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# COME TO CHURCH



## Creamed Comments On S.S. Lesson

Creamed Comments on the Sunday School Lesson, The Use and Abuse of Wealth, Proverbs 11:24-27; 16:8; Ecclesiastes 5:10, 11; James 5: 1-6 for Sunday, September 7.

Money is acid test of character. The way people act in situations in which profit and loss are involved usually indicate the true quality of their moral characters.

V.24. "There is he that scattereth and increaseth yet more; and there is that withholdeth more than meet, but it tendeth only to want." Wealth is to be shared with others. To withhold what is justly due either as a debt or as a proper act of generosity is in reality stealing.

V.25. "The liberal soul shall be made fat; and he that watereth shall be watered also himself." "Fat" is a figure for the prosperous and blessed. Such are benefited and refreshed materially and spiritually. Those who promote the welfare of others enjoy a peace that passeth understanding.

V.26. "He that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him; but blessing shall be on the head of him that selleth it." This verse reflects the ugly situation of goods bought in a cheap market and held for an exorbitant price in time of need. The perpetrators of this infamy have always had the curse of their fellow men poured upon them.

V.27. "He that diligently seeketh good procureth favour; but he that seeketh mischief, it shall come upon him." One should always and everywhere make doing good his chief aim; not to do so will mark a man as up to mischief and to be shunned.

V.28. "Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without right." Rags with righteousness is far better than riches with unrighteousness.

V.29. "He that loveth silver shall

not be satisfied with silver; nor he that loveth abundance with increase; this is also vanity." The feverish thirst for gain rages the more its demands are answered. While most of the world's wailing is over what people lack, most of the world's misery is caused by what they possess. Poverty often kills the body but riches wrongly used kills the soul.

V.11. "When goods increase, they are increased that eat them, and what good is there to owners thereof, saving the holding of them with their eyes." The more people get, the more do they require to satisfy them. The rich abusing his wealth, has no satisfaction except that of his pride.

V.1. "Go to now, ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you." The misuse of money brings misery. This truth is taught in the story of Lazarus and the rich man. It is an awful thing for us in America to fail to give and give more and more to the starving of the world, for not to do so may produce world emity.

V.2. "Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are moth-eaten." James assailed the rich not because they had wealth but because they abused wealth. Misspent money which should be used for the Lord's work cancels one's stewardship unconsciously corrupts the soul.

V.3. "Your gold and silver is cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were a fire. Ye have heaped treasures together for the last days." Gold and silver misused will produce a torment like that produced by fire. These are strong words expressive of future retribution. The sin of misuse is just as damnable as the sin of abuse.

V.4. "Behold, the hire of labourers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth; and the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of the sabbath." These rich men were so avaricious that they had resorted to fraud to increase their store.

V.5. "Ye have lived in pleasures on the earth, and been wanton; ye have nourished your hearts as in a day of slaughter." Wanton luxury had made them victims fattened for a day of slaughter.

1. How can money contribute to one's personality?
2. What evils result from acquiring money dishonestly?
3. Why is it better to give needy people work instead of money?
4. Why is it at times of inflated prices to limit one's purchases to one's actual needs and to save what one can?

### Lesson Prayer

Lesson prayer: We pray for such guidance and such a spirit that we may be good Christian stewards of all our possessions. May world brotherhood of nations come as a result of our united effort in feeding the starving millions. May the United States be the Samaritan nation of the world that God's kingdom may come on earth and that God's will may be done.

### Book Review

The Funeral, by Andrew W. Blackwood, is designed to help ministers solve their most baffling problem, that of serving their parishes in funerals. "The good name of the Lord Jesus, the prestige of the local church, and the influence of the pastor all depends in part on the minister's ability to conduct a funeral." Eternal verities are at stake.

## HEALTH

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## Sunday Service

**St. Mary's Church**  
 Very Rev. Msgr. Seimetz, pastor  
 6:00 a.m. Low Mass.  
 7:30 a.m. Low Mass.  
 9:00 a.m. Children's Mass.  
 10:15 a.m. High Mass.  
 2:30 Sunday afternoon, Holy Hour.

