

## Sunday School Lesson Discussion Questions

Discussion Questions on the Sunday School Lesson, The Fellowship of Christian Believers for Sunday, February 22.

1. What will produce true repentance?
2. Why is repentance necessary for one wanting to become a Christian?
3. How may one know he is forgiven?
4. What duties will a Christian perform to be faithful?
5. What is the best way to make the world Christian?

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# COME TO CHURCH



**Creamed  
Comments  
on S.S.  
Lesson**

Creamed Comments on the Sunday School Lesson, The Fellowship of Christian Believers, Acts 2:37-47; Ephesians 4:1-6 for Sunday, February 22. God has made us social beings with a natural desire for fellowship with others. God has provided a plan of satisfying every desire he gave man, hence there sprung up a Christian fellowship out of which has come the Church.

V.37. "Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their hearts, and said unto Peter and the rest of the apostles, Men and Brethren, what shall we do?" Peter had finished a sermon delivered with boldness, declaring in no unmistakable terms that Christ was the Messiah whom they had crucified; he had been filled with the Holy Ghost and was a pentecostal preacher. It was the truths that convicted the sinners; something had to be done about; each one today must do something about Jesus and the truths he taught.

V.38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized, every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ, for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. There is no substitute for repentance. The cause for repentance is sin—a violation of God's will and no adult can claim being innocent for "We have all sinned and come short of the glory of God." All sin is against God the just penalty of which is death unless our sins are remitted; for this cause Christ died.

V.39. "For the promise is unto you and to your children, and to all them that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call." Not only is remission of sin offered but the power of the Holy Spirit enabling one to live as a child of God.

V.41. "Then they that gladly received his word were baptized; and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls." The plan of salvation worked in Christ's day and it works today. The only way to build church

membership is to get people converted. The important appeal is "Come to Christ," the appeal, "Come to Church" is secondary.

V.42. "And they continued steadfastly the apostles' doctrine and fellowship and in the breaking of bread and in prayers." Here is the plan of being faithful to Christ. One needs to be an earnest seeker of the truth which is to be lived as fast as it is received; Christians will find help in close association such as the Church affords; communion with each other and with God and giving a large place to prayer are essential.

V.43. "And fear came upon every soul; and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles." "The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom." Many of the wonders of God through his followers have never been published.

Vs 44,45 And all that believed were together, and had all things common; and sold their possessions and goods and parted them to all men, as every man had need." The practical side of Christianity is to share God's blessings with those in need.

V.46. "And they continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house did eat their bread with gladness and singleness of heart." Those early Christians honored God's house by their presence but did not stop at that; they visited and did needed personal work, the best Christian way of getting the world converted.

V.47. "Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added daily such as should be saved." They did not ask God to accept their gratitude for granted but gave verbal expressions of gratitude; by such Christian witnessing many were converted.

V.1. "I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye were called." A man's first and chief vocation is to serve the Lord. Vs. 2,3. "With all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." Here are important, duties and attitudes; in all humility, willingness to suffer and watchfulness in not hurting another are important as well as keeping harmony among all men.

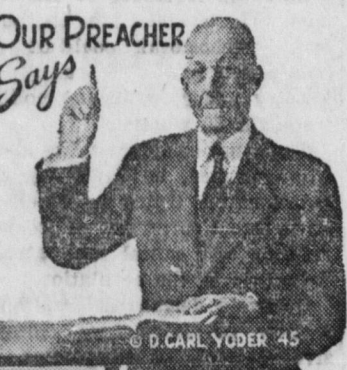
1. Because we don't know the truth about other groups.
2. Because we have pictures in the head about other groups which are false.
3. Because we think a whole group is like a few of its bad actors we know or hear about.
4. Because we listen to gossip and rumors which are spread by propagandists for their own profit and power.
5. Because we blame other people for our troubles and failures.
6. Because we are afraid that others may grab our jobs or outvote us or drag down our neighborhoods.
7. Because we are so cocky about our own groups that we think all others are no good.

This is a quotation from a booklet published by the National Educational Association on prejudice.

## Lesson Prayer

Lesson prayer: We are grateful for the power of truth that will prick hearts of men; we are grateful for a remedy for souls that are penitent; we praise God that sinners can be made whole again and endowed with power enabling them to serve the Lord acceptably. Grant that this program of God manifested in Christ may be our program that the world may be saved.

Trade in a Good Town — Decatur



When sickness enters a family the question of an entire surrender to God making His will first comes to the fore. There is a deepening spiritual experience that follows which lessens of eliminates self and gives a new outlook on life. What a pity that men do not make this surrender when there is no sickness in the family and live more for others and the God who created them and has so abundantly blessed us!



