

Improved Uniform International **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
• **LESSON** •

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THE LAW IN JESUS' DAY

LESSON TEXT—Deuteronomy 6:49; Matthew 5:17-19; Mark 10:17-22.

MEMORY SELECTION—Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I came not to destroy, but to fulfill!—Matthew 5:17.

Jesus Christ is the believer's final authority. He is both our Saviour and our Lord. He is our teacher, our guide, our pattern in all things. It is therefore of the highest importance that we know his attitude toward the Old Testament laws, and that is just what we are to consider in the lessons of the next three months under the general title, "Jesus Interprets Old Testament Laws."

Our introductory lesson tells us of the origin, interpretation and application of the law, then we go in later lessons to consider the Ten Commandments in the light of the teachings of Jesus.

It is appropriate to point out that, far from being outmoded, the Ten Commandments are really the basis of all moral law. They need a diligent restudy and re-emphasis in our day of disregard of moral standards.

The Law—Given by God (Deut.

6:49).

Our God is the one true God who is to have the complete and constant devotion of all. The fact that so many men have ignored him explains the awful depth to which the world has fallen.

This one and only true God has given through his servant, Moses, the fundamental moral law for the government of man, and he is to give diligent attention to it at all times.

Religion in the household (v. 7) should include the teaching of the Word, and the easy natural discussion of spiritual things in all the varying circumstances of home life. Blessed are the parents who make it easy for children to talk about the things of God as naturally and unaffectedly as they discuss the other phases of life which interest them.

The law of God should go with his people into their daily occupations (v. 8), not in any formal or stilted way but as the normal expression of their love for him. It should be evident to all who enter the home that the Lord is loved and honored (v. 9).

II. The Law Fulfilled by Jesus

(Matt. 5:17-19).

The law of God is eternal, never to be abrogated, never set aside. Christ himself, although we might properly say that he was in reality the lawgiver and thus had power and authority over the law, indicated his purpose in coming to be that of giving the law its full meaning, not of destroying it.

One could wish that those who profess to be his servants might have the same measure of regard for God's law. If they did, they obviously would not be so ready to ignore it, so quick to change it or explain it away, and far more ready to accept with their Master every "jot and tittle"; that is, even the minutest detail of his Word.

It is a mark of greatness "to do and teach" the law of God (v. 19), and of pathetic smallness to break his commandments and to teach others to disobey God. Some of the supposed great men of this world are mighty small when they are measured by God's yardstick.

The one who recognizes Christ as the fulfillment of the law will go on in consistent living. In his strength and by his grace we are to obey every moral precept.

III. The Law—Applied to Man

(Matt. 10:17-22).

The moral law, which is God's law, is good and in its keeping man finds guidance for his life. Apart from Christ, however, he finds himself unable to keep the law.

The gospel of the grace of God in Christ Jesus takes us a step beyond the law, and it is a great step for here we meet and follow the one who is greater than the law, the giver of eternal life.

Obedience to the commandments brings a man up to the very entrance upon that life, but to enter in he must have more than the "things" of the law; he must have the person who is "the door" to eternal life.

The young man who came to Christ was rich. His mind was obsessed with things. He had made it his business to observe the law, and had done well (v. 20), but his soul was not satisfied. He thought one more "thing" that he could do would accomplish his purpose.

The general attitude of the man was commendable. He sensed his lack of the vital something which would remake his life. He came to the right one—the Lord Jesus—with his question.

His failure to go beyond the things of the law to a faith in Christ, however, showed that he loved his possessions more than he desired to follow the Lord.

• **RURAL CHURCHES** •

COUNTRY CHURCHES

Mt. Tabor Methodist Church

C. C. Conn, Minister

Bible school, 9:30.

Morning Worship at 10:30.

Subject, "Blindness Healed."

Thursday evening Prayer meeting at 8:00.

Come with us and we will do you good.

Willshire Circuit

U. B. Church

L. A. Middaugh, Pastor

Willshire

9:30 a. m. Sunday school, Fred Myers, Supt.

10:30 a. m. Preaching service.

8:00 p. m. Wednesday, prayer meeting, Chas. Samples, leader.

St. Paul

9:15 a. m. Preaching service.

10:15 a. m. Sunday school, Eddie McFarland, Supt.

8:00 p. m. Tuesday, prayer meeting and Bible study.

