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Russia declared that there are ap-
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ious affiliations. Since the Com-
munist party numbers only 4,500,
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**Creamed
Comments
On S.S.
Lesson**

Creamed Comments on the Sun-
day School Lesson, Psalms of
Trust, Psalms 31:3; 37:36; 46:
13, for Sunday, July 31.

There is needed for each a
cultivation of faith in God daily to
be overcomers of fears and all that
will produce fear. We today study
three Psalms of trust: trusting the
Lord in physical dangers (Psalm
31); trusting the Lord amid per-
plexities (Psalm 37); trusting God
amid natural calamities and man-
made tragedies (Psalm 46).

V. 3. "O magnify the Lord with
me, and let us exalt his name to-
gether." Many a man when on a
height looking down gets dizzy,
but he gets over it when looking
up; so one will avoid spiritual dizz-
iness by looking up and seeing God
to the point of magnifying him. To
do this in company with others in-
creases trust in God.

V. 4. "I sought the Lord, and he
heard me, and delivered me from
all my fears." The logical step to
secure conquering faith is to seek
the Lord; real trust knows that
God delivers us from the source
of all dangers, namely fears.

V. 5. "They looked unto him and
were lightened; and their faces
were not ashamed." Others who
looked to God received help like-
wise. The Psalmist calls in wit-
nesses to the teachings of faith in
God; they had such a radiance as
never to experience loss of face.

V. 6. "This poor man cried, and
the Lord heard him, and saved him
from all his troubles." Here is
taught the need of repentance fun-
damental to faith.

V. 7. "The angel of the Lord
encampeth round about them that
fear him and delivereth them." There
are divine ministrations expe-
rienced by those who trust God
with such awe as to have a sense
of fear that they may not be at
their best. In this experience there
is victory.

V. 8. "O taste and see that the
Lord is good; so shalt thou dwell
in the land, and verily thou shalt
be fed." We can all make trial of
God's goodness for ourselves. This
is experimental religion. As a re-
sult of this experience it may well
be written, "Blessed is the man
that trusteth in God." To be bless-

ed is to be happy. The sure sign
of individuals and of churches ex-
periencing religion is in their hap-
piness. It is not necessary to call
on the world for happiness; bet-
ter call on God.

V. 3. "Trust in the Lord and
do good; so shalt thou dwell in
the land and verily thou shalt be
fed." Many die spiritually be-
cause of a lack of spiritual nutri-
tion. What really counts in the
Christian life is what we experi-
ence about God, not what some one
else tells us about him. Christian
teachings take on a new vitality
after we have put them to a test
in everyday experience.

V. 4. "Delight thyself also in
the Lord; and he shall give thee
the desires of thine heart." There
is such a thing as having so little
religion as to be miserable. The
real thing is found in one who
finds delight in God and in doing
his will, for then there is harmony
in soul and harmony with others
and a joy in Christian fellowship.

V. 5. "Commit thy way unto the
Lord; trust also in him and he
shall bring it to pass." Saving
faith calls for such a full surrender
to God and his will that results in
a full commitment; one keeps
committed by seeing to it that
every moment full confidence is
exercised in God; then one can
rest easy as to results. Do your
part and leave results with God.

V. 6. "And he shall bring forth
thy righteousness as the light, and
thy judgment as the noonday sun."
This probably refers to a vindica-
tion of one's righteousness, when
one has been a subject of slander.
He will bring your innocence to
light, and make the justice of your
cause as clear as noonday sun.

V. 1. "God is our refuge and
strength, a very present help in
trouble." It is written that the
devil goeth about seeking whom
he may devour. Sin and Satan are
the cause of all our troubles but
in God there is help to get the vic-
tory.

V. 2. "Therefore will we not
fear, though the earth be removed
and though the mountains be car-
ried into the midst of the sea." Amidst
extreme convulsions of na-
ture, one grounded in Christ need
not fear.

V. 3. "Through the waters there-
of roar and be troubled, though
the mountains shake with the
swelling thereof." Here is car-
ried out the thought of the preced-
ing verse as if one's faith in God
needed reinforcement.

**Our Preacher
Says**

The smallest people suffer most
from personal slights and affronts.
They writhe because of insults
real or imagined. There are people
who stay away from church be-
cause someone didn't say quite the
right thing, or perhaps because he
said nothing at all. Long-standing
grudges and feuds often have their
beginning in infinitesimal person-
alities. These small souls fume in
high dudgeon because the vote
went against them or because their
opinion was disregarded. The per-
son who is easily hurt betrays by
that fact what a puny runt he is.
—Gospel Herald.