Why are we prejudiced against others?

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**St. Mary's Church**  
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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.  
Lenten Services  
Tuesday, sermon, 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, Way of the Cross 7:30 p.m.

**Zion Lutheran Church**  
West Monroe and Eleventh Sts.  
Edgar P. Schmidt, pastor  
Sunday school & Bible Class, 9 a.m.  
The Morning Service, 10 a.m.  
Wednesday Lenten Vesper, 7:30 p.m.

Listen to the Lutheran Hour Sunday morning at 11:30 over WOWO, or at 7 p.m. over WKJG. Hear the "Concordia Chapel of the Air" on Saturdays at 8:30 a.m., station WGL.

The Concordia College Choir of seventy voices will present its eleventh annual home concert Sunday evening, Feb. 22, 8:15 o'clock, at the College Gymnasium on West Washington Boulevard, Fort Wayne. Tickets may be purchased at the concert hall: Adults, 75c; school children, 40c (tax included).

Choir Rehearsal Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

Third midweek Lenten Vesper Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Sermon topic is "Truth Scorned." The public is invited.

A Church Membership Lecture Course for adults will be conducted by the pastor beginning Thursday, March 4th, 8 p.m., in the church basement rooms. The class is open to all who desire to learn more about the Lutheran Church — its teachings and customs. Although the course is a preparation for Lutheran Church membership, attending the lectures in no way obligates one to join the church. There is no cost attached, and no memory work is required.

**First Baptist Church**  
Carey R. Moser pastor  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Ralph Kenworthy, Supt.

You are always welcome to study God's Word with us. Bring the whole family as we have classes for all ages.

10:30 a.m. Divine Worship. This morning we entertain the representative of the Anti-Saloon League. Prov. Mr. Hargrave of Indianapolis. will be our speaker of the morning. Our Junior church will meet at this hour.

7:00 p.m. Our evening service. Always an interesting service, with features you may have a part in. 7:30 p.m. Wednesday evening. Our mid-week prayer hour. What if God should forget just once?

**Nuttman Avenue U. B. Church**  
Gilbert A. Eddy, pastor  
Sunday school 9:30 a.m. Lawrence Michel, supt.

Worship service 10:30 a.m. Sermon by the pastor.

Christian Endeavor 6:30 p.m. Gladys Raver, president.

Worship service 7:30 p.m. Sermon by the pastor.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 7:30 p.m. Edith Terrell leader.

"Go to church Sunday."

**Zion Evangelical and Reformed**  
William C. Feller, Pastor  
Church School at 9:00 a.m. Glenn Roop, Supt.

Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. Sermon: "The Fatherhood of God," second in the series of sermons on "What We Believe," based on the Apostles' Creed.

Concert by the Heidelberg College Concert Choir at 7:30 p.m. Senior catechetical class on Tuesday at 4:00 p.m.

Friendship Circle on Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Juanita Baumgartner.

Ruth and Naomi Circle at the church on Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. Silent auction. Members are also asked to bring articles of clothing for the family in Germany.

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Mid-week Lenten service on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Sermon: "What Think Ye of Christ?"

The Philalethean Circle will meet after the Lenten service in the home of Mrs. Noah Roth.

Bethany Circle on Thursday evening at 8:00 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Wesley Lehman.

Senior choir rehearsal on Friday at 7:00 p.m.

Catechetical classes on Saturday morning: seniors at 9, juniors at 10 a.m.

Come and worship with us.

**Church of the Nazarene**  
North Seventh & Marshall Sts.  
Ralph A. Carter, pastor  
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Jesse Edgell, Supt.

Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m. Message: "Heroes of Temptation."

Youth Service, 6:45 p.m. Christine Andrews, president.

Juniors, 6:45 p.m.

Evangelistic Service, 7:30 p.m. Message: "Changed Glory."

Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Prayer service. An Anti-Saloon League representative is to be at this service.

Wednesday 8:15 p.m. Choir practice.

Friday 7:00 p.m. Lay visitation group will meet at the parsonage.

**First Christian Church**  
E. E. Isenhower, minister  
Fred Scheiderer, Supt.

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Sermon "Ye are the light."

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**First Presbyterian Church**  
"Five Points"

John W. McPheeters, Jr., pastor  
2nd Sunday in Lent

9:30 a.m. Church School. Over 50 pupils will receive white leather-bound New Testaments for their perfect attendance during the first Attendance Crusade. Our second Crusade has started already last Sunday. We are expecting this time to exceed our record! Leo L. Nissbaum, General Supt.

