BIBLE

BY DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 2.
DEVOTIONAL READING: Jeremiah
23:3-8.

Gifts to Christ

Lesson for December 28, 1952

WHAT the world brings to Christ is never to be com-

pared with what Christ brings the

world. Not all the Christmas gifts

that ever were, including those

given to the cause and in the name

Nevertheless, ever since the time

of the wise men from the east.

gifts have been brought and laid

at the feet of Christ, in one way or

Many treasures of wisdom, through these 19 centuries, have

been poured out for the Master's

service. Not that men can make

lating can never stop, because lan-

guages keep changing; the English

and the French of this century are

for those times become hard to

Not that a new English transla

tion is needed every few years; but

somewhere, all the time, into some

language or other, this work is being carried on. It is no simple job;

a translator must not only know Greek and Hebrew, but also, and very thoroughly, the language into

which he translates. Most good

When we add to the work of the

translators all that other scholars

have done, all the brain work that

has gone into the printing and bind-

ing of the books and distributing

them in many ways; we can see

what the devotion of intellectual

talents has meant, through the cen-

Think what a difference it would

make, if suddenly every Christian

in the world decided that the

as well without being offered an-

fall into decay because no one

would pay for their repair (and

free labor wouldn't do it, because that too is a form of wealth). Home

and foreign missions would come to an end. Christian schools, hospitals and colleges would close

down. No Christian books of any

kind could be printed. Radio re-

ligious broadcasts would cease, be-

cause there would not be any one to pay for them, and even the "free" time, which always costs the station something, could no

Christianity is today an interna-

tional religion, though it started

off as the religion of a few Asiatic

Jews. But Jesus was scarcely out

of his cradle before those men of

the East came, and they were the

first of a long line from every na-

In America we think of Christian-

ity as almost an American re-

ligion; but it is not. Americans

have brought much to Christianity,

-their energy, daring, pioneering

spirit, their practical slant on

everything,—these have given to Christianity in North America a

"color" and a "style" all its own.

tians, perhaps not even the best

ones. There are Indian Christians,

and Chinese Christians; there are

Christians among the Eskimos and

Zulus. There is some Christianity

behind the Iron Curtain; it is found

in Scotland, Sweden, Spain, El Sal-

that it takes all kinds of Christians

to make the Christian world, and to make the world Christian. Our

missionaries do not go out to make American Christians; they go to

make Christians. And every one who comes to Christ brings some-

thing which is specially his own.

As Rev. John Monsell's hymn has

"Fear not to enter His courts in

Of the poor wealth thou wouldst

Truth in its beauty, and love in

These are the offerings to lay on

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the slenderness

reckon as thine:

its tenderness,

His shrine."

And while we are all brothers under the skin, the fact remains

vador.

But we are not the only Chris-

tion and race in the world.

longer be offered.

From Each His Own

turies, to the Christian religion.

translations are made by groups, for many heads are better than

Wisdom

God wise; but the

wisdom and learning of man-

kind can be, and have been, put at

Christ and his

cause. To take

one fact alone:

the translation of

the Bible into

hundreds of lan-

understand in our day.

one, at this work.

Wealth

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News and Personals from Vass

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their two daughters, of La Porte, D. McCraney were joint hostesses to present them to the undersign-Ind., paid Mrs. Darst's aunt, Mrs. to the Vass Presbyterian Women ed on or before December 1, 1953, G. W. Griffin, a surprise visit a of the Church at the home of Mrs. or this notice will be pleaded in day last week, and this was the McCraney at the December meet- bar of their recovery. All persons first time the aunt and niece had ing. Mrs. Eugene Hicks conducted indebted to the said estate will ever seen each other. Mrs. Darst the Bible study, Mrs. Ben H. please make immediate payment is the daughter of the late L. D. Wood read a Christmas Scripture to the undersigned. Byrd, who left Vass for Mississip-passage, and Mrs. C. G. Crockett, pi many years ago to seek his for-Jr., led the program, "The Handtune in the turpentine business maid of the Lord." Others taking nthere, a business which he en- part on the program were Mrs. P. W. Lamont Brown, Attorney. gaged in successfully. The Darsts A. Wilson and Barbara Griffin. d5,12,19,26,j2,9inclu had been in Washington, D. C., on Mrs. W. M. Curtis presented a

home of Mrs. Griffin were other prayer. nieces and their families, Mr. and Plans for spreading Christmas deen was a guest of Ann Edwards value of Jesus, equal a small part of the world.