Do You Know

1. What is the victory that over-
cometh the world?
2. May wicked men believe in
God?
3. Why are little children ac-
cepted by Christ?
4. What does it mean to be bless-
ed?
5. Quote a verse that states how
one may become blessed.

**Discussion
on
Questions S.S.
Lesson**

Discussion Questions on the Sun-
day School Lesson, Psalms of
Trust, for Sunday, July 31.

1. How is it possible for us to
magnify the Lord?
2. What spiritual conditions must
exist on our part before we can de-
light ourselves in the Lord?
3. What is the difference between
faith and belief?
4. Why is it necessary to culti-
vate faith in God?
5. How proceed to be happy?

Do You Know Answered

1. Faith.
2. Yes. The devils believe and
tremble.
3. Because they have accepted
faith in God.
4. To be blessed is to be happy.
5. "O taste and see that the Lord
is good; blessed is the man that
trusteth in him."

Personality is developed through
practicing the art of living.—Link.

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**Sunday
Service**

St. Mary's Church
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6 A.M. Low Mass
7:30 A.M. Low Mass
9:00 A.M. Children's Mass
10:15 A.M. Low Mass and Bene-
diction.

Friday evening 7:30 prayer hour
and Benediction.

Holy Communion Sundays
First Sunday, St. Agnes Sodality
Second Sunday, Holy Name So-
ciety.

Third Sunday, St. Mary's Society.
Fourth Sunday, Children of Mary.

First Methodist Church
Gerald H. Jones, Minister
The Church at Study
9:30

The Co-Workers Class will have
charge of the general assembly
period of the Sunday School.
The Church at Worship
10:20

During the service of worship,
Mrs. Walter Krick will sing a
number by Beethoven entitled
"Come To Me" with a double ac-
companiment by Mrs. Edgar Ger-
ber and Miss Helen Haubold. The
theme of the service will be found
in the Scripture appointed for the
day, Mark 8:19. The sermon
theme will be "How Many Loaves
Have Ye?"

Monday
The Youth Fellowship will have
a pot luck supper at the park at
Berne under the leadership of the
counselors. Transportation will
be provided at the church at 6:00.
Wednesday

The Official Board will meet
Wednesday evening at 6:15 for a
pot luck supper on the church
lawn. The families of the mem-
bers are invited to attend.

Thursday
The Co-Workers Class will have
a pot luck supper at Hanna-Nutt-
man park Thursday evening, Aug.
4th at 6:30.

Zion Lutheran Church
West Monroe and Eleventh Sts.
Edgar P. Schmidt, Pastor
The Rev. Professor E. Schneider
of Concordia College at Fort
Wayne will be guest speaker at
both services.

Two complete services are held
each Sunday at 8 and 10:30 a. m.
Sunday School is held between
the two services beginning at 9:15
a. m. Bible class will be dis-
missed for the next three Sundays.

Pastor Schmidt and family are
on vacation and will be absent
from Decatur until August 17. In
the event of an emergency mem-
bers are asked to contact Will
Schnepp, Herman Krueckeberg or
Gerhard Reinke.

The Lutheran hospital board of
control will hold its semi-annual
meeting Sunday afternoon, July
31, at 2:00 p. m. in the hospital
chapel.

The Married Couples Club pic-
nic will be held at Hamilton Lake
on Sunday, August 7.

Trinity
Evangelical United Brethren
Madison at Ninth

John E. Chambers, Minister
9:15 a. m.—Sunday School, Chal-
mer Barkley, superintendent.
9:30 a. m.—The annual congre-
gational meeting for business and
the election of officers.

10:30 a. m.—Divine Worship.
Mrs. Herald Hitchcock will pre-
side at the organ and the senior
choir will sing the anthem. The
pastor will deliver the sermon
"The Church Glorious."

6:30 p. m.—Jewels, Junior Chris-
tian Endeavor, and Youth Fellow-
ship will meet.

7:30 p. m.—The evening service
of gospel music and sermon on the
Ninth Commandment, "Thou Shalt
Not Bear False Witness."
Wednesday, 7:00 p. m.—Mid-
week service for five separate age-
groups.
8:00 p. m.—Choir rehearsal.

Bethany Church
Evangelical United Brethren
F. H. Willard, minister
Sunday school 9:15 a. m. Law-
rence Anspaugh, supt.
No worship service today or next
Sunday.
Sunday school as usual next
Sunday.

We must have love toward all,
but familiarity with all is not ex-
pedit.

