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# EDITORIAL Sincerity

# Some years ago a young man, who was brought before a court upon the charge of

gambling, asserted that he was not a gambler but a silk weaver. The judge asked the prisoner to hold out his hands. After glancing at them he found the young man guilty, for it is not difficult to distinguish between the hands of a gambler and those of a silk weaver.

Hypocrisy and deceit bring no ultimate success nor happiness either in material or in spiritual enterprises, while sincerity creates confidence and wins the respect even of an adversary. Helen Keller, the well known deafblind social worker, tells us that in meeting people and in shaking hands with strangers her first impression is not physical but psychical, not whether the hand is cold or hot, large or small, but whether it is tender or rude, kind or unkind.

It is therefore uncommonly stupid for any one to imagine that God, who created the human soul and knows its every thought and motive, can be deceived by the insincerity of some so-called Christians. He knows whether or not church-members are His true friends and disciples; even the innermost and most hidden sentiments are visible to His all-seeing eyes.

There always have been, and perhaps there always will be, some hypocrites in the churches. Even among the Twelve of the blessed Savior there was found a Judas, the traitor and hypocrite. Today also some insincere church-members give worldly matters great prominence in their lives and neglect spiritual

things shamefully. This class has extremely liberal views as to the most important questions of theology, observing perhaps outward forms of religion, but neglecting the truly spiritual life. Such mere pretenders desire to have God as their friend only when they are in trouble, while the sincere Christian longs to have God as His shepherd every day and all day. The hypocrite forces from himself an occasional brief prayer, but the true child of God abides with Him in constant communion. The insincere Christian leaves His Bible at home, honored and perhaps adorned with gilt. but unread, unopened and in bonds. He does not weigh, consider, nor apply the Word of God to his conscience and daily life, while the honest Christian truly loves, obeys and reads His Bible. To him it is a spiritual gold mine where he seeks and finds spiritual riches. Its influence goes to the very depth of his heart and by the Holy Spirit's power establishes a direct contact with God. A real Christian feels the overwhelming power of God's judgment against sin and the stupendous danger of impenitence. The teachings of the Bible fill him with caution, godly reverence and due humility. The Holy Scriptures persuade him moreover not to borrow trouble, not to disregard his neighbor's good qualities nor to be possessed of an exaggerated ego.

A Christian is not only sincere, but he is right, knowing that sincerity is not sufficient in any religion. It is obviously true that he, who believes a lie will suffer the consequences, and he, who, sincerely drinks spiritual poison, will lose his spiritual life. A true Christian therefore submits his own opinions to the Word of God and yields his mind to the teachings of this infallible norm. Thus he is truly God's friend and cannot lose his way, but finally attains unto perfect rest and eternal happiness. May we also, like all true Christians, be sincere students of God's Word, and not its judges! May we be honest in our Christian faith and in our dealings with God and man! May we pray daily:

"Give me, dear Father, a pure heart of grace, A voice inspiring, and a cheerful face;

Help me to show, which ever way I turn,

That love for Christ within my soul doth burn.



Though life to me may be both sweet and dear, Keep in my mind always a quiet fear, —

Great patience with Thy love-sent pain and care, And save me ever from the fiend Despair.

Oh, fill my heart with love for all who stray, Grant I may help them on their darkened way;

Strengthen, each day, my faith; grant cheering mirth, Attend my steps along my path on earth.

Give me a calm preparedness for Death, That enemy of our poor human breath,

Who one day comes to all in Thy dear name And snuffeth out our struggling mortal flame.

I pray and drink, and, shrinking, still I ask,

Knowing well Thy love would never set a task Too difficult for hands that Thou hast made, For Thou hast promised Thy sure aid.

So let my life flow on in guided, helpful peace, Grant me content to live, — content decease,

Praising Thy name in life, rejoicing then

And ever through eternity. Amen." O. C. S.

# STUDIES IN THE CHIEF TEACHINGS OF THE BIBLE AND CATECHISM The Son of God Gave Himself for Me

Jesus Christ is God and man in one undivided person. A great mystery, as Paul tells us, saying: "Without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: *God was manifest in the flesh.*" 1 Tim. 3, 16. But He is not a person which is neither God nor man, and therefore some new

being. O no! Ever true God and ever true man in one person! This should be of great comfort to us.