Mrs. Clyde Josey Mrs. Melvin cheer words and their families, Mr. and Plans for spreading Christmas deen was a guest of Ann Edwards value of Jesus himself to the world. marle, who called Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Darst and Mrs. T. L. McNair and Mrs. W. Christmas meditation, and Mrs. spent Christmas day visiting in Other recent visitors in the W. D. McGill gave the closing Smithfield and Selma.

Mrs. Clyde Josey, Mrs. Melvin cheer were made, and refresh-Sunday and Monday. Long and children, all of Alber- ments were served by the hostess- Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Graham of es. Mrs. R. B. Gunn was a guest. Ruffin, S. C., arrived last week-Christmas Programs

activities. . . Christmas trees for end to visit her family. the little children, gift exchanges Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mann of among members of older classes, Washington, D. C., arrived Saturand spreading cheer among the day, Mr. Mann for an overnight

Guest Minister

Dr. Thomas Walker of Ver- Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Autrey, Jr., Frank Walker of Southern Pines, last weekend and at Christmas. will preach at the Vass Taber- Holiday guests of Mrs. W. B. guages through-

mott and son Rick, of Cherry Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Wallace of not the same as they were cen-Point, spent the weekend with Carthage visited the C. L. Tysons turies ago, and Bibles translated Captain McDermott's parents, Mr. Sunday afternoon. and Mrs. G. M. McDermott. Mr. Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Keith and and Mrs. A. G. Edwards, Jr., and family of Sanford and Mrs. W. H. children joined the family Sunday Keith and Miss Bessie Cameron for a pre-Christmas dinner and of Vass visited Mrs. J. W. Atkinthe opening of gifts, as Captain son in Southern Pines Sunday McDermott and family were leavafterncon. ing Sunday night for Paris, Texas, Bobby Klingenschmidt, who where Mrs. McDermott and Rick works at Red Springs, came home will remain with her parents for six months while Captain McDermott is on a tour of duty in the at home from McGuire hospital

leave early in January. Linwood Keith and Joe, of San-boro. ford, for a trip to Wake Forest Mr. and Mrs. Jack Morgan Thursday to be guests of Mr. and went to Ansonville Thursday for

left last week for Fort Myers, Joseph's hospital Thursday of last Fla., to spend the holidays with week for treatment.

day night of last week for East of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bridgewater, Mass., to spend the Smith, Friday to stay until the Lord's work could get along just holidays with her son-in-law and day after Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gladstone home.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

The Undersigned having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Frank E. Correll, deceased. late of Moore County, North Carolina, hereby notifies all persons having claims against the estate

This 1st day of December, 1952. S. B. RICHARDSON, Administrator

end for a holiday visit to relatives Christmas programs at the va- Miss Kay Blevins, a student at another. rious churches and at the school Pfeiffer college at Misenheimer, were enjoyed by large numbers is spending the holidays with her and added much to the real spirit mother, Mrs. Jasper Blevins. Miss of the season.

Mary Ruth Clark is at home In addition to the public pro-from Woman's college in Greensgrams, smaller groups within the boro, and Miss Germaine Davis churches were busy with special of Durham came home last week-

sick and shut-ins of the commun-visit and Mrs. Mann for a stay of several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tyson.

sailles, Ky., son of Mr. and Mrs. of Asheboro visited their relatives nacle at 11 o'clock this Sunday Graham and the Muses are Mr. out the world. The work of transand Mrs. Bernice Graham and family of Graham and Mr. and Capt. and Mrs. George McDer- Mrs. A. R. Graham of Sanford.

