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## A Christian Boy

By Jonathan West

A Christian boy will never lie  
And will never play the cheat;  
He'll never look with scornful eye  
At the beggar on the street;  
He'll never brag of what he's done,  
Nor boast of his father's gold;  
A Christian boy, you'll find, is one  
Who is gentle with the old.

A Christian boy will choose his friends  
From those who are good and true;  
He'll never speak of help he lends,  
Or good deeds he may do.  
He'll never speak in an unkind way,  
Nor sneer at those who fail,  
And the shaggiest dog at a pat may claim  
If he only wags a tail.

A Christian boy will never shirk  
The task that his hand may find;  
He'll never fear a hard day's work,  
Nor tire of being kind.  
He'll never smile at the faith you hold,  
No needless hurt he gives;  
A Christian boy can be plainly told  
By the gentle way he lives.

—Junior Challenge.

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## When Jesus Was Tempted

By *Edith Lippincott*

John the Baptist was teaching and baptizing in the country of Judaea. Jesus came from Galilee to him to be baptized, but John didn't feel that he was worthy of baptizing Jesus. He thought that it should be the other way around, he wanted Jesus to baptize him. But Jesus told John that it was needful for Him to be baptized to fulfill all righteousness. So John baptized Jesus in the River Jordan.

After Jesus was baptized He was led up into the wilderness and He was there for forty days and nights without food. At the end of that time when He was hungry, the devil came to Him and thought he would get Jesus to obey his commands. He told

Jesus if He was the real Son of God that He should command the stones to become bread, and then Jesus would have something to eat. But Jesus knew that it was not right to obey the commands of the devil, so He answered "It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."

Jesus knew that man needed food to live, but He also knew that a person must obey God in order to have eternal life and live in the new earth, and if He had obeyed the devil He would not have eternal life.

The devil didn't want to give up, so he thought he would try again to get Jesus to obey him. He took Jesus up into a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and said unto Him, "All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me." But Jesus knew just what to say, so He told him, "Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve."

Jesus knew that if He worshipped the devil that He would be breaking the very first one of the Ten Commandments, for it says "Thou shalt have no other gods before me."

Jesus was tempted like we are, yet He did not sin, He showed us the way to live. He gave the devil Bible proof for not doing the things the devil tempted Him to do, and the devil left Him and then angels came and ministered unto Him.

—:: M ::—

### SPRING SHOWER

We know it's spring because the clouds  
Don't know just what to do.  
They look as if they'd disappear  
If wind or sun said, "Boo."

But well I know they'd cluster up,  
'And rain or hail would fall.  
If I should go outside and leave  
My raincoat in the hall.

—Young Pilgrim.

—:: M ::—

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."

## THE ALLIGATOR

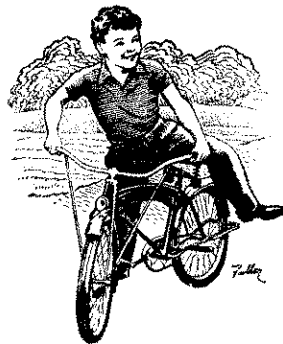
There are a number of remarkable things about alligators and crocodiles. They never stop growing. As long as they live they grow larger and larger. God knew that people would not care whether alligators kept on growing or not, but He knew we would care if horses, cows, dogs, cats and chickens never stopped growing. He makes them stop growing when they are the right size. You see, God is a very wise God. He does everything wisely and well. He knew that if a cow grew to be as big as an elephant, Daddy would have a terrible time milking it. He would have to get a stepladder.

If your dog never stopped growing, there would come a time when he would not be able to get through the door and you could not play with him. Imagine a hunting dog as big as an elephant! How could it chase a rabbit or a fox? But alligators keep growing, and no one cares.

Sometimes the mother alligator lays two or three eggs in a little hole in the sand or in the mud on the bank of a river. She may make a nest about eight feet long, three or four feet wide and about two feet deep, and in that nest put twenty-four, thirty, or even thirty-six eggs. The mother alligator does not sit on those eggs to hatch them as the mother hen does. You see she is so heavy, clumsy and awkward that she would break them. She merely places the eggs in the nest and then goes somewhere else and the heat of the sun hatches the eggs in six weeks.

The alligator can chew its food under water. If it captures its victim on the bank, it can hurry into the river, carrying its prey in its mouth, and chew it under the water, and so it must return to the surface to a log or crawl on the bank to eat its food. It has a large valve in its throat which works in such a way that if it should start to swallow under water it would choke and die. I do not know why the alligator is made that way. The Lord has not explained to us the reason for His actions. He asks us to believe in His wisdom and good judgment. God asks us to believe Him—not to understand Him.

—Junior Trails.



## SOMETHING SHARED

Johnny had been saving money and working for a long, long time to make his dream come true.

