

Sunday

Lesson

By

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Greetings fellow Bible students. Our lesson for this week is entitled, "Love Overcomes Barriers." The text is Luke 10:25-37. Luke records an excellent example of Jesus' magnificent ability to teach by using parables. The parable of "The Good Samaritan" was given in response to the questioning of a lawyer whose initial purpose was to test Jesus. After Jesus forced him to answer his own question and shed a light of doubt upon his own life, he sought to justify himself. The lawyer asked that now famous question, "And who is my neighbor?" The parable Jesus told was set on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho. This was an extremely dangerous road to travel. It was tremendously steep, narrow, with many sudden turns. Thieves were known to hide in the cliffs waiting to attack at the turn of the road. The man traveling this road was very foolish to do so alone. As is typical with human beings, he had a hand in bringing suffering upon himself. There he lay robbed, beaten and left to die. Along came a priest, one among 20,000, to share in the temple service. He was only afforded this opportunity four times a year because of the large number of priests.

He could already see the blood on the man's body. He knew that to either touch blood or a dead body would render him ceremonially unclean for seven days. It would have been dishonest of him to assist the wounded man and pretend that nothing had happened, so he passed over by on the other side. Religious ceremony were of more importance to him than human need. But, before we criticize him too harshly, let us examine ourselves. How often are we engaged in all-night prayer meeting when we have a child at home whose individual ambitions and initiative have been robbed by a racist society, whose intellectual ability have been neglected and left to die by overcrowded schools when we could have been at home giving the child some needed encouragement?

How many times have we spent our sacred Sunday afternoons shouting from one church to another while some

forbidden person sat lonely in a rest home or hospital? Our church activities ought to teach us how to serve and inspire us to serve. I am afraid that worship that does not lead to service is not true worship at all. How much time do we spend in ceremony and how much time do we spend in service.

The Levite came along and thought that perhaps the robbers were still in the cliffs and perhaps the wounded man was even bait for a trap. He went on by because he was not willing to risk his own neck to help someone else. I am sure many of us can see ourselves here without illustration. Finally, the Samaritan came along. A man whom good orthodox Jews raised to despise unclean heretics. But, he was financially able to be of help to the wounded man. As churches, we must be able to do more than pay our monthly bills. Our generosity in giving to our churches ought to be such that we are able to "go about doing good."

Not only was the Samaritan able to help he was willing to help. When we meet our Lord in judgment, we will not be judged according to the faith in our hearts and minds; but by the faith in our hands and feet. We will be by what we have done. Jesus is teaching us here that anyone needing our help is our neighbor. Jesus is teaching us that we must help others even when they have brought their need upon themselves.

Love overcomes barriers, but not all barriers. There are many barriers that can be overcome by nothing else but love. Ultimately only love will overcome the barriers between racial groups, employers and employees, different nations, different social and economic classes. Only love can overcome the barriers in marriage. Only love can overcome the barriers between the sexes, between man and man. It took the love of God as revealed in his Son Jesus to overcome the barrier between God and man. You can experience that love today. For a more thorough discussion of the lesson, visit the Sunday School of your choice this Sunday.

Church News Briefs

St. Paul Will Celebrate Homecoming Here Sunday

St. Paul Community Missionary Baptist Church, 2200 Julia Ave., announces their Annual Homecoming Services Sunday, October 16, beginning with regular Sunday School classes at 9:45 a.m. Following that, the pastor, Rev. R.M. Young, will deliver the 11 a.m. sermon. The Chancel Choir and the Gospel Choir will render music.

Dinner will be served in the Fellowship G. Hall immediately after this service.

Rev. L.D. Parker of St. Luke Baptist Church will speak at the special Homecoming Service at 3 p.m. He will be accompanied by his choirs.

St. Paul relocated from Sunset Road to its present location 15 years ago with 18 members. Under the leadership of Rev. Young the enrollment has grown to 275.

Rev. Young hopes that many former members will return to worksop with them on Homecoming Day. The general public is also urged to attend.

NEW EMMANUEL

Mrs. Marty Sheppard, secretary to the vice-president of People That Love (PTL) will be the guest speaker at a Women's Day program at New Emmanuel Congregational Christian Church Sunday, October 16. She will speak at the 11 a.m. service.

Later in the afternoon Evangelist Grace Bailey of Pleasantville, N.J. will deliver a special sermon. This service will begin at 3 p.m.

