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The cause of Rheumatism is excess of uric acid and no real relief can be expected until this is eliminated. Many chronic sufferers find permanent relief after taking Rheumacide, on sale at your druggist.—Adv.

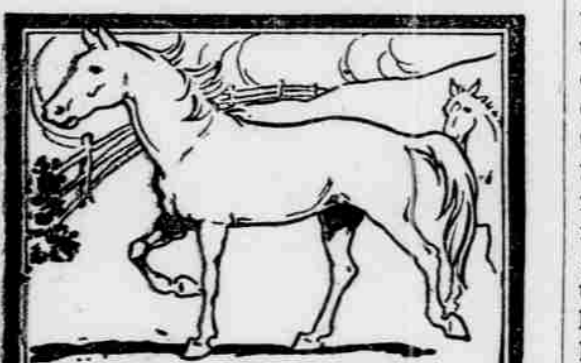
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## INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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### LESSON FOR DECEMBER 12

#### JEHOVAH YEARNS OVER ISRAEL.

LESSON TEXT—Hosea 11:1-11.  
GOLDEN TEXT—I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of love.—Hosea 11:4.

A contemporary of Isaiah and Amos, Hosea continued to prophesy after the first captivity of the northern kingdom. His style is abrupt and figurative. Israel is Jehovah's adulterous wife, repudiated, but finally to be purified and restored. This lesson is a part of the second section of the book (4:1-13:8), which is a description of the sinful people.

I. "The Perverse Child," vv. 1-7. The "remnant" (ch. 6:1-3) had cried out for relief. (See Isa. 1:9; Rom. 2:5). Jehovah's reply (begins 6:4) is a severe arraignment of Israel's backsliding as contrasted with his grace. To understand this lesson read the entire book repeatedly. In verse 1 of the lesson Jehovah recalls to the nation the days of its childhood. Because of his great love (Deut. 7:7) he called them out of Egypt, the land of bondage, into Canaan, the land of blessing and liberty. Yet Israel sensed not its duty nor its obligation of gratitude. We are living under a greater obligation because of the greater redemption God has provided for us in the person of his Son. God here calls Israel "my son" (Ex. 4:22); we have the right to call ourselves sons (John 1:12; I. John 3:1-2). Matthew's gospel applies these words to him who alone was fully and in the true sense God's son. Jesus is the summary of the whole nation in that he alone fully realized God's purpose in Israel (Matt. 2:15).

As contrasted with what a son is or should be verse 2 gives a picture of Israel's wandering. The whole history of the nation is one of going after false gods. (I. Sam. 8:7-9 and many other references.) In those childhood days (v. 3) Jehovah taught them how to walk, and healed their hurts. "but they knew not"—God, as a tender Father, had watched over, taught, guided and healed (Ex. 19:14; Isa. 46:3; 63:9). Even so, in this present age God is a God of mercy and long suffering (Rom. 2:4), yet the mass of men "know not" what God is doing for them. In verse 4 the child has grown older and as mothers often tether a child lest it run away, so Jehovah endeavors to draw Israel to him with "cords of love." His cord of love now is the mighty power of Calvary (John 12:32). Jehovah not only drew but even sought to entice, for he "laid meat upon them"—Jesus will deliver us, for he bore our yoke (Matt. 11:28-30) and is for us the Bread of Life (John 6:35, 58). Love does not mean that the backslider shall be free from punishment. "Because they refused to return the sword shall abide" (v. 5-6 and Heb. 12:6). Even so God did not permit them to go back to Egyptian bondage (v. 5). Israel was "bent to backsliding." In spite of the constant call to worship and serve him none "would exalt him."

II. The Pleading Parent, vv. 8-12. None can fathom the depths of the cry, "How shall I give thee up. How shall I deliver thee" (v. 8). Israel would persist and still Jehovah pleads that perchance they would heed his cry (Jer. 9:7; Lam. 3:33). Admah and Zebaim were irrevocably overthrown with Sodom and Gomorrah (Deut. 29:33), shall Israel likewise perish? No! (v. 9) for "I am God, not man." God does not, like man, change his covenants and is not "scraps of paper," his love is everlasting (Nu. 23:19). It is not God but man who is responsible for his destruction. The "Holy One in the midst of these" is there to save, not as an avenger. God has not come into our midst in wrath not to destroy. His purposes are those of love and redemption and as with Israel of old, so in this age, he will carry out these purposes in spite of our backsliding (Rom. 11:28-29). Verses 10 and 11 are prophetic of the ultimate repentance and restoration of Israel—Judgment shall pass upon their foes (Joel 3:16) and those of the dispersion, (see parallel Isa. 11:1-16) shall gather, as "doves to their windows," i. e., set up as a nation in their God-given land, Ephraim (v. 12) sought to rule without or by casting off Jehovah (I. Cor. 4:8).