Because Jesus Christ is God and man in person the Bible says of the Son of God, the very God, what is said of the man Jesus. It tells us that "God sent forth His Son made of a woman," Gal. 4, 4, and that "His Son Jesus Christ our Lord was made of the seed of David," Rom. 1, 3. And as the Scriptures tell us that the Son of God was born of a woman, so it says that the Son of God was crucified and killed. Paul writes to the Corinthians that the Jews "crucified the Lord of glory," 1 Cor. 2, 8. And Peter before the Jewish council said to them: "Ye killed the Prince of life, whom God has raised from the dead," Acts 3, 15. And Paul says: "I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me." Gal. 2, 20. Therefore the blood of Jesus is called the blood of the Son of God in that beautiful verse: "And the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth us from all sin," 1 John 1, 7. And then read these wonderful words in Acts 20, 28: "The church of God, which He has purchased with His own blood." The Bible does not separate God and man in Christ Jesus, but plainly teaches that there is one undivided person. Indeed, it also tells us that God as God cannot be born and suffer and die, and therefore we read: "Christ was put to death. in the flesh," 1 Peter 3, 18, and Christ suffered for us in the flesh," 1 Peter 4, 1, and again Jesus Christ our Lord which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh," Rom. 1, 3. But because Jesus Christ is God and man in one person, therefore it also says that the blood of Jesus is God's blood and that the Prince of life was killed.

O when we think of this, then we must rejoice and be very glad! It is not only a man who shed his blood for us, no, "God purchased the Church with His own blood" and the blood of Jesus is "the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son." Surely, that blood can, as John writes, cleanse us from all-sin," 1 John 1, 7, and we can joyfully exclaim with Paul: "We were reconciled to God by the death of His Son," Rom. 5, 10. And we ought to sing the praises of God forever and ever because "He spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all," Rom. 8, 32. Our salvation is sure and finished!

And therefore we confess also in our Catechism: "Jesus Christ, true God and true man, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with His holy precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own." And in The Sacrament of the Altar we are taught to say: "It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ — given and shed for you for the remission of sins." Therefore our Church also sings:

"Christ, the Lord, the mighty God, An all-sufficient ransom paid: O matchless price! His precious blood For vile, rebellious traitors shed."

May we ever cling to this precious teaching that "the Son of God loved me and gave Himself for me"! God grant it! J. L. S.

# BIBLE STUDIES FOR SUNDAYS IN JULY, 1930

# "I will come again"

Yes, Jesus will come again. "The Son of man shall come in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then shall He sit upon the throne of His glory. And before Him shall be gathered all nations." Matth. 25, 31. 32. Therefore Paul says: "We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ." 2 Cor. 5, 10. And "the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat; and the earth also, and the works, that are therein, shall be burnt up." 2 Peter 3, 10. Friend, also you must go before the judgment seat of Christ. Are you ready to meet your Judge? Only in Jesus' blood and righteousness you can stand before God without fear and shame. Come, study the word of Jesus every day! Read also these Bible Studies, one for every Sunday, and then when Jesus comes again you will with Him enter into His heavenly kingdom! May God grant it!

#### Study for Sunday, July 6

"Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come." Matth. 24, 42 In your Bible read Luke 21, 5-11

Jesus was at the temple and some spoke to Him of the goodly (beautiful) stones and gifts with which it was adorned (made beautiful). Then Jesus told them of the times when there shall be not one stone left upon another, but all will be thrown down. The beautiful temple shall be destroyed! So, my friends, we often wonder at the large and wonderful buildings of men today, but times will come when also these will be destroyed.

The people then asked Jesus when the temple will be destroyed and what sign there will be when these things happen. So we may ask: "When will the world be destroyed and what signs will there be which will show the end?" And now Jesus gives them and us signs of the end of Jerusalem and also of the end of the world. In verse 8 He warns against false Christs who say: "I am Christ, and the time draws (comes) near," and try to deceive people and lead them away from the cross of Jesus. Jesus says: "Go not after them." Many false Christs came after Jesus' death and there are many false prophets to-day. These false teachers should be a sign to us and urge us to watch for the coming of the Lord Jesus on the last day. Then also must come wars and commotions (rebellions), and we should not be terrified or frightened when we hear or read of these things. Nation shall rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom, great earthquakes will be in divers (different) places, and famines (hunger) and pestilence (sickness), as we can so often read in the daily paper. Every war, or earthquake, or famine, or pestilence should make you think of the last day and urge you to watch and pray! Then there shall be fearful (terrible) sights and great signs from heaven!

