

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR MARCH 27

THE LIVING CHRIST.

LESSON TEXT—Matt. 24:1-35
GOLDEN TEXT—I am with you always, even unto the end of the world—Matt. 28:20
REFERENCE MATERIAL—Matt. 27:51-56; Mark 16:1-18; Luke 24:36, 42-43; John 20:1-18; Phil. 3:8-11
PRIMARY TOPIC—The Easter Story.
JUNIOR TOPIC—Our Ever-Present Friend.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Christ Our Living Leader.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Christ in the Life of Today.

I. The Empty Sepulcher (vv. 1-7).
1. The earthquake (vv. 1-4). This occurred when the glorious angel descended from heaven to roll the stone away from the tomb. This work of the angel was not to allow Jesus to escape, but to show that the tomb was empty. Christ needed not even the help of a glorious angel, for He was raised up by His own power as the seal upon His atoning work on the cross. The open tomb and the angel sitting upon the stone with calm dignity is a picture of God's triumph over the devil, and the terror of the keepers is a sample of what all of Christ's enemies shall one day experience when He comes in glory to reign as King.

2. The angel's message to the women (vv. 5-7). (1) "Fear not" (v. 5). While the enemies had occasion to fear, these women who loved the Lord received good news from the empty tomb. The Lord will not long leave those who follow Him in love in suspense and dread. The empty tomb puts an end to all doubts and fears. It is the evidence that the question of sin is dealt with, and that God is satisfied and eternal victory is secured. (2) "Come, see" (v. 6). The angel told the women that the Lord had risen and invited them to come and see the place where He lay. The reason He invites them to come in is that He desires them to make sure about the facts. The Lord made special effort to convince the disciples of the reality of His resurrection. He remained with them for 40 days, giving them many infallible proofs. (3) "Go quickly" (v. 7). Having seen for themselves, their responsibility was to go tell the message. While it is important to be convinced of facts, one should not stay too long because there is work to do. Experience is necessary before testimony. They were to go quickly to the disciples with the message, assured that the Lord would go before and meet them.

II. The Risen King Meets the Women (vv. 8-10).
The women quickly obeyed the command of the angel and were fuming to bring the disciples word. Jesus met them on the way. Those who have an experimental knowledge of Christ should go speedily to tell others of it. All who go quickly with His message, the Lord will meet on the way. When they saw Jesus, that He was really the Lord, they worshiped Him. They knew that He was the Son of God, therefore entitled to be worshiped.

III. Paying Money to Circulate a Lie (vv. 11-15).
That Jesus arose from the dead could not even be denied by the Sanhedrin. They could see but one way out of the difficulty, that was to bribe the keepers to tell a lie. They had paid money for His betrayal; now they pay much more to circulate a lie about His resurrection. What a wonderful power money has over the lives and consciences of men! It will not only induce people to lie, but it even muzzles the mouths of preachers.

IV. The King's Great Commission (vv. 16-20).
By virtue of His royal authority He issued this great command to the disciples. In order to prepare them to receive this command, He declared unto them that all power in heaven and earth was given unto Him. This is most fundamental. Only as the disciples realize the Lord's power are they likely to go about with the message.

1. "Go, teach all nations." This is the first and primary business of the disciples. The risen and mighty Lord issues this command to all (v. 19).
2. Baptize them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Those who become disciples of the Lord should receive that rite which signifies that relationship to Him (v. 19).
3. Teach them to observe all Christ's commandments (v. 20). Those who become Christ's disciples should be taught obedience to all His commands. All who thus obey Him shall enjoy His abiding presence. Christ's abiding presence guarantees the success of the enterprise.

Prayer.
In the morning, when you awake, accustom yourself to think first upon God or something in order to His service; and at night also, let Him close thine eyes.—Jeremy Taylor.

Unhesitating Advance Wins.
"It is not the spur at the start, but the continued, unresisting, unhesitating advance that wins the day."

Gived All to Mother.
All that I am, or hope to be, I owe to my angel mother.—Lincoln.

LOCAL ADVERTISEMENTS

Gloves Found.
Found—Pair of kid gloves in Baptist church at Rockingham. Owner can get same by applying to J. T. Henry.

No more high priced Oxfords or shoes at E. B. Terry's.—Be sure to see his new Spring line of Oxfords before you buy and you will save money.

Potato Plants.
500,000 Porto Rico potato plants for sale, \$2.65 per 1000. Shipped from Georgia and Florida to you express, collect. Send cash with order, to L. O'Brien, Hamlet, N. C. Ready April 15th.

Keys Found.
Found, two small keys. Apply at Post-Dispatch office.

Shoats For Sale.
For sale, 25 Berkshire shoats. See Luke Childers, Route 1, (store on Watson Heights.)

