Bible Lessons for THE CHURCH OF GOD 7th Day FIRST QUARTER 1984

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Lesson for January 7, 1984 THE MIRACLE OF CONVERSION

Scripture reading: 2 Corinthians 5.

Memory verse: 2 Corinthians 5:17.

- 1. How is man's heart described? Jeremiah 17:9.
- 2. Can the evidence of sin be seen on one's heart? Jeremiah 17:1.
- How does the Apostle Paul describe man's condition? Romans 3:10-18.
 Note. This is man in his natural condition. If there is to be a change then a miracle must be performed.
- 4. How is the impossibility of changing ourselves described? Jeremiah 13:23.
- 5. How does God through Ezekiel describe the operation that changes a man's heart? Ezekiel 36:24-26.
- 6. After this operation is performed, and the Spirit of God comes in, what effect will it have upon us? Verse 27.
- 7. What must a sinner do to obtain pardon? Proverbs 28:13.
- 8. How is this principle emphasized in the New Testament? Acts 2:38; 3:19.
- 9. What proves the miracle of conversion? Galatians 5:22, 23.

Lesson for January 14, 1984 THOU SHALT NOT BOW DOWN THYSELF

Scripture reading: Acts 14:11-23.

Memory verse: Exodus 20:3.

- 1. Of what is the Lord our God jealous? Exodus 20:3-5.
- 2. What incident is related in Acts 12:22, 23?
- Is it acceptable to worship men and angels? Revelation 19:10; Exodus 20:4 (first part); Revelation 22:8, 9.
- 4. Did the Apostle Peter refuse to be worshipped? Acts 10:25, 26.
- 5. When did the Apostles, Paul and Barnabas, restrain the people from worshipping them? Acts 14:11-18.

- What do the Scriptures say about worshipping the Saints? Job 5:1; Colossians 2:18.
- Praising God is also an intricate necessity for worshipping God. Psalms 148:11-13.
- 8. Will praises to God even effect the yield of the fields? Psalms 67:5, 6.

Lesson for January 21, 1984 DOCTRINE

Scripture reading: Matthew 15:1-20.

Memory verse: Matthew 15:9.

- 1. What should we recognize in studying the Sacred Scriptures? 2 Timothy 3:16.
- 2. Who are able to learn the doctrines of God? Isaiah 28:9; John 7:17.
- 3. What kind of doctrine should we accept? Proverbs 4:1, 2.
- 4. How will sound doctrine affect our moral and spiritual life? Deuteronomy 32:2;2 Timothy 3:16, 17.
- 5. Against what doctrine did Jesus warn? Matthew 16:6, 12.
- 6. What was wrong with the doctrine of the Pharisees? Matthew 15:9.
- 7. What kind of leaders were the Pharisees called by Jesus? Verse 14.
- 8. What admonition is given to all children of God? Hebrews 13:9.
- 9. What does the church do with sound doctrine? Titus 2:10.
- 10. What further duty is required of the church? 2 Timothy 4:2.

Lesson for January 28, 1984 THE FALL OF MAN

Scripture reading: Isaiah 59:1-20.

Memory verse: John 8:9.

- 1. What is the definition of sin? 1 John 3:4; James 4:17.
- 2. Which sin caused man to fall from his perfect estate? Genesis 3:1-7.
 Note. The first commandment broken was the first sin. "The Lord God commanded the man saying, of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it; for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." Genesis 2:17. The reason God set rules and bountries for mankind was to protect us from sin.

When Adam sinned he had to face the consequences: death.

- What was the extent of the sin and depravity of man? Ephesians 2:3; Psalms 51:5; Job 25:4-6.
- 4. Did the fall of man cause the entire universe to be depraved? Romans 3:9-12;1 John 5:19; Isaiah 64:6.
- 5. How was sin discovered by the law? Romans 2:12-15; John 15:22.
- Are sins justified by the law of God? Romans 3:20; 7; 7.
 Note. --- The punishment of sin is death. "For the wages of sin is death." Death has passed upon every individual as the ultimate end for sins committed.
- 7. What is the outcome of the fallen man's life? Psalms 119: 155; Jeremiah 8:20;1 Corinthians 6:9.
- The fallen man's understanding becomes darkened, Romans 1:28; his conscience is seared, 1 Timothy 4:2; Titus 1:15; he will be enslaved Jeremiah 13:23; 2 Timothy 3:13; he will be in constant fear, Job 18.11-15.

Lesson for February 4, 1984

THE NEW TESTAMENT STAND ON DOCTRINE

Scripture reading: Titus 2.

Memory verse: 1Timothy 4:16.