All these things have happened! Jerusalem is destroyed! The beautiful temple is no more! The Jews are scattered! There have been and still are earthquakes and wars, famines and pestilences! Yes, the end is near! Jesus will come soon! Let us prepare to meet our God! Let us trust in the Savior Jesus Christ who suffered and died for the sins of the world and is risen again! Then we need not fear all these things nor the last day. In Jesus we are safe!

Again read this lesson in your Bible, remember v. 11, and then answer these questions in writing: 1. What will God do with all the beautiful buildings in this world? 2. What should make us think of the last day and urge us to watch and pray?

*Prayer:* Dear Savior Jesus Christ, Thou wilt come again and destroy all things in this world. Help that we be ready always, trusting in Thee and Thy cross on which Thou hast died for our sins. Do this for Thy glory. Amen.

#### Study for Sunday, July 13

"If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him." 2 Tim. 2, 12

In your Bible read Luke 21, 12-24

Before Jerusalem will be destroyed, the enemies shall take the disciples, persecute (trouble) them, and deliver or give them up to the synagogues (Jewish schools) and into prisons, and bring them before kings and emperors, because they love the name of Jesus and preach it. But this will be for a testimony (proof) to them that they preach the truth. And so it happened as the Book of Acts tells us.

And when they shall be before kings and emperors, they should settle (keep) it in their hearts, not to meditate (think) before what they will answer, for Jesus Himself will give them a mouth (words) and wisdom, and all the adversaries (enemies) will not be able to gainsay (speak against) nor to resist (stand against). Therefore when we see the disciples before the judges, we hear them speak boldly and without fear. Then the friends of Jesus also will be betrayed (given into the hands of the enemies) by parents, kinsfolks (relatives), and friends, and these shall cause (make) some of them to be put to death. And all people will hate them because they love the name of Jesus, but they need not fear, not a hair of their head shall perish. They only should be patient in all this suffering, and they shall possess (keep) their souls to eternal life. And so it is still to-day. The world hates the Christian who trust in Jesus' name and follow Him. Show the world its sin and go not with them, and the wicked people will laugh and mock you. All these things are signs of the last day, and Jesus says, "Fear not." Let us patiently suffer it all for Jesus who died for us, and we shall keep our souls to everlasting life.

Now He speaks of that one great sign, the destruction of Jerusalem, which shows that His word is true. When they shall see Jerusalem compassed (around) with armies of soldiers, then they should know that the desolation (destruction) is nigh or near. Then the Christians should flee to the mountains and depart (go out) of Judaea, and they who are in other countries should not come back For these will be the days of vengeance (punishment), and all things that are written shall be fulfilled (done). That will be a terrible day for mothers and their children, great distress (trouble) will be upon the land and people. Many will be killed by the sword and others will be taken away captive (prisoners) into all nations. And Jerusalem shall be trodden (stepped upon) down of the Gentiles (people not Jews) till the time of the Gentiles be fulfilled, till their salvation is finished, that is, till the end of the world. And all this happened as Jesus said, because the Jews believed not in Him, the Son of God. If people will not believe in Jesus and do not want Him and His salvation, then He will come upon them with His wrath and punishment! Let us accept Him and trust in Him, and we shall go into glory with Him on the last day!

Again read this lesson in your Bible, remember v. 17, and answer these questions in writing: 1. Why does the world hate the Christians? 2. Why did Jesus destroy the city of Jerusalem?

*Prayer:* Lord Jesus Christ, Thou hast suffered and died for us! The world first hated you, and therefore it will hate also us. O help that we patiently suffer with Thee and keep our souls to everlasting life. Amen.

#### Study for Sunday, July 20

# "I go to prepare a place for you. I will come again." John 14, 3

#### In your Bible read Luke 21, 25-33

Now Jesus describes the last times before the end of the world. There will be signs (wonder-

ful happenings) in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars! We have already seen such wonderful happenings in the heavens. All these things should help us to think of the last day when Jesus comes again. Before He comes there will be upon the earth distress (great trouble) of nations, with perplexity (not knowing what to do), as we have seen it during the World War and still see it to-day in other countries, as Russia, India, etc. Furthermore, the sea and the waves roaring! Of such storms on the seas which have killed many people we often read in the daily paper. And then men's hearts often fail, they know not what to do! Man cannot stop these storms and earthquakes and other happenings, they always must live in fear of other things that will come, for the powers of heaven (the mighty heavens) will be shaken. All these things tell us that the last day is near.

