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Lesson for January 1, 1983 CHRISTIAN CONSECRATION

Scripture reading: Romans 6.

Memory verse: Romans 6:16.

- 1. At what time in his life was one outstanding Bible character dedicated to the Lord? 1 Samuel 1:20, 24-28.
- 2. Was David called while yet a youth? 1 Samuel 16:10-12.
- 3. What was the burden of Paul's message? Romans 12:1.
- 4. Compare 1 Peter 2:5.
- 5. How complete must consecration be? Luke 14:33.
- 6. How fully was Christ consecrated to His work? Philippians 2:7, 8.
- 7. What are we admonished to do in this respect? Philippians 2:5.
- 8. How should we walk as Christians? 1 Corinthians 6:19, 20.
- 9. Before full consecration can take place, what must we experience? John 3:3; Hebrews 9:13, 14.
- 10. Who alone is responsible for our sins being purged? 2 Timothy 2:21.
- 11. What are the sacrifices of God? Psalms 51:17.
- 12. Of what are we assured of if we are in full consecration to Him? Romans 8:1-11.

Lesson for January 8, 1983 ACCEPTABLE WORSHIP

Scripture reading: Psalms 95.

Memory verse: Psalms 95:6.

- 1. Who should we worship? Matthew 4:10.
- 2. Why does the Heavenly Father claim our worship? Psalms 95:7.
- 3. In whose name are we to approach the Heavenly Father? John 14:13; 15:16.
- 4. In what attitude should we come to worship the Heavenly Father? John 4:23, 24.
- 5. What is the reason why He alone should claim our worship? Psalms 95:3-5; 96:4, 5.
- 6. What song should we sing to Him? Psalms 96:1.
- 7. What should we do in His name? Psalms 96:2, 7, 8.

- 8. To what extent does He require praise and adoration? Psalms 96:11-13.
- 9. When we come into the assembly, how should we conduct ourselves? Ecclesiastes 5:1.
- 10. When Jacob rendered acceptable worship, what did he require of his family? Genesis 35:1-4.
- 11. What was required of Moses and Joshua when they were on holy ground? Exodus 3:5; Joshua 5:15.
- 12. What example did God set for those who willfully violated His command in worship? Leviticus 10:1-3.
- 13. Why did Paul write certain instructions to Timothy? 1Timothy 3:14, 15.

Lesson for January 15, 1983 TRIALS

Scripture reading: Romans 5.

Memory verse: James 5:11.

- 1. What may the followers of Christ Jesus expect in this life? John 16:33.
- 2. How many of God's children will be tried? 2 Timothy 3:12.
- 3. How important is the trial of our faith? 1 Peter 1:6, 7; James 1:2-4.
- 4. Who does the Lord chasten? Hebrews 12:6.
- 5. What does the Lord do willingly? Lamentations 3:31, 33.
- 6. If we trust and love the Lord, of what may we be sure? Romans 8:28.
- 7. What virtues do patiently borne trials develop? Romans 5:3, 4; Hebrews 12:11.
- 8. How should we regard even the severe trials of life? 1 Peter 4: 12, 13.
- 9. What will God not permit? What will He always provide? 1 Corinthians 10:13.
- 10. In what spirit should we meet all of our trials? Romans 12:12
- 11. What must we expect before entering into that Kingdom of dory? Acts 14:22; James 1:12.
 - **Note**. The fact that we are called upon to endure trials shows that Jesus sees in us something very precious which He desires to develop. If He saw in us nothing whereby we might glorify His name, He would not spend time refining us.

Lesson for January 22, 1983

PRAYER

Scripture reading: Matthew 6:1-19.

Memory verse: 1 Thessalonians 5:17.

- 1. How did the Psalmist address the Creator? Psalms 65:2.
- 2. What is prayer? Psalms 142:1.
- 3. What instruction regarding prayer is given to God's people? Luke 21:36; 1 Thessalonians 5:17; Colossians4:2.
- 4. Why should we be diligent in prayer? 1 Peter 5:8.
- 5. What is the example of Jesus concerning prayer? Mark 1:35; Luke 22:44; Hebrews 5:7
- 6. Was Jesus sure that God always heard His prayers? John 11:41, 42.
- 7. Should we have the same assurance? Matthew 7:7, 8; James 5:17, 18.
- 8. On what conditions has God promised to hear and grant our petitions? 1 John 3:22; 5:14, 15.
- 9. What hinders the Lord in answering some prayers? Proverbs 28:9; James 1:6, 7; 4:3; Psalms 66:18.
- 10. What encouragement is given to those who pray when in trouble? Psalms 46:1, 2: 107:6.
- 11. Do our prayers really ascend to God? Revelation 8:3; 5:8.
- 12. Whose example should we avoid in praying? Matthew 6:5-8.
- 13. What instruction is given to the remnant church? What results will follow if this admonition is heeded? Philippians 4:5-7.

