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THE WIND

*Dame Nature has a great big broom
It's strong and stiff and wide;
With it she sometimes sweeps the sky
To brush the clouds aside.*

*Sometimes she sweeps the city streets
And leaves them clean and neat;
Sometimes she sweeps the treetops
And lulls the birds to sleep.*

*You've never seen this mighty broom?
You never will, I fear,
Because Dame Nature uses it
Each day throughout the year.*

—Laura A. Boyd, selected.

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Did you ever notice that when things quit growing they would stay as they were for a time and then the first thing you knew they would begin to die?

It is the same with our Christian life. As long as we are growing in the knowledge of the Lord we are like the green grass, and will be of use to the Lord. Each day of our lives we should learn a little more about the life that God would like for us to live.

As the grass can not grow as high as it will get in one day, neither can we know all about the will of God all at once. Little by little we will see new ways of pleasing God.

Whenever we quit studying the Bible and quit praying to God for His help, then we are at a standstill and before we know what is happening we are beginning to die as far as working for the Lord is concerned. We will lose interest in His work and will not care about going to church.

When the grass is dead it has lost its beauty. When we have lost our faith in God our lives are no longer beautiful to Him. Let us keep feeding on God's words and keep growing in our Christian life.

—: M :—

Be kind to those who are crippled. Perhaps sometime you might be crippled and you would want children to be kind to you.

CHARLIE'S RUNAWAY TEMPER

"Stop that! Stop that. You can't have my cart!" shouted Charlie as he made a dash at Willie Arnold, tearing his shirt and chasing him out of the gate.

"Did you let your horse run away?" asked Uncle George, as Charlie came slowly up the walk.

"My horse! I haven't any horse, Uncle George," said Charlie, raising his flushed face questionly.

"Did you see Mr. Brown's horse when it was running away yesterday?"

"Yes," said Charlie, "and I saw the telephone pole that it ran into when it smashed the wagon."

"It was a bad accident. Do you know how it happened?" asked Uncle George.

"Mr. Brown said the harness broke and he could not hold Old Dobbin."

"Yes," said Uncle George, "something is sure to happen when we cannot hold our horses; and it is the same way when we cannot hold or control our tempers. I just saw a boy get his shirt torn because another boy let his temper run away with him."

Charlie looked ashamed.

"Do you know what the Bible says about controlling ourselves?"

"No," said Charlie, "is that in the Bible, Uncle George?"

"Yes; run and get your Bible and read Proverbs 16:32." Charlie soon returned and read aloud: "He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city."

"What do you think that means, Charlie?" asked Uncle George.

Charlie sat in deep thought for a while, and then he told Uncle George it meant that it is a fine thing for a fellow not to let himself get mad; but if he does get mad, he should control himself.

"I guess that's about it," said Uncle George.

Charlie got up then to put his Bible away, and said: "I guess I'll get my cart and go and find Willie."—*Our Little Friend.*

—: M :—

I thank you, God, for daily food,
For life and health and every good.

Reasons Why

By Carrie Childs

Beth and Larry Parks had moved to Rosehill during the summer vacation and this was their first year in the Rosehill school.

Because they were twins they were in the same grade at school. They were sixth graders and were very good pupils.

The other children noticed that the twins had some funny ways, and they couldn't understand why they did some of the things they did. For one thing they could not understand why they would go to church on Saturday.

One Friday after school Mary Hopkins called to Beth, "Let's get together tomorrow and buy some sugar and cocoa and spend the afternoon making candy. We could have a fudge party."

"I couldn't do that tomorrow for I will be in church in the morning and in the afternoon we have young people's meeting. Perhaps we could do that some other day. It would be fun," Beth answered as she went through the gate into her own yard.

"Doesn't that family have the funniest religion?" remarked Tony. "I think so too," added Ted Jeffers. "I am in favor of finding out why they believe the way they do. How many would like to know?"

"Let's ask them to meet with us and explain their reason for believing like they do," suggested Mary.

"Let's do," chorused the rest.

The next week Mary asked Beth if she and Larry would be willing to meet with them on Wednesday night after school and explain why they wouldn't do things on Saturday that the rest of them would do.

"We would be glad to tell you what you want to know if we can," Beth replied.

Wednesday, quite a group of school children gathered on the school lawn to hear Beth and Larry answer the questions they were to be asked.

Mary asked the first question, "Why do

you keep Saturday instead of Sunday? I just can't understand that."

