

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

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**Lesson for August 11**

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**JESUS AND HOME RELATIONSHIPS**

LESSON TEXT—Exodus 20:12; Mark 7:9-13; Luke 2:51, 52; Ephesians 6:1-4.  
**MEMORY SELECTION**—Honor thy father and thy mother; that the days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. Exodus 20:12.

Home—that place so dear to the heart of each one of us—is even more precious in the sight of God. He is concerned about our homes and those who live in them.

Right relationship between children and parents have much to do with the peace and prosperity of a community and a nation. Experience has demonstrated that to be true, but even more basic is the fact that it is in accord with the promise of God.

One of the sad breakdowns in modern life is that of proper honor and obedience to parents by children. In all too many homes God's order has been reversed and instead of honoring and obeying their parents, children (both young and old) have taken the place of "boss," and mother and father must obey if they want peace and rest.

The problem of juvenile delinquency, or perhaps we should say more correctly, parental delinquency, is right on our doorstep now. That means that the need for our lesson is both great and acute. The future happiness of hundreds of thousands of children and the present welfare of thousands of neglected and boss-ruled parents will depend on the intelligence and faithfulness with which this lesson is taught in our churches, and the honesty of heart with which we all receive its truth.

**I. The Responsibility Stated** (Exod. 20:12).  
 "Honor thy father and thy mother"—how good, and substantial, and right those words sound.

We are told by Paul that this is the "first commandment with promise" (Eph. 6:1-3). The Lord was not making a bargain with man, or seeking to draw out obedience by a prize, but there is obviously a great reward in the observing of this commandment.

Then too as the children of God (if we are such) through Jesus Christ, the first and most important consideration to come before us is, What is the mind and will of the Maker of us all regarding this matter of the relationship between parents and children? His words are plain: we are to "honor" our fathers and our mothers.

The word "honor" carries with it a great many things, but perhaps the three outstanding elements are respect, obedience and affection.

But men do not wish to follow God's direction, so we see next

**II. The Responsibility Evaded** (Mark 7:9-13).

Such an important commandment naturally held a high place in the thinking of the community. To violate it involved a measure of shame which men sought to avoid. So the Jews of Christ's day devised a scheme which made it possible for a man to appear to be very religious even as he deprived his parents of the honor and help to which they were entitled by the law of God.

The man who did not wish to support his aged and needy parents could entirely evade that God-given responsibility by declaring that his property was "Corban"; that is, dedicated by a vow to God. Thereafter no matter how great was the need of his parents they could receive nothing, and yet he could keep it and use it for himself.

Thus do men make "the word of God of none effect" (v. 13) through their traditions. The method differs but the spirit persists even in our day.

Jesus made short work of such trickery and evasion. He declared their man-made creeds and traditions to be simply a means of making the command of God of none effect. Once more he condemns that formal religious observance which serves as a cloak for sin and selfishness.

**III. The Responsibility Fulfilled** (Luke 2:51-52; Eph. 6:1-4).

The manner in which children should be obedient to their parents and honor them in the home is beautifully exemplified in the life of our Lord, living as a boy in Nazareth.

In the home the growing youth finds the best place for normal, well-rounded development (v. 52). There is no substitute for the home.

The words of the Holy Spirit through Paul in Ephesians 6:1-4 stress the same truth and enlarge upon it.

This matter of honoring and obeying parents "is right," says Paul. It is the Lord's way, but it is also that which commands itself to every right-thinking person.

There is tremendously important truth on the other side of the picture. Parents are not to provoke their children to anger, to displease or disobey.

May God help us who are parents that we may take to heart this part of our lesson. Our children are our most valuable possession.

**RURAL CHURCHES**

**Special Services And Meetings Of Churches In Area**

**St. Luke Evangelical & Reformed Church**  
 Honduras  
 H. H. Meckstroth, pastor  
 9:00 Worship service.  
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**Monroe Friends Church**  
 Robert P. Miller, pastor  
 9:30 Sunday school. Wm. Zurich, Supt. "Jesus and Home Relationships."

All other services of the day will be dismissed in favor of the Camp Meeting at Monroe. Wednesday 7:30 prayer meeting.

**Union Chapel U. S.**  
 The Indiana Central College gospel team of Indianapolis will appear in the morning service at Union Chapel United Brethren Church Sunday morning at 10:15 o'clock. The group will have full charge of the service, giving several groups of gospel hymns and a gospel sermon.

