- 10. What is one called who can control his tongue? James 3:2.
- 11. Why must Christians be so very careful about their speech? St. Matthew 12:36, 37.
- 12. Does the Lord our God know all about words? Psalms 139:4.

Note. — One thing which seems so easy and natural for many people to do is to talk foolishly. There are too many things to say that will amuse people and make them laugh. This is one of the chief enjoyments of worldly people, but Christian have a higher and greater joy than this, and it is out of place for them to make practice of such foolishness.

13. Along with what other base sins is foolish talking likened? Ephesians 5:3, 4.

Lesson for March 16, 2019

THE GOOD AND THE BAD FIGS

Scripture reading: Jeremiah 24. Memory verse: Jeremiah 24:7.

- 1. Of what are the good figs a type? Jer. 24:5-6.
- 2. Were the good figs to receive better treatment than the vile ones? Verse 7.

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- 8. Had they believed and received Him? Verse 8 (last part).
- 9. Did He pray alone? Verse 9.
- 10. In His prayer to the Father, for them, what did He ask Him to do? Verse 11.
- 11. How were His followers kept while He was in the world? Verse 12.
- 12. What attitude did the world have towards them? Verse 14.



"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee." Psalms 122:6

to those who know Him, He is still as real as when He walked on this earth.

- 7. To how many has the grace of God appeared? Titus 2:11-15.
- 8. What shows the immeasurable love Christ has for us? 2 Cor. 8:9.
- 9. How is grace further extended to us? Verse 12.
- 10. What humble confession did Paul make? 1 Cor. 15:10.
- 11. How did he express grace for the past, present, and future? 2 Cor. 1:10.
- 12. In accepting Christ what is it possible to know? Acts 13:38, 39.

Lesson for January 26, 2019

GOD'S POWER OF DELIVERANCE

Scripture reading: Isaiah 54:4-17. Memory verse: Psalms 103:17.

- 1. When the priests' feet touched the water, what happened to the river Jordan? Joshua 3:15, 16.
- 2. Where were the priests while the children of Israel passed over the Jordan river? Verse 17.
- 3. What were the twelve men, one of each tribe, commanded to do? Joshua 4:5.

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- 4. What were the stones to represent and what were the children of Israel commanded to do with them? Verse 6-8.
- 5. Where did Joshua finally place the stones? Verse 9.
- 6. How did the children of Israel pass over Jordan? Verse 10.
- 7. When and how did the ark of the Lord, and the priests, pass over Jordan? Verse 11.
- 8. What did Joshua say that all the people of the earth might know? Verse 24.
- 9. How were the three Hebrew children delivered from the fiery furnace? Daniel 3:24-27.
- 10. In what way were the lion's mouths shut, that they could not destroy God's faithful servant, Daniel? Daniel 6:16, 19-23.
- 11. In what miraculous way were Paul and Silas delivered from prison? Acts 16:25, 26.

Note: What a wonderful, loving, all-powerful Heavenly Father we are privileged to serve and depend upon for our very existence! He is not willing that any should perish, but all should come to Him and be saved. Let us strive to know and to do His will and help others to come to the light of the gospel of Christ and its fullness, and be saved.

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Lesson for January 5, 2019

LAST DAY CONDITIONS PRE-ANNOUNCED

Scripture reading: 2 Tim. 3rd chapter. Memory verse: 2 Tim. 3:14.

- 1. Describe the perilous times of which Paul spoke and tell when will they take place? 2 Tim. 3:1-7.
- 2. What did Paul mean in verse 7?
- 3. Will there a time come when there will be fewer seducers? Verse 13.
- 4. For what purpose did Paul say that these scriptures were written? Verses 16-17.
- 5. What will some of the people who think they are the children of God be doing in the last days? 1 Tim. 4:1.
- 6. What will they be saying, and why? 1 Tim. 4:2.
- 7. What will be the condition of the rich people in the last days? James 5:1-3.
- 8. Besides living in pleasure, what have they done? Verse 6.
- 9. What did Paul tell the faithful brethren to do? Verses 7-13.
- 10. In these times of peril, what did Jesus say we should take heed to? Luke 21:34, 35.
- 11. What was Paul's instruction to the Church for these last days? Heb. 10:25.

Lesson for March 9, 2019

KEEPING OUR CONVERSATION ARIGHT

Scripture Reading: James 3rd Chapter Memory Verse: Psalms 50:23.

