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SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 1923

WASHINGTON COMMENT

"The school should be made to fit the student, not the student the school," says Superintendent of Schools Frank Ballou, of Washington.

Would there were some more educators who made this slogan, and less who were so concerned with administrative duties and a "good system."

For one of the crying needs of our educational system is that it be pulled away from too thorough a standardization.

Certain things are fundamental in any education; reading, writing, mathematics, history, geography; these are among the essentials. But school children have been grounded in the fundamentals of an education it is no more sensible to repeat all of them in the same way and to take the same courses, than it would be sensible to try to make all men to be doctors or bookkeepers or storekeepers.

The old idea of education was "time enough to begin to specialize when primary school, higher grades high school, and college had done their best." Today it is being more and more recognized that there is too much waste of time in an educational system which insists upon all pupils who go through the high schools having a choice of but a few different courses. One of the appalling results of such a program, originally conceived with the idea of saving money and producing a "standardized course" is found in the fact that too many boys and girls leave high school without graduating, simply because they are not interested, and find themselves unable to waste time following courses which they feel are without benefit to them.

Dr. Ballou further states: "Seldom does one realize that children do not leave school for economic purposes, but because they are unable to get that teaching and instruction toward which they lean. To prevent this we should group the children in various classes, such as those who wish to go thru college and universities and those who will go to work after finishing either graded or high schools."

Constructive and alert schools authorities in many places have seen this long ago; diversified work, manual training schools, wide choice of courses, special classes, a more elastic graduation requirement, and the establishment of junior high schools are all answers to the same problem.

But there are many localities in the country where the old idea still holds sway, where children are fitted into the school whether they must be stretched or compressed, and where the good of the school as an organization is considered before the ultimate good of the student.

It may be noted in passing that the newer idea takes hold first where parents are alertly interested in their schools, and that the old idea hangs on longest where the taxpayer takes the attitude, "I have paid my share, let the school board handle it."

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San Antonio, Tex., April, 6.—One hundred thousand dollar damage suit brought ten days ago by Captain Edward Randle and wife against Colonel Arthur Conger, Commanding the 20 infantry charging defamation of character was dismissed on motion of the plaintiffs. The motion gave no grounds for asking a dismissal, and no terms of settlement if any.

WILFORD COAWETTE SHOT TO DEATH

Richmond, April 6.—The body of Wilford Coawette Read, 25, found on a lawn in front of a house in the fashionable residential section of this city with a bullet wound thru his chest, by two passersby, George Schor, a civil engineer who the authorities said told them he shot at a man trying to break in a window of his home last night, was arrested on a technical charge of manslaughter. Little is known of Coawette who came here from Maine some time ago.

CALL ISSUED FOR BANKS CONDITION

Washington, April, 6.—Comptroller of the currency issued a call for the condition of all National Banks at the close of business Tuesday April 3rd.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Being urged by a number of friends to become a candidate for Township Recorder, I hereby announce my determination to again make the race for that high office to be voted for at the May election.

Although defeated two years ago I made many warm friends who, I am sure will give me their cordial support in the coming election making my prospect of election very bright. As far as I know there are no other candidates and if any should come forward I should suggest that several public meetings be held where all the candidates appear giving their views on the issue of good clean government.

A. L. JONES Leaksville, March, 29th 1923.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of John D. Jones, deceased, late of Rockingham county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Spray N. C., on or before the 10th day of March, 1924 or such notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 10th day of March, 1923. Smyth Eggleston Administrator of John D Jones deceased.

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Sunday School Lesson

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LESSON FOR APRIL 1 THE WALK TO EMMAUS

LESSON TEXT—Luke 24:13-31.
GOLDEN TEXT—Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen.—Luke 24:5-6.
REFERENCE MATERIAL—Matthew 28:1-10; Acts 2:32-36; I Corinthians 15:3-20; Colossians 3:1-4.
PRIMARY TOPIC—A Walk With Jesus.
JUNIOR TOPIC—Jesus as a Companion.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Life With the Risen Lord.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—What Christ's Resurrection Means.

I. The Walk of Two Discouraged Disciples (vv. 13-15).

Emmaus was seven and one-half miles northwest of Jerusalem. Just why they were walking this way we do not surely know. Perhaps their home was there, or they were merely walking to seek relief from their stunning sorrow. If they had believed what Jesus told them about His death and resurrection they would have escaped this great disappointment. Unbelief causes many heartaches and disappointments. One of these disciples was Cleopas, but the other is unknown. The topic of conversation was the tragedy of the cross and the resurrection rumors. So little had His teaching about His resurrection impressed them that the reports which the women brought were as idle tales to them. If they had believed what He said about coming forth from the grave they would have been expecting to hear just such reports as were being circulated.

II. The Unrecognized Companion (vv. 16-24).

1. Who He Was. Jesus. While they reasoned together on the wonderful events of the last few days on this journey, Jesus joined them. Even when He questioned them concerning their sadness they did not recognize Him. Many times we are so taken up with our sorrows and disappointments that we do not recognize Jesus though walking by our side. How grieved He must be to be unrecognized as He walks by us in our sorrows and trials.

2. His Question (v. 17). Perceiving their sadness and perplexity He sought to help them by calling forth a statement of their grief. This question surprised them and caused them to infer that He was a stranger in Jerusalem. The condemnation and crucifixion of the great prophet of Nazareth were so recent and notorious that no one they thought, who had lived in Jerusalem, could be ignorant of them. One valuable aspect of the unbelief of the disciples was that it revealed the fact that they were not credulous enthusiasts but hard to convince. Out of this incredulity developed the unshaken faith in the word of the resurrection.

