

# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

## COOPERATING IN SERVICE

International Sunday School Lesson for May 8, 1938

Golden Text: "For he that is not against us is for us."—Mark 9:40.

Lesson Text: Mark 9:30-41

Perhaps nothing makes us realize more fully the fact that the disciples whom Jesus had chosen were plain, every-day human beings just like you and I than their inability to understand the things which Jesus was trying to tell them on this journey from Caesarea, Philippi, through Galilee. They had accepted Jesus as the long-promised Messiah and were thinking of him in terms of a political hero and leader who would, somehow, perhaps by the display of his miraculous power, deliver them from the bonds of the Romans and restore the glory of ancient Israel. This conception did not jibe at all with what Jesus was telling them now—that he would "be delivered into the hands of men, and they shall kill him, and after that he is killed, he shall rise the third day."

Is it any wonder to you that the disciples did not understand that saying? Under the same circumstances, would you have understood his meaning? They could not associate their conception of a Messiah with the thought of sacrifice and death and resurrection. To us, looking backward, the meaning of Jesus' words is as clear as light, but we have the advantage of the disciples in this respect. After the Resurrection, the disciples themselves realized what Jesus had been talking about.

While they were walking along the road, the disciples began arguing (contending) among themselves. Jesus realized that there was a spirit of contention among them, but apparently ignored it until they reached Capernaum. When they had established themselves in a house, which apparently they used as headquarters, Jesus asked them, "What was it that ye disputed among yourselves by the way?" Realizing how very

"little" they had been to have argued such a question among themselves while their Master had been concerned with the prospect of his coming death, the disciples could not answer. "Things change their aspect when we view them in the presence of Jesus," declared J. D. Jones. "We, too, fret and fume, if we feel our proper place is not given to us. We grow hot and jealous about rank and position and the rest of it. But how mean and petty it looks when we bring it into the presence of Jesus! It would do us good to bring our ambitions and desires and plans constantly into the presence of the lowly Jesus, and test them there."

It wasn't necessary for Jesus to ask what they had been disputing about. He already knew but he wanted them to realize their littleness and to teach them a lesson they needed to learn—a lesson of humility and service. Who shall be the greatest? What does it really matter if we fail to attain greatness as the world judges greatness? Our real concern should be to attain greatness in the eyes of God and the only way we can do that is to become as "one who serves."

In order to bring home more forcibly the lesson of humility and unselfish service, Jesus took a little child in his arms and declared, "Whosoever shall receive one of such children in my name, receiveth me; and whosoever shall receive me, receiveth not me, but him that sent me." Of this Charles E. Erdman says, "To care for a little child or for one who, like a little child, needs our sympathy, protection and guidance, and help is really doing a great thing; so great indeed, that to do so in the name of Christ and for the sake of Christ is really to render the service to Christ. True greatness, then, consists not in attaining the first place in the notice and praise of the world, not in being willing to stoop down to a humble place, not for the sake of self-effacement, not in timid digidence, but in order to serve others for the sake of Christ."

John evidently realized what Jesus meant here which made him think of something he had done. He told Jesus that he and the other disciples

had seen one casting out devils in the name of Christ and they forbade him because the man was not a recognized follower of Christ. Jesus condemned this spirit of intolerance in his disciples, saying, "Forbid him not, for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name (who has faith enough in Jesus to do such work) that can lightly speak evil of me. For he that is not against us is on our part." Even the smallest act of service rendered in the name of Jesus, and done in the spirit of humility and unselfishness, will be blessed by God, "For whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because ye belong to Christ, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward."

## CENTER HILL

Miss Myrtle Byrum and Mrs. Eugene Jernigan visited Mrs. Joseph Bunch, in Edenton, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. William Byrum and son, of Colerain, spent Sunday with Mr. Byrum's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Byrum.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ward were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Byrum, Monday.

Misses Kathleen and Edna Ward were supper guests of Miss Myrtle Byrum on Thursday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Walston visited relatives in Tarboro on Wednesday.

Miss Lucy Myers White spent Saturday night in Edenton, as the guest of Miss Gene Bunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Bunn Lamb and son, of Rylad, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Lamb on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Byrum and son, Mrs. T. H. Byrum and Mrs. Eugene Jernigan and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Byrum on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Smithson and son, of North Edenton, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Lane.

Mr. Godfrey, of Columbia, visited his daughter, Willie Lee, last Friday. Mrs. J. S. Turner was the guest of Mrs. Otis Ellis on Saturday afternoon.

Miss Estella Ward has returned from Gatesville, where she visited her brother and sisters.

Rev. and Mrs. King, of Elizabeth City; and Miss Cunningham, of Durham, dined with Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Walston on Tuesday.

Mrs. Emmett Parker, of Sunbury, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Boyce, several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Turner and two children, Robert and Peggy, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hollowell and two daughters, of Sunbury, and Alma Byrum dined with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Byrum on Sunday.

Mrs. Cotter Bright White visited Mrs. J. S. Turner on Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dail were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Furry Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Willie Byrum and daughter, Shirley, visited Mrs. Rosa Ward on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Jordan spent Sunday with Mr. Jordan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker Byrum, of Sunbury, visited Mr. and Mrs. Willie Byrum Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Wilbur Privott called to see Mrs. Lindsey Privott Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Roy Lane and daughter were guests of Mrs. Willie Byrum on Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hollowell and two daughters, of Sunbury, spent Saturday night with Mrs. Hollowell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Byrum.

Mrs. Mattie Pallen spent Monday night at Belvidere with her sister, Mrs. V. C. Lane.