Winchester

9:30 a. m. Sunday school, Merlin Easox, Supt.

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

8:00 p. m. Children's Day program. This program will include a demonstration of a two week's Bible school with recitations, songs and musical selections.

All are welcome.

Monroe Methodist

E. O. Keggerer, Pastor

9:30 a. m. Morning Worship.

The Lord's Supper will be observed.

Special music by the choir.

sermon: "The Bread of Life."

10:30 a. m. Church school classes for all ages.

6:45 p. m. Youth Fellowship.

7:30 p. m. Evening service.

Wednesday 7:30, Mid-week Prayer followed by choir.

Union Chapel Church

United Brethren in Christ

D. H. and Celia Peletti, pastors

Unified morning services, starting with Sunday school at 9:30.

Mr. Thurman L. Drew, Superintendent.

Morning worship, sermon "Dependence Day," 10:15.

Christian Endeavor for young people and adults, 7:30.

Evening worship, subject, "Addition" 8:00.

Prayer service Wednesday, 8:00.

Choir rehearsal following the services on Sunday evening and on Wednesday evening.

You are always welcome to this church in the heart of the community, with the community at heart.

St. Luke's Evangelical and Reformed

H. H. Meckstroth, pastor

9 a. m. Worship service.

10 a. m. Sunday school.

7:15 p. m. the people of the St.

Luke's congregation are invited to the Christian Endeavor meeting.

Thursday, 8 p. m. the girls guild will meet at the Albert Dick home.

Decatur Methodist Circuit

Homer Studabaker, Minister

Mt. Pleasant

Sunday school 9:30; Norval Fuhrman, Supt.

Morning worship 10:30; class for all ages.

Pleasant Valley

Children's service 8 o'clock.

United Brethren in Christ

Rivarr Circuit

Paul A. Graham, pastor

Pleasant Grove

Worship service 9:00.

Sunday school 10:00.

Prayer meeting Wed. evening.

Mt. Victory

Sunday school 10:00.

Worship service 11:00.

Prayer meeting Wed. evening.

Mt. Zion

Sunday school 9:30.

Class meeting 10:30.

Evening service 7:30.

Prayer meeting Wed. evening.

The pastor expects to be with the churches on July 7.

Two Divorce Suits Are Filed In Court

Two new suits for divorce have been filed in Adams circuit court here. In the one, Marie H. York asks for a divorce from Paul E. York, charging cruel and inhuman treatment, in that while intoxicated he struck and beat her. She asks custody of five children, aged 17, 14, 12, 10 and eight. They were married May 17, 1928 and separated July 2, 1946. The plaintiff, who resides at 938 Harrison street, asked for a temporary restraining order. John L. DeVoss is her attorney.

The other was filed by Wilma Ross against Richard Ross, charging that he deserted her on August 21, 1943, leaving her without sufficient funds to pay current bills and that he told her to get a divorce. The complainant states that they were married October 3, 1942 separated on August 21, 1943, and had not cohabited since June 25, 1946. D. Burdette Custer is plaintiff's counsel.

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MASSING in a giant demonstration in New York City to "fight Britain's tyranny in Palestine," the mob, shown below, flaunts a banner carrying the British colors with a swastika on it. At the same time the crowd was demonstrating in New York, four members of the Jewish agency for Palestine called on President Truman at the White House in Washington. Left to right, the group, shown at right before the executive mansion door, includes Louis Lipsky, Rabbi Abba H. Silver, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise and Dr. Nahum Goldman. They have been advised by Truman that the U. S. had not been consulted on the measures adopted by the British government. (International)

TRADE IN A GOOD TOWN — Decatur
Services were arranged today for Vincent McClintock, 18, Fort Wayne, whose body was recovered from Hamilton lake near Angola yesterday. The youth drowned last Sunday.

Fort Wayne Youth's Body Is Recovered
Fort Wayne, Ind., July 5—(UPI)
Services were arranged today for Vincent McClintock, 18, Fort Wayne, whose body was recovered from Hamilton lake near Angola yesterday. The body will be removed to the Zwick funeral home residence Saturday morning.

Trade In A Good Town — Decatur
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daughter are two grandsons. One son preceded her in death. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p. m. Sunday at the Rich home, and at 2 o'clock at the West Missionary church, three miles west of Berne, with the

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