Glove Lost.
Lost, Sunday a long black glove. Please notify or return to Post-Dispatch office.

Miss Hurley, the milliner at E. B. Terry's Dept. Store, certainly has a beautiful assortment of ladies' Spring hats at old time prices. Don't fail to see this beautiful line of millinery. A mighty good time now to buy your new Easter bonnet.

Rhode Island Red
For sale, Single Comb Rhode Island Red eggs; \$2 per setting of 15.—J. Gus Covington Route 4.

Number Found.
Found, auto number 112,547. Apply Post-Dispatch office.

\$50 Reward.
A full page advertisement by Gregg Bros., of Laurinburg, appears in this issue on page nine. They have some interesting auto accessory prices to offer.

Nitrate of Soda.
McRae Grocery Co., have in stock ready for delivery Nitrate of Soda.

Musical Strings.
We have installed a case to keep all kinds of musical instrument strings. Come in and pick the kind you want.—Fox Drug Store.

Eggs for Hatching.
Plymouth Rock eggs for hatching, \$2. per setting of 15. Pullets and roosters won first premium at Richmond County Fair.—Mrs. B. F. Palmer.

Have you heard of those beautiful dresses at E. B. Terry's? Be sure you see them before you buy; they are so pretty and the price so reasonable.

Musical instrument strings can be found at Fox Drug Store. (adv't)

Wanted.
Wanted—bids for building 2 two-room school house. Plans at my office.—L. J. Bell.

BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCKS
Winners Wherever Shown.

WHY GAMBLE IN DOUBTFUL STOCK WHEN I CAN FURNISH YOU THE BEST THERE IS IN POULTRY \$2.50 per set.
E. P. COVINGTON, Rockingham, N. C.

House at Hamlet.
For Sale, a house and lot at Hamlet. If interested, see S. Biggs, Rockingham.

A GERMAN VICTORY IN UPPER SILESIA

POLAND SECURED ONLY ABOUT ONE FOURTH OF VOTE IN RECENT PLEBISCITE.

AREA IS 5,000 SQUARE MILES

Election Will Go Down in History as a Momentous Event in Adjustment of European Boundaries.

Berlin—Germany won an overwhelming victory in plebiscite held in Upper Silesia to determine the future national status of that region, according to official returns received here. Two districts were still missing at 9 o'clock the morning after, but the count showed that 876,000 votes had been cast for Germany and 389,000 for Poland.

Reports from Breslau state that the plebiscite was generally without untoward incidents. Palm Sunday, the day of the voting in upper Silesia, seems likely to go down in history as one of the most momentous days in the adjustment of European boundaries growing out of the world war. The day had been looked forward to with intense interest by all Germany and Poland as well, while evidences of world-wide attention upon the balloting were not lacking in advices from abroad.

The area involved, comprising some five thousand square miles, was the largest section of territory to have its fate submitted to a plebiscite under peace treaty, but even more important than the size of the district was the material wealth contained in its varied mineral resources, mainly coal, but also including iron, zinc and lead.

Sixth Largest Cotton Crop.
Washington.—The largest cotton crop since 1914 and the sixth largest in the history of the country, was grown last year. Ginning statistics for the 1920-21 season, announced by the Census Bureau, show a total of 13,265,754 equivalent 500-pound bales, comprise the 1920 crop. That is about 2,769,000 equivalent 500-pound bales less than the record crop of 1914 and is slightly smaller than the 1904 crop.

See Shloss Bros. tailored clothes for men and young men at E. B. Terry's.—Newest styles and lowest prices.

For Sale.
2 Plate Glass 5 1/2 x 5 1/2 feet.
2 Plate Glass 34 inches x 5 1/2 ft. Glass in frames: 3 double transoms, glass 3 x 3 feet. 2 single transoms, glass 3 x 3 feet.
4 good doors with glass; also several pairs sash with large glass.—W. L. Scales.

Horses, Mules, Cows.
For sale, horses, mules, fresh cows, hogs. See Operatives Trading Company, at Great Falls mill. They can interest you.

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S LAND SALE.
NORTH CAROLINA, Richmond County.
Under and by virtue of a decree of the Superior court of Richmond county in the Special proceedings entitled Mrs. D. E. Steele, et al, Ex Parte, the undersigned commissioner will on Monday, April 18th, 1921, in front of the Court House door in the town of Rockingham, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, subject to the confirmation of the court, the following described lands:
Lying in Mineral Springs township, Richmond county and being the estate lands of Rebecca L. Hines, deceased:
FIRST TRACT: Consisting of 20 acres of the estate lands of John M. Covington, deceased.
SECOND TRACT: containing 45 acres, being lot No. 2 in the division of the estate lands of John M. Covington, deceased.
THIRD TRACT: Consisting of 18 3/4 acres, adjoining the above lands, described by metes and bounds in Book UUU page 377.
FOURTH TRACT: A one-half undivided interest in 40 acres, being lot No. 3 in the division of the estate lands of John M. Covington, deceased.
FIFTH TRACT: A one-half interest in 11 acres adjoining the above described lands.
SIXTH TRACT: One-half interest in 4 acres adjoining the above described lands.
The last three tracts being described in deed by James A. Lockhart, Commissioner, recorded in Book 77 at page 60. A complete description can be had by reference to the record in the foregoing special proceeding.
This March 17th, 1921.

