

Our Preacher Says:

To make wrong choices is morally fatal, for wrong moral choices constitute sin. "Sin," said Jeramy Taylor, "that startles a man is the first step; then it becomes pleasing, then easy, then delightful, then frequent and habitual. The man is unfortunate, then obstinate, then resolves never to repent, and then is damned."

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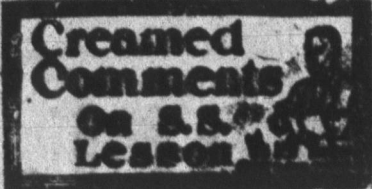
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Creamed
Comments
On S.S. Lesson

—Creamed Comments on the Sunday School Lesson, God's Command to Teach, Deuteronomy 6:1-25, for Sunday, October 21.—The Rev. D. Carl Yoder.

Moses has reached the end and gives his parting words to the Israelites. He says: "nothing of himself and his achievements, but stresses the fact of God whom all need to reverently adore. They are to have open hearts and minds that will allow God's love to come in. So important is this truth that it needs to be written out and carried on the body, and more than this, it is to be sacredly taught to the children of all times."

V. 1. "Now these are the commandments, the statutes and the judgments which the Lord your God commanded to teach you that ye might do them in the land whither ye go to possess it." Moses, who forty years before had delivered to Israel the Ten Commandments, and, during the years, presented other teachings, now as he comes to the end of his leadership, reminds God's chosen people to remember and do them. Here is a good example of parents giving good advice in their closing days — remember and do what God has revealed.

V. 2. "Thou shalt fear the Lord thy God to keep and his statutes and commandments which I commanded thee and thy son and thy son's son all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged." The word "fear" means reverence and respect; to thus live, produces a well-ordered life, which as a rule means a longer life.

V. 3. "Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it, that it may be well with thee and that ye may increase mightily as the Lord God of your fathers has promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey." The word "hear" is to listen well and to live well. Again the promise of prosperity is the purpose of God expressed in human lives.

Vs. 4, 5. "Hear, O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, with all thy soul and with all thy might." Love of God is basic in all God's commandment, adding "with all thy mind." Reason, intellect, wit and emotion are included in the love of man for his Lord.

V. 6. "And these words which I command you this day shall be in your heart." The heart is the vital physical organ, the fountain head of life. So, at the fountain of our soul, the spiritual life imbues the thoughts and the spirit of God's word.

V. 7. "And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children and shall talk of them when thou sitest in thy house, and when thou walkest by the way and when thou liest down and when thou risest up." Here is outlined the ideal Christian program for the home. The failure of parents to give practical Christian teaching is seen in juvenile delinquency and in crime.

Vs. 8, 9. "And thou shalt bind them as a sign on thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes and thou shalt write them on the posts of thine house and on thy gates." The heathen had the custom of thus presenting their religion. God's children are not to be outdone in Christian witness.

V. 20. "Ad when thy son asketh of thee in time to come, saying,

what mean these testimonies and statutes and the judgments which the Lord thy God hath commanded you?" The secret of good teaching is to arouse the inquiring minds to ask good questions.

V. 21. "Then thou shalt say unto thy son, We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt, and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand." The story of Israel's deliverance served to give them a faith in God, the Deliverer of all time. This teaching reaches to the present day. The same thought is expressed in the next two verses because of its great importance. Faithful obedience to God assures a heavenly reward.

V. 24. "And the Lord commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the Lord our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive as it is this day." Whatever may happen is for our good, although we may not see it thus at the time. Herein lies the righteousness of God as taught in the next verse.



Statisticians of the Library of Congress have estimated the cost of World War II to be four trillion dollars. (\$4,000,000,000,000), about \$1,700 for every living person on the earth, and 40,000,000 casualties.

The Salvation Army is planning for new headquarters in Chicago. A modern eight-story building will occupy the old site of Evangeline Residence and will cost approximately \$1,250,000. Work on the headquarters is expected to be completed by fall of this year.

Stanley Tam, owner of a smelter at Lima, Ohio, that does a \$200,000-a-year business, told the annual meeting of the Christian and Missionary Alliance that he will turn all of its future profits over to religious work.

Senator William Langer has introduced legislation in Congress to require all Federal penal and correctional institutions to "maintain a supply of Bibles and religious literature to be furnished to any federal prisoner at his request."

