

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

OUR HEAVENLY HOME

International Sunday School Lesson  
For September 28, 1941

Golden Text: "He that overcometh shall inherit these things; and I will be his God, and he shall be My son."—Rev. 21:7.

Lesson Text: Revelation 21:1-7, 10-12, 22-24

Our lesson this week brings us to the close of God's Word. It is a perfect end and the only possible end if God is omnipotent as we believe He is. The Word of God begins, in Genesis, with a picture of beauty, of perfection, with man, the highest creation of God, in perfect communion with Him. Sin, in the form of a serpent, soon enters and comes between man and his God. Sin is committed, a curse is placed on man and from that hour to the last hour of this earth's existence, under the dominion of man, there has been and will continue to be a conflict between good and evil. Only when man accepts Jesus Christ and the salvation from sin which he offers, can man hope to re-establish the communion of his soul with its maker, God.

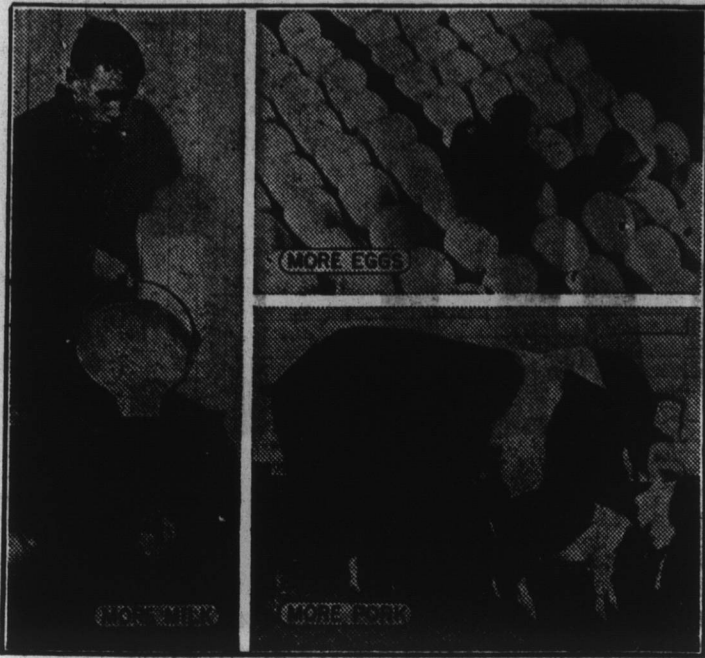
The ultimate hope of every Christian is to be forever with his Lord, Jesus Christ. John, in his vision, received a revelation of the place where the redeemed souls will spend eternity. Deep down within the human heart there is a firm conviction that death does not end all for the individual—that there is a future life for that part of us that can never die—the soul.

Man has always been interested in this question, asked by Job long ago, "If a man die, shall he live again?" The Christian answers, "Yes." We know that the body dies, but the soul—the real self—lives on after death. Take Jesus for an example. The New Testament tells us that he died physically on the cross, but on the third day he arose from the grave. We believe that he is alive today. Because he conquered death, we believe that we too shall live another life beyond the grave.

Granted that this is so, what will our future abode look like, who shall be there and what shall we do? John, in the 21st and 22nd chapters of Revelations, gives us a description of Heaven which would be lost—that of Jerusalem, which was the beloved city of the Jews and the home not only of the king, but in it was the Temple and in the Temple the holy of holies. Dummelow says that "Jerusalem" represents the society of the redeemed on earth; the "new Jerusalem" represents the society of the redeemed in heaven. In this city, there will be no temple, because there will be no need of a temple—God Himself is there.

Heaven will be an inhabited place. The redeemed of the Lord will be there and we have reason to believe that they will be recognizable. Moses and Elijah were recognized when they met Jesus upon the Mount of Transfiguration. Unless souls do retain their identity, some of the joy of Heaven would be lost—that of reunion with loved ones and friends. Inside the wall which surrounds the city of God will be those who have put their faith in Christ, those who have hungered and thirsted after righteousness, those who have proved

## More Defense Foods Needed



"More milk, more eggs, more pork" is the food-for-defense appeal being made to American farmers by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Farmers are responding unitedly, the Department says, and are turning huge quantities of feed from the AAA Ever-Normal Granary into energy-giving foods. Milk production is highest on record; egg production is higher than in any year except 1930; extra numbers of brood sows are being held over for fall farrowing. Nevertheless, the Department declares, even additional increases in these products must be made to supply the growing home demand and the emergency needs of Great Britain.

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However, outside the walls are pictured the fearful, those who denied their Lord, those who refused to believe in Christ, those who were guilty of idolatry, the murderers, the fornicators, the sorcerers, the liars or deceivers. Instead of being permitted to enter and enjoy the blessings of heaven, these will be cast into the lake of fire—Hell—or the scrap heap of the universe.