BRICK.
Pressed cement brick manufactured plain, rock faced, in colors and white. Book your contract now. Delivery prompt. "Concrete for Permanence."
PROSSER & HARRILL
Hamlet, N. C.
Office, Boykin Bldg. Phone 17

For Sale at Ellerbe.
Two residential lots for sale, at Ellerbe; well located.—S. Biggs, Rockingham.

Pure-bred Poultry Eggs.
Pure-bred poultry eggs for hatching, from herd to lay S. C. Rhode Island Reds. My breeding pen of Reds is extra fine and is as good a laying strain of Reds as can be found in the country anywhere. I also have a fine flock of S. C. Brown Leghorns, and these are extra fine layers. Have Mottled Anconas and have been breeding them for the past 4 years and have found them to be up to the top-notch in laying. All eggs strictly fresh. Choice of either variety \$2.00 per 15. E. C. Daykins, Entwistle, N. C., box 18.

Colored People Praise Work.
Editor Post-Dispatch.
On Feb. 1st, 1921, the community of Ellerbe Grove was highly entertained by Dr. E. T. Ransom, of the State Board of Health, with a lecture, and health and educational moving pictures. We were all greatly benefitted, and speaking the sentiments of the community I shall say we were glad to have him with us. Come again. The following is a letter written by some of the school children which I would be glad if the Post-Dispatch editor would kindly print in his paper.
J. HENRY ELLERBE, (Col.)

"Ellerbe Grove, Feb. 3, 1921.
Dear Dr. Ransom:
I will write you a few lines to let you know how I enjoyed the moving picture show. I enjoyed seeing the germs of the tuberculosis. I was glad to see how to exercise more genuine understanding. I am trying to work for the gold pin. I try to clean my teeth every morning. I try to play out doors for thirty minutes. We have our windows up when we sweep our school house. I try to have my hair combed every morning. I enjoyed your speech fine. I hope you will come back again. I love to see old grand-father and father play. It was interesting to see them for I have never seen them before. So I will close my letter by saying by, from
Your truly friend,
JANIE MAY ELLERBE,
Aged 11.

"Ellerbe Grove School, Feb. 2, 1921.
"Dr. E. T. Ransom,
"Sanitarium, N. C.
"Dear Dr. Ransom:
I will write to inform you that I was very glad to be at the moving picture show on last night, the first of February, and I enjoyed it very much, and I really did highly appreciate it.

"I saw in the first picture how interested little butterfly was in the battle with captain Hayard and his soldiers. Little Butterfly did not have to work, she had an old grand-father, he was the office keeper, Butterfly's grand-father and the captain had not seen each other in a long while, they were delighted to see each other, they kissed each other. Little Butterfly really loved Captain Hayard. When she heard of Captain Hayard's death she was so sorry that she give her life in the war field beside Captain Hayard. When little Butterfly's grand-father heard of little Butterfly's death he began to feel sorry and cry, he knew that little Butterfly was gone.

"Now I am very delighted in seeing how the tuberculosis germs enter the body and I am going to do all I can to keep the germs of tuberculosis out.
"I would like to say more at this present moment but the time won't allow me, the hour is drawing night I will have to get my lesson. I will close.
"Respectfully yours,
"GENNIE MAIE TAYLOR,
"Aged 15.

Candy at Biggs.
Biggs drug store receives each week a fresh shipment of candy from Whitman, at Atlanta, and Hollingsworth, at Augusta. Two favorite makes. Try a box; take one home to your wife or to your sweetheart.—Adv't.

Statement WARNER'S INTER-INSURANCE EXCHANGE
Chicago, Ill.

Condition December 31, 1919, as Shown by Statement Filed.

