters. Write again, Wayne.)

### TRUE WORSHIP

A little girl of six, who never missed a Sabbath at church, became sick, very sick. One Sabbath morning she sobbed bitterly because she could not go to church.

The doctor said jokingly, "I'm sure the people won't miss a little girl like you. "No," said the little girl, "but God will." Does God miss you at church? Remember that no one else can worship God in your place. —Sel.

### PRIMARY LESSON No. 7, for May 16

#### HOW TO BE WISE

Lesson Material: Matthew 25:1-13.

Memory Verse: Be ye therefore ready also."  
Luke 12:40.

One day Jesus told the people a parable, or story, about ten virgins, or people.

They wanted to go to a marriage or wedding. They were to meet the bridegroom before they went in to the marriage. While they were waiting for the bridegroom to come they went to sleep. Each one of them had a lamp.

Now five of these virgins were wise, and five of them were foolish. The five wise virgins put plenty of oil in their lamps, but the foolish virgins did not.

When the bridegroom came, the five wise virgins went in to the wedding. The foolish vir-

gins had to go to buy oil for their lamps. When they came back the door was closed, and they could not go in to the wedding.

We do not know when Jesus is coming, but we should be ready, and be watching for Him.

We do not want to be like the foolish people, and not be ready when Jesus comes.

#### Questions:

How many virgins did Jesus tell about?

Where did they want to go?

Whom were they waiting for?

What did they do while they waited?

What did they carry with them?

How many were wise?

How many were foolish?

How many went in to the wedding?

**Something to Remember:** — I will remember to use my hands to help others.

**Something to Do:** — Always paste your picture card first. Draw ten lamps, color them, but remember that five of them did not have a light in them.

### INTERMEDIATE LESSON, May 16

#### WHEN DO WE SAY "NO" TO JESUS?

Lesson Study: Matt. 22:41-46; Matt. 23:1-11.

Golden Text: Mark 12:10.

The Pharisees often asked Jesus questions, seeking to entangle Him. In today's lesson, He asks them a question.

"The Lord said unto my Lord" is taken from Psalm 110. It means God said to Christ.

Jesus is called the son of David because He is descended from David. But since Jesus is more than a mere man, David must take a lower place than He. (verse 45).

The scribes claimed to have the authority of Moses. (Matt. 23:2).

These burdens (verse 4) were the many ceremonial observances which the scribes had the Jews perform.

Phylacteries (verse 5) were small sacred boxes containing strips of parchment on which were written summaries of the moral law. These boxes were worn on the forehead and right hand of the Jews when at prayer. This custom came from their belief in Deut. 6:8. (Please read).

Rabbi (V. 7) was a title meaning Master or Teacher.

Father (V. 9) in a reverend way should be used for no one except our heavenly Father. It is all right for a child to call his parent father.

1. Did all who knew Jesus accept Him?
2. What question did Jesus ask the Pharisees?
3. How can you answer it?
4. What did Jesus warn the people against?
5. Do we have more "sayers" or "doers" today?
6. Which is it easier to be?
7. Which are you?
8. Whom should we call Father?
9. How may we become truly great?