- 1. How important are our words? St. Matthew 12:37.
- 2. From what source do our words come? St. Matthew 12:34, 35.
- 3. What was King David's prayer concerning the meditations of his heart and the words of his mouth? Psalms 19:14.
- 4. What does the ninth commandment forbid? Ex. 20:16.
- In what way did the Lord God admonish the Children of Israel about the tongue? Leviticus 19:16.
- 6. Unto what are the words of a talebearer likened? Proverb 26:21-22; 17:9.
- 7. What effect will restraining from tale bearing have upon a strife torn people? Proverbs 26:20.
- 8. What did Solomon, the wise man, say about words that are fitly (wisely) spoken? Proverbs 25:11.
- 9. How vast is the difference in the speech from the lips which are controlled by the Lord and those which are not? Isaiah 57:19-21.

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- 15. How did the angels express their joy at this time, for what had taken place? Luke 2:14.
- 16. How did the shepherds respond to this announcement? Luke 2:16-20. Should this be an example for us? Isaiah 12.

Lesson for March 30, 2019

CHRIST'S PRAYER TO BE GLORIFIED

Scripture reading: John 17. Memory verse: John 17:5.

- 1. For what did Christ Jesus pray to the Heavenly Father? John 17:1.
- 2. What power has been given to Christ by the Father? John 17:2.
- 3. What is life eternal? Verse 3.
- 4. In what way had Christ glorified the Father? Verse 4.
- 5. How did Christ continue to pray to the Father? Verse 5.
- 6. What had Christ manifested to the men which His Father had given Him? Verse 6.
- 7. What other very important and necessary thing did He bring them from the Father? Verse 8 (first part).

- 6. Why was wrath pronounced upon Israel during Hezekiah's reign? 2 Chronicles 32:24-26.
- 7. What lesson of humility did Jesus teach? Luke 14: 7-11.
- 8. What exhortation of humility did Paul give? Romans 12:3; 11:18-21.
- 9. With whom did the prophet Isaiah say the Holy One would dwell? Isaiah 57:15.
- What is necessary for sinners to do in order to become children of God? Matthew 18:3,4; James 4:10.
- 11. What act of of humility did Jesus display shortly before His crucifixion? John 13:3-5.
- 12. What severe punishment was meted out to King Herod because he did not give God glory? Acts 12:21-23.
- 13. What admonition does Jesus give to the proud? Revelation 3:17,18.

Note: It has been said: "The tongue gets us into trouble and pride keeps us there." Let that not be true of God's children. May we always remember the words of Solomon "With the lowly there is wisdom." Proverbs 11:2.

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- 4. What did Isaiah prophesy about this wonderful event? Isa. 7:14; compare with Matt. 1:23; Luke 1:31.
- 5. What did Joseph intend to do? Matt. 1:19.
- 6. What did the angel of the Lord make known unto Joseph in a dream? Matt. 1:18-25.
- 7. When Joseph and Mary arrived at Bethlehem how welcome were they? Luke 2:4-8.
- 8. What name was given to the child by the angel even before he was conceived? Matt. 1:25.
- 9. How is the importance of this name emphasized? Acts 4:10-12: Phil. 2:9-11.
- 10. What does Paul say about the fulfillment of this? 1 Tim. 3:16.

Note. — This prophecy and its fulfillment has been the target of infidels and modernist for centuries. Here the power of God was manifested by the miraculous conception and birth of his dear Son, Jesus. Again and again, Jesus told His listener that He came down from above and that God was His Father.

- 11. What happened while the shepherds were keeping watch over their flocks? Luke 2:8-14.
- 12. What experience did they have with the angels? How did this effect them? Luke 2:9.
- 13. What sign was given to them regarding this child? Luke 2:12.
- 14. What glorious scene were the shepherds allowed to witness? Luke 2:13-14.