Amount of Ledger Assets December 31st of previous year; increase of paid-up Capital		\$295,572.91
Income—From Policyholders	\$439,067.05	
Miscellaneous	\$254,474.00	Total, 693,541.05
Disbursements—To Policyholders	\$ 51,199.45	
Miscellaneous	\$284,824.76	Total, 346,024.21

ASSETS

Value of Bonds and Stocks	174,385.00
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks on interest	289,828.53
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to Oct. 1, 1919	52,506.53
Interest and Rents due and accrued	1,689.66
All other Assets, as detailed in statement	125,000.00
Total admitted assets	\$643,389.72

LIABILITIES

Net amount of unpaid losses and claims	\$ 50,873.37
Unearned premiums	176,025.65
Estimated amount payable for Federal, State, county, and municipal taxes due or accrued	3,272.87
Total amount of all Liabilities except Capital	\$230,171.89
Surplus over all liabilities	\$413,217.83
Surplus as regards Policyholders	412,610.88
Total Liabilities	\$642,889.77

BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA DURING 1919

Fire Risks written	1138,300;	Premiums received,	11,405.54
Losses incurred—Fire	16,000;	Paid	15,000.00

President—Honoring B. Warner, Attorney.
Home Office—Chicago, Ill.
Attorney for service: Jas. R. Young, Insurance Com., Raleigh, N. C.
Manager for North Carolina—Home Office.

State of North Carolina, Insurance Department, Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 31, 1920
I, James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Warner's Inter Fire Insurance Exchange, of Chicago, Ill., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1919.
Witness my hand and official seal the day and year above written.
JAMES R. YOUNG, Insurance Commissioner.

Statement LINCOLN MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.
Charlotte, N. C.

Condition December 31, 1919, as Shown by Statement Filed.

Income—From Policyholders	\$2,026.20;	Miscellaneous	\$1,026.39;	Total	\$3,052.59
Disbursements—To Policyholders	\$ 231.35;	Miscellaneous	\$2,621.24;	Total	\$2,852.59

ASSETS

Cash in Company's Office	200.00
Total admitted Assets	\$ 200.00

BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA DURING 1919

Policies on the lives of citizens of said State issued during year No. 1276	\$22,780.00
Losses and Claims unpaid December 31, 1919, Number 619; Amount	\$10,300.00
Premiums collected or secured in Cash and Notes or credits without deductions for Losses, Dividend, Commissions, or other expenses	\$2,026.20

President R. H. McLaughlin
Treasurer A. D. Mitchell
Home Office Charlotte, N. C.
Secretary J. E. Davis
Actuary J. M. McLaughlin
Atty for service—Local

State of North Carolina, Insurance Department, Raleigh, 2-7, 1920
I, James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Lincoln Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Charlotte, N. C., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1919.
Witness my hand and official seal the day and date above written.
J. R. YOUNG, Insurance Commissioner.

Statement AMERICAN MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.
Columbus, Ohio

Condition December 31, 1919, as Shown by Statement Filed.

Amount of Capital paid up in cash	\$ 500,000.00		
Amount of Ledger Assets Dec. 31st of previous year \$649,935.92			
Increase of paid-up Capital	150,000.00; Total	799,935.95	
Income—From Policyholders	\$393,600.59;		
Miscellaneous	181,437.96;	Total	575,038.55
Disbursements—To Policyholders	\$7,423.95;		
Miscellaneous	183,890.40;	Total	271,314.35
Fire Risks—Written or renewed during year \$77,837.156	In force	81,299,632.00	
Marine and Inland Risks—Written or renewed during year \$1,754,294	In force	1,473,496.00	

ASSETS

Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	\$ 97,433.00
Value of Bonds and Stocks	884,706.59
Cash in Company's Office	3,546.21
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks not on interest	4,788.42
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks on interest	27,500.00
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to Oct. 1, 1919	85,454.22
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to Oct. 1, 1919	131.68
Interest and rents due and accrued	8,527.65
All other Assets, as detailed in statement	100.00
Total	\$1,112,207.77
Less Assets not admitted	20,785.77
Total admitted Assets	\$1,091,422.00

LIABILITIES

Net amount of unpaid losses and claims	\$ 33,367.81
Unearned premiums	249,455.28
Salaries, rents, expenses, bills, accounts, fees, etc., due or accrued	250.00
Estimated amount payable for Federal, State, county, and municipal taxes due or accrued	7,500.00
Contingent commissions, or other charges due or accrued	1,500.00
Total amount of all Liabilities, except Capital	\$ 292,073.09
Capital actually paid in cash	\$500,000.00
Surplus over all liabilities	299,348.91
Surplus as regards Policyholders	799,348.91
Total Liabilities	\$1,091,422.00

BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA DURING 1919

Fire Risks written	\$250,591;	Premiums received,	\$ 1,648.41
Losses incurred—Fire	74.09;	Paid	58.70

President J. W. Zuher.
Secretary J. A. Dodd.
Treasurer O. A. Schenck.
Home Office 16th East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio.
Attorney for service: Jas. R. Young, Insurance Com., Raleigh, N. C.

State of North Carolina, Insurance Department, Raleigh, 4-9, 1920
I, James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the American Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Columbus, Ohio, filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1919.
Witness my hand and official seal, the day and year above written.
JAMES R. YOUNG, Insurance Commissioner.

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