

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

BY REV. M. F. HODGES

June 18, 1922.

Subject—"Judah's Downfall,"—II Kings 25: 1-21.

Golden Text—"Be not deceived; God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" Gal. 6:7.

Time—590 B. C.

"The wages of sin is death." "Be sure your sins will find you out." Everything in the Bible is true. If we only look around us as we journey along through life we will be convinced that these Scriptures come true while men live. We do not have to die to reap all of our sowing. Our sinful sowings are sure to bring forth an abundant harvest, and in

been put out. He loved sin with a fervent love, so that he had hardened his heart and therefore Jehovah could Sunday School less—GAL. 2.***** teach him nothing. He had to learn his lesson as a blind exile.

Following a bad leader did not excuse the people. They had to suffer for their sins. Five months after the events just stated the king of Babylon sent the captain of the guard, Nebuzardan and burned the city. The work was made complete when the army of the Chaldeans broke down the walls of the city. Solomon's beautiful temple is a total wreck, everything valuable is carried away. They had been led away from the true God by wicked kings and false prophets and now

because of sin, if not repented for will be sure to bring destruction. Let us not forget that each of us day by day are sowing and that just as we sow we shall reap, except that we shall reap more than we sow. "He that soweth to the flesh, shall of the flesh reap corruption; he that soweth to Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting."

HICKORY CHAPEL NEWS

Mr. C. M. Early of Gatesville, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Early.

Mrs. Carolina Slaughter is improving from her illness.

Mrs. Archie Horton and daughter Thelma Barham, returned to their home in Union Wednesday after a short stay with Mrs. B. F. Barham.

We are hoping the new church will be completed by July 1st.

Miss Lorene Early, who graduated at East Carolina Teachers College a few days ago, is at home for the vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Early.

Mr. Jamie Barham and daughter Vernelle of Roanoke, Va., are visiting at the home of Mrs. B. F. Barham.

Mrs. R. P. Slaughter of Ahsokie, spent Sunday afternoon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sumner.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Casper of Ahsokie spent Sunday afternoon with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Willoughby.

Miss Iva Parker left Monday morning for East Carolina Teachers' Training School where she will attend the Summer School.

Quite a large crowd spent a delightful afternoon Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Willoughby. Among the callers were Mrs. Mary Brown and daughters, Deborah and Thelma of Menola, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dilday and family of Ahsokie, Mr. J. B. Chamlee and daughter Miss Eunice.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Wiggins visited their parents Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dilday Sunday afternoon.

The high waters of Stoney Creek which have prevented travel for the past week, are gradually falling and making the way passable.

Among the visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Early Sunday, were Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Dilday and family, Mrs. Nathan Hill and Mrs. L. R. Dilday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Dilday and son Lloyd Marion, spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. Dilday's parents.

The farmers of this community have a large crop of grass on their hands just now.

NOTICE

By virtue of the power and authority given by a certain deed of trust executed by S. M. Ried and wife Emma Ried on the 3rd day of June, 1920 to John A. Shaw, Trustee which is recorded in book 68, page 104 in office of Register of Deeds for Hertford County, default of payment having been made on debt secured thereby, the following property will be sold at public auction viz:

That lot or parcel of land in the town of Winton, N. C., and bounded as follows: Beginning at point on the east, south side of Main street in the town of Winton at or near the present corporate limits and running one hundred yards at right angles to said Main Street, in a southeast direction from Main street; thence twenty-five yards parallel to Main street towards Chowan river; thence one hundred yards back to Main street; thence twenty-five yards up Main street to string point or first station; it being a lot one hundred yards by twenty-five yards in the town of Winton whereon said S. M. Ried and wife now reside, and being same land described in deed from J. S. Mitchell and wife to S. M. Ried, dated Oct. 17th, 1905, which deed is recorded in the office of Register of Deeds of Hertford county in book 26, page 425 and referred to for more particular description.