At last one day Daddy said, "You have worked hard enough. I'll give you the rest of the money so you can buy your bicycle."

They went down town together that very afternoon and came home with a beautiful red-and-silver bike. Johnny could hardly wait to ride it around the block. None of the other children had bicycles yet. How surprised they would be to see Johnny riding one!

"This is my very own," Johnny said as he climbed up on the seat, "and no one else is going to ride it—ever."

Daddy didn't say anything, but he shook his head sadly as Johnny rode away.

The other children watched as Johnny rode around and round the block. They soon learned that he wasn't going to give them a turn and went back to their scooters and wagons.

A few days later Johnny was sitting on the front steps watching the children across the street playing "fire engine" with their wagons. His shiny bicycle was parked near by, but he didn't feel like riding. He was lonely, and today the bicycle didn't seem to help. It was hard to do, but at last he called across the street.

"Tommy, would you like to ride my bicycle and let me push your wagon?"

Mother found a happier-looking Johnny when she came in to tell him good night that night.

"I'm glad you decided to share your bicycle" she said.

"Yes" said Johnny. "Being selfish may seem like fun at first, but sharing is really more fun."

"Sharing is the loving way" said Mother. "It's the way God wants us to go. "We're always much happier when we show love to each other." —Selected.

—: M :—

## LETTERS

### 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. I go to the Harrisburg grade school. We go to the Harmony Church of God. I have four brothers. I must close now.

Your friend  
Louvella Walker.

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### FROM CALIFORNIA

Dear Missionary Readers:

This is my first letter to the Missionary. I am nine years old, and I am in the fourth grade. I have two brothers, one is twelve years old, and my little brother is nine months old.

I always go to Sabbath School on Sabbath and like very much to learn from the Bible. My Sabbath School teacher is Mrs. Esther Brenneise.

Your friend  
Gary Dais.

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### FROM CALIFORNIA

Dear Missionary Readers:

I am twelve years old. I go to Sabbath School. We have ten in our class. Our Sabbath School teacher is Mrs. Esther Brenneise. We have young people's meetings every other Sabbath evening.

We spend the winter in California where we are now and the summer months in South Dakota.

I must close.

Your friend  
Clarence Dais.

## Your Lessons . . . . .

FOR APRIL 21, 1951

### ABRAHAM, A GENEROUS MAN

Lesson Material: Genesis 13.

Memory Verse: "As ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise." Luke 6:13.

God said to Abram, "Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee." God wanted Abram to serve Him and in order to do this He thought it best for Abram to leave his country and his own people. We do not know what was the reason for this, but even in our times, there are many times when it is best for us to select those who are living close to God to be our pals.

Abram took his wife and all they had, and a nephew, Lot, and all he had and they started out for a new country. They went toward the south, and came to a place named Bethel.

Abram and Lot were very rich and had so much stock that the land was not able to keep them. There was not room for the stock they had taken with them to have feeding ground. The herdsmen who took care of the stock quarreled, as Abram's servants wanted the pasture land for their stock, and Lot's wanted it for their cattle.

Abram believed in living peaceable with all men if it was at all possible, so he said to Lot, "Let there be no strife. . . between me and thee, and between my herdsmen and thy herdsmen; for we be brethren." He knew there was plenty of land before them and that it would be better to separate than quarrel.

Abram told Lot to select the part of the land that he wanted, and Lot lifted up his eyes and looked upon the plains of Jordan and saw that there was plenty of food and water there for his herds and he selected that part of the land for his place to live.

Abram and Lot separated and Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan. Perhaps the

land Abram lived in wasn't as nice as that selected by Lot, but Abram wasn't selfish and quarrelsome and he was willing to take the place where he could live and be at peace.

Selfishness causes lots of trouble in this world, and is one thing we should be careful not to let stay in our hearts.

God told Abram after Lot was separated from him, that He would give all the land which Abram looked upon to be his and his children and their children's land. God told Abram to arise and walk through the land, for some day it was to be his home.

Because of his obeying the Lord, Abram's name was changed to Abraham.

#### Questions

1. Why did Abram leave his people?
2. What did Abram take with him?
3. At what place did they stop?
4. Why did the herdmen quarrel?
5. How did Abram want to live?
6. What part of the country did Lot select?
7. Was Abram selfish?
8. Should we be selfish? Why?
9. What did God tell Abram about the land?
10. Why was Abram's name changed?

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FOR APRIL 28, 1951

#### LEARNING GOD'S LAWS

Lesson Material: Deuteronomy 5:1-6; 6:5-7, 20-25.

Memory Verse: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart." Deut. 6:5.

God had selected a people to be His people, and if they were to be God's people, or children, they would have to know the things that He would have them to do.