In Judah was the legal priesthood and the legitimate king, but the apostasy of Israel was more culpable because of the example of Judah which he had set at naught.

III. Promised Deliverance. In a most striking way Hosea flashes a note of hope and love through the cloud of gloom which hung over the nation as it drew closer to its doom because the people refused to repent. Amos delivered his warning and returned to Judah.

Hosea was a part of the nation which emphasizes such verses of his prophecy as the following: 6:1, 4-6; 11:4, 11:6, 6:4, 6:6, 2:15 and 10:12 which sound the message of hope like bullets from the battle's front.

Verse 9 is the final summary for Israel and for us as well.

# CHRISTMAS CAROL

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O'er Bethlehem's plain there shone a star  
That guided wise men from afar,  
To see the child in manger lain,  
Immanuel Jesus is his name,  
The Prince of Peace has come to dwell.  
Hosanna! Shout! Immanuel.

THE long expected, promised Lord  
Is born today, by Kings adored.  
While to the world God doth proclaim  
He comes, and Counselor is his name,  
The mighty God on earth to dwell.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel.

HE comes to man by lowly birth,  
To spread salvation through the earth.  
From everlasting, he's the same,  
Our God and Wonderful his name,  
King David's seed in man to dwell.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel.

PEACE on earth, good will to man,  
Sing of free salvation's plan;  
With angels join in the refrain,  
Jesus, God with us, is his name.  
Hallelujah, peace on earth,  
Rejoice! Rejoice! the Savior's birth.

REJOICE and loud hosannas sing,  
Hosanna to the new-born King,  
Angelic hosts to man proclaim  
Our Father's love, our Savior's name.  
Hallelujah! Peace on earth,  
Rejoice! Rejoice! the Savior's birth.

### Santa's Secret

I—I've got out of bed, just a minute.  
To tell you—I'll whisper it low—  
The stockings I've hung by the fire  
Are for me—not mamma, you know.  
For mine are so awfully little.  
Dear Santa Claus, don't you see?  
And I want, oh, so many playthings,  
They won't hold enough for me.



So I want you to remember  
And fill these as full as you can.  
Cause I haven't been very naughty.  
And you've been such a nice, kind man.  
I'd like a live doll, if you please, sir.  
That can talk and call me "mamma."  
Not one that is full of old sawdust.  
As all my other dolls are.

Short But Useful.  
Christmas tree does not live long.  
Short life is a useful and

