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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Light on the Problem Of Human Suffering

LESSON TEXT FOR JULY 20-Job 1:8; 2:7-10; 19:7-10; 42:1-8; James 5:11. MEMORY SELECTION—Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.—II Timothy 3:3.

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By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Of The Moody Bible Institute, Chicago. HUMAN suffering—what a problem it is to all of us, in greater or smaller measure. From the broken heart of men and women comes the question "Why?"

We cannot always answer, nor do we fully know the meaning and purpose. We must often simply put ourselves and our loved ones into the hands of God, trusting him to bring us into assurance and victory.

There are some things we can know, and they are most helpful. The book of Job reveals much concerning the background of suffering and its uses and advantages. It is not all loss and pain. God does not forget his people in their hour of trial.

Job had suffered the loss of property, family, and was now personally afflicted by sickness of his body. His friends who came to comfort him had added to his troubles by their pious platitudes about suffering being the result of sin (cf. Job 9:3), and so on.

There was enough truth in what they said to make it hurt, and so we are doubly glad we are given a look behind the scenes. We learn that this was not a struggle between God and Job, nor even between Satan and Job. We see

I. The Battle Between God and Satan (Job 1:8).

READ the entire story here and you will see that Satan, when faced by God with the godly example of Job's life, threw down a challenge. He declared that the only reason Job loved God was because he received so much good out of it, because God protected him.

The issue was clearly drawn; the question was whether God was able to keep a man in the midst of trial and suffering. Was His grace sufficient for the dark hours of life as well as the happy and bright ones?

Having stripped Job of all his possessions, and left him childless and heart broken, Satan had to admit failure up to that point. But he sneeringly slandered both Job and God by saying that Job was not concerned about these other things so long as his own body was unharmed (2:4, 5).

So the Lord permitted him to afflict Job's body, and we see the conflict raging in

II. The Battleground—the Life of Job (2:7-10; 19:7-10).

THE mystery of God's permissive will enters into the picture here, and we learn too that Satan, while a mighty being, has limits to his power. God may give him liberty to test his people, but it is never with the thought that they will fall; rather to prove that they can stand true come what may.

Was any mortal ever more afflicted than Job? We find him finally an outcast, sitting on an ash heap, scraping the awful sores upon his poor body.

Job did have his times of questioning and doubt (19:7-10). He felt at times that God had forsaken him. He misunderstood the providences of God. But through it all he held on to his faith in God. He could do without his possessions (1:21). God could even take his life and he would say, "Though he slay me, yet will I trust him." He saw beyond the grave, for he knew that if his body were destroyed he would still see his Redeemer.

What more sublime expression of faith could a man make than to say in his hour of seeming despair, "I know that my Redeemer liveth." How did it all come out in the end? That is our last point.

III. The Outcome—Victory for God in Job (42:1-5; James 5:11).

JOB had to come to the end of himself. Judging himself to be unworthy (42:6); he repented of all his own self-righteousness and cast himself upon the mercy of God. God then vindicated him and restored him to a place of blessing and usefulness.

The answer then to our problem is this—God is able to keep to the uttermost those who put their trust in him (Heb. 7:26) through the grace he gives. Suffering may be in his permissive will for our own self-judgment and growth in grace. But back of it all is the assurance that God knows about it, he has not turned away; that in due season, if we faint not, we shall see victory.

Ultimately, the question is not whether we can stand or not, but whether God is able to keep us in the midst of the onslaught of the world, the flesh and the devil. Released by Western Newspaper Union

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CLAUDE B. PRITCHARD

will be the speaker over the Presbyterian Hour over Station WPTF, Raleigh, Sunday, July 20, at 8:30 A. M. (EST). His topic will be "The Law of Sin and Death."

County Agent's Office

L. F. WEEKS

Tobacco Farmers Go To Oxford

185 Duplin County tobacco growers and agricultural workers went to the tobacco Experiment Station at Oxford, Monday, July 7. While there, Mr. Roy Bennett, Extension Specialist, directed the group to the various experiments being conducted which included experiments on fertilization, spacing, liming, cover crops and curing. The group expressed much interest in the various experiments being conducted.

Three chartered buses assembled in Kenansville; two of which were loaded there, and one in Warsaw. Another bus load made up at Wallace. The bus at Wallace was under the direction of Mr. T. M. Fields, Agricultural Teacher. The bus loading at Warsaw was under the direction of Mr. R. F. Wadkins, Agricultural Teacher. Several car loads went from Rose Hill and Seven Springs community under the direction of Mr. Marlow Bostic, Agricultural Teacher, Rose Hill, and Mr. James Ward, Veteran Instructor, Rose Hill; Mr. J. H. Dotson, Agriculture Teacher, B. F. Grady; and Franklin Quinn, Veterinarian Instructor, at B. F. Grady. The group expressed a desire that such educational trips be arranged for them in the future.

4-H Encampment Duplin County 4-H club members will go to the Roanoke Island 4-H camp on August 11, and spend the week. They will return to Kenansville, Saturday, August 16. The camp program for the week will include swimming, out-door and indoor games such as volley ball, tennis, horseshoes, soft ball, etc. A daily instruction period and a tour of the island to historical places of interest such as Fort Raleigh, Mother Vineyard, and Wright's Memorial. During the week they will have an opportunity to see the Pageant, "The Lost Colony." The camp fee \$19.50 will take care of all expenses during the week including transportation to and from the camp, board and lodging for the week, handicraft, bus fare for a sight seeing trip and ticket to see Lost Colony. Any 4-H club member who wishes to join the Duplin County club in camp this summer should send their reservation to Mrs. Vallie Campbell, County Agent's Office, Kenansville, N. C. not later than July 19. A \$5.00 deposit should be sent with the application. This deposit will be applied on the camp fee.