And on that day people shall see the Son of man, our dear Lord Jesus, coming in a cloud with power and great glory. That will be a terrible day for those who believe not, as the destruction of Jerusalem was terrible for the Jews that despised Jesus. But it will be a day of joy for the believer, for Jesus tells His Christians to look up and to lift up their heads for joy when they see these things happen, because then their redemption (salvation) draws or comes nigh (near). May God help that the last day will be a day of joy also for you! When all these things happen of which Jesus tells us, then we should know that the kingdom of God it nigh (near) at hand and that Jesus will be coming soon in the clouds of heaven, just as we know that summer is nigh, when the trees shoot forth and become green.

All this will truly happen! This generation, the Jews, will not pass away till all these words be fulfilled. The Jewish people will be among us to the last day. Therefore when a German king asked his preacher for a sure sign that the Christian religion is the truth, the preacher only answered: "Lord, the Jews!" When we see a Jew, let us thing of Jesus' words and not forget that Jesus will come again. Heaven and earth shall pass away, all that we see in this world shall be destroyed, but the words of Jesus shall not pass away, not one word shall fail. Come, my friend, the word of Jesus is true! He surely will come again. Are you ready? Prepare to meet your God!

Again read this lesson in your Bible, remember v. 33, and then answer these questions in writing: 1. What things happen in this world which tell us that the last day is near? 2. Why should it fill a Christian's heart with joy when these things happen?

*Prayer:* My dear Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, help us to wait with joy for Thy glorious coming again in the clouds. Thou now art preparing a place for us in the Father's home, and Thou wilt come again in glory and receive us unto Thyself. May we trust in Thee and Thy blood unto the end and be ready when Thou comest again. Amen.

# Study for Sunday, July 27

"Watch therefore,

for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come." Matthew 24, 42

#### In your Bible read Luke 21, 34-38

Jesus will come again, and therefore we should always be ready. He says: Take heed (be careful) to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged (made heavy) with surfeiting (sick with headache from drunkenness) and drunkenness, and cares (worries) of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares (by surprise)." On the last day the Lord Jesus will find many people in drunkenness, and sin, and shame! He therefore also says that it shall come as a snare (trap) on all them that dwell (live) on the face of the earth. An animal suddenly is caught in a trap by surprise, so the last day will come as a surprise on many people. O remember this in order that Jesus will not surprise you with His last day!

Therefore He also says in v. 36: "Watch ye therefore and pray always!" And why should we watch and pray always? For that we be accounted (judged) worthy to escape all these things that will happen and to stand before the Son of man, that is, Jesus, with joy and singing and not with shame and trembling. May God help you and me that we always watch and pray and with joy wait for the glorious coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. For this coming we pray also in the Lord's Prayer when we say: "Thy kingdom come."

Jesus always was busy preaching the word to the people that many of them be saved and prepare to meet their God. In the day time He preached in the temple, and at night He went out and abode (stayed) in the Mount of Olives. The Bible tells us that He often went out there and prayed all night for His followers. O see how Jesus loves sinners. Let us therefore as the people (v. 38) always glady go into the house of God for to hear Jesus and His word. That alone can prepare our hearts for that last day when our Lord Jesus will come again.

Again read this lesson in your Bible, remember v. 30, answer these questions in writing, and then send all your answers to your pastor: 1. Why should we watch and pray always? 2. What alone can prepare our hearts for Jesus' coming?

*Prayer:* Glorious Savior, Thou wilt come again. Grant that we not live carelessly, but watch and pray always in order that at Thy coming again in power and great glory on the last day we be ready and with Thee enter into the Father's home. And while we are in this world, let us eagerly bring other sinners to Thee that they also be saved and live with Thee forever. Amen. J. L. S.