### Holly Scratches

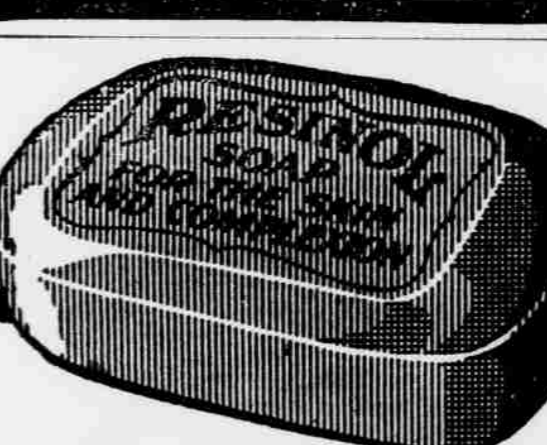
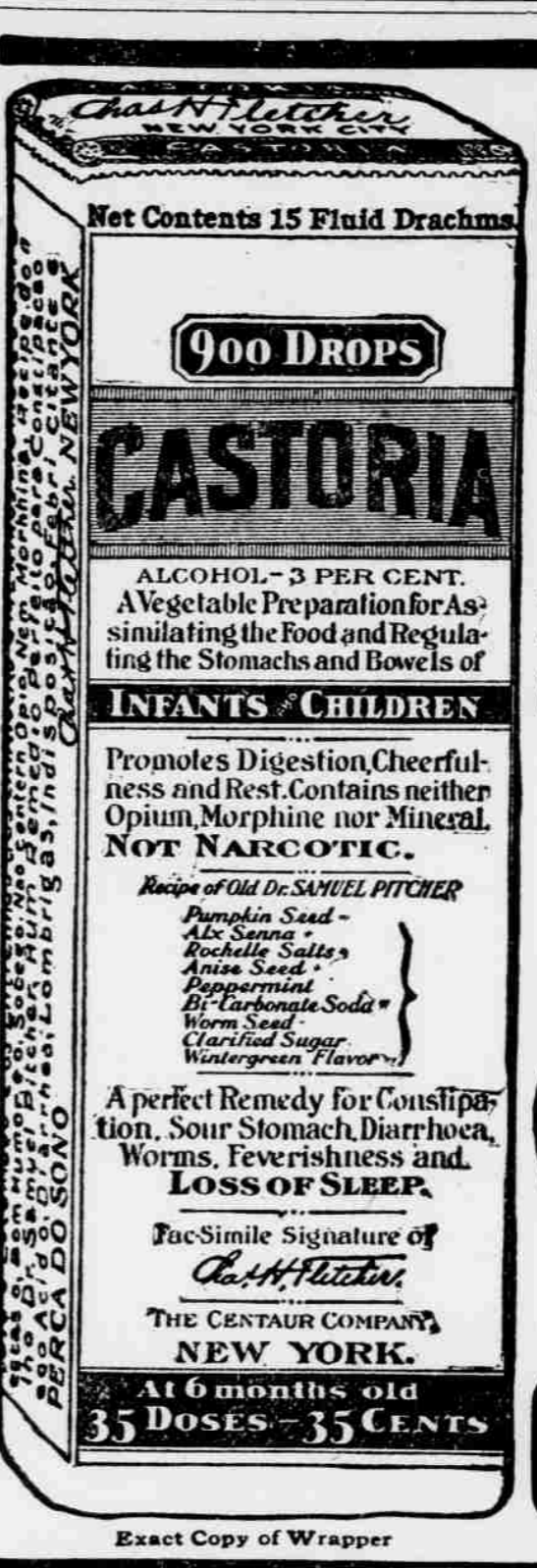
NEVER look a gift in the cost mark.  
All that glitters is not diamonds.  
Mistletoe makes the heart grow fonder.  
The gift deferred maketh the heart sick.  
Belief in Santa Claus is the best policy.  
It is a wise merchant who knows his own goods when they are brought back for exchange.

To give hideous gifts is human, to give impossible.  
Gifts make the man, the want of them the fellow.  
One Christmas bargain makes the whole of womankind spin.  
Christmas bills are stubborn things.  
Santa Claus is not as red as he is painted.  
Buy gifts in haste and repent at leisure.  
Uneasy lies the head that's trying to make twenty dollars buy forty gifts.  
And thereby hangs a stocking.  
Every Christmas tree must stand on its own bottom.  
Gifts are seldom what they seem.



The Christmas Card.  
About a hundred years ago the first Christmas cards were used. These were printed in London and consisted of a visiting card with the words, "A Merry Christmas," printed on it. Later the cards were made with a little scenery on them and a picture of the robin. This bird was used because he is called the English Christmas bird, and also "The Savior's Bird" on account of the old legend regarding its red breast. From this time on the cards became more numerous and of more varied kinds.

A little knowledge is a dangerous thing, especially on Christmas eve, when a kid discovers his father acting the part of Santa Claus.



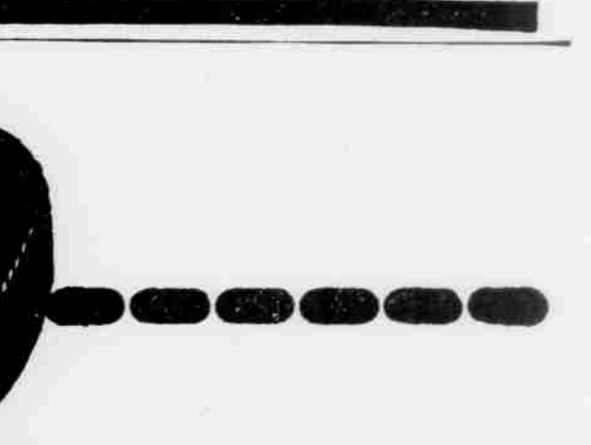
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"Yes. Does it contain perfume?"  
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Rah! Rah!! Rah!!!  
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It advertises itself—Hanford's Balsam. Adv.

### WHAT IS URIC ACID?

THE CAUSE OF BACKACHE, RHEUMATISM, LUMBAGO

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