- 1. What doctrine are we commanded to adorn? Titus 2:10; 1Timothy 6:3, 4.
- 2. How may we know the true doctrine of God? John 7:16-18.
- 3. What warning is given to those who know the true doctrine? 2 John 1:8-11.
- 4. To what are we commanded to render attendance? 1Timothy 4:13.
- Are we to heed or teach any other doctrine besides Christ's? 1Timothy 1:3; Ephesians 4:14, 15.
- 6. What are the young admonished to do with their Christian lives? Titus 2:6-8.
- 7. What is one of the things necessary to have in order to be a good minister of Jesus Christ? 1Timothy 4:6, 15, 16.
- 8. What other doctrines are mentioned? 1Timothy 4:1; Jeremiah 10:8; Matthew 16:12; Revelation 2:15; Matthew 15:8, 9.
- 9. In order to keep people from being deceived by wrong doctrines what are we to do? Romans 16:17, 18.
- 10. With what are we to reprove and rebuke? What should be our attitude when

doing this? 2 Timothy 4:2.

- 11. Why are we commanded to do this? 2 Timothy 4:3, 4.
- 12. What things are we admonished to speak? Titus 2:1.
- 13. What warning is given unto us concerning strange doctrine? Hebrews 13:9.

Lesson for February 11, 1984 LET THE LIGHT SHINE

Scripture reading: 1Thessaionians 5.

Memory verse: John 8:12.

- 1. Who is the light of the world? How shall those walk who follow after the light? John 8:12; 9:5.
- 2. How did Jesus let His light shine? Acts 10:38.
- 3. What is said of the cities He visited? Matthew 4:16.
- 4. What did Jesus say of His people? For what purpose do men place lights in dark places? Matthew 5:14, 15.
- 5. How are the people of the Lord to make use of the light which God has given them? Verse 16; 2 Corinthians 4:6.
- 6. What danger threatens those who do not walk in the light? John 12:35.
- 7. How was the Apostolic Church to be the light of the world? Acts 1:8.
- 8. What great commission is given to God's church? Mark 16:15.
- What great message is to be given to the whole world before Jesus returns? Matthew 24:14; Revelation 14:6-10.
- 10. What does the Lord say to the people who will give such a message? What will be the result of the finished work? Isaiah 60:1-5.

Lesson for February 18, 1984 GOD'S CARE FOR US

Scripture reading: Matthew 6:19-34.

Memory verse: 1 Peter 5:7.

- 1. What promise of continual care has the Lord made to us? Hebrews 13:5.
- 2. What may we boldly say? Verse 6.
- 3. What prayer is appropriate for all Christians? Psalms 31:3.
- 4. Whom has the Lord promised to guide in judgment? Psalms 25:9; Proverbs

3:6.

- 5. What are some of the ways by which the Lord will guide His people? Psalms 32:8; 73:24; Isaiah 30:21.
- 6. How does God compare His people with flowers and birds? Matthew 6:26-30.
 Note. The little brown sparrow is watched over by God. The flowers of the field and the grass that carpets the earth share the care of the Heavenly Father.
 How much more does He care for man who was created in His own image?
- 7. For what should we have no great anxiety? May we claim the promises that the necessary things of life will be given unto us? Verse 31-34.
- 8. In what Spirit should we constantly come before the Lord? Philippians 4:6.
- 9. How constant is the Lord's watchfulness over us? What protection does He promise? Psalms 121:3-8.

Lesson for February 25, 1984 EXAMPLES OF OBEDIENCE AND DISOBEDIENCE

Scripture reading: Matthew 7:13-29.

Memory verse: Deuteronomy 28:1.

- What befell the sons of Aaron when they disobeyed the Lord's commandments? Leviticus 10:1-3; Numbers 3:4.
- What was Abraham's reward for being obedient? Hebrews 11:8; Genesis 22:17, 18.
- What catastrophe came upon the house of Eli? 1 Samuel 2:34, 35; 3:17, 18.
 Note. Disobedience always causes disaster in one form or another.
 Obedience is the act of conforming to the commands of a superior. It is one of the fundamentals necessary to the Christian life. Faith in itself is a simple form of obedience.
- 4. Due to their disobedience, what befell the Israelites who came out of the captivity of Egypt? Numbers 14:24, 30, 36-38; 26:65.
- How does God look on the obedient and disobedient? Proverbs 15:9; 12:2; 8:18-21.
- 6. What good admonition did Moses give to Israel? Deuteronomy 4:14.
- Was Jesus, our great example, also our example in obedience? Mark 14:36; Romans 5:19; Philippians 2:8.

Note. - We can see by these passages and others that Christ was tempted, that He was human, that He was put to every test: yet with that wonderful self effacement He came forth from every trial obedient even unto death.

 By the obedience of Christ we are saved. How did Jesus learn obedience? Hebrews 5:7-8.

