

## Sunday School Lesson

### Discussion Questions

Discussion Questions on the Sunday School Lesson, Barnabas, a Good Man, for Sunday, September 12.

1. Why is it better to be good than to be great?
2. Why is missionary work so essential in the program of the local church?
3. How did Paul overcome prejudice and fear?
4. How have a revival as taught in his lesson?
5. What are the characteristics of a man with a good name?



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V. 36. "And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, the son of consolation,) a Levite, and of the country of Cyprus." This man put such a good meaning into his life that his best friends gave him a name in keeping with his life. How a man lives makes his name bad or good no matter what his name.

V. 37. "Having land, sold it and brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet." Here was a good steward motivated by the needs of others; he honored God in recognizing God as the One from whom all blessings flow, including his personal possessions.

V. 26. "And when Saul came to Jerusalem, he assayed to join himself to the disciples; but they were all afraid of him, and believed not that he was a disciple." Though Saul was converted he took time to gain the confidence of believers. For one to continue long in sin makes it hard to enter into Christian fellowship.

V. 27. "But Barnabas took him, and brought him to the apostles, and declared unto them how he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus." Barnabas knew of Paul's wonderful conversion and he was bold in witnessing to the power of God in transforming character. It is the transformation of character that will bring world justice, good will and peace. Here lies the duty of the church and each member of the church, namely, to be agents through which God's transforming power can work.

V. 22. "Then tidings of these things came unto the ears of the church which was in Jerusalem; and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch." Because the Jewish Christians were persecuted they were scattered to many parts of the country; one place where these early Christians operated was at Antioch; and because they were so different from others, they were nicknamed Christians, a name that has stuck to followers of Christ through the years. Barnabas was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart, they would cleave unto the Lord. Barnabas was eager that there should not only be a revival, but also a missionary spirit.

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V. 24. "For he was a good man and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith; and much people were added to the church." Barnabas was such a good man that God could trust him with the Holy Ghost; in this experience there was spiritual power seen in the results—many were added to the church. Here is the plan for a religious revival.

V. 25. "Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus to seek Saul." Barnabas had confidence in Saul whom he recognized as a man of God destined to be a great Christian leader. Barnabas was not jealous of another superior in education and ability.

V. 26. "And when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch; and it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first at Antioch." What is needed in making strong Christians is good Christian teachings after people have turned to be followers of the Lord.

Vs. 2, 3. "As they ministered to the Lord and fasted the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. And when they had fasted and prayed and laid their hands on them, they sent them away." Here under God were ordained the first Christian missionaries. No one can be a good Christian and not believe in missions.

lights up a life to the admiration of all who behold it. A good person is not only morally upright, but kindly well disposed, tolerant, helpful, hopeful, and full of good cheer."

Lesson Prayer: Grant that we may take our stewardship so seriously as to give to the Lord our time, ability, and money, keeping for ourselves just enough as a working capital to do more for the Lord. Help us to rejoice in the work of the Lord at home and as far as we can express our lives.

Book Review: Where Are We Going, published by American Institute for Economic Research, Great Barrington, Mass., deals with the European Recovery Program discussing the subjects, Is Overpopulation Responsible? The Real Cost of Aid, Middle East Oil, Conditions Precedent, and The Greatest Potential Benefits.

Clericus Says: "Goodness is a rare quality; even people of strong Christian faith, uprightness, and great virtues are often lacking in a quality of benevolence which Man cannot gather figs of right condition from thorns of wrong character." — E. Helms.

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## St. Mary's Church

### Very Rev. Mgr. 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. Low Mass.  
Prayer hour Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

Holy Communion Sundays  
First Sunday, St. Agnes Sodality.  
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Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Prayer and praise service. Note the change of time.

Zion Evangelical and Reformed  
William C. Feller, Pastor  
Church School at 9:00 a.m. Glen Roop, superintendent.

Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. Sermon: "Childish Christians."

Our children have returned to school, following their vacation. Let us all return to our church to study and to hear the Word. Your presence is desired in this worship service if you are without a church home.

Official Board meeting in the church parlor on Monday at 7 p.m. Churchmen's Brotherhood meeting in the church social room on Monday at 8 p.m.

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Phoebe Bible Class meeting on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the church social room.

Choir rehearsals will be resumed on Friday evening at 7 p.m. Registration of children, 12 years and over, for the catechetical classes, on Saturday morning at 10:00.

Men's Congress in Bluffton, Ind., on Sunday, September 19th. All the men of the church are urged to attend.

Come and worship with us.

Trinity Church  
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Madison at Ninth St.  
Rev. James A. Weber, Minister in Charge

9:15 a.m. Sunday School with classes for all ages. You, your friends, guests and neighbors are always welcome to our services.

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Wednesday 7 p.m. Midweek service with a group for each age.

Wednesday 8 p.m. Choir rehearsal. All members of the choir please note and be present.

Monday 7 p.m. the Girls Missionary Guild will meet at the church with Miss Marjorie Hill the leader. All Guild girls please be present.

Sunday noon the last session of the St. Joseph Annual Conference will close and at this time the appointment of our Minister for the coming year will be made. He will meet with us on September 15th and all members of the church will please plan to be present.

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## Bethany Church

### Evangelical United Brethren

F. H. Willard, minister  
Sunday school 9:15 a.m.  
Morning worship 10:15 a.m. Sermon: "Our Need for Worship."

The Bethany Men's Club will meet on Monday at 6:30 at the church Rev. Matthew Worthman of Bluffton will speak.

