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Morning worship.

he pastor. hurch School, Superin-Mrs. Arthur Woody. forship Service. Sermon

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-11:00 - Our Lady of _ 10:00 - St. Francis

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kiel and the Earlier Captivity

OLD HIM TO GO TO HIS PEOPLE IN BABYLON ID GIVE THEM HOPE AND COURAGE IF THEY WOULD KEEP HIS STATUTES.

ce—II Kings 24:8-16; 25:27-30; Ezekiel 1:1-3; 2:1-4; 3:11-15; 11:14-20; 18-30-32.

NEWMAN CAMPBELL LAST KING to sit upon e of Judah was Jehoiabegan his reign when 18 years old, reigning for months and 10 days was taken captive by ezzar of Babylon.

told that he "did that evil in the sight of the ouchadnezzar's strong and besieged Jerusato propitiate the king no doubt, Johoiachin ther, his princes, etc., meet Nebuchadnezuseless. He, his famhis court were taken h all the able workcountry, and carried lah's first captivity.

nezzar also carried the treasures of the ovah, and the treasking's house, and cut the vessels of gold, Solomon had made in as Jehovah had dithe poorer people of left behind. north of Babylon.

The Lord told Ezekiel to "go, get thee to them of the captivity, unto the children of thy people, and speak unto them, and tell them, Thus said the Lord God, whether they will hear, or whether they will forebear."

"Therefore say, Thus said the Lord God, Although I have cast them far off among the heathen, and although I have scattered them among the countries, yet will I be of them as a little sanctuary in the countries where they shall come.

"Therefore say thus saith the Lord God, I will even gather you from the people, and assemble you out of the countries where ye have been scattered, and I will give you the land of Israel.

"That they may walk in My statutes, and keep Mine ordinances, and do them; and they shall be My people, and I will be their God."

"Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the

MEMORY VERSE

our refuge and strength, a very present help in troulm 46:1.

rs the king remained prisoner, then, after ar's death, his sucnerod (or Merodach is variously spelled) ehoiachin and spoke to dine at the royal riving him an allowin comfort until the

Alfred Barry, "was oreshadowing of the afterwards was to be the captive people divine purpose had ded and the exile had work of chastisement tion."

het Ezekiel is little a name to us, not a chality as is Jeremiah. condrous visions from riptions of which the ht read to the chile is time during the

ne to him, he writes, mong the captives by Cur Saviour.
Chedar (a river flowEuphrates), 200 miles and strength.

Lord God. Repent, and turn yourselves from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin: "For I have no pleasure in the

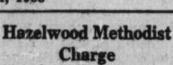
death of him that dieth, saith the Lord God; wherefore turn yourselves, and live ye." Ezekiel's message was similar to that of John the Baptist, call-

ing for repentance from sin; and to that of Jesus Christ, who still calls us to repentance and a life everlasting.

What hope and courage must Ezekiel have brought to his sor-rowing people by God's words. Did the Lord's people heed Ezekiel's message? Many must have done so; a new spirit must have swept over the saddened hearts of those who listened to

We in our country have never known physical captivity, but we all sin, and forget to turn our thoughts-hearts and minds-to God and His son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour, Let us, too, repent and be true to God, our refuge

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