Lesson for March 3, 1984 MIRACLES

Scripture reading: Acts 8:5-25.

Memory verse: Joshua 3:5.

- What is one of the primary purposes of miracles? Exodus 4:5; Numbers 16:28; Exodus 19:9; John 2:23.
- 2. What was the purpose of the plagues in Egypt? Exodus 7:5; 9:29.
- When the manna and the quails fell among Israel was the Lord magnified? Exodus 16:6, 12-15.
- 4. Did Elijah use a miracle to show the children of Israel that the Father in Heaven was the true God? 1 Kings 18:23, 24; 37-39.
- 5. For what purpose was Jesus' greatest miracle performed? John 11:41-43.
 Note. The working of a miracle is a wonderful thing! It may be contrary to the established laws or constitution of nature. But, God is the creator of nature and its laws; therefore God also is able to create miracles which are contrary to these laws.
- 6. What did Jesus tell the nobleman who came to Him for the healing of his son? John 4:48.
- Why did Jesus refer to Lot's wife when telling of His second coming? Luke 17:26-32.
- After the ascension of Christ was the gift of miracles still prevalent? Acts 3:12, 16; 4:9, 10.
- Should we continue to praise the Lord and expect miracles? 2 Chronicles 7:3; Matthew 15:31; Luke 5:26.

Lesson for March 10, 1984 THE SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Scripture reading: 1 Corinthians 12.

Memory verse: Micah 3:8.

- Is it the will of God that His church should know about the special gifts of the Holy Spirit? 1 Corinthians 12:1.
- 2. What is said about the diversities of gifts, and the administration of the Holy Spirit? Verses 4, 5.
- 3. What is said about the diversities of operation and the manifestation of the Holy Spirit? Verses 6, 7.

Note. — The manifestation of the Holy Spirit is given to profit withal, and the fact that God never changes in His manner of dealing with individuals proves that this same power, which operated then in these diversities of gifts, is still being manifested among the children of God.

- 4. What are the first gifts of the Holy Spirit? Verse 8.
- What is the third gift of the Holy Spirit? Verse 9 (first part); Romans 10:17.
 Note. It will be observed that faith is one of the special gifts of the Spirit which comes as a consequence of the two preceding gifts of wisdom and knowledge.
- 6. What is the fourth gift of the Holy Spirit? Verse 9 (last part).
- 7. What are the other gifts? Verse 10.
- Should every person in the body of Christ possess some of the gifts of the Holy Spirit! Verse 11 (last part).

Lesson for March 17, 1984 CONSECRATION

Scripture reading: Romans 12.

Memory verse: Romans 12:1.

- What was Paul's expressed desire concerning the Church of God at Rome? Romans 12:1.
- 2. What transformation was recommended? Verse 2.
- What was the process of consecration in the days of Moses? Leviticus 8:1-3, 6-12, 30.
- What instruction was given these consecrated ones concerning their duties? Exodus 30:9.
- 5. What was the result of the violation of this law? Leviticus 10:1, 2.
- 6. What was Moses' comment about this? What was Aaron's attitude? Verse 3.
- 7. What further instructions did Moses give to Aaron and his sons? Verse 6.
- 8. What similar event took place under the anointing of the Spirit in the New Testament? Acts 5:1, 10.
- What will a consecrated person not do? What was Paul's advice on this? Romans 12:3.
- 10. How will a consecrated person perform his work? Verses 6-8.

Lesson for March 24, 1984 PHOPHECIES OF CHRIST'S COMING

Scripture reading: Isaiah 53,

Memory verse: Luke 18:31,

- 1. In what words did Moses speak of Christ? Deuteronomy 18:15.
- How may we know that the prophet spoken of by Moses is the Christ? Acts 3:20-24.
- 3. Of what wonderful sign did the prophet Isaiah foretell? Isaiah 7:14.
- 4. Was this prophecy fulfilled? Luke 1:26-31; 2:7; Matthew 1:22, 23.
- 5. According to Micah where was Christ to be born? Micah 5:2.
- 6. Was this prophecy fulfilled? Matthew 2:1.
- 7. What prophecy concerning Jesus is found in Hosea? Hosea 11:1.
- 8. Was this fulfilled? Matthew 2:13, 14, 19-23.

- 9. How was Christ's advent to be heralded? Isaiah 40:3.
- 10. Was this fulfilled? Matthew 3:1-3; John 1:19-23.
- 11. What did the prophet Isaiah say would befall Christ? Isaiah 53:7, 8.
- 12. Was this fulfilled? Luke 18:31-33; Matthew 27:29, 30, 41, 42.

Note. — Truly the prophecies relative to the birth and death of Jesus have been most wonderfully fulfilled. Yea, even to the letter. We may rest assured that the prophecies concerning the return of Jesus will also be fulfilled to the letter.