10:30 a.m. Divine Worship. Sermon: "Profit and Loss" Solo by Mrs. Dan H. Tyndall. Toddlers' Room during the services.

2:00 p.m. Communicant Class.

6:15 p.m. Westminster Youth Fellowship. Worship.

Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Presentation of the New Church School Curriculum by the Presbytery. All teachers and officers of the Church School, members of the Session, members of the Christian Education Committee are invited!

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Westminster High School Choir.

7:30 p.m. Special Lenten Worship. Sermon: "Solving Our Salvation; having a Christian Home."

Friday, 7:30 p.m. Regular meeting of the session.

**Bethany Church**  
Evangelical United Brethren  
F. H. Willard, minister

Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Dr. Ray Stingley, Supt.

Morning Worship 10:10 a.m. Rev. M. O. Herman, District Supt. of the Indianapolis District will preach.

Quarterly Conference 2:00 p.m. at Calvary Church. A "Carry-in" dinner will be served at noon at Calvary Church. Members of Bethany church are invited.

Youth Fellowship 6:15 a.m.

Mission Band will meet during the hour of worship under the direction of Mrs. Lawrence Woodruff.

Lenten Fellowship Service, Wednesday evening at 6:30. A "carry-in" supper and a film entitled "Go Forth" Members and friends of Bethany church are invited.

Class in church membership Saturday 10:00 a.m.

Adult Choir Rehearsal Wednesday 8:00 p.m.

**Decatur Missionary Church**  
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H. J. Welty, minister

9:00 — 11:00 Unified Service. Mervin Rupp, Supt. Instrumental solo by Lester Strohm. Message, "The Source of Help."

7:00 Children's Gospel Hour. The children are enjoying this special service for them. Bring your children along to this service that they too may get the proper teaching from God's word and participate in a service just for them.

7:30 Evening service. This is a time of inspirational singing and

fellowship. Message, "A Father's Concern for His Son."

Wednesday 7:30 Cottage Prayer Meeting. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tumbleson.

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**Trinity Church**  
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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.

10:30 a.m.—Divine worship. Celebration of Holy Communion. Anthem by vested choir and communion music by Harold Mumma at the three manual pipe organ.

This Blessed Sacrament is binding upon all Christians, let none willfully absent themselves. Parents are urged to have all members of the family present for Lenten Communion.

6:30 p.m.—Christian Endeavor Society.

7:30 p.m.—Evening Service. Sermon subject: "Rejected Tears."

Anthem by vested choir and special organ music. The public is welcome to our services.

7:00 p.m.—Wednesday Lenten Service. Sermon subject "What Will You Do With Jesus?" Special vocal and organ music with service sung by vested choir. Invite friends.

8:00 p.m.—Wednesday choir rehearsal.

12:30 Noon—Saturday Junior choir at church.

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9:30 a.m. Divine Worship. Sermon "Quest For Christian Perfection."

10:20 a.m. A word of appreciation for our building fund—Robert Strickler.

10:30 a.m. Church school, Mrs. Floyd Mitchell, general superintendent.

6:45 p.m. Shining Lights.

6:45 p.m. Youth Fellowship, Wm. Hawkins, president.

7:30 p.m. Evening services, Guest speaker, Mr. Allen B. Kraft, of the Indiana Anti-Saloon League.

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Girls Choir practice.

7:30 p.m. Wednesday, mid-week prayer meeting.

8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sanctuary choir practice.

Revival services March 7 to 19. The Church of "The Christian Brotherhood Hour."

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Lowell J. Smith, supt.

Joseph Brookshire, Evangelist  
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Thomas Jefferson said, "I always have said, and always will say, that the studious perusal of the sacred volume will make better citizens, better fathers, and better husbands."

Daniel Webster said, "If we abide by the principles taught in the Bible, our country will go on prospering and to prosper; but if

we and our posterity neglect its instructions and authority, no man can tell how sudden a catastrophe may overwhelm us and bury our glory in profound obscurity."

It is in the church and Sunday school where the Bible is taught. Why not accept the invitation and COME TO CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY?

D. Carl Yoder.

evening at the church. In the evening he will continue a question and answer program with the Senior Fellowship group. This will be the last services of the special Evangelist program. The people who have attended have enjoyed the meetings very much. The sermons have been practical. The Junior Fellowship will hold services at 6:00 p.m. as will the Senior Fellowship. The evening Evangelist service will be at 7:30 p.m. The mid-week service will be held Wednesday.

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"Only the already lost can think of our future as besieged."

"We have more to give than to guard."

"Our powers are not weapons but tools with which to build the promise of democracy into the purpose of mankind."

"Sometimes that faith is hard to hold. Even to one who has