The board of trustees will have important meeting Monday evening following the Men's meeting. The Dutiful Daughters class will meet on Tuesday evening at 7:30 with Mrs. John Myers.

Midweek prayer service Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Adult choir rehearsal, Wednesday at 8:00 p.m.

The women of the church will meet for combined Ladies Aid and Women's Society of World Service meeting on Thursday afternoon at 2:00 p.m.

First Methodist Church  
Gerald H. Jones, Minister  
The Sunday school classes will meet at 9:30. Lowell Smith, the general superintendent will be in charge of the assembly period.

Morning Worship  
During the service of worship the pastor's theme will be: "The Law and the Spirit." The Youth Choir will sing an anthem "O How Lovely" by Baines.

Youth Meeting  
At 7:00 the Youth will meet as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jones on the lawn between the parsonage and church.

Nuttman Avenue United Brethren  
In Christ  
Corner 11th and Nuttman Avenue  
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, 6:45 p.m. Gladys Raver president.

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

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 8:00 p.m. Edith Terrell leader, Lawrence Michel in charge. "Go to church Sunday."

First Presbyterian Church  
Five Points  
9:30 a.m. — Sunday School. Kenneth Runyon, superintendent. Competent teachers for all ages. You are invited.

10:30 — Morning worship. Rev. R. E. Zarman, Fort Wayne will deliver the morning sermon.

There will be a meeting of the entire congregation Wednesday evening September 15 at 7:30 o'clock at the church.

First Christian Church  
E. E. Isenhower, Minister  
Fred Schneider, Supt.  
9:30 Sunday Morning is the time. A one service program, with devotion and communion in charge of the Elders.

Special by the choir.  
Nine classes for study of Gods Word.

The Minister and Wife are on a trip through the west. Let us all be loyal to the church.

Church of God  
Two Blocks Northwest of Hospital  
Cleveland St.  
Bernice A. McCurdy

Dwight R. McCurdy, ministers  
9:30 a.m. Divine worship, sermon, "Achievement of Fidelity."

10:30 a.m. Church school. Mrs. Floyd Mitchell and Mr. Emory Hawkins, general superintendents.

1:00 p.m. Annual Sunday school picnic to be held at Berne park, all members and friends of the church invited.

No evening service, services will be held at Berne park.

Our fall revival will start September 19th with Rev. T. M. Tansley as the evangelist.

The Church of "The Christian Brotherhood Hour."

The Church of God believes in "Full Salvation from Sin, and in living a Victorious Life with Christ above Sin."

The Church of God has but: One Discipline — The Bible. One Creed — Christ. One Great Ambition — Souls for God and the unity of all God's people (John 17:21).

"Where a Christian Experience takes you a member."

A Christian welcome to all.

The Church of God is a growing Church.

Missionary Church  
Cor. Tenth and Dayton Sts.  
R. J. Welby, Minister  
9:00-11:00 — Unified Services.  
Mervin Rupp, Supt. There will be a public dedication of children during the worship service. Message.

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## "Christian Education"

7:00 — Children's Gospel Hour.  
7:30 — Request Program. You will enjoy the musical program that has been prepared. Brief message by the pastor.

Wednesday 7:30 — Bible Study and Prayer Meeting. We are now studying a course of Personal Evangelism. We invite you to come and participate in this course.

The Missionary Church wishes to encourage the people of the community to attend the Tent Meetings which are now in progress at the corner of Ninth and Monroe.

Baptist Church  
Sunday school 9:30 A. M. Ralph Kenworthy, superintendent.  
Worship Service, 10:30. Sermon by Rev. Phay H. Plummer, subject "A Complete Force."

Wednesday, Sept. 15, the Salamonie Association of which our church is a part meets at the Bluffton Baptist church. It is hoped a goodly number will go. The morning session convenes at 10 A. M.

(Where Beauty of Sanctuary and Service Invite to Worship)  
Zion Church shall observe Christian Education Sunday tomorrow.

In both services, 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., the pastor shall speak on the text: "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22, 6.)

The Adult Bible Class will meet again Sunday morning at 9:15 o'clock, after a three weeks' vacation. The topic of study will be "God's Law and the Christian Life." The pastor will conduct the class.

Sunday school convenes at 9:15 o'clock with classes for children of all ages. Plans have been made by the Teaching Staff for a special Rally Day Service to be held on Sunday, October 3rd.

The Church Vestry meets Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Congregational Rally Day will be observed next Sunday, September 19th.

Holy Communion will be celebrated the last Sunday of this month, September 26th, in the 10:30 Service.

What has contributed to the demise of the old-fashioned church prayer meeting?

Mrs. Prayer Meeting is dead. Believing that friends of the deceased might be interested, we reprint the death notice.

Mrs. Prayer Meeting died recently at the First Neglected church, on Worldly avenue. Born many years ago in the midst of great revivals, she was a strong, healthy child, fed largely on testimony and Bible study, soon growing into world-wide prominence, and was one of the most influential members of the famous church family.

For the past several years Sister Prayer Meeting has been failing in health, gradually wasting away until rendered helpless by stiffness of knees, coldness of heart, inactivity and weakness of purpose and will power. At the last she was but a shadow of her former happy self. Her last whispered words were inquiries concerning the strange absence of her loved ones, now busy in the marts of trade and places of worldly amusement.

Experts, including Doctor Works, graciously, of gentleness.

DO YOU KNOW?

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