Lesson for March 31, 1984 THE RESURRECTIONS

Scripture reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-58.

Memory verse: 1 Corinthians 15:22.

- 1. Will everybody be resurrected? John 5:28, 29.
- When will the righteous be resurrected unto life eternal? Revelation 20:4; 1 Thessalonians 4:16.
- What will happen to the saints who will be alive at the appearing of Jesus? 1 Thessalonians 4:17; 1 Corinthians 15:51-53.
- 4. Where will the resurrected saints dwell, and what will be their work during the millennium? Revelation 5:10; Daniel 7:27; Luke 19:15-19.

Note. — What wonderful blessings await all the faithful in Christ Jesus! All who have died in the Lord will be made alive at the appearing of Jesus, while the living saints will be changed in a moment in the twinkling of an eye, and they will live and reign with Christ for a thousand years. During this time Jesus will be reigning upon the throne of David.

- Where will the wicked dead be during this millennial reign of the Lord Jesus? Revelation 20:5, 6.
- 6. Will the wicked ever be resurrected? John 5:28, 29.
- 7. For what purpose will the wicked be resurrected? Job 21:30; 2 Peter 2:9.
- 8. When the wicked are resurrected where will they appear? Revelation 20:11, 12.

Note. - The judgment is for the wicked, since the righteous went to judgment when they confessed their sins, were born became obedient [unto the Word of the Lord, thus life and became members of the family of God. 1 Timothy 5:24;

John 5:24.

UNDATED LESSONS - FOR USE ANYTIME

A SECRET OF STRENGTH

Scripture reading: 2 John.

Memory verse: 1 John 2:28.

- What great mystery that was hid for generations can now be ours to know? Colossians 1:26, 27.
- What great part has Christ played in the Father's plan? Verses 16-27; 1 John 2:23, 24.
- 3. How can we detect those who are not in Christ? 2 John 7:10; 1 John 4:3.
- 4. How can we be sure that we are Christ's? 2 John 9 (last part).
- 5. On the other hand, what does the anti-Christ do? 1 John 2:22.
- 6. What must we first do in order to know His doctrine? John 7:17.
- 7. Whose will did Jesus seek to do? John 5:30.
- 8. How can we also be made perfect? Hebrews 13:20, 21.
- 9. When we abide in Him, what great power is given to us? 1 John 3:6; 4:4-6.
- 10. What will be the great reward of abiding in Him? 1 John 2:28.
- 11. How can we tell whether a spirit is of God? 1 John 4:2.

Note. - Multitudes of people confess that the Messiah came to the earth in the flesh, but few understand the very important reality of His dwelling in our flesh. In order to be saved, we must have Him within us. It is in our flesh that the world sees Christ.

12. When we have the Son, what do we have? 1 John 5:11-13.

Note. --- "He that hath the Son hath life." The way in which we have Him is in our beings. Then we "let this mind be in us which was in Christ." As long as we do this, we will not sin as no evil comes from Him,

- 13. In this condition, what will our purpose be for living? John 15:8.
- 14. What important place do we occupy here, and what must be our object and purpose in life? Matthew 5:13, 16.

WALKING AND ABOUNDING IN RIGHTEOUSNESS

Scripture reading: Colossians 3.

Memory verse: Colossians 3:23.

- After being received into the heavenly family, for what should we always seek? Colossians 3:1.
- How should we consider the past and how should we plan for the future? Verses 2, 3.
- 3. What are some of the things we must put off? Verses 5-9.
- 4. What must we put on? Verses 10, 11.
 Note. Notice that the former things were instruments of death because they proceed from an evil heart, and have to do with our word and actions. When we put on the new man, we begin to build a life for eternity.
- 5. How is the new man nourished? Verse 16.
- 6. What should especially characterize our words and actions which proceed from the heart? Verse 14.
- On whom should we depend daily to guide our words and our deeds? Verse 17.
- 8. After having chosen the right path, and prepared ourselves fully to walk in it, should we just work half heartedly, or to please men? Verse 23.
- 9. What if our actions are unbecoming to our profession, or place among the remnant people? Romans 1:18.
- 10. Should all who believe possess sufficient power to live a holy life? Verses 16, 17.
- 11. If we seek Him, and in faith believing, what will the Lord do for us? 1 Thessalonians 4:1, 16, 17; 1 Corinthians 15:58.

Note. — The people of the world are interested only in their own gain, but it is not so with the person who is living for eternity. That person whether young or old, will be abounding in the work of the Lord, and his own work in his own profession will be decidedly secondary to his life. The "kingdom work" will come first and will be supported freely with a portion of his earnings, which represents a part of his life.