Rev. N.C. Calhoun is pastor of New Emmanuel, which is located at 3540 Beatties Ford Road.

MYERS TABERNACLE

Prentice Bethea, a member of Myers Tabernacle AME Zion Church, will deliver his trial sermon at the church Sunday, October 16, at 3 p.m. The Volunteers Gospel Choir will render the music.

Presently serving in the U.S. Army at Fayetteville, Bethea is a native of Charlotte and is the son of Mrs. May Bell Roseboro. He is a graduate of Harding High and has attended Central Piedmont Community College, Fayetteville State University, and Fayetteville Technical Institute. He has studied with Rev. Lee Otis Belk of Texas Christian University in El Paso, Texas. A Master Mason, he is Master of North Carolina Masonic Lodge No. 103. The text for the trial sermon will be "The Eyes of the Lord."

Rev. George E. Battle of Gethsemane AME Zion Church is conducting revival ser-



Dr. J.G. Whitfield
...Revival leader

at Myers Tabernacle this week. Napoleon Brown, the Southern Sisters and The Volunteer Gospel Choir are providing music.

Rev. Carnell Thompson is pastor of Myers Tabernacle. The church is at 509 South Cherry St.

MYERS PARK

A special workshop on Creative Activities with Children will be held at Myers Park United Methodist Church on Saturday, October 22, beginning at 10 a.m. and lasting until 4 p.m.

The workshop leaders are Franklin and Maryann Dotts, well known authors and consultants from Nashville, Tennessee.

Sponsored by the United Methodist Annual Conference, this workshop is planned for any interested teachers or workers with children and is open to the public. Participants are asked to bring a sandwich for lunch, drinks will be furnished.

NEW EMMANUEL

Evangelist Minus Whitten was the speaker on a recent Friday evening when the Thompson Singers presented the first of two programs at New Emmanuel Congregational United Church of Christ, celebrating the singing group's 25 anniversary.

According to Rev. N.C. Calhoun, pastor of New Emmanuel, "There was singing, shouting, praising, praying and preaching enough to fill the hearts of all who came."

The second program on the following Sunday afternoon featured many area singing groups, including East Stone-wall AME Zion Choir, St. Paul Baptist Church Young Adult Choir, the St. James Holiness



Rev. L.D. Parker
...St. Paul speaker

Church Choir, and the Bellefonte Spiritual Singers from Harrisburg. Special guests were the Smith Grove Choir from Taylorsville, the home of Mrs. Queen Estelle Thompson, founder of the Good News of Miracles Outreach, business woman, civic worker and member of New Emmanuel. Mrs. Thompson sponsored the two day event.

The speaker on Sunday afternoon was Bishop M.O. Collins of High Point, accompanied by his choir.

New Emmanuel is at 3540 Beatties Ford Road.

ANTIOCH

A picture of the late Rev. J.W. White was mistakenly run in last week's POST in place of one of Rev. John W. White who is leading revival at Antioch Baptist Church this week. We regret our error.

CORINTHIAN BAPTIST

The first "Soul Stirring Revival" of the newly founded Corinthian Baptist Church, 2606-B West Boulevard, will begin Sunday, October 16 and run through Friday, October 21. The pastor, Dr. J.G. Whit-



Jim Black
...Matthew-Murkland speaker

field, will be evangelist for the week. Music will be by visiting area choirs.

The public is cordially invited. Services will begin at 7:30 p.m.

SECOND CALVARY

The Annual Missionary Day of Second Calvary Baptist Church was observed last Sunday. Speaker for the 11 a.m. service was Mrs. J.B. McLester of Durham, immediate past-president of Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Convention of North Carolina, which is an auxiliary of the General Baptist Convention of North Carolina. The women of Second Calvary were in charge of the service and music was by the church choir.

The theme for the program was "Christian Freedom and Responsibility." Mistress of Ceremonies was Mrs. Edwina Ceremonies was Mrs. Edwina Davis and Mrs. Clara Vinson offered prayer. The speaker was introduced by Mrs. Mildred Gaither, president of the Missionary Circle. Response was by the first lady of the church, Mrs. Betty Foster.

According to the pastor, Rev. Lemar Foster, the program was a huge success, drawing visitors from within the city and surrounding are-

as. The Vocal Choir of Second Calvary will sponsor a musical program Sunday, October 16, at 2:30 p.m. Several area choirs will participate.

