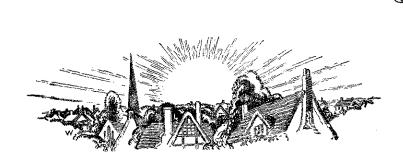
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FOR A BETTER DAY

By Carmen Malone

A morning prayer of praise Will start a day out right; An evening prayer of thanks Will help you rest at night.

Prayer helps you think and speak And do the things you should, Prayer helps you to be kind, It helps you to be good.

So if you truly want To have a better day, Kneel humbly to the Lord And pray and pray and pray. -Selected.



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Editorial . .



THE LIGHT HOUSE

The Turner family had been wanting to go to the ocean for an outing, but there was always so much work to be done, that it seemed that they were not going to get their outing.

One evening Mother Turner and Father Turner were in their room getting ready for bed. The twins, Ada and Adrain, had been in bed so long that they were sound asleep and had been for some time.

"Tomorrow is the twins birthday," Mother Turner said, "and I have been wondering if we couldn't go to the beach tomorrow. We have been putting off going, but can't we go tomorrow?"

"It would be nice, and it will be such a

surprise to the children," Father Turner answered. "Do you have things ready for a lunch?"

"Yes." Mother replied, "I made a nice big cake today, and I have things ready to make sandwiches and salad. We could get some ice cream somewhere close to where we would eat our lunch."

The next morning Father and Mother were up early, and the phores were all done, and the lunch was packed before the children were awake. Time on, children, get up right away. We are going some place if you will hurry and get up. Your breakfast is ready, "Mother talled."

Where are we going the twons asked and they were so excited they could hardly dress.

"This is a special day and we are going to take the time and go to the ocean today." answered Father.

"Oh, goody, we are so happy the intedren said.

As they rode along to the beach. Father and Mother sang "Happy Birtinday" to the twins. As they neared the beach, Ada said, "Look over there! What is that big tall thing over there?"

"That is a light house by the ocean." Mother told her.

What's a lighthouse?" Adrain wanted to know.

"They are tall houses built especially for lights in the top and these lights shine out to sea, to guide boats. They will show the boats where rocks or anything else dangerous to the ship are, and they also show the ships where the harbors are. They are put there to warn and guide the boats," Father explained.

"If it wasn't for light houses many, many sailors might lose their lives every year."

"In many ways the lighthouse is very much like the Bible," Mother added.

"How are they alike?" asked Adrian.

"The Bible is God's lighthouse for us. The truths that are in it are lights for every body in the world, if they will only read them," Father added.

"How are the things in the Bible lights for us?" Ada asked, for she couldn't know how that could be.

"Well, when we read that command that says 'Thou shalt not steal,' then we know that it is wrong for us to steal. That is a light to show us what is wrong, and it tells that if we are tempted to steal that we are getting close to danger," Father explained.

"The Bible shows us how to live to keep from getting on the rocks of sin. And sins to our lives are just like rocks that are hidden under the water and are waiting to make holes in the bottom of a ship that may come to close. Sins will cause us to be lost just as the sailors would be drowned if his ship sank. But the Bible is God's lighthouse and shines a light of truth out for all to see and know how to keep away from the things that would cause us to be lost in sin," Mother told the children,"

I like the story of the lighthouse that you have told us, and I am going to try and tell it to the Sabbath School class next Sabbath," Ada said.

"And I am going to take my lighthouse to Sabbath School with me," Adrain said for he was going to use his Bible as a lighthouse to keep him from the dangers of sin.

—E. L.



"Repent And Be Baptized"

By Carrie Childs

Elder Bates had been holding meetings every night for about three weeks, and the little country school house where the meetings were being held was crowded every night.

Elder Bates was a good preacher and had told the people many new things that they had never heard before. As they were people wanting to know what was the right thing to do, they would listen very carefully and then they would look in the Bible and see if the things that he had told them were true.

Finding that they were true, they would go back the next night to hear more. Then at last they heard something that was a surprise to them. Elder Bates told them that if they were sorry for their sins they should be baptized.

"What do you think about that?" Mr. Tucker asked his wife on the way home from the school house.

"Oh, I don't know. I was baptized when I was a little child and I think that should be enough," Mrs. Tucker answered.

"Well, it seems that the baptism you had wasn't the right kind, for you were just sprinkled and didn't even know what it was for," Mr. Tucker answered.