Church of the Nazarene

North Seventh & Marshall Sts.

Ralph A. Carter, pastor

Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Leo

Merriman, superintendent.

Morning worship, 10:30 a. m.

Message: "Living Signs."

Juniors, 6:45 p. m. Mrs. George

Anspaugh, supervisor.

Youth service, 6:45 p. m. Evelyn

Hicks, president.

Adult study group, 6:45 p. m.

George Anspaugh, president.

Evangelistic service, 7:30 p. m.

Message: "God's Definition Of a
Fool."

Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Prayer and

praise service.

Wednesday 8:30 p. m. Choir prac-
tice.

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Dwight R. McCurdy, ministers

6:30 a. m. Morning Worship, ser-
mon: "Strive to Enter at the

Straight Gate, for Many will seek
to Enter In, and Shall Not Be

Able."

10:30 a. m. Sunday School, Mrs.

Floyd Mitchell, and Mr. Emery Haw-
kins general superintendents.

2:30 p. m. Payne, Ohio, Camp

Meeting, Rev. Otis L. Johnson.

Warsaw, Indiana will be the speak-
er.

No evening services, we are unit-
ing with the other churches in this

district, at the Payne, Ohio camp
meeting.

6:30 p. m. Wednesday, Girls

Choir practice.

7:30 p. m. Wednesday, regular

mid-week prayer meeting.

8:30 p. m. Wednesday, Sanctuary

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"A Christian Experience makes

you a member of God's Church." (1
Act 2:47).

The Bible says: "When you be-
came a Christian, you became a

Member of God's Church!" (Acts
2:47).

Nobody joins the Church of God,

Jesus makes you a member in
Good standing, when you become a
Christian.

Therefore, if you are a Christian,
you are a member of The Church of
God.

"A United Church for a Divided
World."

First Presbyterian

A. C. E. Gillander, pastor

Church School, 9:30 a. m. Teach-
ers are urged to inform either su-
perintendent, Lewis Smith or Dick

Heller, what Sundays they cannot
meet their classes during August,
so that substitutes may be arrang-
ed, or other plans made. Church

school will continue as usual dur-
ing our church vacation.

Worship service, 10:30 a. m., un-
der pastor's supervision. Young
people taking part are Gene Ziner,
Kaye Runyon, Ruth Morgan, Jack

Heller, Alice Langston, Kathleen
Wolfsen, Dianne Linn, Sharon and
Jackie Hite, Barbara Beeher; with
sermon preached by Sue Harper.

Robert Hansel, Colleen McCon-
nell, and Faris Franz. All are
participating who are not working or
away at camps.

The pastor will teach in synod's
youth camp at Winona Lake, Aug-
ust 15-27. For emergencies, pastor
may be reached at Warsaw, Ind-
iana, telephone 475.

Plans are to start the new sea-
son of church worship with a full
service on September 11, followed
by an early church "Agapey" love
feast, a-la covered dish.

Zion Evangelical and Reformed

William C. Feller, pastor

Church School at 9:00 a. m. Wes-
ley Lehman, superintendent. The

sound motion picture, "Book for
the World of Tomorrow" will be
shown to all departments.

Worship Service at 10:00 a. m.

Sermon by the pastor, "The Trans-
forming Touch." The services dur-
ing the summer months last just
one hour. We invite you to spend
this hour in the House of God.

Official board meeting on Mon-
day at 7:30 p. m. in the church par-
lor.

Girls' Guild picnic at Hanna-Nutt-
man Park on Wednesday at 6:30 p.
m. Those desiring transportation
should be at the church by 6:15.

The Heidelberg Class will not

meet this month.
Come and worship with us.

First Christian Church

E. E. Isenhower, minister

Lloyd Rhodes, supt.

The men of the church have the
choir for the summer, men you
have an invitation from them to
come and help them sing. Time
9:30 Sunday morning. The minis-
ter will speak on the subject, "See-
ing Jesus."

Junior Church at the same time.
The Junior Church is sure grow-
ing.

Mid week services Wednesday
evening at 7:30.

Decatur Missionary Church

Tenth and Dayton Streets

H. J. Welty, minister

9:00 to 11:00 Unified Services of
Sunday School and Morning Wor-
ship.

Mervin Rupp, S. S. supt.

Duet, Mrs. Mervin Rupp and Mrs.
Harold Idlewine.

Message, Rev. S. P. Grabill.

7:00 Children's Gospel Hour, Mrs.
Grabill in charge.

7:00 M. Y. F. group, with Mr. and
Mrs. Garth Wiederkehr in charge.