



A Fellow's Mother

A fellow has a lot of friends
Of boys and girls to play with,
And aunts and uncles that he spends
An afternoon or day with.
I like the folks across the street,
And men with smiling faces,
And pleasant people that you meet
In church and other places.
A daddy's good, so big and tall,
A sister, or a brother,
But one friend is the best of all—
And that's a fellow's mother!

The other friends are nice to know,
To visit and to chatter,
But, oh, you want your mother so
When something is the matter!
Perhaps a finger you may hit,
Because the hammer misses;
Your mother always fixes it
With tape and thread—and kisses.
A mother takes the hurt away,
She can, somehow or other;
One friend you need, need every day—
And that's a fellow's mother!

—Sel.

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FLOWERS IN MAY

Have any of you children been out to look for some of the early spring flowers? I saw a few violets this week, and they were very pretty. When we see these little flowers we know that warm days of summer will be here before long. And as we look closely at the flowers and see their beautiful color, and perfect shape, we know that God made them that way.

If you want to find violets, you will have to look in the right places for them. And after you have found the plants you may have to part the leaves and search for the flowers. That is the way with many of the best things in life, we will have to look for them and keep looking until we find the good things God would have us to know.

One nice warm day in spring when I was a small girl, I went looking for some violets. There was a certain place near a creek that was near our house where the nicest violets always grew. I hurried to

this place and found the flowers as I expected. After picking a few I noticed that in the edge of a pile of brush there were much nicer flowers, and the stems were much longer as they had to grow long stems to get their heads above the brush.

I began picking these long-stemmed flowers and as I moved some of the brush, a good sized ball of something brown came rolling out of the brush pile and stopped close to my feet. Being a little frightened I jumped back and then I was surprised to see the ball fall apart and go crawling off in different directions. It was a ball of garter snakes. I do not know how many snakes were in that ball, but there were several.

The snakes had crawled into the pile of brush and rolled into a ball, and I think they must have spent the long winter there.

This reminds me that no matter what good things we are looking for there may be something not so nice that we will have to meet. But let us not spend our time with the bad things but always keep our eyes for the good, but at the same time be careful that we are not hurt with the evil of the world.

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THE WOLF

Among the wild animals, there is one which resembles the dog very much in looks. It is the wolf. But he is not so dangerous to man as he is thought to be.

There are two kinds of wolves—the timber and the prairie wolf. The prairie wolf is known as the coyote or brush wolf.

At one time great packs of wolves were in the United States. The timber wolves lived in the forests, and coyotes roved on the plains.

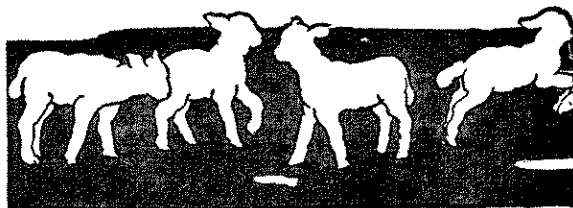
In color, the wolf is gray tinged with yellow. Yet there have been black wolves seen in Florida and white wolves found in the North.

The most dangerous wolves are those in the forests of Russia. Usually wolves do not attack men. It is only when they are very hungry, or afraid that they harm men.

The wolf is sharp-witted, and cunning. He is very seldom caught in traps. His sharp eyes quickly see danger of almost any kind.—Selected from *Junior Life*.

"Feed My Lambs"

By Carrie Childs



"Jesus then cometh, and taketh bread, and giveth them, and fish likewise. This is now the third time that Jesus shewed himself to his disciples, after that he was risen from the dead.

"So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs." Miss Carter was reading to the little children in the Primary Sabbath School class.

"Why did Jesus tell Peter to feed the lambs? Did Jesus have a herd of sheep that was hungry?" Billy asked.

"No, Billie, the sheep that Jesus wanted fed were people."

"Why did He call the people sheep?" Esther wanted to know.

"Jesus liked to teach the people by using things that they knew about. The people knew that a herd of sheep had to have someone to feed and care for them. Jesus wanted them to know that the people were in need of care as much as sheep were," Miss Carter explained.

"How could Peter, or anyone else, feed people?" Polly asked for she couldn't understand what she had heard about feeding lambs and feeding people.

"I will try to explain this to you, but it may be hard for you children to understand. I want you to ask me questions whenever there is anything that you do not understand," Miss Carter said. "In the Bible people are often spoken of as sheep."

"Once when David, who was the leader of the people of God had done wrong, God punished him by causing many of the people to die. When David saw what had happened he said unto God, 'Lo, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly: but these sheep, what have they done?' David was speaking of the people who were being punished for the wrong he had done."

"Did anyone else call people sheep?" Billie asked.