Home Agent's Notes

By HILDA L. CLONTZ Virginia English Asst. Home Agent Farm and Home Week - Aug. 25-29

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CLARK'S CUT RATE

CLARK'S CUT RATE MEAT STORE WARSAW

The Annual Farm and Home Week will be held at State College on August 23-29. Rural Farm and Homemakers from all over the State will gather at State College for information, inspiration and recreation. It is hoped that Duplin County will have a large number of men and women to attend. The fee for registration and room rent for the entire period is \$2.00 per person. Those wishing to register in advance may send their fee to Miss Maud K. Schaub, State College Station, Raleigh, N. C. Special dormitory space has been provided for married couples. Registration and assignment of rooms in the State College dormitories will begin at 9 a. m. Monday, Aug. 25, at the Y.M.C.A. building on the campus. Each person will be expected to take his or her own bed linen, blanket, pillow and personal articles. The college Cafeteria will be open at 7:15, 12 noon, and 5:30 o'clock. There are no regular meals. You simply pay for the food you select. There will be lectures by outstanding National speakers. Talks and discussions that will deal with new and improved methods and procedures for farm and home activities. Exhibits and demonstrations on new home equipment, with emphasis on electrical appliances in the latest farm machinery. Tours to places of interest in Raleigh, visits will be made to the College Farms. Recreation: There will be group singing, square dances, contests with prizes and other enjoyable features. Make your plans now to go to College and enjoy meeting new people and seeing new ways of doing things.

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Southern Farm Market Summary

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U. S. Atty General Blames Homes For Crimes Today

Chicago. — Attorney General T. C. Clark links youth delinquency and crime to the breakdown of our basic social institutions, especially that of the home. "Normal home and family life



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lies at the very foundation of effective Christian citizenship," he declared recently. "It is the cornerstone of character growth. In the home, ethical values are learned and standards of conduct are molded. Out of the joys and problems of family living come lessons of life that will help the youth of today build a better America tomorrow." Mr. Clark is scheduled to ad-

Over 10,000 delegates at the 21st International Sunday School Convention, which will be held July 23-27 at Des Moines, Iowa. He will speak on "Our Moral Dilemma," the general theme for the day being "The Sunday School and the Home."

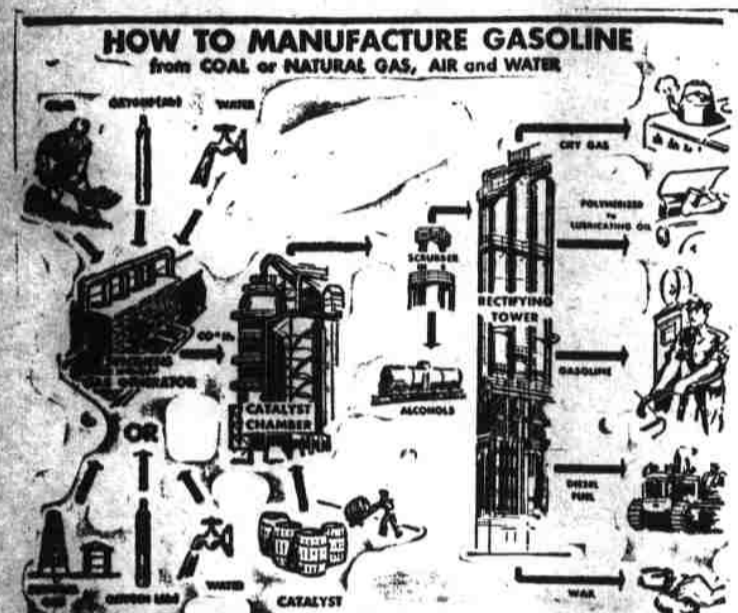
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(1) Coal—or natural gas—is mixed with air and water and converted by combustion and chemical action into synthesis gas. (2) The gas is passed through a catalyst (material causing a basic chemical reaction), which transforms it into vaporized petroleum-like materials and alcohols. (3) The alcohols are separated in a scrubber. (4) City gas is drawn off, and the petroleum materials converted into gasoline, lubricating oils, diesel fuel and wax.

Sate College Answers Timely Farm Questions

Q. How can I treat stored Irish Potatoes that are infested with the potato tuber moth?

A. Fumigate with methyl bromide using 3 lbs. at 50 degrees for 3 hours; or 2 1/2 lbs. at 60 degrees; or 2 lbs. at 70 degrees; Be sure room is very tight as material evaporates rapidly.

Q. How can I diagnose blind staggers in workstock and what can be done for treating it?

A. Blind staggers is a form of epilepsy due to infection and its products such as toxins and poisons. It may result from a disease of the nervous system. The victim becomes restless and tosses its head as if it were irritated by a bee. There may be twitching of the eye-lids, ears and muscles of the face and neck. These spasms may become general and the animal may plunge aimlessly. There might be rapid chewing movements and frothing. The attack may last five minutes and the animal appear normal. The treatment is light exercise, light diet, and laxatives. In confirmed cases, treatment is often useless, and the animal may even be dangerous.

State College Hints To Homemakers

A big question in the minds of many these days is whether or not to remodel the old house. Before getting deep into plans, first make sure that the house was well built and is still sound. If an old house needs complete rebuilding, this usually cost more than putting up a new house.

Before you decide to remodel first examine from foundation to roof and estimate needed repairs and their cost; look at the location, thinking of good drainage, protection from cold winds, good sewage disposal, convenience to highway, water supply, etc. If the house and its site stand inspection, remodeling seems like a wise investment.

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