Edna Tucker was only eleven years old, but she was listening to what her parents were saying. Finally she wanted to know what baptism was. Her father tried to tell her, but he wasn't right sure what it was so didn't make very good success with the explanation.

"I'm going to see Elder Bates tomorrow and have a study with him. Perhaps there is something more about this that we should know." Father Tucker decided.

The next evening at the supper table Mr. Tucker told the family that he and Elder Bates had had a wonderful study on the subject of baptism.

"What did you find out?" Edna wanted to know. "Is it really necessary for us to be baptized?"

"Yes, I think it is very important," Father told her.

"Won't just sprinkling be all right?" asked Mother. "You know we were all sprinkled when we were so young."

"That is just the trouble. We were too young to know what was going on. The Bible teaches that we are to repent or be sorry for our sins. When I was baptized I didn't know anything about being sorry for my sins. Now I know that I have sinned and can be sorry for it. That is repenting and then after that I am to be baptized to show that I believe that Jesus died for me and shed His blood that I might be saved. As Jesus was buried after He shed His blood on the cross, so I am to be buried in water and then rise from the water to lead a new life, just the same as Jesus arose from the grave to a different life than He had lived on this earth."

"Now I begin to understand," Mrs. Tucker said. "Baptism seems to mean more to me than ever before."

"We must hurry, if we are to get to the schoolhouse in time for the services," Father told them.

"That night Elder Bates preached on the subject "Repent and be baptized," Edna listened very carefully. The longer Elder Bates talked the more she was sure that she was sorry for her sins, and the more she wanted to give her heart to Jesus. She knew that she would have to be baptized before she would be happy.

At last Elder Bates asked if there were any there who wanted to come forward and give their hearts to God, repent of their sins and be baptized.

Edna found herself going forward, and the tears were running down her cheeks, because she was so sorry for her wrong doings and so happy that she had found Jesus and that He had made a way so that she might be saved. When she had reached the altar she shyly looked up to see who was beside her and to her surprise there were her father and mother. What a happy family they were that they had learned the way to live right

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LETTERS

FROM VIRGINIA

Dear Missionary Readers:

I enjoy your Missionary paper. I am seven years old. I have a brother two years old and I have a black cat. I will close for now.

Your friend, Angie Crowby.

FROM OREGON

Dear Missionary Readers:

This is the first time I have written to the Missionary. I am nine years old and in the fourth grade. We go to the Scravel Hill Church of God. I have three sisters. Their names are: Virginia, Ardyce and Maxine. I will close with a puzzle: O esiarp eth orld, lal ey aoitnsn: esirap mih, lla ey lepoep. Smlasp 117:1. I would like to have pen-pals about my age. My address is, Jefferson, Oregon, Box 20.

Your friend,

June Arlene Jenness.

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FROM OKLAHOMA

Dear Missionary Readers:

This is my first time to write to the paper. I hope that I can write again sometime. I like the paper very much.

I am ten years old and in the fifth grade I go to Sabbath School in Claremore and enjoy it very much. We went to Shady Point, Oklahoma, to an all day meeting and enjoyed it. It was on the 28th day of last October. I would like to hear from someone my age.

Your friend in Christ,

Joyce Carol Brunson.

Your Lessons

For February 24, 1951

JESUS AT PRAYER AND WORK

Lesson Material: Mark 9:2-41.

Memory Verse: "This is my beloved Son: hear him." Mark 9:7.

Jesus took Peter, James and John with Him up into a high mountain by themselves, and there a vision was given unto the three disciples. There Jesus' appearance was changed, His face shown as the sun, and His garments became shining. Then He appeared to be talking with Elias and Moses.

And there was a cloud that overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my beloved Son: hear him." And suddenly, when they looked around they didn't see anyone except Jesus and themselves.

As they came down the mountain Jesus told them to tell no one what they had seen until after Jesus was risen from the dead. As they didn't understand what He meant about Him being resurrected from

the dead, Jesus tried to explain to them that He would suffer and be killed and that He would rise again.

When they came to the rest of the disciples there they found a large number of people gathered. Jesus asked the disciples why the crowd was gathered and what they were talking about.

One man answered and said, "I have brought unto thee my son, which has a dumb spirit." The son was not able to talk. The man had asked the disciples to heal the son, but they were not able to do so. But the father asked Jesus to help him. Jesus said that if they would only believe that all things were possible. The father of the child said that he believed, and he wanted Jesus to help him believe more than he did.

