

Improved SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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THE CHRISTIAN VIEW OF INDUSTRY

LESSON TEXT—Luke 19:15-26; II Thessalonians 3:10-12.
GOLDEN TEXT—Let him that stole steal no more; but rather let him labor, working with his hands the thing that is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.—Ephesians 4:28.

Work is a blessing, and the proper attitude toward it is an important part of the life of a Christian. Industry has found its best and most dependable workers among those who believe in Christ. It has also come to realize that the strengthening of the faith of its workers makes them better workmen; hence we see all over the land the interesting development of chaplains in industrial plants. That activity rightly planned and properly conducted can be of great value to both the individual and to industry.

Our lesson rightly deals with the individual. Christianity is a personal matter, a life rather than a theory. It deals with the man rather than the mass.

I. We Are Accountable for Opportunity (Luke 19:15).
The king in this parable is Christ, who has now gone away, to return when God is ready for Him to set up His kingdom on earth. In the meantime His servants have been given that which they should be using for Him.

Two things stand out in this story. First, the fact that Jesus is coming again. There are many scoffers who deny that blessed truth (II Pet. 3:3, 4). There are many believers to whom the promise has become but a formal truth in a confession of faith or a creed. But the failure of men to recognize truth and their unwillingness to hold it precious, do not alter the fact. Jesus is coming again!

When He comes, He will have many things to accomplish, but—and this is our second fact—one of the most important is that there shall be an accounting with His followers (who are supposed to be His servants) regarding the life they have lived. What will your answer and mine be in that day? It depends on what we are and what we are doing right now.

The basis of His judgment appears in the following verses, where we learn that:

II. We Are to Be Rewarded for Faithfulness (Luke 19:16-26).

When believers stand in the presence of Christ to answer for the deeds done in the flesh (our sins were judged at Calvary!), it will not be a question of what church you belong to, or what family name you bear, or how much money you have amassed. No, the only question asked will be, "Have you been faithful in trading with the gifts, the abilities and the opportunities which God has given you?"

Note that there are three different judgments here, but all on the one ground of faithfulness. The first man represents those who with all diligence and zeal seek to grow spiritually and to serve the Lord with glad abandon. All that they have and are they give to Him for His glory and for the winning of others to Him. They will be commended by the Lord and great will be their reward!

The second man, with equal opportunity, did accomplish something, but not too much. He represents those who do want to serve the Lord but with no special zeal, no great measure of sacrificial endeavor—just "average" (what an unfortunate standard!) Christians.

The Lord is fair. He does not deprive them of their reward. In the measure that they have been faithful, they too shall find joyous service for Him. But observe that there is no special word of commendation in this case, and there is a limited reward.

The third man represents those who profess to be in fear of God. He seems to demand so much of them and they are not ready to give it. After all, they say, we want to enjoy life. Why should the Lord expect so much of us? Not only do they lose all reward, but the Lord must take away even that which He has already given.

III. We Are Commanded to Work (II Thess. 3:10-12).

From the day that God put Adam in the garden of Eden to care for it, honest work has been the lot of all mankind—yes, and his honor. There is no place in the economy of God for the man or woman who is able to work but is not willing to do so. "If any will not work, neither let him eat" (v. 10).

Apparently there were some in the church at Thessalonica who perverted the teaching of the Lord's return, who said that if Jesus were coming any day there was no use working. They had turned the truth completely around. The point is that since Jesus may come at any time, we should all be doing our utmost to accomplish all we can so that we may stand in His presence with joy, and not with shame.

RURAL CHURCHES

Rivarre Circuit
Gilbert E. Eddy, pastor

Mt. Victory
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Cloyce Crozier, superintendent.

Worship service, 10:30 a. m. Sermon by the pastor.
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening, Gregg Knittle, leader.

Pleasant Grove
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Warren Hardin, superintendent.

Class meeting, 10:30 a. m. Fred Bittner, leader.

Evangelistic services, 7:30 p. m. Sermon by the pastor.

Note: There will be no services Saturday evening. Revival services will continue all next week except Saturday evening, but including Sunday evening.

Mt. Zion
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Jim Bebout, superintendent.

Class meeting, 10:30 a. m. Louise Bunner, leader.

U. B. C. E. services 7 p. m. Al-dine Bebout, president.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

Antioch M. B. C. Church
Three miles west on 224 and one mile south of Decatur

Rev. Robert McBrier, pastor

Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.

Worship service, 10:30 a. m.

Evangelistic service, 7:30 p. m. Come, worship with us.

Our Indiana district superintendent, Rev. W. E. Mangos, will bring the message in the morning, also have charge of communion service, and will bring an evangelistic message in evening service.

You cannot afford to miss hearing Rev. W. E. Mangos.

Monroe Friends
Byron Leaser, pastor

9:30-10:30 a. m.—Sunday school.

Wm. Zuercher, superintendent.

10:30-11:30 a. m.—Morning worship.

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Roy Johnson, Auctioneer.

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Saturday, November 25

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2 pc. living room suite; G. E. cabinet radio; Garland gas range; Hoover Electric sweeper; Indirect floor lamp; Bridge lamp; Dining table and 6 chairs; Wilson sewing machine; Davenport; Buffet; Library table; Kitchen table and chairs; Metal utility cabinet; Clock; 2 Dressers; 9x12 Axminster Rug; Throw Rugs; Porch Swing; Porch Chair; 2 Rockers; Curtain Stretcher; 3 Complete Beds; Blankets, Linens, Desk; Small tools, and many other items too numerous to mention.

TERMS—CASH.

Arletta Finkhausen, Owner

T. D. Schieferstein, Auctioneer.

REPORT BLOODY

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Far to the northeast, Gen. Ivan I. Petrov's 4th Ukrainian army swung down on a 30-mile front against the flank of the Axis forces facing Malinovsky, advancing as much as nine miles and seizing more than 30 towns and villages.

