

# Sunday School Lesson

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## CONFESSING AND FOLLOWING CHRIST

Lesson for April 1st, Matt. 16:13-26  
Golden Text: Matthew 16:16

Our first lesson in the Second Quarter, assigned for Easter Sunday, deals with an episode of very critical importance, the confession of Peter at Caesarea Philippi. For we have reason to believe that here Jesus revealed His Messiahship to His disciples for the first time, and that here they first acknowledged it.

Now there is one verse, the famous 18th, around which the fires of controversy have raged fiercely. What did Jesus mean by "this rock"? Did he mean Peter, as the Church

Rome insists? Or Peter's confession, as many Protestants contend? We shall never know. But whatever the Master had in mind at the moment He spoke these thrilling words, we can safely identify as the rock upon which the church is founded with all three of the supports just mentioned. Christ is a rock, the chief corner-stone of the Beloved Community; Peter, the untrepid leader of the twelve, is a rock. And Peter's noble confession is also a rock, a Gibraltar standing foursquare against all the winds that blow.

And because the church is built upon so impressive a rock, "the might of Hades shall not triumph over it." Many, dear this, pessimists are abroad in the land inspiring a defeatist attitude. Magazine articles have recently appeared declaring that the churches are bankrupt, that they are failing to take care of their poor, and that 20,000 preachers are looking for a job. An elaborate report, just off the press, asserts that there are, in this country, at least 85,000 feeble churches unable to command the full-time services of a minister.

All this makes people suspect that the church of Christ is doomed. Both the working classes and the intelligentsia have little use for organized religion. But there is certainly a sizeable "remnant," to use a favorite word of Isaiah, who are deeply devoted to the household of faith, and will enable it to weather the present crisis.

## 1,000 Reported Dead In Japanese Fire

Tokio.—The Rengo (Japanese) News Agency correspondent at Hakodate reported today that one thousand persons are feared to have died in a fire which destroyed the greater part of Hakodate. The conflagration was said to have originated when chimneys fell during a severe windstorm. Hakodate is the principal port in the Island of Hokkaido and has a population of 200,000.

## COURT VOIDS REYNOLD'S ESTATE RULE

North Carolina Supreme Court Reverses Judgment On \$15,000,000 Charity Fund

Raleigh, March 21.—The State Supreme Court today reversed the judgment of Judge Wilson Warlick, of Superior Court under which some \$15,000,000 of the estate of the late Zachary Smith Reynolds, of Winston-Salem would have been used to establish a charitable foundation.

The matter reached the Supreme Court in a fight over the rights of Anne Cannon Reynolds, daughter of Smith Reynolds by his first wife.

Under the decision of Judge Warlick the young child would have received \$1,500,000 from the Smith Reynolds estate in addition to \$500,000 received as a trust fund when her father and mother were divorced. Zachary Smith Reynolds, Jr., son of Libby Holman Reynolds, would have received \$2,000,000 also.

## BEANS WITH CORN GOOD FOR CATTLE

Velvet beans grown with corn for soil improvement also make an excellent cattle feed, says L. I. Case, animal husbandman at State College.

George L. Pate, Robeson county farmer, has demonstrated their value for wintering cattle after part of the corn has been removed or when hogged down with the corn.

On a 20-acre field this winter, after 225 bushels of corn had been gathered and the rest allowed to remain with the beans, he wintered 30 head of yearlings and two-year-old steers and 26 head of hogs.

In less than two months the steers made an average gain of 2.05 pounds per head each day. There also remained enough feed to maintain 18 head of breeding heifers for 28 days.

His total gains were 3,415 pounds of beef, 1,265 pounds of pork, and a considerable improvement in the soil.

## Change In Style Helped Foxx to Hit

Philadelphia, March 24.—Jimmy Foxx attributes his success in leading the American League in batting in 1933 to the fact he changed his batting stance early in June. Prior to that time he was striking out too often to please himself.

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## SENATE GROUP BACKS TAXES ON ALL STOCKS

Washington.—The Senate Finance Committee this week unanimously approved a capital stock tax of one-tenth of 1 per cent, to take effect July 1, 1935, and estimated it would bring in \$95,000,000 in revenue.

The Committee also approved a 5 per cent. penalty tax on corporations if earnings exceed 12 1/2 per cent, as a guard against undervaluations in determining their own capital stock valuations. Both propositions were advanced by Chairman Harrison (Democrat) of Mississippi.

As a partial offset for these new taxes, the Committee eliminated the excise tax on soft drinks, which bring in an estimated \$6,200,000, but increased the tax on colored matches from two to five cents per thousand to meet Japanese competition.

The production credit association organized by Pitt and Greene County farmers has a capital stock of \$80,000.

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## HOME GARDEN HAS HIGH VALUE

The value of a home garden has been demonstrated by the detailed reports of 16 farm women who produced \$1,966.25 worth of truck on a total of 12 1/2 acres of garden, says E. B. Morrow, extension horticulturist at State College.

Of this amount, sales amounted to \$944.77, fruits and vegetables used at home were valued at \$751.03, and 1,803 quarts of canned goods were preserved at a value of \$270.45.

The 16 gardens represented \$122.89 for each family, and a per acre value of \$160.51. The cost per acre for seed, fertilizer, and spray materials was \$10. This compares well with the State average of \$124.15 per acre for tobacco and \$35.03 for cotton, Morrow says.

## Saved Her Money For World Jaunt

New Orleans.—Miss Inez Phillips, 28, New Orleans, recently departed for the Orient on a world tour with \$3,500 that she had saved for the trip during nine years' work as a stenographer.

## BRIDGE PLAYERS LOSE THEIR JOBS

El Paso, Tex.—Nine young women employed in a sanitary census here have been discharged by the Civil Works Administration for playing bridge when they were supposed to be making calls.

## VACANCIES IN UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Savannah, Ga., Mar. 22.—Between 35 and 50 youths will be accepted for enlistment in the United States Marine Corps from Virginia, North and South Carolina, Florida and Eastern Georgia during April according to an announcement by Lieut. Col. A. B. Drum, commanding Marine Corps Recruiting District with offices in the Post Office Building, Savannah, Ga.

Young men who have an education not less than that provided by a public high school diploma and who have attained their 18th birthday are accepted for general service. Boys between the ages of 17 and 18 are accepted with an eighth grade education to learn the drum and trumpet.

Men accepted are transferred to Parris Island, S. C., for a few weeks preliminary training before being assigned to some ship or Marine Barracks for duty.

Young men who desire service in the Marine Corps will receive application blanks upon request.

## Auto Sales Increase

Washington.—The Census Bureau reports factory sales of American manufactured automobiles increased from 161,086 in January to 235,376 in February. Sales in February of 1933 were 106,888 and in 1932, 117,418.

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## DOCTORS TRYING NEW ANESTHETIC

Used In Sinai Hospital, It Put Man Into Peaceful Sleep In 20 Seconds

Baltimore.—A new anesthetic, which, injected into the veins, puts the patient into a peaceful sleep within 20 seconds and permits him to awaken as if from a night's rest, was demonstrated at Sinai Hospital March 20.

The ease with which it is applied makes it compare with ether, the most common anesthetic today, as a modern stream-line automobile compares with the clumsy ox-cart of other days.

The new preparation, as yet unnamed, is similar in a few outward respects to sodium amital, another recent discovery, but requires much less dosage and works much more efficiently, hospital authorities said. Surgeons have not found sodium amital generally effective and have abandoned it, it was said.

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