The life in heaven is to be a perfectly happy one, for Heaven is a place of joy. The sorrows of life—tears, death, sorrow, crying—will be done away with. There will be no sickness, there will be no fear, because we will be with God eternally.

Ask yourself this question, now, today: "Will I be with God and His redeemed throughout eternity?" If you want to be, you can. Paul declared, "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Accept Him, live for Him and live with Him eternally. This life here on earth is extremely short, but eternity is very long! Where will you spend eternity?

## 1,000 Openings For U. S. Aviation Cadets

The United States Army has approximately one thousand openings for Aviation Cadets for NON-PILOT training as aerial navigators for each of the October, November and December classes. This is a wonderful opportunity for men otherwise qualified but who can not meet visual acuity for pilot training, and for men who can meet the qualifications for pilot training but are not interested in pilot training. Minimum visual acuity required for navigator is only twenty over forty in both eyes, correctable to twenty over twenty with glasses.

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## Defense Savings Sales In August 30% Above July

### 25c Stamps Appear to Be Most Popular Form Of Saving

According to an announcement by the Treasury Department, sales of Defense Saving Stamps during August amounted to \$4,453,748. This is an increase of 30 per cent over sales during July.

Total sales for the four months since the Defense Savings program started on May 1, last, were:

May	\$3,475,070
June	2,802,345
July	3,288,283
August	4,453,748

The 25-cent Stamps appear to be the most popular, being the largest number sold as well as representing the greatest value invested.

A breakdown by denominations of Defense Savings Stamp sales for August follows:

Denomination	No. Sold	Value
.10	2,665,715	\$ 266,571.50
.25	10,130,891	2,532,722.75
.50	1,220,739	610,369.50
\$1.00	765,225	765,225.00
\$5.00	55,772	278,860.00

### SURVIVES 265-FOOT PLUNGE

San Francisco, Calif. — Cornelia Van Ierland, the only person to survive a leap from the 265-foot high Golden Gate Bridge, is expected to get well, although she suffered two broken arms, a fractured rib, a compression fracture of the spine almost between the shoulder blades and severely bruised legs. Thirty-four persons have made the leap since the bridge was opened in 1937 and all were killed.

## State Headed For Year's Most Traffic Deaths Says Hocutt

### Chowan Charged With Three Deaths In First Eight Months

According to a report of the Highway Safety Division this week, Chowan County had two fatal accidents and three persons killed charged against its 1941 record at the close of the eighth month of the year. This is an increase over the same period last year, when no fatal accidents occurred in the county.

The 742 persons killed in traffic accidents in North Carolina streets and highways the first eight months of this year represented a 45 per cent increase over the 509 persons reported killed in the same period last year, and the number killed through August of this year exceeded the number killed through October of last year.

"Although traffic fatalities all over the country have increased this year as a result of increased motor vehicle registrations, soaring gasoline sales, the stepped-up tempo of life in general, and various other factors, North Carolina's record stands as a shameful commentary on the thoughtlessness, recklessness and inattention of our drivers," declared Ronald Hocutt, director of the safety division.

"Only two states in the country have a higher mileage death rate than North Carolina and only one state is charged with a greater percentage increase in fatalities," he added.

Sixty-six of the 100 counties showed increases, 23 showed decreases and 11 stayed on a par with last year's record. Some of the heavier increases were recorded in Wake, Columbus, Davidson, Durham, Cumberland, Onslow, Pender and Sampson Counties. Some of the 1940 high fatality counties which are showing decreases this year are Forsyth, Edgecombe, Nash, Cabarrus and Catawba.

"It looks like we are headed for the worst year in the state's history with respect to traffic deaths," Hocutt stated.

Japan is endeavoring to increase domestic production of lumber, according to the Department of Commerce.

## N. C. Farmers Should Claim Their Cotton Equity By October 1

North Carolina farmers will get a chance at bat when American agriculture begins its greatest "squeeze play" of all time in a farm-to-farm campaign which will begin next month and is scheduled to score substantial increases in the production of virtually all farm commodities next year in the World Series of War.

There has been a call for increases of approximately 15 per cent in the 1942 production of all North Carolina farm commodities except flue-cured tobacco, cotton, corn and wheat under the food-for-feed campaign recently announced by Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard and aimed to turn out the largest farm production in the history of the nation.

"Representatives of all North Carolina branches of the U. S. Department of Agriculture will attend a 13-state food-for-freedom conference in Memphis, Tenn., September 29 and 30, to map plans for conducting the production increase campaign," it was announced by G. T. Scott, Johnson County farmer who heads both the state USDA Defense Board and the state AAA Committee. The campaign, Mr. Scott said, will involve visits by AAA committeemen and representatives of other U. S. Department of Agriculture agencies to every farm in North Carolina and throughout the nation.

"It is extremely fortunate," the AAA leader declared, "that our farmers are organized as they are under the AAA program and are able through their local committeemen to plan a farm program for next year which will eclipse anything the world has ever seen. Next month farmers will elect new, 1942 AAA committeemen in every township and community in the state. We farmers can make our own path easier in this year of record production by electing men we know to be capable of the kind of leadership that will be needed."