IMMERSION, GOD'S MODE OF BAPTISM

Scripture Reading: Matthew 3. Memory verse: Colossians 2:12

- 1. The baptism of Jesus, how and by whom was it performed? Matthew 3:13-16.
- 2. What does the apostle Paul have to say with reference to the mode of baptism in his day? Colossians 2:12.
- 3. After Paul and Silas were miraculously released from prison, what very important person and family were converted and baptized? Acts 16:29-33.
- 4. How should we walk after we are baptized, or buried with Him in baptism? Romans 6:4.
- 5. How do we put on Christ? Galatians 3:27.
- 6. Are we by immersion baptized into Christ's death? Romans 6:3-4.
- 7. By whom, and in what way, was the converted eunuch baptized? Acts 8:38.
- 8. How many modes of baptism are there? Ephesians 4:5.
- 9. Were there many converted and baptized after hearing Peter's sermon on the day of Pentecost? Acts 2:41.

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12. How will the worldly people act when the Son of man is revealed coming down from Heaven and all the mighty angels with Him Rev. 6:12-17; Matt. 24:30.

Note. — It is evident from all the signs about us that we are living in the last days. Perilous times are here, and it behooves every one of us to lift up our heads for our redemption draweth nigh. — Luke 21:28. Also to be about our Father's business, as profitable servants of the Lord. — Matt: 24:19-30.

Lesson for January 12, 2019

REMOVE NOT THE ANCIENT LANDMARKS

The "ancient landmarks" depicts the old faith which was delivered unto the Saints — (Jude 3). The foundation was laid by the Apostles and Prophets, the foundation stone being Jesus Christ. To be against Jesus means to be against His life and His teachings.

It should be explicitly known to everyone that the church of God—God's family on earth—does not have a "*closed and stamped creed*". Since God is an Omniscient Being, His knowledge and wisdom is worldwide and unconfined. It is revealed

- 10. Were there others who believed and were baptized after hearing Philip's preaching concerning the kingdom of God and Jesus Christ? Acts 8:12.
- 11. Why did John baptize in Aenon? John 3:23.

Note. The above verses substantiate the fact that immersion is the right mode of baptism. If sprinkling is sufficient, why should John want so much water for baptizing? Sprinkling is erroneous, and is a very sad situation that so many have been deceived by such doctrine and still want to hold on to it. Let us pray that they may see the true light and accept true light and accept God's plan of salvation in its fullness.

Lesson for February 9, 2019

DIVINE VIRTUE THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Scripture reading: Philippians 2:1-28. Memory verse: Philippians 2:15.

Note. — This wonderful chapter teaches us how to get along with others in true harmony and happiness. Note these words: "If there be any

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and magnified in the hearts of true Christians, from age to age and from generation to generation.

Scripture Reading: 2nd John. Memory Verse: Prov. 22:28.

- 1. Upon what is the Christian's foundation built? Eph. **2**:20.
- 2. Should this originally-laid foundation be remodeled and renovated? 1 Cor. 3:10-15.
- 3. What are some of the given conditions by which this foundation was laid? Rev. 14:12, 12:17; Luke 9:23-26.
- 4. How was Moses cautioned concerning the building of God's Tabernacle? Ex. 25:8-9, 40; Heb. 8:5.
- What will be the conditions of Christians if the ancient landmarks are destroyed? Ps. 11:3, 82:5.
- 6. What are Christians admonished to earnestly contend for? Jude 3.
- 7. What is prophesied concerning some Christians departing from the true faith? 1Tim. 4:1-3.
- What are those false teachers likened to? Should one keep company with them? 1 Tim. 6:3-5; 2 John 9-11.
- 9. How can one detect a false Christian or antichrist? Luke 9:49-50; John 7:17; 1 John 4:1-3.

which God shed in our hearts has leaked out to some extent, for love worketh no ill to his neighbor.

- 10. How did Jesus emphasize the greatness of His love for us? John 15:13.
- 11. How has the Lord commanded us to love one another? Verse 12.
- 12. What will this love cause us to put on? Colossians 3:12.

Lesson for March 2, 2019

HUMILITY VERSUS PRIDE

Scripture reading: Daniel 4:19-37. Memory verse: Proverbs 16:19.

- What are some of the things Solomon said would come as a result of pride? Proverbs 11:2; 13:10
- 2. How are pride and humility contrasted? Proverbs 29:23.
- 3. What did David say about pride? Psalms 10:2; 12:3,4; 73:3-6.
- 4. What happened to Pharaoh because of his pride? Exodus 5:2; 14:8,28.
- 5. What did pride cause King Uzziah to do, and what was the final result? 2 Chronicles 26: 16, 19, 21.

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plagues. Nothing is said where this place is, neither does it say they were caught up as we hear it so often quoted.