In Jerusalem there is a Biblical Zoo in which are assembled 400 animals, birds, and reptiles, many of which are mentioned in the pages of the Bible. Here is the raven that fed Elijah, the lion that Samson smote, even the dove which Noah sent from the Ark. A recent exhibit featured the locust which has threatened Middle Eastern agriculture since Biblical times. This is probably the only zoo to which practically every home has a guidebook—the Bible.



1. Of what country was Vashti queen?
2. What was the trade at which Paul sometimes worked during his ministry?
3. What did the ark in the holy of holies of the Jewish temple contain?
4. To what nationality did Hagar, the mother of Ishmael, belong?
5. Twice in Luke 15 Jesus refers to "the ninety-and-nine." The ninety-and-nine what?

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Morning Worship 10:20 - 11:30 A. M.
Youth Fellowship 6:00 P. M.

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Holy Communion Sundays.
First Sunday, the Rosary Society.
Second Sunday, Holy Name Society.
Third Sunday, the Catholic Ladies of Columbia.
Fourth Sunday, Children of Mary.

TRINITY EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN
Madison At Ninth
John E. Chambers, Minister
9:00 — Sunday School — Cliff Hoverson, supt. All pupils will go to newly assigned classes since Promotion Day on last Sunday.
10:00 — Morning Worship — Message "Through the Eyes of Jesus." Harold Mumma is organist and Walter Hinkel will direct the choir in the anthem "God is Love" by Shelley. Come; worship with us!

3:30 — Meeting of the Building Committee.
6:30 — Boys' and Girls and Youth Fellowship.
7:30 — Evening Service, message by Rev. Albert Swenson. Rev. Swenson will tell of his trip to Sweden this past summer.
Mon. 7:30 — Final session of Leadership Training School at E. & R. Church.

Wed. 7:00 — Mid-week Services and Pastor Class.
8:00 — Choir Rehearsal.
Fri. 2:00 — W.S.W.S. Fall Institute at Nine Mile Church.

MISSIONARY CHURCH
Tenth and Dayton Streets
Gerald I. Gerig, Pastor
9:00 — Sunday School — Ralph Myers, General Superintendent.
10:00 — Morning Worship. Pastor speaking on this subject: "The Mind of Christ." The fifth message from the book of Philipians.
7:00 — Adult Fellowship.
Teen-Age MYF.
Children's Gospel Hour.
7:30 — Evening Gospel Hour.

Subject for the evening: "Making Excuses." Jin the happy crowd that meets every Sunday evening for an hour of inspiration. Over 100 attended last Sunday night.
Wednesday 7:30 — Prayer and Praise.
October 21-25 — Spiritual Emphasis Week at the First Methodist Church.

We extend a warm welcome to the friends of the Decatur area to worship with us on the Lord's Day.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Ray J. Walther, Pastor
Sunday school 9:15 a. m.
Worship service 10:30 a. m.
Youth budget committee meeting 1:30 p. m.
Junior fellowship 4:30 p. m.
Parent night.
Westminster Fellowship 6 p. m.
Ann Kocher, leader.
Monday 7:30 p. m. Leadership training school.
Tuesday. No men's council dinner. Meeting postponed to Oct. 23.
Wednesday, 6 p. m. Westminster choir practice; 7 p. m. chancel choir practice; 7:30 p. m. building committee; 8 p. m. women's association executive board meeting.

Sunday, Oct. 21 will be laymen's Sunday.

FIRST BAPTIST
221 South Fourth Street
Stuart H. Brightwell, pastor
9:15 a.m., Sunday school hour.
James J. Strickler, supt. We have a graded Bible-Centered School. If you do not attend another Sunday School, we invite you to visit us.
10:30 a.m., morning worship service. Sermon by the pastor: "All Things for Good." Choir anthem: "The Valley of Peace." Choir director: George Myers. Organist: Mrs. Stuart Brightwell.
6:30 p.m., Baptist Youth Fellowship. Jack Ladd is president.
7:30 p.m., evening gospel hour. Sermon subject will be on witnessing and will be the concluding

sermon in a series on major Christian responsibilities.

The public is invited to the services of our church. You will be cordially welcomed.

Monday, Wednesday, October 17 — Indiana Baptist convention at the First Baptist Church, Peru. Several of our people will be attending the sessions of the convention.