Petrov's troops cleared the Germans from virtually all of Ruthenia, the eastern Czechoslovak province claimed by Hungary, and pushed to three miles into Slovakia proper to capture Pavlovo, 10 miles west of Ungvar, Clearcova, 13 miles southwest of Ungvar, and Cop, 11 miles farther to the southeast. The latter advance carried Petrov's spearheads within 42 miles of Malinovsky's units in the captured Hungarian town of Tokaj and 67 miles from Miskolo.

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On the Baltic front, units of the Soviet Leningrad army compressed a die-hard German garrison into a tiny pocket three miles deep on the southern tip of Saare Island, commanding the entrance to the Gulf of Riga. Soviet artillery and naval guns pounded the enemy remnants mercilessly and the complete conquest of the island seemed imminent.

Willshire Circuit
U. B. Church
L. A. Middaugh, pastor

Willshire
9:30 a. m.—Sunday school.

10:30 a. m.—Preaching service.

7:30 p. m. Wednesday—Prayer and thank offering service. Mrs. Ruth Ensminger, former missionary to Africa, will be our speaker. Musical talent from Huntington college will accompany her.

St. Paul
9:15 a. m.—Preaching service.

10:15 a. m.—Sunday school.

7:30 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting and Bible study.

Winchester
9:30 a. m.—Sunday school.

10:30 a. m.—Class meeting.

7:30 p. m. Thursday—Prayer meeting.

Calvary Evangelical Church
F. H. Willard, minister

Preaching service, 9 a. m. Thanksgiving message.

Sunday school, 10 a. m. James O. Darr, superintendent.

Mid-week preaching service, Thursday, 8 p. m.

NATION'S PHONE

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night, the situation had worsened with the enlistment of New York and Chicago telephone operators in the ranks of sympathizers. New York operators had just notified the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. that they would not handle Ohio calls, and Chicago and Illinois workers had arranged a walk-out of 7,000 employees.

Strike action was impending in several other cities when Pollock, without previously indicating his action, announced to WLB's Feinsinger that the union would yield. The WLB promptly released the following statement by Pollock: "The union officers are convinced

Just received shipment Boys' Fingertip Coats. Vance & Linn.

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or Stults stated Ralph Roop, city engineer, was making a survey and compiling engineering data, based on preliminary steps taken back in the mid-thirties, when a PWA engineer assisted Mr. Roop in charting the city and compiling a storm sewer system as a combined PWA and city undertaking.

With a view to the future, the city administration is also viewing the need for a new turbine generator, boiler and other equipment at the city plant. Since the 3,000 KWH turbine exploded at the municipal plant in 1942, the city has been purchasing a parcel of its electrical energy from the Indiana Service Corp., over a high tension line, connected with the city's line near Preble.

An expansion program, involving a new turbine of 7,500 to 10,000

that the board is sincere in its assurance that when the strike is terminated the board will establish a procedure for prompt hearings and determination on the merits of the dispute involving transfers. We are confident that the board will proceed expeditiously and that its decision will be fair and equitable.

Feinsinger said that the WLB had exerted no pressure on Pollock and that he believed the union's action followed its leaders conviction "that the WLB and government meant business and that size was imminent."

Economic stabilization director Fred M. Vinson and WLB chairman William H. Davis had warned that President Roosevelt was prepared to act and that workers ordered back to their jobs by the government would continue under the same conditions which precipitated the strike.

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KWH capacity, along with new boilers, switchboards, condenser and revamping of the building to house the new generating equipment would entail an expenditure estimated at \$500,000, or more, city officials say.

At present, the city plant is producing more than 35,000,000 KWHs a year, which is near a peak load. About 6,000,000 KWHs are purchased from the ICS, at a rate higher than the city can manufacture the "juice," officials declare.

The five-year contract made with the Central Soya company in 1939 expired this fall and the city is now negotiating with the industry on a schedule to supplant the present one. Mayor Stults said that an adjustment in the last schedule bracket (all over 360 hrs. use of the maximum demand) was being sought. The last bracket for the energy charge is five mills per kwh, Mayor Stults said. The city furnishes the company with all its electrical energy and if local industry continues to expand, the city plant will also have to be enlarged, officials said.

Other matters on the city agenda include street improvements, parking space and some thought toward a community building, as post-war improvements.

This week Russell B. Moore of Indianapolis and his engineering staff conferred with Mayor Stults and city officials on the sewage disposal project and discussed proposed improvements at the municipal plant. The city has not yet employed consulting engineers, but Mr. Stults said that probably by the first of the year, a firm would be employed to assist the city in planning and carrying out the work.

Mayor Stults said that the city had been granted 60 days within which to investigate the sewage disposal proposition and to arrive at a definite plan in acting upon the mandate from the state board.

Among the college students spending the Thanksgiving vacation at the home of their parents in this city are Miss Margaret Moses, Franklin College, Miss Dorothy Hammond, Indiana university and Miss Rose Marie Kohne, St. Mary's

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LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. James Blair visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Thomas yesterday leaving for Forest, last evening to visit his father, who is 87 years old, and who will return with them to Americus, Ga., for the winter.

John W. Tyndall is in Fort Wayne today, where he is of the class taking the 32nd degree work in the Scottish Rite.

Mrs. B. H. Franklin of Anderson spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Mills.

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Public Sale

Ill health has forced me to quit farming, therefore I will public auction 1 1/2 miles south and 5 1/2 miles west of Rockport, 5 miles south of Willshire, Ohio on road No. 49 then 2 miles east 1/2 mile south and 1/2 mile east or 2 miles north and 1/2 mile south Chattanooga.

Monday