Lesson for January 29, 1983 HEALING

Scripture reading: James 5.

Memory verse: Luke 4:18

- 1. Did God hear the prayer of Abraham? Genesis 20:17; Exodus 15:26.
- 2. Was Hezekiah healed when he was sick unto death? Isaiah 38:1; 2 Kings 20:5-8.
- 3. What did Isaiah prophesy concerning healing? Isaiah 53:5.
- 4. Were all diseases healed by prayer alone? Matthew 17:21; James 5:14, 15.

- 5. To whom did Jesus give power to heal the sick? Luke 9:1- 9:1-6; 1:1-9.
- 6. How many of the sick that came to Jerusalem were healed? Acts 5:15, 16.
- 7. Besides preaching the gospel, what other great work was done by Paul and Barnabas? Acts 14:7-11.
- 8. Do you think that Jesus has changed? Should the power of healing be in the Church of God today as was in days gone by? Hebrews 13:8; 1 Corinthians 12:4, 9.

Lesson for February 5, 1983 THE EVERYDAY PRAYER LIFE

Scripture reading: Matthew 6:1-13.

Memory verse: Philippians 4:6.

- 1. In what important matter was David's life engaged? Psalms 55:17.
- 2. Like David, what should be first on our daily program? Psalms 88:13; 119:147.
- 3. Who else should we look to as our example in our daily prayer life? Daniel 6:10.
- 4. What victory came to him as the results of seeking the good Lord? Daniel 6:21-23.
- 5. What other example should we take regarding prayer? Luke 6:12.
- 6. What else should be associated with praying? Daniel 9:2, 3.
- 7. When did Daniel get an answer? Daniel 9:20, 23.
- 8. How long did Daniel fast, pray and mourn before he received an understanding of the vision? Daniel 10:2, 3.
- 9. Who withstood the angel? How did he get deliverance? Daniel 10:13.
- 10. Why is it essential to fast and pray? Matthew 17:14-21.
- 11. What will we experience in our souls if we pray, fast, and praise God? Galatians 2:20.

Note. — We should learn to pray as Daniel. The answer did not come immediately, but he was confident that God had heard him. In beginning the day, our prayers should be brought before the Lord, thus setting the pace for a victorious daily life.

Lesson for February 12, 1983 THE WATER OF LIFE

Scripture reading: Isaiah 55.

Memory verse: Psalms 46:1.

- 1. What is God's promise to those who are thirsty? Isaiah 44:3.
- 2. What would be the result of this spiritual outpouring? Verse 4, 5.
- 3. What other invitation is given to those who are thirsty? Isaiah 55:1.
- 4. What appeal is made to those wasting their time living in sin? Verse 2, 3.
- 5. What would have happened if this invitation had been heeded by Israel? Verses 4, 5.
- 6. What symbol is used by David to describe the same experience? Psalms 46:4.
- 7. What kind of water did Jesus offer the woman of Samaria? John 4:10.
- 8. Contrast the water of the well and that which Christ Jesus gives. Verses 13, 14.
- 9. On the last day of the Jewish feast, what invitation did Jesus give, and still gives to all? John 7:37, 38.
- 10. With what is this water drawn? Isaiah 12:3.

Lesson for February 19, 1983 NOAH, A JUST MAN

Scripture reading: Genesis 6:5-18.

Memory verse: Hebrews 11:7.

- Which of Noah's ancestors was a great man of God? Genesis 5:21-32.
 Note. Enoch prophesied of the flood when he named his son "Methuselah", which means "At his death, the sending forth of waters". Methuselah died the year of the flood.
- 2. What was the condition in the land in Noah's day? Genesis 6:5, 12.
- 3. What did God decide to do about this? Genesis 6:7, 13, 17.
- 4. Why was Noah not destroyed? Genesis 6:8, 18. Discuss verse 9. Margin on "perfect" is upright.
- 5. Discuss the building of the ark, provisions with which it was stocked, and its passengers.
- 6. Note chapter 7:5. Does this have any important significance?

- 7. What happened after the flood receded? Genesis 8:13-21.
- 8. What promise did God make? Verse 22. What charge did He give? Genesis 9:1-7.

Lesson for 26, 1983 ABRAHAH, THE FRIEND OF GOD

Scripture reading: Genesis 12:1-9.

Memory verse: Romans 4:3.