# THE EV. LUTH. DEAF-MUTE INSTITUTE (Detroit, Michigan)

will begin its 58th school year on Wednesday, September 3rd. All pupils should be present at the school no later than Wednesday morning. Prospective pupils, deaf or hard of hearing, must be of sound mind and capable of being taught. The cost for tuition and board is \$10.00 per month for ten months. If parents are not able to pay this amount, it is reduced to meet their circumstances. Poverty should not be a reason not to send the child. At the beginning of the year \$10.00 must be deposited with the director for the defraying of smaller expenses occurring during the year. The bed complete, towels, and soap are furnished by the Institute. The child brings a tooth and hair brush, tooth paste, comb, and nail file or scissors.

This Institute is our Lutheran CHURCH school for our baptized deaf children. It gives them along secular lines, in a seven years' course, what the state schools give, using the same methods. Besides this, it gives the child what the state school cannot give, namely, instruction in the chief Bible doctrines according to Dr. Luther's Small Catechism, and prepares them for confirmation and communicant church membership. The deaf child, more than the hearing, must be brought up with the word of God from childhood and be in touch with it daily. THIS can be done only in a school with its systematic instruction and education. Parents, having the spiritual welfare of their children at heart, will send them to their church school. After a child has finished with us, it ought to be sent to a state school for further and higher education in the secular branches and the trades.

When writing, address all letters to the undersigned and inquire as to what is needed in the line of clothing, and information and an entrance questionnaire will be mailed.

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# MAKING THE MOST OF LIFE

"Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die," expresses the attitude of the majority of people who do not believe in immortality. Those who assume that this life is the only life are almost sure to put the emphasis on having a good time, and often on mere physical gratifications. Human nature needs the certainty of continued existence to hold it to its highest ideals.

"Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." If death is the end, what is the use of all our plans for self-development, our dreams of helpfulness, our hopes and aspirations and ideals? If, however, we are to live forever, we shall not ask "What's the use?" There will be opportunity to carry every plan through to fulfillment, to realize every hope, to see every dream blossom into glorious reality.

Formerly, in emphasizing heavenly joys, Christians sometimes lost sight of present duty, but it is possible that the pendulum has swung too far in the other direction. We shall not make the most of to-day if we believe that we are to die tomorrow. Those who make the most of this life believe profoundly in the life which is to come. — Ohio Chronicle.

# BEING DEAF By Josephine Arent

Being deaf is not such a bad thing at all as long as we can see and learn as well as those who can hear. Some people think it is terrible to be deaf and are often heard saying, "I feel sorry for her because she is deaf," "It's too bad she is deaf," etc. But they need not pity us as long as we are happy.

Many of the children were born deaf, others have become deaf from severe sickness, as I have. After a long time of illness, I recovered, being the same girl, only losing my hearing, and at that time I was seven years old.

I began my schooling among normal children in Minneapolis and remained there until my deafness necessitated my education in another form. I have never really considered the change into the silent world as a calamity though I can't get over the feeling that there is a slight difference between the hearing and the deaf.

When I became deaf, Mother thought I was the only one of the few to be deaf and never thought there would be a school for the deaf, so I spent one year at home. It was an unhappy year. Mother was broken-hearted thinking I would never get any more education, and I had been begging Mother to find a school for me as I wanted to learn more and Mother having such a pity for me made up her mind to do all she could to find a school that would care to take all the trouble to teach a deaf child. Finally she heard about the Day School in Minneapolis, and I was taken there the very next day. Indeed it felt good to be back at school again.

It is a fine school, although small. They have been trying their best to teach children through lip-reading. I, however, was successful and remained there until I graduated from the eighth grade. But what was there for me to do next was Mother's next thought. Finding no high school for the deaf and seeing I had not learned any trade, Mother sent me to a hearing high school, but somehow I couldn't succeed there, and failing in most of my subjects I did not return the next year.

It was not long before Mother heard of this wonderful school and her first thought was to send me here. Indeed it is a fine school and the place where I have learned most. Children who never heard people speak in their lives are now taught to speak and pronounce words right and anyone would be able to understand them.

They are taught trades of different kinds here, such as printing, cabinet-making, baking, tailoring, sloyd, reed work, and drawing for boys and for girls we have domestic science, sewing, and beauty culture.

Most of the deaf are found to be good, honest workers. It is hard for them to find jobs, but there is a division for the deaf in the State Labor Bureau, and the superintendent helps to find jobs and tries to make the employer understand the deaf.