Wednesday, 7 p.m., midweek hour of prayer and Bible study. 8 p.m., choir rehearsal under the direction of George Myers.

Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Dynamic Builders class party at the church. This will be a "Ghost Party." Committee in charge is: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hamrick, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Butler, and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bodle.

Next Sunday, October 21 — Sunday, October 28 — Spiritual Emphasis Week at the Decatur Methodist church.

FIRST METHODIST
W. Monroe at Fifth Street
Virgil Wesley Sexton, minister
9:30 a.m., church school. Leonard Soliday, general superintendent, will be in charge. Classes for all ages. Nursery for toddlers and a supervised crib room for babies. Membership class will meet in the pastor's study.
10:20 a.m., divine worship. The pastor will continue with the series of sermons based on the Sermon on the Mount on the topic "Would You Want to be Meek?" The choir under the direction of Leland Neuen will sing the anthem "The Lord is my Light" by Oley Speaks, with Miss Helen Haubold as the organist. Visitors are invited to our services.
The Board of Trustees will meet immediately following the service in the church lounge.
The Lay Leaders will meet in the church office following the worship service.
4 p.m., Intermediate Youth Fellowship group will meet at the church for a weiner bake and hayride. Mr. Collin B. High will be in charge.
6 p.m., Senior Youth Fellowship will meet in Memorial Chapel with Rev. Sexton in charge. Winston Lister will have devotions and the sponsors will be Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Soliday.
Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., evening Circle No. 2 will meet with Mrs. Helen Howell, 921 W. Monroe Street.
Wednesday, 6:15 p.m., Laymen's Rally of the Ft. Wayne District. Simpson Methodist church, Fort Wayne. Speaker will be Mr. Don Calame of Chicago. 7 p.m., choir rehearsal.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
7th and Marshall
C. E. Lykins, pastor
Sunday school at 9:30 a.m., followed by unified worship service at 10:20. The pastor will speak especially to the Junior department. Young Peoples' service at 6:45, with Richard Hurst in charge. The subject will be, "Why does the devil pick on me?"
Evangelistic service at 7:30 p.m. with the pastor speaking.
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.
Visitation on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST
Nuttman Avenue
Paul D. Parker, minister
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Lawrence Michel, general superintendent. Bring the family and worship with us, there are classes for all ages, including a kindergarten.
Morning worship service, 10:30 a.m. Sermon: "The Church At Prayer."
Christian Endeavor, 7 p.m.
Evening evangelistic service, 7:30 p.m. Sermon: "The Anchor To The Soul."
Prayer and Bible study, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
You are cordially invited to attend these services.

ZION EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCH
Third and Jackson
William C. Feller, pastor
Church school at 9:00 a.m. Laverne Roth, superintendent. Dr. J. C. Koenig, missionary to India, will speak to the combined classes and show curios from India. Come and bring your entire family.
Divine Worship at 10:00 a.m. This is annual Mission Festival

Sunday. Dr. Koenig will preach the sermon. The choir will sing, "Send Out Thy Light," by Gounod. Special offering for World Service and missions.

A covered dish dinner will be served at noon. Members are asked to bring covered hodies, and table service.

The second worship service of the day will be held at 2:00 p.m. at which time Dr. Koenig will again give the address. Special offering for World Service and missions. The choir will sing, "Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem," by Maunder.

Youth Fellowship at 6:15 p.m. Devotions by Sara Elchenauer. Dr. Koenig will show pictures of his work in India. Adults are also invited.

Final sessions of the cooperative leadership training school on Monday at 7:30 p.m.
Senior choir rehearsal on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
Men's chorus rehearsal on Wednesday at 7:45 p.m.
Catechetical classes on Saturday morning: seniors at 9, juniors at 10 a.m.
Come and worship with us.

for the world mission program of the church will be brought by members.

Sunday school classes, nursery to senior, and four Bible classes meet from 9:15 to 10:10 a.m. You and your children are invited to enroll.

Saturday Bible school meets each week, from 9:15 to 11:30 a.m. for children of grade school age.

CHURCH CALENDAR
A family pot-luck dinner will be held Sunday noon, Mission Sunday, in the parish hall auditorium. Members of the Missionary Society will furnish table embellishments and drinks. Members and guests are asked to bring their table service. All families of the parish and friends are invited.