"We keep Saturday, or Sabbath, because it is the seventh day of the week and God said in the Ten Commandments, 'The seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work,'" Larry explained.

"Why won't you come to our school entertainments on Friday nights," Tony wanted to know.

"Because the Sabbath begins at sundown Friday night and lasts until sundown Saturday night," Beth answered. "The Bible says that from even unto even, shall ye celebrate your sabbath.' And we are told in Deuteronomy that even was at the going down of the sun."

"I asked Larry to go to a ball game with me one Saturday and he wouldn't go. What was the reason?" Ted wanted to know.

"Isaiah tells us in the Bible that we are not to do our own pleasure on God's holy day, but we are to honor God," Larry tried to explain the best he could.

"Why wouldn't Beth help me make candy on Saturday? That isn't much work, and we could have had a lot of fun," Mary asked.

"God told His people in olden time that they were to do their cooking on the day before the Sabbath and we think that if that was good for His people then it is the thing to do now," Beth replied.

"Do you buy anything on the Sabbath, as you call it?" Ted wanted to know.

"No, we don't do any buying on the Sabbath. Back in Bible times some of the people got into the habit of buying and selling on the Sabbath and when men came selling fish and other things on the Sabbath the gates of the city were closed against them and they had to stay out of the city until after the Sabbath was passed." Larry was

hoping that he was explaining things so they could understand them.

"The Sabbath is a day to be kept holy to God. It is a day to go to Sabbath School and Church and study the Bible and try to learn more of the will of God," added Beth.

"Thanks for telling us all of these reasons for believing as you do. We didn't know the Bible told about such things. We will have to study it some, won't we," Tony asked the rest.

"We would be glad to study with you, and I am sure we could get our pastor to meet with us and help us learn more about the Bible," Larry told them.

—:: M ::—

IN GOD'S HOUSE

Be quiet and reverent. Do not run or shout.

Boys should remove caps or hats upon entering the building. Go to your seat and remain there until the service begins.

Take part in singing the hymns. Do not write or draw pictures in the song books.

It is ill-mannered to read your Bible-school paper during services. Listen to speakers—do not whisper to your neighbor when someone is speaking.

Bow your head and close your eyes during prayer.

Gum should never be chewed during worship services.—*Sel.*

—:: M ::—

TAUGHT BY A PARROT

Johnny is a rather careless boy. He often forgets the good manners his mother tries to teach him.

One day she sent him over to Mrs. Gray's on an errand. When the lady came to the door, he told his errand without taking off his hat.

Suddenly a hoarse voice croaked out, "Take off your hat! Take off your hat!"

Astonished and half frightened, Johnny snatched it off. At this Mrs. Gray laughed.

"It is only my parrot," she said. "Polly likes to remind everybody of his duty, you see."

"Yes, Mrs. Gray," said Johnny. But he thought to himself that it was a great pity if he had to be taught manners by a parrot. He made up his mind to be more careful in the future.—*Sel.*



LETTERS

FROM ARKANSAS

Dear Missionary Readers:

This is my first time to write to the Missionary. I am ten years old. I am in the fifth grade.

I enjoy going to Sabbath School. I go every time I can. I learn a verse to say when they call my name. Our Sabbath School teacher's name is Mrs. Bernice Jenkins. I like her for a teacher. I like to read the little Missionary papers, that my brother gets.

I have a dog and she has six pups

I will close with a puzzle: "ni het gngni-bnei ogd aecdret het enhvae nda eth taerh." Genesis 1:1.

Your friend,

Audrey Manis.

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FROM OREGON

Dear Missionary Readers:

I would like to write a little about our vacation trip this summer. We stopped over at Denver and went to Sabbath School. Then we went on to Brother and Sister Ray Benight's where we stayed over one night. We were glad to see them again and enjoyed our visit very much. They took us through the publishing house, which we found very interesting.

We can see why there is so much work and money needed there.

I learned to make plaques at school. So

with my mother's help we have decided to make them to sell and help out with the Lord's work.

I like to read the Missionary and I pass it on.

With love,
Luella Weavill.

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FROM OKLAHOMA

Dear Missionary Readers:

I am twelve years old. I go to Sabbath School every Sabbath. There are seven in our class. I like the Missionary very much.

Your friend,
Bobby Adams.

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FROM OKLAHOMA

Dear Missionary Readers:

I am seven years old. I attend Sabbath School each Sabbath. My teacher's name is Mrs. Florine Lane. I like the Missionary very much.

Your friend,
Margaret Adams.