"Yes, the apostle Peter said, 'Feed the flock of God which is among you.' And he also said, 'When the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory.' Peter thought of the people of God as sheep that needed to be fed the Word, or truths of God. Food, real food that we eat, is something that we must have to live and grow. And as our bodies need food, we need to know the Word of God if we would grow in His love and be able to do what He wants His people to do. Peter spoke about 'the chief Shepherd' who will appear. This Shepherd is Christ, and He will come to reward the people (or sheep) for the things they have done."

"How can we get this kind of food?" Esther asked.

"When the ministers preach the Word of God to the people and the people learn how to live then the minister is feeding the flock of God. And whenever we read and study the Bible we are feeding ourselves with the Word of God. We have to eat food regularly to keep our bodies strong. If we should go without eating for a long time we would grow weak. It is the same with feeding on the Word of God. If we study it every day we will be stronger and will live closer to God, but if we go without reading and studying, we will soon grow weak in the faith and will begin to stray away from God."

"Can we children help to feed God's sheep?" Polly asked Miss Carter. "I help my daddy feed his sheep."

"Yes, each one of you can help in this work by handing your playmates your little Missionary and ask them to study the Sabbath School lesson. You can ask them to come to Sabbath School with you next Sabbath."

"I'm going to see if the children that have just moved in close to us will come with me next week," Billie said and he was glad that he might be able to do some work for God even if he was little.

"I have saved my Missionary papers and I will try and hand them to children who will read them," Esther told them.

"I think that is very nice of both of you, and I am sure that Polly can find some way to help feed Jesus' lambs. Now let us bow our heads and repeat the Lord's Prayer, and then we will be dismissed and I will be looking for each of you next Sabbath afternoon and will expect you to have a visitor with you."

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A Telescope

"Billy, come see what my father gave me for my birthday!"

Everett's voice on the telephone sounded excited.

"All right," Billy answered, "I'll be right over." Five minutes later, Billy was in Ev's den, looking at the beautiful telescope on the table.

"Boy, that's a dandy, Everett! he exclaimed as he picked it up.

"Sure is," Everett agreed. "Come on out and let's try it."

There was a hill back of Everett's house, and the boys hurried to the top of it. From there they could see most of the town a mile away. Billy put the telescope to his eye and looked.

"I can see the time on the town clock tower," he said. "It looks as if it was right here in the yard with us. Everett, this is wonderful!"

"Come over tonight after dark and we'll look at the moon and the stars," Everett invited.

When Billy went home he told his mother about it. "I wish I had a telescope like Everett's," he said.

"I'm afraid you can't have one," she said. "But there is something better. You can be one."

Billy stared at her, for he didn't understand.

"I don't understand, Mother," he said. "How can I be a telescope?"

His mother smiled. "Suppose you get your Bible and I'll show you."

So Billy got his Bible and his mother

said, "Now read the third verse of the thirty-fourth Psalm."

Billy flipped the pages until he found the place. Then he read, "Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together."

He studied the verse a minute, then he understood. "That means that I can magnify God the way the telescope magnifies things, doesn't it?"

"Yes, you have the idea. God needs people to be telescopes for Him to bring Him nearer to others and help them to see Him and His beauty more clearly."

"I think I would like to be a telescope for God," Billy said thoughtfully. "I think being one is better than having one."

—Selected from *Junior Life*.

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OUR LINCOLN

He was a person clean and kind,
Our "Honest Abe," and he was fair
In dealings with his fellow men,
He liked to give, to have, and share.

He loved his friends, he loved his foes,
He liked to study and to read,
He was so patient and so wise
He ably filled our country's need.

When I grow up I hope to be
Like Lincoln, honest, kind, and true,
And always stanchly stand for right
In everything I say and do.

—: M :—

BIBLE PUZZLE

Can you tell:

1. How many people were saved in the ark?
2. How many foxes Samson caught?
3. How many times God wrote the Ten Commandments?
4. How many men went to spy out the land of Canaan?
5. How many brothers Benjamin had?
6. How many arrows did Jonathan shoot as a warning to David?

On another page you will find the answers to this puzzle, but I hope you will try to find the answers in your Bible before you look for them in the paper.

JOHNNY'S TROUBLE

Mother calls, "Get up, Johnny." But Johnny turns over for another snooze, and arrives fifteen minutes late for breakfast. He lingers on the way to school, and has to stay in for being tardy. He puts off studying until late in the evening, and goes to bed at an hour much later than he should.

Three guesses as to what's wrong with Johnny's scheme of life! One guess will do. He has failed to try to get the habit of promptness.

The prominent people in the world, who do things and are successful in things they undertake, are those who don't have time to be late.

Let's hope that Johnny changes his ways. And if you are inclined to be like Johnny, let's hope the same of you.

