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The undersigned, having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of Sarah W. Jones, deceased late of Duplin County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 8th day of March, 1949, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 8th day of March, 1948.
Myrtle Jones Wiley, Administratrix of the estate of Sarah W. Jones, deceased, Route 4, Kinston, North Carolina.
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4-23-6t. HEP

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ZECHARIAH 1:1-6; 4; 7—8.
DEVOTIONAL READING: Psalms 24: 1-6.

Zechariah Pleads For Righteousness

Lesson for April 25, 1948

ZECHARIAH almost certainly was born and reared in or near Babylon, and was trained for the priesthood and ordained of the Lord as a prophet. His father, Berechiah, was the son of Iddo, the prophet. Though much younger than Haggai, about whom we studied last Sunday, Zechariah began his ministry only two months later than Haggai—a ministry which was to summon the people to righteousness as a condition essential in the rebuilding of the temple and in cleansing themselves of idolatry, if they were to throw off the yoke of their foes. The student will need to read the entire Book of Zechariah to have the background for this lesson. Also Psalm 24:1-6.

Dr. Newton

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LIVING TOGETHER IN GOD'S WAY

"TURN ye unto me, saith the Lord of hosts, and I will turn unto you," Zechariah 1:3. People cannot live together in peace and harmony until first they are on speaking terms with God. The insidious onslaught of secularism was weakening the Jews at the very moment when they needed to be strong and united for the task of rebuilding the temple and restoring their life in Jerusalem.

Read further into the prophecy of Zechariah and note the admonitions of the Lord for kindness one toward another—kindness and understanding and sincerity, which are the indispensable qualities of community life.

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WHAT MAKES A PEOPLE GREAT?

ZECHARIAH reminds the people that the downfall of their fathers had been due to their forgetfulness of God. He calls them now to repentance of their own sins, that they become truly a great people. "Fear not, but let your hands be strong," Zechariah 8:13.

"What makes a nation great
and strong?
Not brick, nor stone, nor wood,
But justice, love and brotherhood."

Boys and girls will do well to look again at what this old prophet was saying. We long to see the United States a truly great nation. Then let us be strong in the Lord.

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GOD HAS A STANDARD

READ chapter seven, verses 8-14, and 8:16-17, for some of the standards which God sets up for his people. "Execute true judgment, and show kindness and compassion every man to his brother. Oppress not the widow, the orphan, the foreigner, or the poor, and never plot evil in your hearts against one another."

Zechariah is here epitomizing the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount. All of which is to remind us today that we do not need new standards. We simply need to conform to God's eternal standards.

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GOD IS TO BE SOUGHT UNTO

THE first eight chapters of Zechariah have to do with the essential qualities of life if the people are to rebuild the temple. The last six chapters deal with the general standards of life which we must accept and strive to attain if we are to be well-pleasing unto him.

I like the phrase of the fathers. "God is to be sought unto." And how are we to come into the presence of the Lord? "He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully," Psalms 24:4.

It was not enough to rebuild the temple. God wanted his people to become living stones of integrity and fidelity in the city of God.

This we shall attain only as we seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness—constantly seek this daily walk with the Lord, in the light of his word.

"Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people."

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By the Bible

If we abide by the principles taught in the Bible, our country will go on prospering and to prosper; but if we and our posterity neglect its instructions and authority, no man can tell how sudden a catastrophe may overwhelm us and bury all our glory in profound obscurity. —Daniel Webster.

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CASTING THE BLUES AWAY

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

North Carolina
Duplin County

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of A. D. McNeil, deceased, late of Duplin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at R. F. D. No. 3, Faison, North Carolina, on or before the 2nd day of April, 1949, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 26th day of March, 1948.
Mrs. Barbara Ray McNeil, Administratrix of R. D. McNeil.
5-7-6t. BRM

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This First Day of April, 1948.
L. R. Hagood Trustee.
4-30-4t. LRH.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the estate of G. D. Murray, deceased, late of Duplin County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 8th day of March, 1949, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 8th day of March, 1948.
Mrs.. Mamie Murray, Executrix of the estate of G. D. Murray, deceased, Warsaw, North Carolina.
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