Mrs. Dorothy Riley is president of the vocal choir. Second Calvary is at 114 Nelson Ave.

MEMORIAL UNITED

The Annual Laymen's Day Worship Service will be held at Memorial United Presbyterian Church, 2600 Beatties Ford Road, Sunday, October 16, at 11 a.m.

The guest speaker will be James F. Richardson, widely known civic and political leader. Special musical selections will be rendered by the Pi Phi Ensemble of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Rev. D.G. Burke is moderator of Memorial United.

PLEASANT HILL

The Spiritual Choir of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, 517 Baldwin Ave., will celebrate their 20th Annual Day Sunday, October 16, at 4 p.m.

Special guests will be choirs from Antioch, St. Paul's and Salem Baptist Churches. The Adult Choir of Pleasant Hill will also render several selections.

Mrs. Joe Liggett is director of the Spiritual Choir. The president is Ms. Florence

Johnson, vice-president. Ms. Olivia Walker, and secretary, Ms. Edna Folk.

Rev. Andrew Cuthbertson is pastor of Pleasant Hill.

MATTHEWS-MURKLAND

Jim Black, local radio personality who made an unsuccessful, but impressive, bid for the Democratic nomination for mayor of Charlotte recently, will be the guest speaker for Men's Day at Matthews-Murkland United Presbyterian Church Sunday, October 16 at 11 a.m.

Eugene Stitt, president of the Men's Day Committee, will preside and announcements will be by James Stitt, scripture by Ralph Alexander, prayer by Robert Nelson, and a biographical sketch of Men's Day by Daniel Cureton. The speaker will be introduced by Walter J. Cuthbertson and the response will be given by Sam Boyd. Benediction will be offered by the pastor, Rev. D.O. Hennigan.

The public is cordially invited. The church is at 6917 Old Providence Road.

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Smith Receives Eastman Kodak Grant

By Dianne Simpson
Post Staff Writer

The Eastman Kodak Company, which central location is at 343 State Street, Rochester, N.Y., is distributing a total of \$3.8 million in educational grants to 280 colleges and universities. Of this \$3.8 million, \$70,250 of the grants will go to 19 predominately black colleges and universities in the United States through the company's 1977 Educational Aid Program.

From the announcement made on October 4 Colby H. Chandler, President of the Company, and Walter A. Fallon, Chairman and Chief Executive officer feel that committing these grants to the various black colleges, there is a reaffirmative of "Kodak's respect for quality education and an investment in the future of higher learning for the benefit of all."

The four-year privately and publicly supported schools receiving direct grants from Kodak are: Alabama A&M Univ., Norman, Ala.; Alabama State Univ., Montgomery, Ala.; Alcorn State Univ., Lorman, Miss.; Dillard Univ., New Orleans, La.; Fisk Univ., Nashville, Tenn.; Florida A&M Univ., Tallahassee, Fla.; Fort Valley State College, Fort Valley, Ga.; Johnson C. Smith Univ., Charlotte, N.C.; Le Moyne-Owen College, Memphis, Tenn.; Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.; Morgan State Univ., Baltimore, Md.; North Carolina A&M State Univ., Greensboro, N.C.; Southern Univ. A&M College, Baton Rouge, La.; and Virginia Union Univ., Richmond, Va.

Of the \$70,250, Johnson C. Smith University has received \$3,000. How this grant will be distributed is in the process of discussion by Smith's Chairman and committee of Academic Affairs.

The two-year publicly supported schools that are a-

warded direct grants are Community College of Baltimore, Baltimore, Md., and University of the District of Columbia, Washington, D.C.

These Direct grants being distributed are given in response to the contributions made by college and university graduates to the company's business success. Kodak awards in direct grants \$750 to privately supported schools and \$250 to publicly supported institutions for each undergraduate or graduate year completed by those who graduate and join Kodak within five years of their graduation. The grants, awarded during the graduate's fifth year of employment, are made on behalf of those employees who are utilizing their academic training in the performance of

their job duties.

Recipient schools are presented to distribute grant dollars to the departments indicated by a person's degree. Individual departments are asked to use the money for Kodak Undergraduate Scholarships and to select the recipients on the basis of merit.

The direct grant program extends to two-year colleges offering the AAS degree and to two-year programs within the framework of a four-year college.

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