Lesson for March 23, 2019

THE CONCEPTION AND BIRTH OF JESUS

Scripture reading: Matthew 1:16-25. Memory verse Matthew 1:18.

- 1. What message did the angel give to Mary? Luke 1:28-31.
- 2. Was Mary surprised at what the angel told her? Luke 1:34; Matt. 1:18.

Note. — The Holy Scriptures tell us that Mary was a chaste virgin that she knew not a man. She was engaged to be married to Joseph, but before he knew her as his wife, she was with child by the Holy Ghost. Matt. 1:18-20; Luke 1:35.

3. What was the relationship between Joseph and Mary before the birth of Jesus? What was the source of Christ's conception? Matt. 1:18; Luke 1:35.

LOVING ONE ANOTHER

Scripture reading: John 14:15-31. Memory verse: John 14:21.

- 1. What is one of the attributes of God? 1 John 4:8, 16.
- 2. How did God reveal His love to the world? John 3:16; Romans 5:8; Ephesians 2:4,5.
- 3. What is required of everyone who accepts Christ as their personal Saviour? John 13:34; 15:9, 10, 12.
- 4. How may the world know that we are followers of Christ Jesus? John 13:35.
- 5. Through what agency do we receive this love? Romans 5:5.
- 6. What is the only thing we are admonished to owe any man? Romans 13:8 (first part).
- 7. What do we do when we love one another? Verse 8 (last part).
- 8. How did our Lord emphasize this same truth? Matthew 22:34-40.
- 9. How do we approve our love for one another? Galatians 5:14,15.

Note: On our love to God, and our fellow man, hang all the law and the prophets. If we harm our brother through gossip it is evident that the love

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removed, just as it is going to be in the end, the good will be taken first.

8. When were the good figs, including Daniel and his companions, and many others taken away? Daniel 1:1-6.

Note: They were removed with King Jehoiakim and not left at Jerusalem when the terrible destruction came in which men, women and children were given to the sword alike.

- 9. What especially is said of Daniel concerning his conduct and diet? Daniel 1:7-8.
- 10. Before the great destruction of the wicked at the end of the gentile period, will the righteous be gathered first? Revelation 14:18.
- 11. After the cluster of the fruit is gathered then what happens to the wicked compared to the vine of the earth? Verse 19 and 20.
- 12. Where are we told the righteous will be, who have the victory over the beast and his image, when the plagues fall? Revelation 15:1-6.

Note: Notice particularly that verse 5 says: "After this", that is, after the saints were seen in this place which appeared like a sea of glass to the prophet, he saw the angels come forth with the seven last plagues – Verse 6. Notice also that the battle of Armageddon comes at the time of the 6th plague. - Rev 16:12-15. Hence the righteous are seen assembled somewhere in deliverance from these

consolation in Christ, if comfort of love, if fellowship of the Spirit", etc.

- 1. What four things are necessary to attain this unity as given in Philippians. 2:2?
- 2. Instead of working through strife and vain glory, how should we perform our works? Verse 3.

Note. How beautiful are the words, "in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than themselves."! If we consistently follow this excellent advice, there can be no strife. How could there be?

- 3. What marvelous attainment will result from this practice? Verses 4, 5.
- 4. Did Christ Jesus exalt Himself in any, manner? Verse 8.
- 5. What followed His great humility? Verses 9-11.
- If we can be blameless in our dealings with one another, what will result in our cases? Verses 14, 15.
- 7. What happy state existed among the Brethren in the days of Paul? Verses 18-20.
- 8. What similar admonitions are given in Colossians 3:11-17?
- 9. When Christ dwells within us by the Holy Spirit, what is always the result? John 15:4, *5*.
- 10. If we do not sacrifice to win souls for the Kingdom of God, what is always the result? Verse 6.

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- 10. During the days of the early Christians, how did certain men endeavor to destroy the ancient landmarks? Acts. 15:1,5.
- When the wise elders of the church investigated the truth about the matter, what did they do? Vs. 2, 4, 6.
- 12. In the emergency meeting held, what resolution did they undertake? Vs. 23-29.
- 13. What is Paul's counsel to the remnant people who are earnestly contending for the old faith delivered unto the saints? 1 Cor. 1:10.
- 14. Why was Titus left in Crete? Titus 1:5.
- 15. What is the fate of those who deliberately digress from the teachings of the Gospel? Gal. 1:6-9; Rom. 16:17-18; 2 Thess. 3:6.