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FROM OKLAHOMA

Dear Missionary Readers:

I am eight years old and I go to Sabbath School every Sabbath. Margaret Adams, Sue Lane and I are going to sing a special song Sabbath. I like the Missionary very much.

Your friend,
Helen Cato.

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FROM ARKANSAS

Dear Missionary Readers:

This is my first time to write to the little Missionary. I am seven years old and in the third grade. I go to Sabbath School at Point DeLuce. My teacher is Mrs. Bernice Jenkins. We love her very much.

I have two sisters and two brothers. I guess I will close.

Your friend,
Nina Manis.

——:: M ::——

BIBLE QUIZ

Sheep and Goats

1. In what story does the Bible tell of a ram's being caught in a thicket?
2. What name was given to the goat sent out into the wilderness as part of the sin offering?

3. In what beautiful psalm are we likened to sheep cared for by a kind shepherd?
4. With what story in the Bible does the hymn "The Ninety and Nine" deal?
5. What were goatskins used for in Palestine?
6. Were sheep and goats considered "clean" animals?
7. Who complained that not even a "kid" had been killed for him?
8. What animal was used at the Passover feast?
9. In one of the parables concerning the separation of the good and the bad, Jesus says: As a shepherd divideth his sheep from his goats, he shall set the sheep on his hand, and the goats on his hand.
10. What woman helped her son to cheat his father by putting the skin of two kids upon his hands and the smooth of his neck?

—Two Hundred Bible Quizzes

——:: M ::——

I WISH I WERE SOMEONE ELSE

This little boy's name was Ulrich, and he lived in a country in the north of Europe; so he could not speak English. But he did a lot of grumbling in his own language. Almost every day he had something to grumble about.

One day he wished he were the boy next door; another day he thought it would be fine to be a savage in Africa, where he would not have to go to school, or bother about having his clothes tidy. Though he grumbled a lot, he had a kind heart, for every day he kept some of his food to feed the birds.

One day as he was throwing crumbs on the lawn he gave a shout, "I know now what I want to be; I would like to be a bird."

For several days he talked like this, till the family decided to try to cure him; so the next day when they sat down to dinner there was no plate for Ulrich. He thought his mother had forgotten him, but she told him if he wanted to be a bird he would have to wait till they had all finished their dinner, just as he kept the birds wait-

ing; but she said he could chirp and hop around the room if he liked.

Ulrich seemed to think this would be good fun, so he did try to imitate the birds, and still thought it funny when the plate with his dinner was placed on the lawn; but he said they had forgotten a knife and fork.

While he was speaking someone tied his arms to his sides, and told him that birds didn't have hands, so could not use a knife and fork. Down Ulrich got, flat on the grass, but just as he started to eat, every member of the family began to take little bits of food off his plate.

"That's not fair," said Ulrich, "you have all had your dinner."

"Birds don't care about that," was the reply; "they don't stand around while one of them eats all the crumbs."

By this time he was feeling very sorry for himself, and a bit ashamed, too; and when his mother loosened the rope he put his arms around her neck, and said he would never again say he wanted to be a bird. His mother drew him over to the garden seat and, putting her arms around him, told him that God had made the birds and animals and fishes and human beings too, but she was sure it was far better to be a little boy than a bird.

Then she whispered, "I have a fine dinner for you in the oven, and I am so glad you did not turn into a bird and fly away; for I don't know what I would do without my little boy."

Ulrich whispered in his mother's ear, "You are the best mother in the world; and I would never want to fly away from you."

I am glad to say Ulrich was cured of his grumbling and became quite contented to be just himself.—*Little Pilgrim*.

—:: M ::—

BACK TO SCHOOL

A run, a skip, a hop, a jump
 Away we go hip-hoppity-bump!
 Our books in hand, we laugh and yell,
 And hope we'll all learn how to spell;
 We call, "Hi, Joe!" and "Hurry, Ann!"
 And then we run as fast as we can.
 Hop-skip-pity-leap!—We're glad, we're gay,
 For school begins again today!

—*Junior Life*.

The living know that they shall die: but the dead know not anything, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten. —Ecl. 9:5.

—:: M ::—



Your Lessons

For October 20, 1951

JOSEPH, THE BREADGIVER

Lesson Material: Genesis 37; 39; 41-47.

Memory Verse: "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart." Prov. 3:5.

King Pharaoh had a dream and he didn't know the meaning of it. The dream troubled or worried Pharaoh and he called in the wise men of the country and asked them to tell him the meaning of the dream.