**Holy Communion Sundays**  
 First Sunday, St. Agnes Sodality.  
 Second Sunday, Holy Name Society.

Third Sunday, St. Mary's Society.  
 Fourth Sunday, Children of Mary.

**First Baptist Church**  
 Carey R. Moser, Pastor  
 9:30 a. m. Sunday School Ralph Kenworthy, supt. Parents and their children will find interesting and helpful classes awaiting them.

10:30 a. m. Morning Worship. This Sunday we are beginning our fall work with a Missionary Rally. At both the morning and evening services, Rev. and Mrs. Jack Cook returned missionaries from San Domingo, will be our speakers. Do not miss this treat. Edward Moser will be our soloist for the day. The Lord's Supper will be observed at this hour.

6:00 p. m. Baptist Youth Fellowship. Our young people swing into action again tonight, and it is expected that all our young people will be present. Bring some friend who may not be going elsewhere.

7:30 p. m. Evening Missionary Rally. Along with our guest missionaries at this service, we shall have several of our young people who have offered themselves for missionary service, take part in the program. We especially invite young people of our church and community to this service. Let us honor these young men and women who are dedicated to defining Christian service. A baptismal service will be enjoyed promptly at 7:30.

**Zion Evangelical and Reformed**  
 William C. Feller, Pastor  
 Church School at 9:00 a. m.  
 Harold Hoffman, superintendent.  
 Worship Service at 10:00 a. m.  
 Sermon: "The Christian Occupation." Labor Day is past, vacations are over and children are back in school. If you have taken a vacation from church, now is the time to get started again. Come and worship with us.

The Official Board will meet in the church parlor on Monday at 7:30 p. m.  
 Women's Guild meeting in the church social room Wednesday at 8:00 p. m.  
 Senior choir rehearsal on Friday at 7:00 p. m.

**First Christian Church**  
 E. E. Eisenhower, Minister  
 Fred Schriderer, Supt.  
 The Friendly Church in a Friendly Town Welcomes You To Our One Service Program; beginning at 9:30 Sunday morning.  
 Sermon Subject, "Learn to Live."  
 Election of Sunday School officers Sunday morning.

**First Methodist Church**  
 Merrill O. Lester, Minister  
 Lowell J. Smith, Supt.  
 "Where is thy God?" will be the subject of the minister's morning sermon. Our services have maintained a fine attendance at worship service during the summer months. We trust you have attended services when away from town. We entreat you to be present in the sanctuary on the Lord's day.  
 Church school at 9:30. There are classes for all with competent teachers.  
 The Official Board is asked to tarry at the close of the morning worship period to give consideration to an item which has been before us for a long time and now may be acted upon. It is important. Members of the congregation are invited to remain and enter into the discussion if they so desire.  
 Mid-week service Wednesday night. To this meeting all are invited.  
 Friday night, Sept. 12th. Dr. Teter will preside over a Group quarterly conference at our church. Officials of all churches

in the Decatur group will be present and reports are to be made by various officers.  
 Tuesday night, Sept. 23rd, is a great laymen meeting at Simpson church, Fort Wayne. All trustees of our church should be present. All officials of the church are urged to be present. There will be a banquet meeting at which Dr. Shaffer will bring a stirring message. In the afternoon the Settlement day program will be promoted. Put this on your calendar and be present, especially at the banquet program.