Place of sale, Court house door, Winton, N. C.

Date of Sale—July 17, 1922.

Terms of Sale—Cash.

Hour of sale—12 o'clock M.

This the 12th day of June, 1922.

JNO. A. SHAW, Trustee.

6-16-4t.

FARMERS ATTENTION!

KINSTON TOBACCONIST FULLY CONVERTED TO THE CO-OPERATIVE MARKETING PLAN

MORNING NEWS, Kinston, N. C.

Lexington, Kentucky, May 15, 1922.

As a warehouse clerk and working here in the main office of this Association where facts are available at all times, feel that my point of view might be interesting along with the others.

Having been from the start much interested for and against this Association, I have made some effort on the outside among farmers, bankers, and business men who did not know me from Adam, except that I had on more clothes, to find out their various points of view; also the actual view points of the officials of this Association, shown on the inside in their dealings here with the farmers' tobacco and cash. I therefore, submit the following facts that have answered all the many questions fully that I was so interested in having answered before Christmas.

First of all, I could not see how the farmers could get the warehouses with no cash to start with. However, when I arrived in Kentucky in January, I found that they had nearly every warehouse in Kentucky, Indiana and Ohio under their control. Today they have absolutely shown good faith to the owners of all this property by paying rents promptly. They are going about with two capable contractors who, with Mr. Barker, director of Warehouses, are appraising the actual value of each house, including the material and former earning capacity, and are in the midst of the actual taking over of each of these houses.

THE NEXT I COULD NOT SEE WAS HOW THEY WERE TO FINANCE THIS ASSOCIATION, INVOLVING THE EXPENDITURE OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. THE ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION WAS GIVEN BY THE BANKERS MEETING HERE IN LEXINGTON AND, WITH JUDGE BINGHAM STARTING OFF WITH A MILLION DOLLAR LOAN, THEY PLEDGED OVER FIVE MILLION DOLLARS ON FAITH ALONE, FOR THIS MONEY WAS BORROWED ON PLAIN NINETY DAY NOTES.

The faith of these bankers and business men proved justified, as in forty-one days, every dollar was paid. Since that time, a great deal of money coming in from actual sales has been sent all over the Burley district to the various banks for deposit, thus helping each community until the actual distribution takes place to the farmers. This distribution is to take place Saturday of this week.

As we are working day and night, writing and mailing out about eighty thousand checks to farmers for the same amount of money they received in their first payment on tobacco, except where the membership fee was taken out in the first payment; in this case, each farmer will receive five dollars more. There is still more of the farmers' tobacco sold, which will be delivered shortly for more actual cash and this, combined with more sales now in progress to both domestic and foreign buyers, assures another distribution later on.

I had wondered whether the companies would buy this tobacco. My answer to that question was shown shortly after starting business, for over fifty million pounds was sold green, direct to various dealers and manufacturers. It was indeed a pleasure to see the companies accept this organization on a business basis, and to see their agents meet the farmers' representative here and say, "Mr. Farmer, how much will you take for your tobacco?" It was an equal pleasure to see no attempt, on the part of the Association, to gouge or seek revenge for fancied wrongs but, on the other hand, to meet and discuss the prices and sales as other business men discuss prices on anything for sale.

Now, as to the salaries and high price warehouses, that is merely a last hope cry of the knocker. For example, I know one warehouseman here who is also a farmer, who had all his tobacco pooled. He opened his warehouse individually and sold enough tobacco to pay him, clear of interest, office force, labor, insurance, and all other over-head expense, not less than \$12,000.00 clear for his one hundred and ten days work. On top of this, he bought tobacco from day to day, stacked it against his warehouse wall, and at the end of the season, his customers saw him sell this tobacco for over \$2,000 profit, without its having lost a pound in weight. This was of course, perfectly honest profit. But why should high salaries break farmers in the pool, when all sales are made for their benefit, and when the farmers outside can pay such salaries as above.