III. The Scriptures Opened (vv. 25-35).

1. His Rebuke (v. 25). He did not rebuke them for not believing the strange stories they had heard, but for ignorance and lack of confidence in the Old Testament Scriptures. They had accepted only such parts of the Old Testament as suited their notions. Men and women who do not believe all that the Scriptures say, especially about the work of the blessed Savior, are entirely blameworthy. The very center and heart of the Old Testament Scriptures is the death and resurrection of Christ. It is ignorance of the Scriptures and unbelief of the wonderful and complete redemption wrought by Christ that robs us of many joys, and power and efficiency as workers for Christ. Christ will be the teacher of all who will open their hearts unto Him.

2. Jesus Recognized (v. 31). While sitting at meat with the disciples their eyes were opened as they saw Him bless the bread and distribute it to them. We, too, can see the Lord on such common occasions as eating a meal if we have open eyes. Indeed we ought to see Him when eating, selling, buying and in our recreations for He has promised us His presence.

IV. The Effect Upon the Disciples (vv. 32-35). They were so filled with joy over this revelation of the Savior that they hastened back to Jerusalem to tell the other disciples of the word of His resurrection. Those who have had the Scriptures opened to them touching the death and resurrection of Christ cannot help but hasten to make it known to others.

Conscience in Speaking. Every man should study conscience in speaking; it is a sign of ignorance not to know that long speeches, though they may please the speaker, are the torture of the hearer.—Felt-ham.

Like Old Watches. Persons extremely reserved are like old enameled watches, which had painted covers that hindered your seeing what o'clock it was.—Walpole.

The Secret. What is mine, even to my life, is hers I love; but the secret of my friend is not mine.—Sir P. Sidney.

The Quarrel. Beware of entrance to a quarrel but, be it that the opposer may beware of thee.—Shakespeare.

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LESSON FOR APRIL 8

ABRAHAM THE HERO OF FAITH

LESSON TEXT—Genesis 12:1-5. Hebrews 11:8-10, 17-19.
GOLDEN TEXT—Abraham believed God and it was counted unto him for righteousness.—Romans 4:3.
REFERENCE MATERIAL—Romans 4:1-25; Galatians 3:6-9; James 2:21-24.
PRIMARY TOPIC—Abraham Obeying God.
JUNIOR TOPIC—Abraham, the Man Who Trusted God.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Abraham, the Friend of God.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Abraham, the Pioneer of Faith.

I. His Call (Genesis 12:1-5). The human race, as such, had failed, and now we see God's purpose as to the redemption of the race taking shape. Therefore he singles out this lonely man to make him the head of a nation through whom redemption was to come.

1. His Separation (v. 1). He was called to go out of his own country; to separate from his kindred and go to an unknown land. These were all very dear to his heart but they were to be given up that Abraham might have God and be the father of all the faithful. Abraham was living among idolaters; therefore, he must separate from them. Even his kindred must be left behind for they were idolaters. Following God costs much that is dear and precious to us today. To attain unto the highest and best in the spiritual life many things which are pleasant to the carnal nature must be sacrificed.

2. God's Gracious Promise to Him (vv. 2-3). (1) "I will make of thee a great nation." This was fulfilled in a natural way in a great posterity (vv. 13-16) and in a spiritual seed. See John 8:39, Galatians 3:16-17. (2) "I will bless thee." God has wonderfully blessed Abraham in a natural and spiritual way and still greater realization of this promise is to come to Abraham's seed. (3) "Make thy name great." Abraham was called the friend of God. James 2:23. Abraham is a universal name. (4) "Thou shalt be a blessing." Untold blessings have come to the world through Abraham and still a greater blessing will be realized when the fullness of God's purpose concerning that nation shall be realized. (5) "I will bless them that bless thee." (6) "I will curse him that curseth thee." Abraham's seed is God's very touchstone. Nations and individuals who have used well Abraham's descendants have been blessed and those who have cursed them have in turn been cursed. (7) "In thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed." This is the all-comprehensive promise of God because it shall come to the world through the Messiah. Galatians 3:16. While Abraham had to give up much he gained infinitely more than he lost.

3. His Obedience (vv. 4-5). Without question or delay Abraham took his departure to the unknown land. Though he did not know whither he was going he knew that God had spoken. To have God's command and promise is enough for the child of faith.

II. Abraham's Faith (Hebrews 11:8-10).

1. Its Source Was the Word of God. He had heard God's call. Because God had spoken to him he went forward. Faith takes God at his word.

2. Its Practice (vv. 9-10). He never settled down anywhere even in the land of promise. He was a true pilgrim. He was content to pass through the land because his eyes were fixed on a city which had foundations, whose builder and maker was God. The Christian does not settle down in this world as though he was going to make his home. He lives in the world but is not of it. His citizenship is in Heaven.

III. Abraham's Testing (11:17-19).

1. At the Command of God He Offered Up Isaac, His Only Son. (v. 17). Going out into an unknown country was simple in comparison to laying his son on the altar of sacrifice. But he who had obeyed God in going out from his country and kindred was now to pass through the supreme test.

2. The Promise of Blessing Was Wrapped Up in Isaac. (vv. 18). It was not a promise which might take any descendant of Abraham but this particular child. The way seemed dark and the command conflicting with the promise, but faith does not consider difficulties.

3. The Supreme Venture (v. 19). Abraham so completely trusted God that he was willing to go all the way with Him, being assured that God would even raise him as from the dead, in order to make good his promise.

Hops. Hope is a pleasant acquaintance but an unsafe friend; not the man for your banker, though he may do for a traveling companion.—Halliburton.

Answer Knock at Your Door. Have your vision of God, but descend from your housetop to answer the men who knock at your door.—F. B. Meyer.

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