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# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON



Mrs. Lawrence

subject: Experiencing God's Presence  
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### Lesson

The Marvelous Acts of God  
Knowing The Unique God  
God of the Covenant Community

### Scripture

Deuteronomy 4:32-34  
Deuteronomy 4:35-36  
Deuteronomy 4:37-40

Background Scripture Deut. 4:15-49

### LESSON BACKGROUND

Many scholars believe that this chapter is a condensed summary of the entire Book. The chapter includes the first address with a strong exhortation to obey the law in response to the redemptive work of God in Israel's history. The whole Book of Deuteronomy deals with the covenant between the Lord and His people. (Israel.) In Moses' day, it proclaimed and described that covenant; in Josiah's day, it was used to call for a renewal covenant.

Deuteronomy 4:14-23 shows that Moses dissuaded the Israelites against adultery. He also was aware that God knew that they have an innate tendency to create false gods. So the warning was: "Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget the covenant of the Lord your God, which He made with you, and make you a graven image, or the likeness of any thing, which the Lord thy God hath forbidden you." (4:23).

### LESSON EXPLAINED

We are studying the last of four lessons of Unit I; "Foundations for Faith." Moses again appealed to Israel's history to convince the people of God's rightful claim upon their allegiance.

Verse 32 begins the final paragraph of Moses' first address. The word "for" connects the statement that follows with that which precedes as its cause. In it he challenge the people to inquire the earliest time of man's abode on earth, to search the records of all times and places, to see whether anything so great had happened before or had been heard of.

Moses' question, "Did every people hear the voice of God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as thou has heard, and live?" was to assure the people that His appearances were for the purpose to save, not to destroy. (Clark's Commentary.) The question had reference to the awesome confrontation at Sinai.

Then Moses asked a second question in verse 34, and it should begin: "Has any god ever attempted to...take a nation for himself from the midst of another nation?" (RSV). Moses was emphasizing the unique action of the Lord in selecting Israel for His purpose and dramatically leading them out of Egypt. Nothing like that had happened before.

The purpose of the entire revelation of God's voice to them was to "instruct" as Moses explained. Read and compare the following scripture: Isa. 8:11 and 28:26; Psalms 16:7, in order to verify the above statement, "instruct."

The term "consider it in thine heart"... means literally, to bring back into thy heart or recall.

In the closing verse we see Moses urging the Israelites to obey the law, for there were certain benefits and advantages of obedience. Things would go well for them and their descendants, and they would "continue to live in the land that the Lord" (TEV) was giving them forever.

### TRUTHS TO LIVE BY

1. Believing in God's purpose for one's life can provide zest and endurance.
2. The Lord of the Bible is the one true God.
3. God's incomparable acts should stimulate peoples' awareness of His presence.



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## In Churchwoman Campaign

# Anna Hood Widens Lead

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Tolbert. She is a young lady whose directions are clear and ambitions are high.

At Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, where Rev. Cuthbertson is pastor, Miss Tolbert shows she is capable of handling responsibility far beyond her youthful age of 18 indicates. Not only is she a member of the Junior Usher Board and a nursery aide, but Miss Tolbert also serves as secretary for the Sunday School and Vacation Bible School.

Having just recently graduated from Myers Park High School, Miss Tolbert plans to attend Shaw University and attain a B.S. degree in Business Administration. Once this is completed Miss Tolbert plans to go into business for herself "by owning a health spa with a chain of cosmetics.

Miss Tolbert has one brother, Johnny Tolbert Jr., who is extremely artistic and one sister, Belinda Tolbert Reid, who is an actress and portrays Ginny on "The Jeffersons". Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Tolbert are her parents.

Working with her in the churchwoman of the year campaign is her mother, Mrs. Corrine Tolbert and



Dr. R. H. Greene, veteran Charlotte physician, was awarded the coveted Old North State Medical Society "Doctor of the Year" award at the annual meeting of the society last weekend in Hampton, Virginia. The Old North State Medical Society is the oldest black medical society in the nation.

Mrs. Margie Patton, with confidence, "I plan on being crowned "Churchwoman of the Year." among others. Perhaps this is why Miss Tolbert says

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# Davis Will MC Banquet

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AME Zion Church tea.

Principal of the Street Academy school to educate disruptive students, Davis was named "Principal of the Year" in 1975 by the State Division of the North Carolina Association of Educators (NCAE). A football field and stadium at J.T. Williams Junior High School were named in his honor. He served there for 16 years.

Davis is vice-chairman of the Charlotte Community Relations Committee, chairman of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg County Democratic Party, and was recently appointed Minority Affairs Committee Chairman for the State of North Carolina Association of Educators

### Hospital Authority

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority has been changed from June 28 to July 30.

This meeting will be held at 7:30 a.m. in the Auditorium of Charlotte Rehabilitation Hospital.

The purpose of this meeting is to consider and conduct normal quarterly meeting business matters.

He is a member of education, fraternal and civic organizations and is a former chairman of the Black Political Caucus of Mecklenburg County. A graduate of Johnson C. Smith University, Davis also holds an education degree from the University

of Maryland, College Park, and received his Principal's certificate from Appalachian State University.

The public is invited to attend. Tickets will cost \$12.50 a piece. Some of the Post's advertisers will also be honored at the banquet.

### Memorial Number Change

There will be a slight change in all telephone numbers at Charlotte Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, effective last week.

The hospital's 373- prefix will be changed to 331-. The last four digits of each number will remain the same.

The change is being made, says Assistant Hospital Director Henry A. London, to allow for the future growth of Memorial. "We anticipate the need for additional phone lines in the future," notes London, "and the 373 exchange is full. The 331 exchange gives us a good bit of flexibility."

London adds that callers to the hospital should suffer no inconvenience from the change, because it is being made in the early morning hours and will take only a few minutes.

Intercept recording equipment will be placed

on the old lines, giving callers the new number. A notation in the 1981 City Telephone Directory under Charlotte Memorial's listings reminds callers of the change.

A list of key phone numbers for the public is listed below: General Information: 331-2121; Patient Conditions: 331-2341 (A-K), 331-2341 (L-Z); Admitting: 331-2123; Outpatient Clinic Information: 331-2192; Emergency Dept.: 331-2171; Family Practice Center: 331-2452; Neighborhood Medical Clinic: 331-3084; Public Information: 331-3141; Volunteers: 331-2105; Personnel: 331-2101.

### Tarragon

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CANNON CRUSADE  
Rev. E. C. Cannon (right) of Cannon's Cathedral Church of God in Christ led an Evangelical Crusade last weekend at his church, located at 200 Tuckaseegee

Road. Elder James Lewis Moore, from Richmond, Va., (left) was the guest speaker at Sunday's services. (Photo by Jim Black Photographers)

Elder J.L. Moore of Richmond, Va.  
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20 years ago Pastor E.C. Cannon came to Charlotte, N.C. with a "soul saving, healing crusade." From that service the C.O.G.C. was established in Charlotte. Thousands have witnessed "sparks of deliverance" from that crusade. Today the flame of evangelism is still burning.