God gave them rules or laws to live by, so they would be able to live the right way to be the kind of children, or people that He wanted them to be. This law was to be their guide or rule for living.

The people were frightened at the voice of God, so they let Moses talk to God and

then he told them the things God wanted them to know. Moses would call the people together and tell them the will of God and they would promise to do the things God wanted them to do. A good many times they would forget this promise and forget to do the will of God.

Moses told the people: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might."

They were to love God with all their hearts and to keep the laws of God and teach them to their children and explain to them what the laws meant. They were not to go after other gods, nor serve them.

When we have the law of God written in our hearts we will not be deceived and led away from the way God would have us go. No other god is a true God, and cannot give us laws that will help us to live good, righteous lives.

There are many laws that are not right but such laws are not given by the Father in heaven. It is our duty to learn what the law of God is, and if we love God with all our hearts we will love to do the things we will find written in this law.

The law of God is found in the twentieth chapter of Exodus in verses three to seventeen. Each one should learn this law and if we cannot say it from memory we should at least know it enough to know right from wrong.

When we have learned to love God with all our hearts we will be very careful not to do anything that would make Him feel bad, and we will also be careful to treat other people as we would like to have them treat us.

#### Questions

1. Why did God give a law?
2. Why did Moses have to tell the people the words of God?
3. How much should we love God?
4. Are there wrong laws?
5. Where is the law of God to be written?
6. Should we teach this law to others?
7. In what chapter do we find the law of God?
8. Should we be able to quote this law?

9. Can you tell your teacher any of these laws?

—:: M ::—

### A PUZZLE STORY

Here is the first of the Contest Story puzzles. If you can fill the blanks with the correct words you will have a Bible story. The blanks are numbered so when you send the answers, use the number and then the word for that blank, as (1) unleavened cakes, and on through the story. At the end of the contest of six stories a prize will be sent to those having the most correct answers.

You must answer all six Puzzles and send your answers to Edith Lippincott, Stanberry, Missouri. We would be very pleased to have a letter for the Missionary with your answers.

To make it more interesting, the editor of the *Herald and Call*, is going to use these puzzles in the *Herald and Call* for those who are 14 to 17 years old, so we will see how good you who are 13 years old and under can do. Let's try and have more correct answers than the *Call* readers.

Can you fill the blanks with the correct articles of food as found in the Bible?

As over six hundred thousand Israelites started on their journey out of Egypt they baked (1) ..... as they left hurriedly and had not prepared victuals for themselves.

As they journeyed on after crossing the Red Sea, they came to a place called Marah where the (2) ..... was bitter. After casting a tree into the (3) ..... they became sweet.

The people became dissatisfied and complained because of lack of food. God sent them (4) ..... from heaven. For meat He sent them (5) ..... at evening. The (6) ..... from heaven tasted like (7) ..... made with (8) .....

Although the Lord led the people by fire at night and a cloud by day they were not content to trust Him. They longed for the things they had left behind. They remembered the (9) ..... they ate in

Egypt also the (10) ....., (11) ....., (12) ..... (13) ..... and garlic.

They asked for (14) ..... that they might eat, and to satisfy them God caused a wind to bring (15) ..... from the sea. The people spent two days and one night gathering the (16) ..... And as they ate, the wrath of God was kindled and He smote the people with a plague while the (17) ..... was yet between their teeth.

—:: M ::—

### CLOUD PICTURES

By *Minerva Rowe*

"Mother, I just love to go for walks with you."

Mother smiled. Cindy's brown curls bobbed up and down as she skipped along beside her mother.

"The campus is a nice place for a walk. The grass is so green and soft for us to walk on."

"Yes, darling," Mother spoke softly as she looked up into the sky. "And have you noticed the blue sky and all the fleecy white clouds?"

"Oh, Mummy, yes!" And Cindy sat right down on the soft green grass. She crossed her legs, put her chin in her hands and her elbows on her knees and looked up at the sky. "The clouds, Mummy; so many white fluffy clouds!"

"You know, Cindy, when I was a little girl, the clouds used to make pictures for me. One time the clouds made a picture of my aunt with her hair piled high up on her head. And lots of times I've seen sheep clouds."

Cindy was still looking up into the clouds. She and Mother sat quietly watching the clouds move slowly with the breeze.

"Look, look," whispered Cindy. "See that big cloud, Mother! It looks like our church."

"Yes, Cindy, it really does."

"And that one," laughed Cindy, "looks like a big old cow. Those over there look like a big pan of popcorn. But now the church doesn't look like a church any more, and the breeze is changing the cow too. I'm glad you told me about the cloud pic-

tures, Mummy. I like the pictures they make.”

—Selected.

—:: M ::—

### WHAT KIND OF FACE DO YOU WEAR?

Just for the fun of it, go to the mirror sometime and frown just as hard as you can, and after that try looking sad and gloomy.