—*Sunshine Magaziet,*

—:: M ::—

GOD IS ALWAYS THERE

Through all the busy daylight,
Through all the quiet night,
Whether the stars are in the sky
Or the sun is shining bright,

In the nursery, in the parlor,
In the street or on the stair,
Though I may seem to be alone,
Yet God is always there.

—*Unknown.*

—:: M ::—

ANSWERS TO THE BIBLE PUZZLE

1. eight; 2. three hundred; 3. two; 4. twelve;
5. eleven; 6. three.

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A young girl said to her mother, just after a white-haired visitor had left their home, "If I could be such a nice old lady as that—so beautiful and sweet—I wouldn't mind growing old."

The mother replied, "Well, Janie, if you want to be that kind of an old lady, you'd better begin now. She didn't become a lady like that in a hurry."—Sel.

—:: M ::—

Read a Bible verse every day. A good plan would be to read verses from your next Sabbath School lesson.

LETTERS

FROM MICHIGAN

Dear Missionary Readers:

This is my first time to write for our little paper. I am eight years old and I am in the third grade.

I have a sister. Her name is Marie, and she is nine years old.

I have a dog and his name is Puddy.

I go to Sabbath School every Sabbath. I like my teacher, her name is Ruth Hassen. My letter is getting long so I will close for this time.

Your friend,

Paul L. Merriam.

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FROM MICHIGAN

Dear Editor:

I guess I haven't written to the Missionary in a long time. I am in the sixth grade in the Deckerville School.

I like to go to Sabbath School. I am writing this in our class. Our class is studying about Jonah today. We had Young People's Meeting last night.

It is a nice day out today. The snow is melting. The birds are beginning to sing.

Your friend,

Joanne Cole.

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FROM MICHIGAN

Dear Missionary:

This is the second time for me to write to the Sabbath School Missionary. I like your stories. I am six years old and I am in the first grade.

I go to the Deckerville Church of God every Sabbath.

I live on a farm and have a cow named Susan.

I have four sisters and one brother. We have had the mumps, but we are over them now.

I guess I had better close for now. Your friend,

Charlie Cole.

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FROM MICHIGAN

Dear Missionary Readers:

Our class hasn't written for a long time, so we are writing in class today. I like to go to Sabbath School. My teacher's name

is Miss Joyce Cole. I go to the Church of God every Sabbath.

I am seven years old, and I am in the fourth grade.

My brother has the mumps. I hope that I don't get them.

I will close for now. Your friend,
George Harper.

—:: M ::—

Stories By Children

A SECRET OF LOVE

By Essie Strickland

Jennie and Jessie loved secrets. If Jennie wasn't telling one to Jessie, then Jessie was telling one to Jennie. So there was always a secret going somewhere or somehow.

One fine day Jessie came up very close to Jennie's ear and whispered that she had another secret to tell.

"What is it?" asked Jennie.

"Promise you won't tell?"

"Of course I won't tell, Jessie."

Jennie came closer still and put her hands up beside her mouth so that nobody could hear what she said. Then she whispered and whispered. The more she whispered the more they laughed.

Soon mother came in and called them to dinner. Seeing the girls whispering she said, "Another secret? Can't you tell your mother this secret?"

"No! No!" said Jessie, "because it is about your headache."

"Now, you are telling," whispered Jennie.

"About my headache?" asked mother.

"What are you planning about my headache?"

"Oh, we couldn't tell you because we are going to let you stay in bed," Jennie said.

"Sh-h-h! You are telling now," whispered Jessie.

"You are going to let me stay in bed," their mother said.

"Oh, yes!" cried the two girls. "We are going to do all the work and bring you your first meal in bed, and do all the work in the house. And we are going to let you rest all day if you want to. We are not going to make the least bit of noise."

"Well, this is the best secret you ever told me," their mother said. "By the way, you girls had better come on to dinner."

HOW TO BE HAPPY AND GOOD

"How is it that Freddie is not as cross and fretful as he used to be? I have not heard one ugly fault-finding word from him for ever so long!" This is what his auntie asked.

"It is because I've given my tongue to God," said Freddy, "and I cannot speak bad words any more."

That is good, but Freddie should not stop there. He must also give his eyes, his feet, his hands, and above all, his heart to God. Then he will be God's child, and God's child will be a good and happy child. —Sel.

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Your Lessons . . .

May 17, 1952

LOVE IN OUR HOMES

Lesson Material: Exodus 20:12; Luke 2:41-52; John 19:25-27.

Memory Verse: "Honour thy father and thy mother." Exodus 20:12.

If boys and girls are not taught about love when they are at home with their parents, they may grow up to find their lives quite empty. Small children learn to love their parents, brothers and sisters, and if they live in a Christian home, they soon learn about God and His love for them. Some of their earliest teaching is that God is love.