The wise men were not able to tell the meaning of the dream to the king, and he became very angry with them. One of the king's servants told him of Joseph and that perhaps Joseph could tell him the meaning of the dream. The king sent for Joseph and told him the dream. Joseph told the king that God would give him an understanding of the dream.

The king's dream meant that there would be good crops and plenty of food raised for seven years and then there would be seven years when they would not raise very much. He told the king that they should build barns and storehouses and save up the food that was more than they needed to use each year and they would have that to use when they couldn't raise anything to eat.

The king was very pleased with what Joseph had told him and set him over the kingdom. Each year Joseph would have the extra grain stored away.

When the famine came upon the country and the people would go to their king for help and for food, the king would send them to Joseph. Then Joseph would open the storehouses and would sell food to the people.

The famine was in many countries and when the people in the other countries heard that there was plenty to eat in the country of Egypt, they would go into Egypt to buy corn from Joseph.

When we plant seed and God is good to us and gives us good crops we should be as wise as Joseph was and save what we don't use right away, or sell it to someone who is needing it. It is not right for us to let the grain, or vegetables, or fruits, that God has let us raise, be wasted. God gives good crops so that His people might have plenty to eat but He wants them to take care of what He gives to them.

Questions

1. Why was Pharaoh worried?
2. Could the wise men tell the king the meaning of his dream?
3. Why was Joseph able to tell the meaning of the dream?
4. What did the dream mean?
5. Did Joseph please the king?
6. What did Joseph do?
7. How did the hungry people get food?
8. Should we waste food?
9. Do you know what a famine is?

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For October 27, 1951

A FAMILY IN TROUBLE

Lesson Material: Exodus 1:7 to 2:10.

Memory Verse: "The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear." Hebrews 13:6.

Jacob and his sons and their families had gone down into the land of Egypt to stay during a famine and after the famine was over they were kept as slaves in the country. These people were called the Children of Israel, and they were Joseph's people.

The families kept getting larger and

larger until the land was filled with them.

There was a new king in that country and he did not know about Joseph, and he was afraid that the Children of Israel would become so many that they would take the country away from him and rule it.

As it was the boys that would grow up to be soldiers and fight against the people of Egypt, the king made a law that all the boy babies were to be put to death.

One father and mother had a little boy born to them and they saw that he was a nice baby. They didn't want their little boy killed so they kept him hid for three months.

The time came when they couldn't hide him any longer for he was growing and it would be harder to keep him still and out of sight. The mother made a basket of rushes and she made it so the water would not get into it and she put the babe in this basket. Then she placed the basket in the flags, or water plants that were growing along the edge of the river.

Perhaps it would mean great trouble to the father and mother if the king found out that they had disobeyed his command and had kept their baby alive.

The baby's little sister stayed where she could see what would happen to the little boy. As she was watching, the king's daughter and some of her maids came to the river to bathe. When she saw the baby in the basket in the water she sent one of the maids to get it.

The little girl then asked the king's daughter if she would like to have a nurse to care for the baby. When the king's daughter said she would, the little girl ran and brought her mother to care for the baby.

Questions

1. What people went into the land of Egypt during a famine?
2. What was the new king afraid of?
3. Why did they kill only the baby boys?
4. What did one father and mother do?
5. Do you suppose their baby looked any better to them than any other baby looked to its parents?
6. Who stayed to watch the baby?
7. Who found the baby?
8. Do you suppose the baby's mother was happy to be a nurse to the baby?

--- Tiny Tot's Page ---



A LITTLE HELPER

Ann is a good little girl for she helps her mother. She is bringing in the bottles of milk. She likes milk and knows that it will make her grow big and strong. God wants us to eat what is good for us.

The kitty likes milk too, and hopes that Ann will let it have a saucer of milk for its breakfast.

—:: M ::—

Be as cheerful as the sunshine.

A VERSE FOR SABBATH

We should have a verse every Sabbath. Did you learn one last week? I hope you did. Here is one for next Sabbath. "Teach me thy way, O Lord."

—:: M ::—



GALLOP

Gallop is a little horse
His hair is painted black
He pulls my wagon and he rides
My rabbit on his back.

And though he seems all ready
To gallop far away
He's waiting every morning
When I go there to play!

—Selected.

TINY TOT PUZZLE

These two boys are trying to catch some fish for their supper. Several fish have hidden from the boys. Can you find some of them hidden in the picture?