Each time you change your expression you put on a new face! Isn't it funny that, with the same eyes and nose and mouth, you can look like many different persons?

Yet the frowning, cross, gloomy persons that drive away your pleasant face aren't you. They are just unpleasant folk that crowd through your mind and shove out the real you from your rightful place.

If you want to see the real you, go to the mirror and smile at the face that looks back at you.

Of course, you know the face you wear the oftenest is the one that you will grow into when you are big.

Which had you rather wear the rest of your life—the pleasant, good-looking face, or the grumpy, disagreeable one? I think your answer would be: The good-looking one, of course.

Well, there's only one thing to do about it, and that is chase away the frowns and glooms every time they poke their noses around the corner. Give them a good, sound whack with a smile! Then your eyes will look brave and contented, and your lips will curve softly in a smile so folk will like you and be friendly because you are that way inside.

—D. B. B., Sel.

—:: M ::—

### A CHRISTIAN ACROSTIC

C is for Christ, who died for me;  
H is for help for you and me;  
R is the right, for which Christians stand;  
I for His inspiration grand.  
S for salvation—Christ died to save;  
T for His triumph over the grave;  
I for Immanuel—His name so dear;  
A for Almighty, ever near;  
N for my need of His kind care;  
Christian—His name I'm proud to bear.

—Selected

### JOY LEARNS THE MEANING OF HER NAME

“Joy,” called Mother to a golden-haired little lass playing in the back yard, “I wish you would go to the store and get me some flour.”

“O Mother,” Joy said as her little face puckered up and a frown grew black on her brow, “I want to finish these mud pies!”

“You can when you get back. I did not know the flour was so nearly gone. I am making some custard pie for supper.”

But even the mention of her favorite pie did not bring the smiles to Joy's face. Her own pies seemed more important just then. Suddenly dropped her dish and spoon, she made her way to the bathroom to wash up. She knew Mother must be obeyed. After slowly washing herself and taking off her dirty apron, she as last set out for the store.

Mother looked after her and sighed. “I'm afraid we picked the wrong name for her,” she thought.

The clouds had not disappeared from Joy's face when she returned with the flour. She went out again to her play, but somehow the mud pie business had lost its fascination. There was a load on her heart and she was unhappy. After a while Jack came home from school.

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### ANSWERS TO BIBLE RELATIVES

*In last issue of the Missionary.*

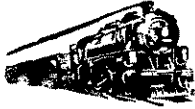
1. Mary and Elizabeth were cousins. Luke chapter 1.
2. Boaz was David's great-grandfather. Ruth 4:21 and 22.
3. Jonathan was Saul's son. 1 Sam. 14:1.
4. Lazarus and Martha were brother and sister. John 11:1-3.
5. Abraham was Ishmael's father. Genesis 16:15.
6. 2 Samuel 13:1. Absalom.
7. Rebekah and Isaac. Gen. 24:67.
8. Jethro was Moses' father-in-law. Ex. 3:1.
9. Simon Peter was Andrew's brother. Matt. 5:18.

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“It is the little acts of kindness, the little courtesies, which, added up at night, make a happy day.”

—Selected.

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## TRAIN RIDE

I like to hear a train at night;  
It makes a merry sound;  
I listen to the clinky wheels  
As they whirl round and round.

I like to watch a train by day,  
And in a streamlined car,  
Although it's just pretend, of course,  
I travel near and far.

—Selected from Little Pilgrim.

—:: M ::—

## TINY TOT LETTER

Dear Missionary Readers:

We decided we would write to you, so our mother is writing for us.

We are five and three years old. We have two older brothers and one younger brother.

Last Sabbath we attended the all-day meeting at Toledo. Other Sabbaths we have Sabbath School in our home. Our mother usually teaches our class, but sometimes our grandmother does. Often we have quite a large group. One day

last summer there were twenty of us children, so we met on our back lawn.

Our oldest brother reads the Missionary to us. We like to hear about all of you.

With love,

Mary Ellen and Joyce Ann Walter.

—:: M ::—

## JESUS' LOVE IN OUR HEARTS

When we belong to the Lord Jesus, we should so live that others can see that we belong to Him. We should show in our lives that we love Him. We should be kind to everyone. We should be forgiving, even to those who hate us, or are unkind to us.

We should also live pure lives. The Lord Jesus' love in our hearts makes our hearts pure. Then our lives also will be pure and clean. It is Satan that makes people do wrong and unclean things. His heart and all his action are very impure.

When Jesus' love is in our hearts, we do not need to even be told not to do wrong. His love makes us want to do right, to always please Him. His love make us to hate anything that is wrong. It makes us love everything that is right.

—My Paper.