Jesus took the boy by the hand and lifted him up and the boy was healed. When Jesus and the disciples went into the house the disciples wanted to know why they were not able to heal the boy, and Jesus told them that such were not cured except through fasting and prayer.

Once again Jesus told His disciples about the time when He was to be delivered into the hands of men and they would kill Him, and that after He would be killed He would rise again the third day. Still the disciples could not understand what He was telling them.

Jesus taught them that they should not desire the most important places, but that each one should be willing to be a servant of the others.

Questions

- 1. Who were the disciples that went up into the mountain with Jesus?
- 2. What did they see there?
- 3. What did they hear from a cloud?
- 4. How long were the three to keep what they had seen a secret?
- 5. Did they understand about Jesus rising from the dead?
- 6. Who met Jesus?
- 7. Could the disciples heal the man's son?
- 8. Did Jesus heal him?
- 9. Why couldn't the disciples heal the son?
- 10. What was another thing that Jesus taught the disciples?

For March 3, 1951

THE BEST WAY TO HELP

Lesson Material: Mark 10:13-52.

Memory Verse: "Whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister." Mark 10:43.

The people brought young children to Jesus so He could bless them. The disciples thought that they should not do this and scolded the people. When Jesus knew what they were doing He was very much displeased, and told them to let the little children come unto Him. Then Jesus took the children up in His arms, put His hands upon them, and blessed them.

Then a man came running to meet them and he kneeled to Jesus, and asked Him, "Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?"

Jesus said unto him, "Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God." Then Jesus told him to keep the commandments, and when the young man told Him that he had kept the commandments all of his life, then Jesus told him to sell what he had and give to the poor. This young man had great possessions, and Jesus wanted him to learn to help the poor.

By what Jesus told this young man, we are taught that we should not call anyone good, except God. And we are to be willing to use whatever we have to help those who are not so fortunate as we are.

After this Jesus taught the disciples that they should not desire to be great, but that they should be willing to be servants of others. He did not desire to have others be His servants.

As they came to Jericho they saw a blind man sitting beside the road. The blind man begged Jesus to have mercy on him. Jesus asked the man what he would like for Jesus to do for him. He said he would like to have his sight. Jesus told the man to go on his way, that his faith had made him whole, and the man received his sight.

This was a very good lesson that Jesus was here to serve and help others.

We can see by this lesson that it is necessary to have faith, for if this blind man had not had faith in Jesus and His power and willingness to heal him he would not have received his sight.

Questions

- 1. What did the people bring to Jesus?
- 2. Why was Jesus displeased with His disciples?
- 3. Why did a man come running to Jesus?
- 4. Whom did Jesus say was good?
- 5. What did Jesus tell the man to do?
- 6. Had the man kept the commandments?
- 7. What next did Jesus tell him to do?
- 8. Did Jesus tell His disciples to desire to be great?
- 9. Can you tell the story of the blind man?
- 10. What lesson do we learn from this story?



Kind Deeds

By Mary Holbert

"Will you bring the apples, Jim?" asked Tommy, as he held a pencil poised beside Jim's name on the paper. Tommy was secretary of the Sabbath School class. He was writing down what each one would bring.

Jim was the president of the class. Each week they decided to do a good deed. Last week during the snow storm they had cleared walks for any older persons the group knew. Sometimes, the good deed of the week was done by an individual. For instance, one week Helen represented the group when she volunteered to keep the Sabbath school class-room neat and clean. Another week, Tim had run errands for Mrs. North who had a sprained ankle. Whatever came up, that they could do for someone they did, either individually or collectively.

"Yes," answered Jim. "I'll bring the apples. What else do you have on the list?"

"Bananas, oranges, grapes, English walnuts and tangerines," read Tommy from the list.

"That will make a nice basket of fruit," spoke up Ruth.

"Now, let's decide to whom we'll give the basket of fruit," said Jim.

You have guessed what they were doing that week for their good deed. They were giving a basket of fruit to a deserving person.

No one seemed to have any ideas until finally Tommy said, "Why not give it to Sister Rebecca Kane? She doesn't need it because of finances, but she is certainly deserving."

They looked at each other as they thought, "Why didn't I think of her." Each one remembered the many kind things Sister Kane was always doing for the people. In fact she had been their inspiration for the "Good Deed a Week" program.