The personnel of the girl's trio is as follows: Miss Margaret Madigan, of Terre Haute; Miss Rosalie Babbitt, of Battle Creek, Mich.; and Miss Marjorie Drew, who is a member of the Union Chapel church. The preacher is "Bill" Thomas of Anderson and the song leader is Joe Peirce of North Manchester. A freewill offering will be received for the group.

**Mt. Tabor Methodist Church**  
 C. C. Conn, minister  
 Bible school, 9:30, Ed. Korn Supt.

Evening worship 8:00. Subject: Living Life.

Prayer meeting Thurs. eve. 8:00. Scripture study in Book of Acts. Come worship with us: make our God your God.

**Union Chapel Church**  
 United Brethren in Christ

D. H. and Celia Pellett, pastors  
 Unified Morning Services

Sunday school, Thurman 1. Drew, Superintendent. 9:30. Morning worship, with the Gospel Team from Indiana Central College, Indianapolis as our guests. The team will be in charge of the morning service and a girl's trio will sing several groups, and a young man, a ministerial student will give the message. One of the girls in the group is a member of the local church. You will want to make a special effort to hear them. The time of the morning service 10:15.

Christian Endeavor, for youth and adults 7:30.

Evening Worship, sermon by the pastor, subject, A Prophet of Power, 8:00.

Prayer Service Wednesday 8:00.

Prayer meeting following the Sunday and Wednesday evening services.

The fourth Quarterly Conference will be held in the church Sunday evening August 18. Books of the Conference will close August 15.

**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. S. S. reorganization.

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

**St. Paul**

9:15 a.m. Sunday school, Eddie McFarland, Supt.

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

**Winchester**  
 9:30 a.m. Sunday school, Morl Essex, Supt.

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

8:00 p.m. Thursday, prayer meeting.

**ENGINEERS**

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The highest character is his who is as ready to pardon the moral errors of mankind as if he were every day guilty of same himself.

**WINNERS**

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gleton; 4th, Sherman Arnold.

**Brown Swiss**

Jr. calves, male: 1st, Edward Wilder.

Jr. calves, female: 1st, Eugene Blume; 2nd, LeRoy Werling.

Sr. calves, female: 1st, James Wilder; 2nd, Edward Wilder.

Champion: James Wilder, 1st, Eugene Blume, 2nd.

**Guernsey**

Jr. calves—male: 1st, Bruce Schnepp; 2nd, Donald Shanks.

Sr. calves—male: Roe Allen Lehman.

**NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF TAX LEVIES**

In the matter of determining the tax rates for certain purposes by Blue Creek Township, Adams County, Indiana, before the Township Advisory Board.

Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of Blue Creek Township, Adams County, Indiana, that the proper legal officers of said municipality at their regular meeting place, on the 27th day of August, 1946, will consider the following budget:

**TOWNSHIP BUDGET CLASSIFICATION**

**TOWNSHIP FUND**

**SICK LEAVE**

**TOTAL TUITION FUND**

**PAY OF TEACHERS**

**SCHOOL TRANSFERS**

**ESTIMATE OF FUNDS TO BE RAISED**

**FUNDS REQUIRED FOR EXPENSES**

**FUNDS ON HAND AND TO BE RECEIVED FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN THE PROPOSED RATE OF TAX LEVY**

8 Actual Balance, July 31, present year.

7 Taxes to be Collected, present year (December Settlement).

8 Miscellaneous Revenue, other than from Tax Levy to be received from August 1 of present year to December 31, of ensuing year. (See Schedule in Trustee's Office.)

(a) Special Taxes (See Schedules).

9 Total Funds (Add Lines 6, 7, 8a and 8b)

10 Net Amount to be raised for expenses to Decem-

ber 31, of ensuing year.

11 Operating Balance (Not in excess of Expense January 1, to June 30, Less Miscellaneous Revenue for same Period)

12 Amount to be raised by Tax Levy

**PROPOSED LEVIES**

Net Valuation of Taxable Property \$1,219,504

Number of Taxable Polls 105

Levy on Property

Amount to Be Collected

\$1,796

32

2900

44

5563

90

\$11169

**FUNDS**

**TOWNSHIP**

**SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND**

**TUITION**

**TOTAL**

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