

Sunday School Lesson
Discussion Questions

Discussion Questions on the Sunday School Lesson, Ezra leads a Religious Revival for Sunday May 9th.

- What is to be expected in a preacher if a revival is wanted?
- What is to be expected in a congregation if a revival is wanted?
- What place does the Bible have in a revival meeting?
- How may one hear well the Word of God?
- How is one's acceptance of the Word tested?

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**Creamed Comments
On S.S. Lesson**

Creamed Comments on the Sunday School Lesson, Ezra Leads a Religious Revival. Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5, 6, 8, 10:28-32 for Sunday, May 9.

The beginning of a great revival was in the heart of Ezra who yearned for better Israel; the work of rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem having been finished had a good effect upon Israel in wanting something more than the material.

V.1. "And all the people gathered themselves together as one man into the street that was before the water gate; and they spake unto Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had commanded to Israel." A wave of religious conviction swept over the people so that petty differences melted away as they sought to know the truth as one body; harmony and the spirit of unity is essential to a revival of religion.

V.2. "And Ezra the priest brought the law before the congregation both of men and women, and all that could hear with understanding; upon the first day of the seventh month." In a revival there is a call for the Word of God to know what God has to say; note all classes and ages came; God has a message for every one.

V.3. "And he read therein before the street that was before the water gate from the morning till midday, before the men and the woman, and those that could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive unto the book of the law." Ezra must have read well for the people listened well; here is another step in a religious revival.

V.5. "And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people; (for he was above all the people;) and when he opened it all the people stood up." It is the open book that counts with the Bible; Many have Bibles but they remained closed. Ezra as a spokesman of God stood high enough above the crowd to be seen and heard. The radio is not enough to get the church service; one wants to see the speaker, to hear him with ears and eyes. A genuine revival will not be conducted by means of the radio; God's church must be honored.

V.31. "And if the people of the land bring ware or any victuals on the sabbath day to sell, that we would not buy it of them on the sabbath, or on the holy day; and that we would leave the seventh year and exaction of every debt." Strict observance of the sabbath day was assured. In addition they would make free will offerings besides the giving of their tithes.



Clerical Says:

Clericus says: "The soul can never be happy without God, and no manifestation of modern power can suppress in our souls the everlasting longing which we have for his spirit. St. Augustine expressed our thought when he said, 'Thou hast fashioned us for thyself, O God, and our souls are restless till they find their rest in thee.'

Lesson Prayer

Lesson Prayer: Forgive us for our lack of interest in thy Word; grant to give us a greater desire to know thy Word and to give heed to its teaching and to verify its precepts by putting its teachings to work in our own lives and in the lives of others.

Book Review

Thoughts To Live By, by J. A. Rosenkranz is a collection of concise pertinent observations which may serve as guiding principles in solving day by day problems.

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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 Hour Saturday, 7 to 8 p.m.

Holy Communion Sundays

First Sunday, St. Agnes Sodality.

Second Sunday, Holy Name Society.

Third Sunday, St. Mary's Society.

Fourth Sunday, Children of Mary.

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First Methodist Church

Merrill O. Lester Minister

Lowell J. Smith, Supt.

"Marriage and The Home" will

be the subject of the minister's sermon Sunday morning. There

will be baptism of children at this

service. Contact the minister about your desires. Church school at 9:30. Public worship at 10:20 a.m. W. S. C. general meeting Thursday at 2:30 o'clock. Junior and Senior Fellowship at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock

— Both prayer service and choir practice.

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First Baptist Church

Carey R. Moser

Pastor

9:30 a.m. Sunday school. Ralph

Kenworthy, supt.

10:30 a.m. Divine worship. The

large choir will render two special

selections dedicated to Mothers.

Worship service at 10:00 a.m.

Festival of the Christian Home.

Sermon: "Christ the Center of

Home Life." Every family of the

church is urged to be represented

100% as near as possible.

Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.

Junior choir rehearsal on Wed-

nesday at 6:30 p.m.

Women's Guild in the church

social room on Wednesday at 8:00 p.m.

Senior choir rehearsal on Friday

at 7:00 p.m.

Come and worship with us.

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Bethany Church

Evangelical United Brethren

F. H. Willard, Minister

Sunday school 9:15 a.m. Dr. Ray

Stingely, supt.

9:30 Sunday morning you have a

special welcome at the Friendly

Church; Mothers Day program,

services in charge of the men, the

entire program will be given by

them. Special numbers by the

men's chorus. Sermon subject:

"Remembrance of Mother." A

special gift to the oldest and

youngest mother.

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Zion Lutheran Church

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Edgar P. Schmidt, Pastor

(Where beauty of sanctuary and

service invite to worship.)

Sunday school and Bible class,

9 a.m.

The Morning service 10 a.m.

Mother's Day will be observed

in the service Sunday morning.

The pastor will use as sermon

text: "As one whom his mother

comforteth, so will I comfort you."

Isaiah 66, 13. The church choir,

under the direction of Mr. Walter

Nagel, will sing "A Mother's Day

Prayer," by John Winter Thompson.

The choir will rehearse Monday

evening at 8 o'clock. A newly formed

Men's Choir will rehearse Monday

evening at 7:30. Men of the

congregation interested in singing

with this group are asked to be

present Monday evening.

The Adult Missionary class

meets Tuesday evening at 7.

The Wethers League society will

meet Wednesday evening at 7:30.

The pastor will lead the educational

topic, "This is where I live —

My Home." The business meeting

will be conducted by the chairman,

Dan Freeby. New officers will be

elected. A social evening and