Now as to the loss in weight and re-drying expenses, all buyers who buy from established re-dryers realize that these losses are, of course, always added into the price from its original green cost at which it is being offered them.

I have been told, in a letter from home, that the farmers out of the pool are expecting better prices because of the competition of the individual warehouse and the organized farmers warehouses. Well now suppose the companies were in some way disposed to take sides in this affair, who is in the better shape to make them a proposition—the unorganized farmer working alone or the organized farmer who has for his representative capable tobacco salesmen, who are recognized by the purchasers as being able to meet them on a business footing and actually make sales in quantities and deliver as desired?

The independent tobacco dealer, who has always been the producers' chief aid in creating competition, now seems to be the victim of organized European price fixers, whose inquiries for the past two years read suspiciously alike, as they almost invariably inquire for the best quality that can be bought around fifteen cents or under, per pound, and that re-dried at American sea ports. Under these conditions, the manufacturer will easily be in a position, if he so desires, to buy his minimum requirements from the pool and get his reducers from the warehouse floor, for their main competition will have to buy from the producer at a price so that he can re-dry and sell against the competition of the organized farmer, who can sell to the same manufacturers that the independents has always sold.

Other letters published have spoken of the failure of this organization. Well, to persons who expected to be made millionaires over night, it has not been a success. To those persons who expected to wipe their feet on the "unspeakable manufacturers" it has also failed, for these manufacturers are the farmers' customers and are treated like business people always treat their customers; and, in this manner, much earlier prejudice and friction seems to be dying out on both sides. The companies are seemingly satisfied to buy at living prices from the producers, so long as their competitors are not able to under-buy and thereby under-sell them, and why not, since the consumer, as in everything else, pays the bill.

Is business dull here? Of course. It is also dull at home, for both sections are trying to recover from the price paid for the 1920 crop; one section working individually, and the other, through organized efforts. Do some farmers and business men complain? Certainly they do, as that is every man's privilege under any condition. But just say to one man or group of men, "Let's break this thing up and sell again over the loose leaf floor," and the vast majority answer quickly, "No siree."

These farmers were also tired of this silver-tongued oratory, and also of the "Street Corner Button-tyer" both for the Association. But, under the leadership of solid business heads, the farmer will come to their various Court-houses on Saturday and hear a speech made by good old American greenbacks. They will like it so well that, before the year is over, this same old family of greenbacks will make them another good, solid speech.

When you ask one here, who was known to oppose this plan what he thinks now, you get one of three answers: "I was wrong, and I am now proud to see this success," or he will say nothing; or, "You just wait and see." And the farmers are not only waiting and seeing they are waiting and receiving. They are receiving cash from their Association, conversation from the knockers, and good honest straight-forward business consideration from the companies; and that is all the farmer has ever asked for.

And now, if my humble opinion were asked in regard to the Tri-State Association, I would say that I know who the tobacco men and banks are that are heading it there, and therefore have put the selling end of the farmers' tobacco business on a good, solid basis here.

With best personal regards, I am,

Yours Respectfully,
J. FRANK LaROQUE,
Formerly of Kinston.

Notice of Re-Sale

Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in a certain Deed of Trust, executed by F. L. Howard and wife Blanche V. Howard to W. W. Rogers, Trustee, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of Register of Deeds for Hertford County, in Book 68, Page 73, the undersigned Trustee, will offer for RESALE, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property to-wit:

The F. L. Howard home, located on the West end of Church Street for

a better description, reference is hereby made to Deed of Trust from the said Howard and wife to W. W. Rogers, Trustee, in Book and page as above stated.

Place of Sale—In front of post-office building, Ahsokie, N. C.

Time of Sale—June 10th, 1922, between the hours of 11:00 A. M. and 2:00 P. M.

Terms of Sale—Cash.

This 24th day of May, 1922.

W. W. ROGERS, Trustee.

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