There are clubs for the deaf where they gather and learn the meaning of society. There they join in planning picnics, parties, etc., so they are never found to be lonely.

If only the hearing people would mix with the deaf and try to understand them, I'm sure there would be more equality between the hearing and the deaf.

The thing the deaf enjoy most is books, and many are considered as book-worms, and from those books they gain the mastery of colloquial English. They also have a chance to enter a still higher institution of learning, Gallaudet College, Washington, D. C.

Now Mother doesn't worry about me any more, and she is not at all sorry that I have become deaf. Sometimes she takes pride in saying how wonderful it is that her daughter has learned so much. — Minnesota Companion.

# 196 DEAF SCHOOLS IN THE UNITED STATES

The January number of the *Annals* carries the regular annual statistical and tabulated matter pertaining to the schools for the deaf of America. The report shows 64 public residential schools in the United States. There are also 18 private and denominational schools and 144 public schools — 196 schools in all, for the deaf in the United States. Canada has nine schools.

The oldest school for the deaf in the United States is the American school at Hartford, established in 1817. The youngest public residential school is the school for the colored deaf and blind in West Virginia, established in 1926.

The largest school in point of attendance is Mt. Airy with 608 enrolled, and the smallest is Taft Institute, Oklahoma, with only 18 reported.

The oldest public day school for the deaf is the Horace Mann school, 1896, and the youngest one Throop school in Chicago, established in 1928.

The day school having the largest attendance is the Public School, 47 Manhattan, with 525 pupils, and the smallest is the Birmingham school with five listed. The Seattle school is also listed with five pupils.

The oldest denominational or private school listed is Michigan Evangelical Lutheran school at Detroit established in 1873, and the newest one, the W. R. Allen school at Faribault, 1924. The largest of these schools De Paul Institute at Pittsburgh with 134 pupils, and the smallest is Sanatorium school at Landsdowne, Pa.

Canada has eight schools for the deaf. The oldest is the school at Montreal, established in 1857, and the newest, the Toronto day school, 1924. Another provincial school is being established in Saskatchewan. The largest is the Ontario school at Belleville and the smallest is the day school at Toronto. — Silent Hoosier.

#### YOU WILL BE GLAD

When the years have slipped by and memory runs back over the paths you have trod you will be glad that you stopped to speak to every friend you met, and left them all with a warmer feeling in their hearts because you did so. You will be glad that you were happy, when doing the small every-day things of life, that you served the best you could in life's lowly round. You will be glad that men have said all along your way, "I know that I can trust him. He is as true as steel." You will be glad that there is some rainy days in your life. If there is no storms the fountains would dry up, the sky would be filled with poisonous vapors, and life would cease. You will be glad that you have stopped long enough every day to read carefully, and with a prayer in your heart, some part of God's message to those He loves. You will be glad that you shut your ears tight against evil things men said about one another, and tried the best you could to stay the words winged with poison. You will be glad that you have met with a hearty handshake all the hard things which have come to you, never dodging one of them, but turning them all to the best possible account. — Selected.

#### TELL HIM NOW

If with pleasure you are viewing Any work a friend is doing.

- If you like him or you love him, tell him now;
- Don't withhold your approbation

Till the preaches makes oration

And he lies with snowy lillies o'er his brow.

For, no matter how you shout it,

He won't care a thing about it-

- He'll not know how many tear drops you have shed;
- So, if you think some praise is due him,

Now's the time to slip it to him,

For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.

More than fame and more than money

Is the comment kind and sunny

And the hearty, warm approval of a friend, For it gives to life a savor

And it makes you stronger, braver,

And it gives you heart and courage to the end.

If he earns your praise, bestow it,

- If you like him, let him know it;
  - Let the words of true encouragement be said.

Do not wait till life is over

And he sleeps beneath the clover,

For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead. — Selected.

# I THANK THEE, LORD

- I thank Thee, Lord, for mine unanswered prayers Unanswered, save Thy quiet, kindly, "Nay";
- Yet it seemed hard among my heavy cares That bitter day.
- That sorrow was the gift I needed most, I wanted joy; but Thou didst know for me
- And in its mystic depths I learned to see The Holy Ghost.
- I wanted health; but Thou didst bid me sound The secret treasuries of pain,
- And in the moans and groans my heart oft found Thy Christ again.
- I wanted wealth; 'twas not the better part; There is a wealth with poverty oft given,
- And Thou didst teach me of the gold of heart, Best gift of heaven.
- I thank Thee, Lord, for these unanswered prayers, And for Thy word, the quiet, kindly, "Nay."