The quarterly meeting of the Voters' assembly of the parish will meet Sunday afternoon at 1:30 in the church.

Choir rehearsal Wednesday evening at 7:15.
The Emmaus Guild, evening ladies' group, will meet Wednesday evening at 8:00 o'clock. All ladies are invited.

The Lutheran church invites you to worship if you have no other church home. The message at the two services, 8 and 10:30, is identical.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Traverse W. Chandler, Minister
Morning worship begins at 9:30 a. m. with the prelude, by Mrs. Glen Borchers at the organ. Following the Call to Worship, communion meditation and the ordinance of the Lord's Supper, the topic of the minister's sermon will be "Neutrality or the Cross." Scripture lesson, Luke 9:18-26. Text, Luke 9:23.

The choir under the direction of Mrs. Gerald Strickler, will sing "Dear Shepherd," Lewis-Wilson. Junior church at 9:30 a. m. in the lower sanctuary. A film strip will be shown.

Bible school hour, 10:30 a. m. Everett Faulkner, Supt., Gerald Strickler, assistant.
The Priscilla Circle will meet Wednesday evening at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. Roy Stucky. Mrs. Raymond Elaph will be the leader. Choir practice Wednesday evening: Juniors at 6:30, Adults at 7 p. m.

Discussion on Questions & S.S. Lesson
Discussion Questions on the Sunday School Lesson, God's Command to Teach, for Sunday, October 21.

1. Where was Moses when the words of this lesson were uttered?
2. What work of distinction had Moses performed?
3. What are things parents ought to say in their closing days?
4. What is the great commandment as found in this lesson?
5. What, as taught in this lesson, makes an ideal Christian home?

Clericus says: "When we yield ourselves to Christ and become one with him, his purity, righteousness and spiritual power come into our life to make obedience to God's laws possible. When a man is in Christ he is more than an obedient servant — he is a new creature."

Lesson prayer: We are grateful for the fundamental moral laws as a basis for moral living. We are grateful that the Giver of the moral law is the Giver of a life of righteousness. We are grateful that back of the moral law is a God of love who seeks us to become his obedient children. Grant that we may be so faithful that we promised heavenly reward may be realized.

There will always be a frontier where there is an open mind and a willing hand. — Kettering.

The reason birds can fly and we can't is simply that they have perfect faith, for to have faith is to have wings. — Sir James Barrie.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
12th and Washington St.
Carroll Myers, minister
Sunday Oct. 14, Services
9:30 a.m. Morning worship. This will be a special service with Roland Stevers as our special speaker. Come hear him challenge your heart to more complete service. Special music is planned.
10:30 a.m. Bible school with classes for all ages. Help us break our record. Lee Moser, Supt.
1:00 All youth meet at the church to go to the youth rally to be held at Montpelier.
7:30 p.m. Evening service. Special message by the minister, "Is one church as good as another?" Come hear the Bible answer to this popular question.
Monday Oct. 15, 7:30 p.m. Area men's meeting at Warren. Every man is urged to make plans to attend and help us bring home the banner.
Wednesday Oct. 17, 7:30 Prayer meeting and Bible study. Everyone is welcome for this hour of power. CH RCH - See what happens when "U" is left out.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
West Monroe and Eleventh Streets
Edgar P. Schmidt, pastor
MISSION SUNDAY
"How can we become better Stewards of the Gospel?" will be the sermon at both 8:00 and 10:30 worship services Sunday. The church choir, under the direction of Robert G. Welsh, will appear at both services. A special offering

will be made for the support of the church.

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CLERICUS SAYS:
Clericus says: "Worship God. This is the Bible's remedy for the evils which assail men's souls. Jesus assured his hearers that if they would seek first the kingdom of God, all necessary things which usually men wear themselves out in seeking, would be added to them."

Book Review
I Chose a Parson, by Phillis Start. The Oxford University Press, is a warm, humorous story of a clergyman's family, with special emphasis on the interesting and humorous experiences they shared.

Do You Know Answered
1. Of Persia and Media (Esth. 1)
2. That of a ten-maker (Acts 18:3)
3. The tables of the law (I Kings 8:9)
4. She was an Egyptian. (Gen. 16:1)
5. In Verse 4 — sheep; in verse 7 — persons.

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