- 1. How was Abraham a descendant of Noah? Genesis 11:22-26.
- 2. What was his name originally, and who were his father and his brothers? Genesis 11:26, 27.
- 3. Discuss verses 28-32. There is at least one point of importance in each verse.
- 4. What promise was made to Abraham? Genesis 12:1-3; 6-7.
- 5. With what was Abraham concerned at this time? 15:1-5.
- 6. Sarai's handmaid, Hagar, bore a son, Ishmael, to Abram. However, this was not his heir. Discuss chapter 17:1-22. Note significant changes in Abram's and Sarai's names.
- 7. Genesis 17:17 speaks of the age of Abraham as being about 100 years, and Sarah's about 90 (verse 21). What was the great test of Abraham's faith after the birth of Isaac? Genesis 22:1, 2.
- 8. What relationship did Abraham have with God? 2 Chronicles 20:7; James 2:23.

Lesson for March 5, 1983 MOSES, GIVER OF THE LAW

Scripture reading: Deuteronomy 34:1-8.

Memory verse: Hebrews 11:24, 25.

Note. — Moses' life was divided into three parts: (1) - in the courts of Egypt; (2) — in the desert as a tender of Jethro's flocks; (3) — in the wilderness with Israel. Each of these three periods was forty years. It took him eighty years to prepare for forty years of service.

1. Discuss the circumstances which brought Israel into Egypt and placed them in

- bondage. Exodus 1:1-14.
- 2. How did Moses, a Hebrew, come to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter? Exodus 1:15-22; 2:1-10.
 - **Note**. Josephus tells us that Pharaoh's daughter was Thermuthis, who had no child of her own. Moses was reared to become Pharaoh's successor, and as general of the army he led a very successful campaign into Ethiopia.
- 3. What was the turning point in Moses' life, and how did it come about? Exodus 2:11-25.
- 4. How did Moses spend the second period of his life, and how did it end? Exodus 3 and 4.
- 5. How did Moses launch his career as the leader of Israel? Exodus 4:29-31; 5:1-9.
- 6. How long did Moses lead the children of Israel, and why were they so long in the wilderness? Numbers 14:1-5; 26-29.
- 7. What was the end of this great hero's life? Deuteronomy 34:1-8.

Lesson March 12, 1983 CHRIST'S KINGDOM

Scripture reading: Matthew 13:37-50.

Memory verse: Matthew 13:41.

- 1. What is Jesus called in Revelation 1:5?
- 2. When will Jesus take over the Kingdom? Revelation 11:15; 17:14.
- 3. How long will the Lord Jesus reign as King of kings and Lord of lords? Revelation 20:6.
- 4. What is the object of His reign? 1 Corinthians 15:25.
- 5. Who will be reigning along with Him for this 1000 year period? Jude 1:14, 15; Revelation 20:6.
- 6. Who will send forth to take of the wicked during this reign of Jesus? Matthew 13:41, 42.
- 7. Who will be the first to be cast into the lake of fire? Revelation 19:20.
- 8. At the end of this reign of Christ and His saints upon the earth, what will happen to the Devil? Revelation 20:10.
- 9. What did Luke say about Christ reigning on the throne of David? Luke 1:32.

- 10. Did Isaiah prophesy about this blessed reign of Christ? Isaiah 9:6.
- 11. When the Son of man hath put all enemies under His feet, what does He do with the Kingdom? 1 Corinthians 15:24, 28.

Note. — The Son of man reigns for 1000 years, and during this time restores all things. It is at the end of His reign that He gives the Kingdom to the Father. 1 Corinthians 15:24, 25.

Lesson for March 19, 1983 WHO CHOSE JERUSALEM?

Scripture reading: Psalms 128 and 129.

Memory verse: Psalms 132:13.

- 1. What is said about the prosperity of those who km Jerusalem? Psalms 122:6.
- 2. In what place has the Lord promised blessings and life for evermore? Psalms 133:3; 134:3; 128:5.
- 3. What was said about not forgetting Jerusalem, and referring it above our chief joys? Psalms 137:5, 6.
 - **Note**. The Jews have always been a very prosperous people, and they have never forgotten Jerusalem. Each year at the close of the Passover, they shake one another's hands and say, "Next year at Jerusalem". This has been their practice now for nearly 2000 years in their prolonged exile over the earth.
- 4. What was a special prayer of David, and when will this prayer be answered? Psalms 122:7.
- 5. What is said about the beauty of the situation of Mount Zion, and of the city located on it? Psalms 48:2, 3.
- 6. What promise is given concerning Zion and the cities of Judah? Psalms 69:35, 36.
- 7. What is especially said concerning Ephraim and Judah and about establishing Mount Zion forever? Psalms 78:67-69.
- 8. Has there been a special time set to remember and favor Zion? Psalms 102:13.
- 9. Will the true servants take pleasure in Zion, and even in her stones at this time? Verse 14.