'Twas Thy withholding lightened all my cares That blessed day. — O. Huckel.

## HAPPINESS

Everybody wants happiness, but I wonder how many find it. Some are happy just spontaneously. We should be happy most all the time. The reason we are not as happy as we should be is because we have not learnt how. We do not always look on the bright side. We meet trouble half way, think and worry about something that never happens. All this sort of thing keeps happiness away. We must learn how to relax and not keep ourselves keyed to top-notch all the time. Always look on the bright side. Let our thoughts dwell on what we want to be and we will draw pleasant things to us. We can be what we think we are.

It is sometimes a good thing to stretch our imagination a little. Have our minds dwell on something pleasant. We can visualize so many beautiful things. It is so much better than wondering and worrying over our problems. Worry has never really got us anywhere. It will wreck our physical being and you know it sometimes takes days to get over it. It is a shock to our nervous system. We must learn to be calm and control our feelings, not let our feelings control us. We have so much to learn before we can really find the happiness we crave. We are all seeking it. When we give happiness to others we will find it ourselves. — Mary Elliott.

## MISSION NEWS

Milwaukee Mission—The picture shows the congregation at Milwaukee, taken May 18th. This is about the usual crowd. On the left is the pastor, next to him his daughter Edna who spells the sermons and



parts of sermons for the deaf-blind, Miss Eva Halliday. Then follow the seven who joined the church on that day. Miss Thelke from Jefferson, Wis., Miss Ksicinski (now Mrs. Gross), from Milwaukee; Misses Malm and Cass from the Delavan School, Mr. Bradley from Oconomowoc, and the two boys, Osadsky and Kienast, from the Delavan School. Miss Cass and Mr. Bradley received holy baptism.

On the previous Sunday, May 11th, Mr. and Mrs. Bohling were received into membership by confirmation, at Sheboygan, and after the exercises Holy Communion was administered.

On May 25th the last service of this school year was held in the auditorium of the school at Delavan. At 9 o'clock in the morning, the usual time for their Sunday School, the children all (about two hundred) assembled, and after a little misunderstanding had been brushed aside an ordinary Lutheran sermon was delivered on John 3, 16, showing the children the love of God to man. After this a short history of the activity of Moses, accompanied by the proper pictures, was given. Then the majority of the children were dismissed and the Lutheran children, about 80, remained for the communion service, 22 partaking.

It was a fine day and the children were full of glee, realizing that in a few days they would be with their parents and brothers and sisters.

On this trip Mrs. Gade, Professor and Mrs. Stellhorn accompanied the missionary. The professor had brought his large camera along and took a fine picture of the group. It is needless to say that the children were highly pleased to pose for the picture before departing for their homes in the various parts of the state, some living as far north as Superior.

In a way it seems too bad to see the children leave the school at the time when all the many trees and flowers and the lawns are at their best and make out a veritable park on the grounds, truly a beauty spot in Wisconsin. yet we know they will have something at home to replace all this and we hope they will all return happily in September. During the school year the Lutheran children received instruction in religion every Friday or Saturday from about three o'clock to 5:30 p. m., and once a month on Sundays. That was the rule. In a few cases this could not be carried out. The program for next year remains the same.

On the 24th of May Mr. Gross and Miss Florence Ksicinski were united in marriage in the chapel at Milwaukee. The ceremony was conducted in the sign language and also in the spoken language. Many visitors were present and extended their best wishes to the couple. C. Gade.

**Omaha Mission**—26 deaf attended our first service at Columbus, Nebr., on March 30th. All were very happy to have an opportunity to see the Word of God preached to them. Most of those present had not attended a divine service for several years. It was decided that for the present services be conducted at Columbus every two months on account of the great distances which most of them must cover. The combined mileage traveled by those 26 people was 1,150. Individuals traveled from 21 to 83 miles. The next service at Columbus will be held on June 1st at 3 P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. John Probert are again among the deaf friends at Sioux City. Both are employed there. Glad to see them at services!

One of our Sioux City communicants, Mrs. Keith Millard, is working on a farm near Fonda, Iowa, as we have heard.