Lesson for January 19, 2019

GRACE – GOD'S GREATEST GIFT

Scripture reading: Romans 5:1-21. Memory verse: Romans 5:21.

1. What is the first recorded act of grace towards fallen man? Genesis 3:21.

11. Will soul winning increase our power with God in answered prayer? Verses 7, 8, 16.

Lesson for February 16, 2019

FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP DOCTRINALLY

Scripture reading: Titus 1:1-15. Memory verse: Titus 2:1.

- 1. What did the apostle Jude say we should earnestly contend for? Jude 3.
- 2. What two kinds of doctrine are there in the world? Matt. 7:28, 29; 1 Tim. 4:1.

Note. — In these two texts are mentioned the doctrines of Christ, and the doctrines of devils.

- 3. What is the doctrine of Christ according to 1 Tim 6:3-5?
- 4. What did Jesus say of His doctrine? John 7:16.
- 5. Why did He say this? John 6:38; 5:30.
- 6. How and through what medium can we know the true doctrine? 2 Tim. 3:16, 17.
- Through what medium does the Holy Spirit work to reveal the wonderful saving truth? 2 Pet. 1:20, 21; Heb. 10:25; Rev. 2:7.

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Note: The awfulness of sin and its consequences; death to the innocent party, is told in this short verse. Innocent blood shed that man might receive physical covering. Thus the first type was formed in the Old Testament. It pointed forward to the shed blood which would cover the spiritual man as completely as their first needs were met.

- 2. How do we know that Abel was instructed regarding the plan of salvation? Gen. 4:4.
- 3. What is the relationship between sin and grace? Romans 5:17-20.

Note: Just as surely as sin and death came through the fall of man, so much more are we assured it will pass away because of the death and resurrection of Jesus the Son of God.

- 4. Even in ancient times, what two ways were open to man? Deut. 30:19; Jer. 21:8.
- 5. How did Jesus express the same thought to the Jews? John 5:40.
- 6. what message of grace should we be heralding today? Rev. 22:17.

Note: Down through the ages God has been extending His grace to the human race. Age after age tending His grace to the human race. Age after age they rejected His mercy and love until at last they crucified the very Son Himself. The closer we get to the second coming the more noticeable will be the rejection of the sacrifice He made. Yet

- Will obedience to sound doctrine help us? Rom 6:17, 18.
- 9. As children of God and teachers, what are we commanded to teach? Titus 2:1.
- 10. Should sound doctrine condemn all manner of sin? What is sin? 1 Tim. 1:9-10.
- 11. By sound doctrine what may we be able to do? Titus 1:9.
- 12. If we give heed to true Bible doctrine, what will it do? 1 Tim 4:16.
- 13. What did Christ Jesus command us not to leave undone? Matt. 23:23.
- 14. Why were the people astonished at the doctrine of Christ? Matt. 7:28, 29.

Note. — Christ spake with authority because He taught the Word in its purity, and no opponent relying upon false doctrine was able to successfully resist it; so it is with everyone today who is able to take the unadulterated Word as their guide.

15. How did Paul say some would regard sound doctrine in times to come? 1 Tim. 4:1-4.

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- 3. What portion of Judah was represented by the vile figs? Verse 8.
- 4. How were the vile figs to be punished, and would any be left? Verse 9 and 10.

Note: From the forgoing scripture it is very plain that there were two different classes of the Jews that into the exile, and promises were different to each class. He is still able to separate the good from the bad, just as was done back there and He is doing the same today.

- 5. What class of Jews was to be selected to build the waste cities and do the very work that we see going on here now? Jeremiah 24:1-7.
- 6. How many blows were struck in destroying the kingdom of Judah? Ezekiel 21: 25-27. Compare 2 Chronicles 36:15-19.

Note: It is said of the gentile enemies of Israel: "As thou hast done it shall be done into thee." -Obadiah 1:15; Joel says: "I will return your recompense upon your own head." - Joel 3:7.

 In this destruction of the kingdom of Israel 2,500 years ago, were those represented by the evil figs taken away first or last? Compare Jer. 24:8 with 2 Chronicles 36:11,12,16.

Note: Zedekiah and his princes were the evil figs, and they were left, while the good figs were