The food-for-freedom campaign was announced after Uncle Sam agreed to feed 10,000,000 more Britons next year.

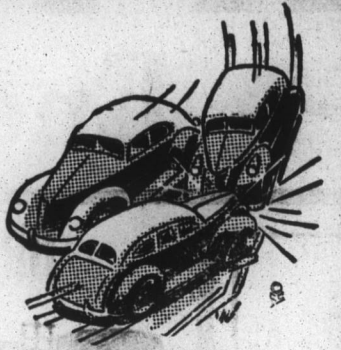
### The Fastidious Cook

Mrs. Hiram Offum—It seems to me you are asking too much when you consider the fact that I furnish your meals.

The Cook—I beg pardon, ma'am. I dine out. I never eat my own cooking.

## SPENDS TEN YEARS IN HOSPITAL; RETURNS

Pembroke, Mass.—On the verge of going to school for the first time, "like other kids" of his age, Carl Mason, 1, became desperately ill of a stomach disorder and was rushed back to the hospital where he had spent all but a few months of his entire life. Carl, a victim of tuberculosis of the spine when he was nine months old, spent nine years lying flat on his stomach. He learned to walk about a year ago and was able to leave the hospital for the first time only six weeks ago.



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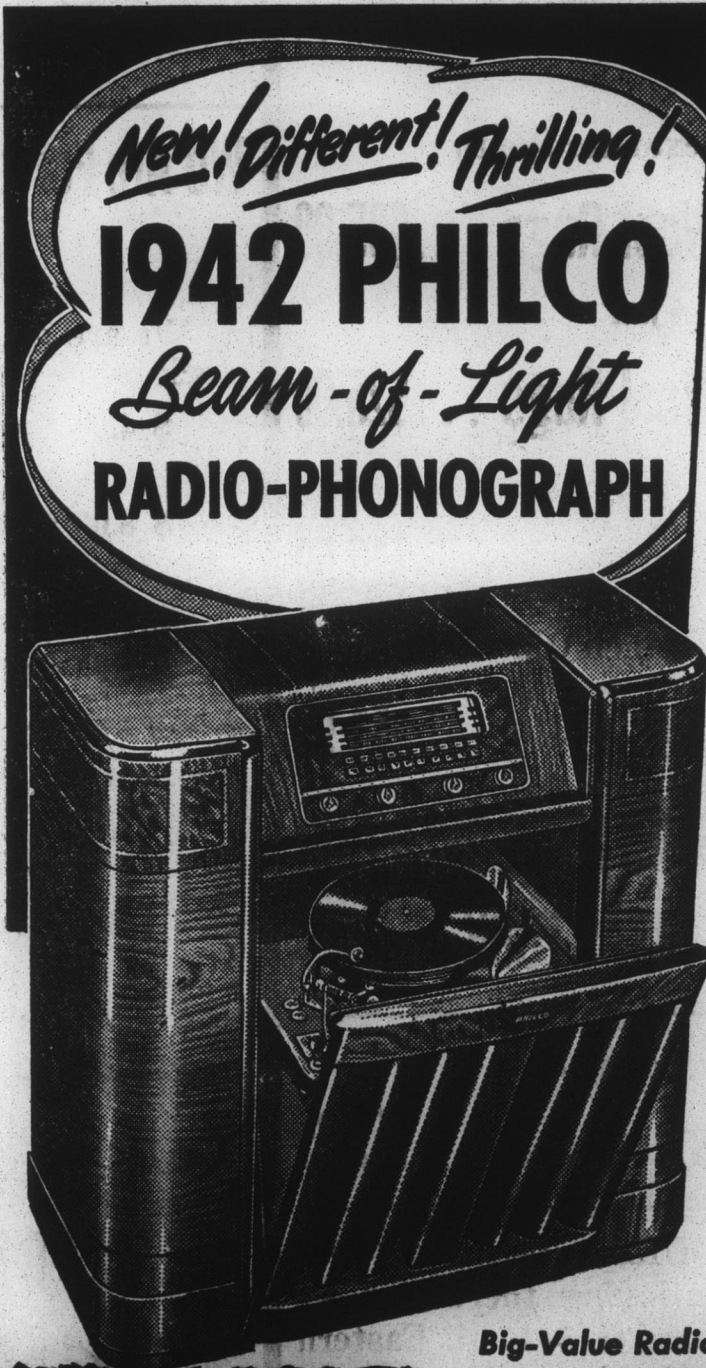
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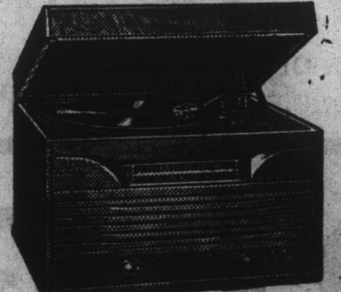
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