All the ladies of the aid feel grateful to Mrs. Holter for the gift, a new New Testament, which was presented by her to every lady present at the last meeting held at Mrs. Holter's home. Please, ladies, let's not forget to bring our handy little Bibles along hereafter. E. M.

Kansas City Mission—Summer time is vacation time for schools. Summer time is not vacation time for churches. We hope that many of our friends throughout the summer will enjoy the pleasant, balmy Sundays as the gift of God and attend services in the House of God whenever the opportunity presents itself.

Many students of state schools have returned to their homes. To all who might read these lines we extend a cordial invitation to attend our services at the respective stations. Our other friends can do much missionary work in this respect by iniviting the students to come, or bring them to the place of worship. Scholars who already have attended our services are: Verna Howland, Agnes Larry, Clifford Pollock, Alma Renchler and Jack Wimmer. "The Lord is good . . . to the soul that seeketh him." Lam. 3, 25.

Other visitors at services in this territory are Mrs. W. W. Stewart, of Sioux City and Mr. H. A. Parks of Denver. When members and friends of our Kansas City Mission travel this summer, we hope that they

will follow the example of these people and attend our services wherever possible. Our readers will find it very profitable to take the Deaf Lutheran with them — the rear page directory gives valuable information about services.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Brown, New Cambria, Kans., has been blessed with the gift of a healthy girl. The Browns are supporters of our Salina Mission.

Some time ago Pastor Eichmann informed us that one of their members had become united in holy wedlock with Mr. D. Kriesel of Emporia, Kans. In the course of time a number of pastoral calls were made at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kriesel. On June 7th, our first service was conducted in their home. Six friends attended.

Attendance and interest at Oklahoma stations is very encouraging. At Tulsa plans are being formulated to have Sunday School meetings on Sundays when the missionary is unable to be present.

#### A. E. F.

Cleveland Mission—In June we were pleased to greet in Cleveland Pastor Ed. Witte, the new member of our Board of Missions for the Deaf and Blind. Pastor Witte stopped here on his way to the English District Convention in Akron. Together we looked over some property in Cleveland, which we think suitable for our purposes as a Parish House for the Cleveland deaf. For many years the Cleveland deaf have been sadly in need of a place of worship of their own. We are attempting to arrange for the purchase of the property without any or great expense to our Board. May the Savior grant us His blessings in our endeavors!

The local sign language deaf and speech-readers are planning their annual outing in June. After an address by the missionary and a brief instruction class the members will amuse themselves in various ways.

Thirty-six adult deaf attended our service in May in Findlay, Ohio.

It may be of interest to the friends of Lutheran missions for the deaf and the blind to learn that our German Braille Quarterly now has grateful and interested readers in the United States, Germany, Switzerland, Denmark, France, Russia, Poland, Rumania, Hungary, Austria and Palestine. May these new deaf-blind and blind friends learn to know and to praise with us the name of the blessed Savior!

Among many others some deaf and sightless German women, living in Erfurt, Germany, this week informed us: "Your Braille Quarterly is highly appreciated and we are very happy to receive it. Please continue sending it to us."

The first Lutheran tract in Spanish Braille has been sent to libraries and associations for the blind in Brazil, Argentine, Chile, Uraguay and Mexico. We hope that some afflicted fellowmen in these countries also will be led to the knowledge of Jesus through this agency. If the deaf-blind and blind in these countries welcome our tracts we shall send them further literature

The Lutheran Herald in Moon type is also gaining new friends with every issue. A missionary of the Indigent Blind Visiting Society of London, England, recently wrote: "I am writing on behalf of a woman, who is totally deaf and blind and an inmate of one of our institutions in East London. She is a very intelligent lady and reads all the literature I manage to secure for her, but desires, most of all, Christian literature. She reads the Moon type and would be grateful to you for the Herald." We have placed her name on our mailing list.

Another recent letter from a home teacher for adult blind, employed by the State Commission for the Blind of Ohio, reads thus: "I wish to thank you for the high grade literature which my pupils are receiving from you and your people. I assure you that the Herald in Moon type is being read diligently and that it is highly appreciated."

By the grace of God the Clevelanad Mission is serving at this time approximately 2,000 people,

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May our Lutheran Christians remember also this work of our Church with their prayers and their means to the glory of the adorable Savior and the everlasting welfare of immortal souls. O. C. S.



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