"Oh, yes," they said, "Let's send the basket to Sister Kane."

These boys and girls were finding out how true were the words of the Lord Jesus when He said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35.

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MY PONY

My pony's name is Jack;
He takes me rides upon his back,
And when I give the reins a slap
And say, "Now Giddap, Jack, Giddap!"
He acts as if he's really glad,
And swells against his saddle girth
And starts to galloping like mad,
While I hang on for all I'm worth!

Sometimes we canter round the block, And other times we only walk; I wave to all the folks I see, And they wave gaily back to me. And though Jack thinks it's fun to go, He stops the moment I say, "Whoa!" He's one on whom I can depend; I like my pony-he's my friend! -Marion H. Addington, in Junior Life.

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ABOUT DOGS

Huskies are big strong dogs with lots of fur to keep them warm, because they live in countries where there is snow and ice almost all year. Eskimos who live in these countries use Huskies to pull their sleds. Usually eight dogs pull one sled; there is a leader, which all the other dogs follow and obey, and a dog at the rear that helps keep the team in order. When a young Husky tries to go in the wrong direction, he nips his legs. When Huskies are pupples they look like fat balls of fur; Eskimo children play with them and teach them to pull toy sleds. Then when the puppy is grown, his master puts him in a team.

Many parts of these cold countries where Huskies live are covered with ice hundreds of feet thick. Sometimes the ice cracks to make a deep wide ditch called a crevasse. When experienced Huskies hear a booming sound like thunder, they know that the ice ahead has cracked, so they stop dead in their tracks, saving their masters from falling into a crevasse and, perhaps, being killed.

There is a famous Husky called Balto... that has a monument to his memory in Central Park, New York City. He pulled a sled six hundred and fifty miles in a raging blizzard to get some medicine for some sick people in a small Alaskan town.

When explorers tried to find the North Pole, they took Huskies with them to pull the sleds which were loaded with supplies. When the food was almost gone, the Huskies grew thin, but they still went bravely on, pulling the men who were tired or sick, and refusing to give up.

-Junior Life.

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A LESSON FROM LETTERS
P is for Prayer, the words we speak,
When our Father's will we seek;
R is for Requests we make,
Things we ask for Jesus' sake;
A is for God's Answers, given
When our prayers ascend to heaven;
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Y is for "Yes," the word I'll say. If I'm asked, "Do you like to pray?" E is for Everywhere God is found,

In every place, the world around: R is for Riches of His love.

That fill the earth and heaven above.

-Junior Life

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Jesus said: "Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away."

---:: M ::-PUZZLE CORNER

Twelve books of the Bible are written below. In the space after each name, write "Old" if the book is in the Old Testament; write "New" if it is in the New Testament:

1.	The Acts
2.	Proverbs
3.	John
4.	Mark
5.	Esther
6.	Judges
7.	Revelation
8.	Exodus
9.	Hebrews
10.	Job
11.	Philippians
12.	Daniel

After filling blanks, look in your Bible to see how many you have correct.

Tiny Tot's Page

LITTLE LIGHTS

By Esther B. Snavely



Jesus said, "I am the Light of the world" (John 8:12). How wonderful to have a Light which shines all over this dark world. Jesus, our Lord, is that bright and shining Light.

When we believe on Him with our whole hearts, He takes the darkness of sin from our lives. He causes us to have His Light instead.

Just as a little candle glows in the dark, so boys and girls can shine for the Lord Jesus. They can be living witnesses for Him. They can draw others to the Light of the world.

> Be a light for Jesus, Shine for Him each day, He will always lead you In His perfect way.

> > -Our Little Friend.

TINY TOT LETTER

Dear Readers:

This is my second letter to the Missionary. Since I wrote last our dog, Duffy, and our turtle, Frisky have died.

I was five years old January 14th. My mother had a party for me and invited four of my little friends. We played games and had a treasure hunt.

We still attend the S. D. A. Sabbath School. I received ribbons each quarter last year for knowing my memory verse each Sabbath during the quarter.

I am going to kindergarten this year. I ride on the school bus. My teacher's name is Mrs. Guthridge.

> Your little friend. Ernie Barrett.

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DO YOU?

Children, do you love each other? Are you always kind and true? Do you always do to others As you'd have them do to you? -Junior Life.

With a pencil begin at dot number 1 and trace on around and see what this picture is.