Mediterranean area. He expects to in Richmond for the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Foster and Mrs. W. H. Keith and Miss Bes- family spent Christmas with Mr. sie Cameron joined Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. Atlas Hilliard in Ashe

Mrs. Bob Perry at a Christmas a holiday visit to Mrs. Annie Shankle, Mrs. Morgan's mother. Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Callahan Mrs. T. J. Smith entered St

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Callahan.

Sgt. Julian Smith of Ludowici,

Mrs. G. W. Brooks left WednesGa., joined his family at the home

daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pvt. Sandy McNeill of Fort other cent. No new churches would Read.

Jeckson spent the weekend at be built; existing churches would

left Saturday for a holiday visit to relatives in Forsyth, Ga. McGill are incre from Sumter, S Mr. and Mrs. C. P. McMillan C., for the holidays.

NOTICE IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

NORTH CAROLINA MOORE COUNTY WILMA SUE DUTTON.

ROY LYMAN DUTTON, Defendant

Plaintiff

The above named defendant, Roy Lyman Dutton, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Moore County North Carolina, by the plaintiff to secure an absolute divorce from the defendant upon the ground that plaintiff and defendant have lived separate and apart for more than two years next preceding the bringing of this action; and for custody of two of the minor children, to-wit, Charles Edward Dutton and Ruby Faye Dutton; and the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Moore

County, in the courthouse in Car- the Court for the relief demanded thage, North Carolina, within twenty (20) days after the 9th day

This 8th day of of January, 1953, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to d12,19,26J2

This 8th day of December, 1952. C. C. KENNEDY, Clerk of Superior Court

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Book Chapter Verses Sunday Ps.
Monday Ps.
Tuesday Matthe.
Wednesday Luke
Luke
Luke
John
John
Psat Psrlms 90 Psalms 103 Matthew 13 44-52 33-39 1-8

BROWNSON MEMORIAL CHURCH (Presbyterian)

Cheves K. Ligon. Minister Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Worship service, 11 a. m. Women of New York avenue at South Ashe the Church meeting, 8 p. m. Monday following third Sunday.

The Youth Fellowships meet at o'clock each Sunday evening. Mid-week service, Wednesday, ':15 p. m.

New Hampshire Ave., So. Pines Wednesday 8:15 p. m. Sunday Service, 11 a. m. Sunday School, 11 a. m.

Wednesday Service, 8 p. m. Reading Room in Church Buildng open every Tuesday and Saturday from 3 to 5.

CHURCH OF WIDE **FELLOWSHIP** (Congregational) N. Bennett at New Hampshire Robert L. House, D. D.

Church school, 9:45 a. m. at a. m. in church building. Twilight p.m.

Hour for Juniors, 6:45 p. m. Pilgrim Fellowship at Fox Hole, 6:30 p. m., Fellowship Forum, 8 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH William C. Holland, Th. D. Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Worship

11 a. m. Training Union 6:30 p. m Evening worship, 7:30 p. m. Scout Troop 224, Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.; midweek worship, Wednes-CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH day 7:30 p. m.; choir practice

Missionary meeting, first and and family suppers, second Thursdays, 7 p. m.

MANLY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Grover C. Currie, Minister

Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship Service, 2nd and 3rd Sunday evenings, 7:30. Fourth Sunday morning, 11 a. m. Women of the Church meeting, 8 p.m. second Tuesday.

High School building. Sermon, 11 Mid-week service Thursday at 8 Day Mass, 9 a. m. Confessions are

EMMANUEL CHURCH (Episcopal) Rev. Charles V. Covell Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. Morning Prayer and Sermon,

11:00 a. m. St. Anne's Guild, 8 p. m. on first and third Mondays.

ST. ANTHONYS (Catholic) Vermont Ave. at Ashe Father Peter M. Denges

Sunday masses 8 and 10:30 a. m.; Holy Day masses 7 and 9 a. m.; weekday mass at 8 a. m. Conthird Tuesdays, 8 p. m. Church fessions heard on Saturday between 5-6 and 7:30-8:30 p. m. Sunday school for children 3-6, 160 East Vermont avenue, 10:30

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