

Discussion on Questions S.S. Lesson

Discussion Questions on the Sunday School Lesson, Jesus Rises from the Dead, for Sunday, June 19.

1. Name four proofs of the resurrection of Christ.
2. Why did the disciples lack the faith that Christ would rise?
3. Why are there usually more women in the church service than men?
4. What do you get out of Peter's words, "I go fishing?"
5. Why should grace be said at meals?

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The church represents the family of God of which all classes, regardless of color or race, are members. The church in a sense is a school in which we all are pupils; there is a sense in which the church is a hospital in which all may find spiritual healing; sores are healed; grievances are eliminated; cures for sin are discovered.

and self-criticism which alone can save the struggle against Communism from becoming a pure struggle for power.

"It must become clear that our stand against Communism is exclusively motivated by Christian convictions. We take a stand against its heretical ideology and the imposition of that ideology upon the peoples. But we must avoid our identifying ourselves with a general anti-Communist crusade. We can make a convincing judgment on Communism only if we attack at the same time the evils of various forms of the western social order and indeed, the evils which have crept into the life of the church."



What are some essential steps to be taken in producing world peace?

The answer to this question may be suggested by a report of the Methodist Peace Commission which is indicated below:

1. To use every effort to terminate the "cold war" and to refrain from threats and vituperative language in all public statements.
2. To use the radio and any other channels that may be open to assure the Russian people of the friendship of the American people.
3. To facilitate cultural and religious interchanges between Soviet and American leaders.
4. To keep open the channels for diplomatic negotiation even when the results may not be immediately rewarding. The alternative is war.

Do You Know

1. Who induced Pilate to place a guard at Christ's tomb?
2. What women visited Christ's tomb when the Sabbath was past?
3. What happened when the angels rolled away the stone at Christ's sepulcher?
4. What was Jesus' first message to his disciples after his resurrection?
5. Which of the disciples was the first to visit Christ's empty tomb?

Do You Know Answered

1. The Pharisees
2. Mary Magdalene; Mary, the mother of James; and Salome
3. There was a great earthquake.
4. Peace be unto thee.
5. John

Marian Anderson, the famous Negro contralto, expresses herself thus on the race situation in America: "From my experience over the last ten years, I would say conditions have improved. In some places the improvement is slower than in others, but there is evidence of a desire to take steps in the right direction." — Gospel Herald.

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Creamed Comments On S.S. Lesson

Creamed Comments on the Sunday School Lesson, Jesus Rises from the Dead, Mark 16:2-7, John 21:3-12, for Sunday, June 19.

The greatest event of all time is the resurrection of Christ. In this fact we learn that Christ can not be defeated and that in his promise of everlasting life we too shall be resurrected in due time.

V.2. "And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came to the sepulcher at the rising of the sun." The tenderness and affection natural to women is here demonstrated as these women dared to venture to the tomb of Christ; they did not wait to declare their love but came at the first opportunity, early in the morning.

V.3. "And they said among themselves, 'Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulcher?' They recognized a surmountable obstacle calling for help other than their own. They proceeded by faith. When we can not walk by sight we can walk by faith.

V.4. "And when they looked they saw that the stone was rolled away; for it was very great." We often think anxiously about the future, only to find, when at last it becomes the present, that God in his power and kindness has pushed aside the obstacles we feared.

V.5. "And entering into the sepulcher, they saw a young man sitting on the right side clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted." Elsewhere it is written that this young man was an angel; he was not in human form but a spiritual being similar to Christ after his resurrection; all that can be said of spiritual beings is mysterious but nevertheless a fact. Such a manifestation produces awe, well described by the example of the women who were affrighted.

V.6. "And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted; ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified; he is not here; behold the place where they laid him." No one saw the actual resurrection, but the evidences of the resurrection are overwhelming.

V.7. "But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee; there ye shall see him as he said." Peter

in his great sorrow, having denied Christ, was now comforted with the words "and Peter."

V.3. "Simon Peter saith unto them, I go a fishing; they say unto him, We also go with thee. They went forth and entered into a ship immediately; and that night they caught nothing." These disciples were dejected and needed recreation and also possibly some income. No wonder so many ministers today like fishing, thus being in line with the early disciples. Fishing was wood but catching was poor.

V.4. "But when the morning was now come, Jesus stood on the shore; but the disciples knew not that it was Jesus." The supernatural power of this stranger on the shore was revealed in the command to put the net down on the right side, when as a result a large quantity of fish was caught. Here was a repetition of a former similar experience. So many times Jesus appears unknown today.

V.7. "Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved saith unto Peter, It is the Lord. Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he girt his fisher's coat on him (for he was naked), and did cast himself into the sea." The exclamation, "It is the Lord," has passed into the heart and the lips of all Christians who, amidst the various scenes of life, have recognized the Saviour's presence. The revelation was made to John who loved him most. Love has much to do with our seeing the Lord.

V.8. "And the other disciples came in a little ship dragging the net with the fishes." The power of a good influence leads others to associate with the Lord.

V.9. "As soon as they were come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid thereon, and bread." This was miraculous and in harmony with other specially miraculous elements after Christ's resurrection.

V.10. "And Jesus saith to them, Bring of the fish which ye have now caught." A bountiful meal was to be prepared in which all shared. One place where Jesus will reveal himself is at meals, if we will duly recognize him.

V.11. "Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land full of great fishes, an hundred and fifty three; and for all there were so many, yet the net broke not." The net miraculously held together.

V.12. "Jesus saith unto them, Come and dine. And none of the disciples durst ask him, Who art thou? Knowing that it was the Lord." Some strange emotion sealed their lips.

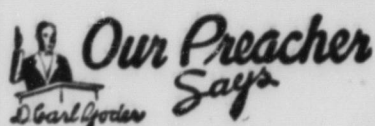
Clericus Says:

Clericus says: "We encounter the Lord where we least expect to find him. He is with us in the everyday tasks of life. Even when we disappoint him and disobey his commands, as Peter and the other disciples did when they left Jerusalem, nevertheless, he follows us, forgives, and rebukes us, with the munificence of his love."

Book Review

Story Without End, by Solomon Landman and Benjamin Peron. Henry Holt and Company, is an informal history of the Jews as a living people, of the forces that helped to share them, and of the influence they in turn have exerted upon the history of man. The story starts with the prehistory of four thousand years ago and carries through to the recent founding of the state of Israel.

Much careless speaking is the expression of clouded thinking.



Unseen Power

Great men are those who do commonplace things extraordinarily well. It is a matter of being at one's best and doing one's best. Every moment has an opportunity for self-expression, in thought, word or deed. Reduced to simplest form, it is thinking our best, speaking effectively and truly and doing what is most worthwhile. This is such a big job that there is no time for criticism of others but rather a call for the help of God.

LESSON PRAYER:

Lesson prayer: We praise God that we have the overwhelming evidence that Jesus rose from the dead, that fellowship with Jesus continues, and that we his children may enjoy him as our best friend.

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The Bible says: "When you became a Christian, you became a Member of God's Church!" (Acts 2:47).

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