

Sunday School Lesson Discussion Questions

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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.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.

V.44 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.45 "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.46 "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.47 "I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord beseech you that we walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye were called." A man's first and chief vocation is to serve the Lord.

V.2, "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.

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

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.

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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 endued 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.

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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!

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