**Trinity Church**  
 Evangelical United Brethren  
 Madison at Ninth Street  
 Charles E. White, Minister  
 9:15 a. m. — Sunday Church school, Curtis Hill, Supt. Classes with separate rooms and capable teachers for all ages. Urge your friends, guests and neighbors to attend. All are welcome. Let us begin to build the attendance toward Rally Day.  
 10:30 a. m. — Divine worship with sermon. Subject: "Overcoming the World." Anthem by the Vested choir: "Wonderful Savior." Now that school has started and the vacation period is over, let us all get back to church and Sunday school. Especially let us remember the importance of worship. The soul who refuses worship, is out of balance and out of touch with God. Every member of the family should be in worship. We grade ourselves by our attitude toward worship. Every individual should seek to lift his mental and spiritual level through the worship of God.  
 6:30 p. m. — Christian Endeavor societies.  
 7:30 p. m. — Evening service. Another in the series of sermons which have proved to be very helpful and interesting to those who have heard them. Subject: "The Christian Conception of Sin." The public is welcome to this service.  
 7:00 p. m. — Wednesday prayer.  
 8:00 p. m. — Wednesday choir rehearsal.  
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**Evangelical United Brethren**  
 F. H. Willard, Minister  
 Sunday school, 9:15 a. m.  
 Gregg McFarland, supt.  
 Morning worship, 10:10 a. m.  
 Sermon: "Making the Gospel Real."  
 Midweek service, Wednesday 7:00 p. m.  
 Council of Administration, Tuesday, 7:00 p. m.  
 The Dutiful Daughters class will meet on Tuesday evening at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. Clarence Brunngraff.  
 The combined meeting of the Ladies Aid and Women's Society of World Service will be held on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the church.  
 The Bethany Men's club will meet on Monday evening at the church at 6:30.

**Zion Lutheran Church**  
 West Monroe and Eleventh Sts.  
 Pastor Karl Hofmann  
 Vacancy Pastor  
 Sunday School and Bible class 9:00 a. m.  
 Divine Services, 10:00 a. m. Rev. F. L. Miller from Valparaiso University officiating.  
 The Lutheran Hour, 11:30 a. m. Radio station WOWO.  
 Married Couples Club Lake party, Herman Dierkes cottage, Hamilton Lake, Sunday all day.  
 Missionary Society Birthday party, Wed. Sept. 10, 2 p. m.  
 Walther League, important meeting, Wed. Sept. 10, 7:30 p. m. Congregational voters assembly, Wed. Sept. 10, 8:00 p. m. Nominations to be accepted for new pastor.  
 Circuit meeting, St. John's Bingen, Friday, Sept. 12, 8 p. m.

**Church of The Nazarene**  
 North 7th and Marshall Sts.  
 Ralph A. Carter, Pastor  
 Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Jesse Edgell, superintendent.  
 Morning worship, 10:30 a. m. Message, "Triumphant Faith."  
 Youth service, 6:45 p. m. Glenn Habegger, president.  
 Evangelistic service, 7:45 p. m. Monday 7:45 p. m. Church Board

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meeting at the church.  
 Wednesday 7:45 p. m. Prayer and Praise service.

**First Presbyterian Church**  
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 Minister, John W. McPheeters, Jr.  
 9:30 a. m. Church School. Work in our life in learning more about our life as disciples of Christ. Leo Nussbaum, general superintendent.

10:30 a. m. Morning Worship. Sermon: "Fulfilling Our Calling." Vocal solo by Mrs. Dan H. Tyndall. Toddler's room kept by Mrs. Florence Downs.  
 Westminster Youth Fellowship will meet next Sunday evening at 6:15 o'clock.  
 Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Mid-week study and worship. Topic: "The Wisdom Literature of the Old Testament." Come and join our systematic study of the Bible.  
 Wednesday, 7:45 p. m. World Friendship Guild.  
 Friday, 7:30 p. m. Church School Officers' and Teachers meeting.

**Nuttman Ave. Church of the United Brethren in Christ**  
 Gilbert A. Eddy, pastor  
 Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Laurence Michel, superintendent.  
 Morning worship, 10:30 a. m. Sermon by the pastor.  
 U. B. C. E. services 7 p. m. Gladys Raver, president.  
 Worship service 8 p. m. Sermon by the pastor.  
 Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. Edith Terrell, leader.  
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**The Church of God**  
 Cleveland Street  
 Bernice A. McCurdy, Dwight R. McCurdy, Ministers  
 Building Fund Sunday  
 9:15 a. m. Organ Prelude.  
 9:30 a. m. Morning Worship, sermon, "The Foundation and the Corner Stone of the Church."  
 10:30 a. m. Church school, Glenn Smith & Emory Hawkins, general superintendent.

