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Organizations Join Army Week

Patriotic, civic, labor and fraternal organizations throughout the nation will join with the general public this year in observing Army Week, April 6-12, in honoring veterans, in and out of uniform, and stressing the need for a strong America to build and preserve the peace.

Nationwide events, including parades, banquets and religious and patriotic services will herald the advent of Army Day, proclaimed by President Truman since the tradi-

tional April 6 falls on Easter Sunday, and the Army Week that follows.

In view of the global responsibilities of the United States and the mission of the Army to carry out the will of the American people in the vital postwar period, the theme for Army Week this year is "A Strong America is a Peaceful America."

Army units and installations in the United States and abroad will join in commemorating the event.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D.
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LESSON FOR MARCH 30

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JESUS LAYS DOWN HIS LIFE

LESSON TEXT—John 18:37, 38; 19:10-16; 20:30-31.
MEMORY SELECTION—For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life.—John 3:16.

The cross of Calvary, from man's viewpoint, was "a paradox. There is something startling and seemingly incredible about the idea of a crucified king, particularly if those who do the crucifying are the king's own subjects. Kingship implies rulership over others, and not suffering and death at their hands. Pilate told the simple truth when he exclaimed, 'Behold your King,' and when he fung out the sarcastic question, 'Shall I crucify your King?' he was speaking more truly than he knew. They were, verily, doing the incredible thing of demanding the death of their King, their Messiah, yes, of the very Son of God" (B. L. Olmstead).

I. Jesus Said, "I Am a King" (18:37, 38).

Jesus was before Pilate. The Jews had accused him of declaring himself to be king (see Luke 23:2). Pilate demanded, "Art thou King of the Jews?" (v. 33).

Jesus did not answer directly at first, but declared his kingdom to be "not of this world" (v. 36), indicating to Pilate that he was dealing with One who was more than an earthly king.

When Pilate persisted, Jesus openly declared, "I am a king." The expression "Thou sayest" (v. 37) carries the thought, "You say that I am a king and you are right. I am a king." It was in no sense a disavowal of his royalty, but a declaration of it.

Pilate, troubled, convinced of Christ's innocence but too cowardly to declare it, hid behind man's proverbial inability to know the truth (v. 38), and wrote himself into history as a hypocritical coward.

What have we to say—what have you to say, dear reader, to Christ's claim to Kingship over your life? Should we not say, "He is not only king of the Jews, he is the King of my life?"

II. The Priests Said, "We Have No King" (19:15-16).

Pilate, in fleshly pride, taunted Jesus with his power to determine his fate. He did have much power as the representative of Rome, but power over Jesus he did not have.

Majestic indeed was the reply of the King. In a brief sentence Jesus put Pilate on trial before the judgment throne of God. Only because the time had come for the Son of God to die was Pilate permitted to exercise his governmental power (see Rom. 13:1), and he would answer for his decision one day in the presence of God.

Of especial interest to us just now is the statement of Jesus: "He that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin." It was the high priest Caiaphas who had that guilt.

Yes, and it was the high priests who declared, "We have no king but Caesar," after Pilate, driven by their cunning threat (v. 12), had sarcastically asked them, "Shall I crucify your king?" (v. 15).

The awful declaration which they made then was on behalf of the entire nation, and declared themselves against Jesus and loyal to the pagan Caesar.

No King? Countless are the men and women today who by their rejection of Christ have declared that they would not have him rule over them. And sad but true is the fact that those who neglect to receive his great salvation have rejected him!

III. Jesus Said, "It Is Finished" (19:30).

In his time of greatest anguish Jesus, in an act of tender thoughtfulness, provided for his mother, and gave the beloved disciple John a high place of privilege and responsibility. He thus, as he made his last request, brought together the two who in all his human relationships had been closest to his heart.

Ready for the final word before he died, Jesus received the refreshment which quenched his awful thirst. Then crying out with a loud voice, "It is finished" (Matt. 27:50), he commended his soul into the hands of the Father (Luke 23:46).

What was finished? The great redemptive work, the work of reconciliation and atonement. The Lamb of God had made his great sacrifice for the world—it is this that was completed. Our great Substitute had paid the great ransom price, paid it to the uttermost farthing.

"It is finished indeed. Others will yet preach and teach, and Jesus will work through them; as the King on David's throne his regal work will continue forever; but the redemptive shedding of his blood once for all is finished, and stands as finished forever (Heb. 7:27; 9:12, 26; Rom. 6:10)" (R. C. H. Lenski).

Hallelujah, what a Saviour! Is he your Saviour? If not, turn to him by faith just now.

A. J. CAVENAUGH
Wallace, N. C.

More Beulaville News

(INTENDED FOR LAST WEEK)

Beulaville B T U Entertained

The Intermediate BTUs were entertained Thursday evening at an enjoyable party at the home of Miss Wilma Brinson which was attractively decorated with jonquils and other spring flowers. The Leader, Mrs. Sidney Hunter, assisted by Miss Wilma Brinson, directed a number of interesting games. Delightful refreshments consisting of chicken salad, stuffed eggs, sandwiches, cookies, coffee and fruit, were served to about 20 of the young people present.

Birthday Party

A birthday party was given in honor of Joan and George Westbrook, Friday, March 14, by their mother, Mrs. Joe Westbrook. The guests assembled and sang Happy Birthday, while Joan and George blew out the candles on the cake.

The hostess served sandwiches, Ritz crackers, candy cake and drinks, after which everyone enjoyed seeing the gifts opened.

Many games were played and pictures taken of the group. The guests were given balloons and little crepe hats. Those present were Archie and Carol Dunn, Glenn, Mildred, Andrew and Linwood Kornegay, Keith and Joyce Oates, Don and Connie Jo Wells, Ralph Gene Dotson, Mary Gold, Judy, Donald, Bobby, and Red Wallace, Ray, Lewis, Jr., Shirley and Ruby Westbrook, Linwood Earl Hill, Bryce, Hazel and Paul Williams, Ryan and Kenneth Smith.

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The table which was covered with a white cloth and centered with greenery and jonquils, looked most attractive. Each place was laid with individual programs. The high light was the after-dinner speech made by Supt. O. P. Johnson.

Guests included: Supt. O. P. Johnson of Kenansville, Rev. and Mrs. N. E. Gresham of Jacksonville, Rev. G. W. Shepard of Wilmington, members of the school committee and their wives, and members of the faculty.

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