- 10. When will this time be, and what great event will the restoration of Zion precede? Verse 16.
- 11. For whom, especially, was this prophecy given? Verse 21.
- 12. What is further said about deliverance in connection with Mount Zion? Joel 2:31, 32.
- 13. At this time, from what place will the name of the Heavenly Father and His praise go forth? Psalms 102:21.
- 14. What does Zechariah say concerning Jerusalem and Zion in these days when the Jews are again returning there? Zechariah 8:3-5.

Lesson for March 26, 1983 THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

Scripture reading: Mark 13. Memory verse: Luke 21:27.

- 1. Does the Bible teach the second coming of Christ? Hebrews 9:28.
- 2. In what manner will Christ come the second time? Daniel 7:13, 14; Acts 1:11.
- 3. How many will see Him when He comes the second time? Matthew 24:30; Revelation 1:7.
- 4. What did David say about the second coming of Christ? Psalms 72:6, 7.
- 5. What great authority grill He have when He comes to earth the second time? Revelation 19:11-16; Zechariah 14:9.
- 6. What will He do when He returns? Acts 3:19-21.
- 7. How long will He reign? Revelation 20:4-6; 1 Corinthians 15:24-2S.
- 8. Where will He reign and on what throne will He sit? Acts 30; Revelation 3:21.
- 9. Will this reign be in Heaven, or on the earth? Revelation 9 and 10; Isaiah 24:3; Revelation 21:1.

Note. - The Lord's second coming will be revealed from Heaven (2 Thessalonians 1:7). This is not a new doctrine but as old as the creation itself. Enoch spoke about the coming of His glory (Jude 14, 15). Let us be ready to meet Him when He returns to rule and reign over this universe.

UNDATED LESSONS - FOR USE ANYTIME

THE WATER OF LIFE

Scripture reading: Isaiah 12.

Memory verse: Revelation 22:17.

- 1. What is God's invitation to those who are thirsty? Isaiah 44:3; 51:1.
- 2. By what means do we draw water from the wells of salvation? Isaiah 12:2, 3; Nehemiah 8:10 (last part).
- 3. What simple request did Jesus make to the woman at Jacob's well? John 4:6, 7.
- 4. What was the woman's reply? Verse 9.
- 5. How did the woman react when Jesus told her about the living water? Verses 10-12.
 - **Note**. It is evident from the woman's reply that she did not comprehend what the Master told her she thought only of the temporal water.
- 6. When a person receives the living water, are his innermost needs satisfied? John 4:13, 14; 6:35.
- 7. On a different occasion what invitation did Jesus extend to all? John 7:37, 38.
- 8. How did Jesus further define this Water of life? John 7:39.
- 9. If we are filled with the Spirit, how will we walk? Galatians 5:16, 25, 26; Romans 6:11-13.
- 10. What glorious fruit will be manifest in our lives if we are completely surrendered to the Saviour? Ephesians 5:9, 10; Galatians 5:22, 23.

Note. — Many today do not yield themselves completely to the Lord, and do not have the deep, satisfying joy, in their Christian life — serving Christ to them is a burden instead of a joy. If you have not yielded your all to the Master —do so today!

PERFECTION IN LIFE'S RACE

Scripture reading: Philippians 3.

Memory verse: Philippians 3:14.

- 1. What was the standard to which Noah attained in his day? Genesis 6:8.
- 2. What standard did pod demand of Abraham? Genesis 17:1.

- 3. What infers that Enoch had attained perfection? Genesis 5:22-25; Hebrews 11:5.
- 4. What does the New Testament say about Zacharias and Elizabeth? Luke 1:5,6.
- 5. On what condition did God promise to establish the throne of David to Solomon? 1 Kings 9:3-5.
- 6. What it said of those who have attained perfection? Psalms 37:37.
- 7. What instructions were given unto Israel for this attainment? Deuteronomy 18:9-13.
- 8. What were said of the nations of Canaan? Deuteronomy 18:14 (first part).
- What requirements were made of Israel? Verse 14 (last part). Verse 13.
 Note. The margin renders "perfect" as "upright or sincere". An upright man is one who is sincere and has no desire to do wrong.
- 10. Who did our Lord Jesus set forth as our example of perfection? Matthew 5:48.
- 11. What must the rich do in order to attain perfection? Matthew 19:16-21.
- 12. How did this wealthy man react to this demand? Verse 22.
 - **Note**. Self is the only obstacle in the way of our goal of perfection. Do we sell all? Some of us treasure malice, envy, wrath, and deceit in our souls and refuse to sell them out in order to buy the pearl of great price, which pearl is Christ and the Kingdom.