There is something that all of us should remember if we love the folks in our homes. Let us try to be more courteous to those we love. Too many times we save our manners for company and are not too careful of those with whom we live every day.

God gave as one of the Ten Commandments "Honour thy father and thy mother." To honor them we need to treat them as if they were someone special, for they are. They usually have good judgment about most everything and when boys and girls do not listen to their advice and disobey them, it grieves them and our heavenly Father, also. When there is love in a home, there is courtesy and parents are honored, as God commands.

The Bible tells in Luke 2:41-52 a story of Jesus' boyhood. When He was twelve years old, He went with His parents to Je-

rusalem. They stayed several days and when His parents were on their way home, they discovered that their boy was not with them. When they turned back and found Him, He was in the temple talking to wise men about the things of God. He said to His worried parents, "How is it that ye sought me? Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" He went back to His home and learned more about God and His work. He honored and loved His earthly parents but His heavenly Father meant more to Him and He went about doing His work, and telling people about the love of God.

Find Exodus 20:12 and read all of the commandment that concerns love for parents.

Know Your Bible

Can you tell which of the following is true or false?

1. Jesus was seven years old when He talked with the men in the temple.
2. There are sixty books in the Bible.
3. Daniel used five stones to kill Goliath.
4. Noah and seven of his family were saved in the ark.
5. It rained for two weeks.
6. Jesus was born in Jerusalem.
7. God prepared a big fish to swallow Jonah.
8. Moses and Aaron were brothers.
9. Miriam was their sister.
10. God created the world in five days.

Tell Something About Each of These

1. A star; 2. a sling; 3. a fish; 4. two animals; 5. two thieves; 6. the Red Sea; 7. a cross; 8. Galilee; 9. loaves and fishes; 10. a fiery furnace; 11. a many colored coat; 12. a day of rest.

Discuss

How can you show more love to your parents and those with whom you live?

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May 24, 1952

PROTECTING OTHERS FROM HARM

Lesson Material: Exodus 20:13; Matthew 18:1-6, 10-14; Mark 1:40-42; Luke 9:51-56; 12:4-7.

Memory Verse: "Thou shalt not kill." Exodus 20:13.

Jesus is said to be the Good Shepherd. We are His sheep and He cares for us as a good shepherd should. Little sheep need special care. Many times they wander away from the rest and become lost.

Discuss these verses found in Matthew 18:11-14. "For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost. How think ye? if a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh that which is gone astray? And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoiceth more of that sheep, than of the ninety and nine which went not astray. Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish."

Those of us who love Jesus and want to be close to Him and serve Him are in His fold. He is worried about those who do not know Him and love Him. They are the ones who are gone astray. Jesus came to save men and women and boys and girls from the sins of this wicked world.

When people came to Jesus for healing, the Bible says that Jesus made them well because He was sorry for them and wanted to do something good wherever He went.

God is always ready to protect us from any harm and to care for us every day. We need to ask Him to take care of us and protect us and then we must trust that He will do that. God does not forget even the sparrows. (Luke 12: 6, 7.) Jesus said that God knows all about us "the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows."

Even boys and girls have the duty or protecting others from harm. Sometimes there might be smaller children to look after and pets and wild animals need care. The Bible says, "Be ye kind" and that is a good thing to remember wherever you are.

Something To Do

1. Tell how you have helped to protect someone or something from harm.
2. Tell what you know about these Bible shepherds—David, Moses, Jesus, Joseph.
3. Learn the shepherd Psalm. (23rd).

- - - Tiny Tot's Page - - -

There are no letters for the Tiny Tot Page this time. We are sorry that this is so. Won't you please write to the Tiny Tot Page for we are sure the tiny tots like to have the letters read to them?

—:: M ::—

A MEMORY VERSE

All tiny tots must like to have a memory verse for Sabbath School. Here is a good one for you to learn:

“Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him.”

This verse is found in Revelation 1:7.

—:: M ::—



MY NICEST PET

By Marion H. Addington

I have a duck. She's white and fat,
And so I call her Greaser;
I scatter corn for her and that
Always seems to please her.

And though her yellow toes some way
Look like they're grown together,
She waddles round the yard all day
In every kind of weather.

But when I call, she hurries back,
Her bright black eyes a-snapping;
“Quack, quack (I'm coming), quack,
quack, quack!”
She cries, with white wings flapping.

I wouldn't trade that duck of mine
For anything I'd get;
She's always lively, rain or shine,
And she's my nicest pet!

—Junior Life

CAN YOU TELL

1. How many Commandments there are?
2. Who wrote the Commandments?
3. What the Commandments were written on?

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Jesus said: “If love me, keep my commandments.”—John 14:15.

—:: M ::—

TINY TOT PUZZLE

With a pencil draw from dot 1 to dot 2 and on around this picture, and you will have a picture of something that you may see in the spring of the year.