6:45 p. m. Shining Lights at Mrs. Geo. Hazelwood's on Winchester street.  
 6:45 p. m. Youth Fellowship, Mrs. Guy Agler, Reba Taylor, Wm. Hawkins, in charge.  
 7:30 p. m. Evangelistic Services, sermon: "A Man Greatly Beloved."  
 7:30 p. m. Wednesday. Annual business meeting, we urge all members to attend.  
 8:30 p. m. Choir Practice.  
 The Church of God is a Divine Institution. It was built by Christ. (Matt. 16:18).  
 It is named of God. (Isa. 62:1-2).  
 The Church of God is the Body of Christ (Eph. 1:22-23).  
 We enter the church through Christ the Door (John 10:9).  
 The Church of God Organization:  
 1. Christ supplies the officers (Eph. 4:11-12).  
 2. God keeps the record of membership (Ps. 87:6).  
 3. The Book of Life is the only Church book (Luke 10:20).  
 4. The Word of God is the only Discipline (1 Tim. 3:16-17).  
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 The Church of God is a growing church.

Better the chance of shipwreck on a voyage of high purpose than expend life in paddling hither and thither on a shallow stream to no purpose at all.  
 There is no work so rude that man may not exalt. — Henry Giles.

**Clerious Says:**  
 Clericus says: "The man who

gains money by exploiting the weaknesses or vices of his fellows or by infringing on the rights of others, or in any other illegitimate way does three things: he wrongs his neighbor; he injures his own soul; and he sins against God. The injury which a dishonest man suffers is not open to public inspection and may not attract much attention, but it is very real."

**World Religious News**

Father Flanagan, founder of Boys Town in Nebraska, recently returned from a tour of Japan. He said, "The Japanese people are starved for love." He said further that General MacArthur is a Christian gentleman, who recognizes that Christianity and democracy must go hand in hand in Japan.

A World Congress of Religion will be held in Boston in October under the sponsorship of the Church Peace Union. One thousand lay and religious leaders of the major faiths are expected to take part in this conference to consider how the forces of religion can be mobilized for a concerted action in support of the United Nations.

The executive secretary of the National Christian Council of India, Dr. Manikam, is of the opinion that once self-government has been achieved there will probably be religious liberty for all citizens. Missionaries will not then be considered representatives of an imperial power.

Professor of Missions and Oriental history at Yale University, Dr. Latourette, says that, with the decline of Western Europe, the U. S. must be responsible for the spread of Christianity, since she has the materials and men.

**DO YOU KNOW?**  
 1. The preaching of Jonah in Nineveh accomplished the purpose for which he was sent.  
 2. The four gospels were not all written by members of Jesus' inner group — the twelve.  
 3. Jesus was scrupulously careful about the people with whom he associated.  
 4. Jesus had some friends among the wealthy and educated.  
 5. In scathing and eloquent language Amos denounced the oppression of the poor.

**ANSWERS TO "DO YOU KNOW?"**  
 1. True, (Jonah 3:5).  
 2. True; neither Luke nor Mark are named as among the twelve.  
 3. False; he went to those who needed him. (Matt. 9:11).  
 4. True; Zacchaeus, Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus are examples.  
 5. True; to appreciate it fully, read all chapters of his book.

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Chief J. Edgar Hoover of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, says that every day in the United States there are 2555 larcenies, 814 burglaries, 516 auto thefts, 122 aggravated assaults, 20 murders, 25 rape cases, 12 negligent manslaughters. It must be admitted that this bad record is due to poor morale, the spirit of indifference, carelessness and neglect which exists generally and among people who are in no sense criminally inclined.

It is high time that there be injected into every community the Christian spirit that will tolerate indifference, carelessness and even acquiescence in anything and every thing that leads toward criminality. We not help produce a spiritual famine by accepting the invitation to COME TO CHURCH SUNDAY?

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