Rev. and Mrs. W. G. Lowe, of Winfall, Rev. and Mrs. D. M. Sharpe, of Hertford, dined with Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Walston on Monday.

Mrs. Cotter Bright White called to see her sister, Mrs. Lindsey Privott, Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Privott continues very ill.

Mrs. Rosser Bunch and son visited Mrs. Willie Byrum Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Boyce spent Sunday at Hobbsville with Mrs. Boyce's mother, Mrs. Hollowell.

Mrs. Annie Twine visited her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Bunch, and sister, Mrs. Ida Reed, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Lane visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Chappell, at Belvidere, Sunday.

## THINKING OF MOTHER THROUGH THE SEASONS

Mrs. Mary V. Miller

I shall always think of Mother. When there's springtime in the air, When hyacinths and buttercups (daffodils)

Are blooming everywhere. When robins carol sweetly High up in budding trees And the scent of purple lilacs Is wafted on the breeze. When on the wooded hillsides Young fern fronds shall uncurl, And the rocky stream below them Is in a merry whirl.

I shall always think of Mother. When summer's on the way Heralded by roses and sweetpea blossoms gay. When bees are softly humming As they fly from flower to flower,

And the whippoorwill is calling in a late evening hour.

When graceful lilies nod their heads And dahlia flowers appear I shall think of her and know That summertime's really here.

I shall always think of Mother. When leaves begin to fall And chrysanthemums are gathered Into every room and hall.

When other flowers have gone to sleep And many birds have flown.

'Twas then these spicy autumn plants Did brighten up her home When wintry winds are blowing. Then she would watch and wait Till spring came back and flowers again Would blossom at her gate.

—Her loving daughter, Mrs. J. L. Nixon.

First Woman Suffrage Convention The first woman suffrage convention was held at Seneca Falls, N. Y., in 1848.

## WHO KNOWS?

1. How much has the Federal Government spent for relief?
2. What will be the airplane strength of the Navy under the new Authorization bill?
3. How many counties in the United States have county-wide library service?
4. What does it cost the United States to educate a midshipman?
5. How many persons have purchased "Baby Bonds"?
6. How do the gold holdings of Germany compare with note circulation?
7. What is the extent of the fortune of the Dionne quintuplets?
8. What Central American country recently issued a postage stamp commemorating the 150th anniversary of the American Constitution?
9. How many states grant temporary tax exemptions on manufacturing plants?
10. How much money is in circulation in the United States?

### THE ANSWERS

1. In the 5-year-period—1933-37—\$14,218,773,200.
2. A minimum of 3,000 planes.
3. Less than 300 out of 3,100.
4. About \$3,458 a year.
5. 1,300,000.
6. In marks, 10,700,000 to 5,524,200,000.
7. About \$600,000.
8. El Salvador.
9. Fifteen.
10. \$6,361,000,000.

## T. R. Ward Celebrates His 75th Birthday

T. R. Ward, of Belvidere, was honored by his family and friends at his lovely country home Sunday, the occasion being his seventy-fifth birthday. At 1:30 the guests were invited into the dining room where a delicious three-course dinner was served. The table was lovely, decorated with cut flowers and lighted candles. A huge three-decker cake beautifully decorated and lighted with seventy-five candles formed the centerpiece of the long table, where covers were laid for twenty. There was also a small table with covers for four with a pretty white cake lighted with seventeen candles honoring Mr. and Mrs. Ward's granddaughter, Dorothy Hollowell, of Hobbsville, whose birthday was also May 1.

After dinner all retired to the beautiful lawn where a surprise awaited the honoree. A table amid the shrubbery was laden with white packages. These useful and lovely gifts were opened by Mr. and Mrs. Ward with much enjoyment. After birthday wishes were written in the Birthday Book, much fun was enjoyed by taking kodak pictures.

Those enjoying this hospitality were Mr. Ward's only brother, C. J. Ward, of Elizabeth City; his children, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ward, of Rocky Mount; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hollowell and daughter, Dorothy, of Hobbsville; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Smith, of Poplar Branch; and friends, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Griffin, of Edenton;

Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Parker, of Norfolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Weston, of Belvidere; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hunter and Eleanor and Josephine Hunter, of Hertford; J. E. Elliott, of Belvidere; Miss Ruth Sample, of Elizabeth City; Dr. and Mrs. I. A. Ward, of Hertford.



- Palmolive ..... 3 for 20c
- Red Super Suds ..... 3 for 25c
- Blue Super Suds ..... 3 for 25c (Gets Clothes "Hospital Clean")
- Octagon (Giant) Soap ..... 3 for 14c
- Octagon Powder ..... 3 for 14c
- Octagon Toilet ..... 3 for 14c
- Octagon Cleanser ..... 2 for 9c
- Octagon Chips ..... 2 for 18c
- Octagon Granulated ..... 2 for 18c
- Crystal White Soap ..... 3 for 14c
- Hollywood Beauty Soap ..... 3 for 14c
- Crema Oil Soap ..... 3 for 14c
- Klex (Pomice) Soap ..... 3 for 14c

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NEWS

Saturday, May 7—Show Opens at 1:30 P. M.—

BUCK JONES Shootin' Fast and HEADIN' EAST

PAINTED STALLION No. 6 — OUR GANG

Monday and Tuesday, May 9-10—

THE AWFUL TRUTH WITH IRENE DUNNE CARY GRANT

A Columbia Picture

ALSO COMEDY AND NEWS

Wednesday, May 11—

OBIVION ON WINGS! DANGER PATROL with JOHN BEAL SALLY EILERS

AN RKO RADIO PICTURE

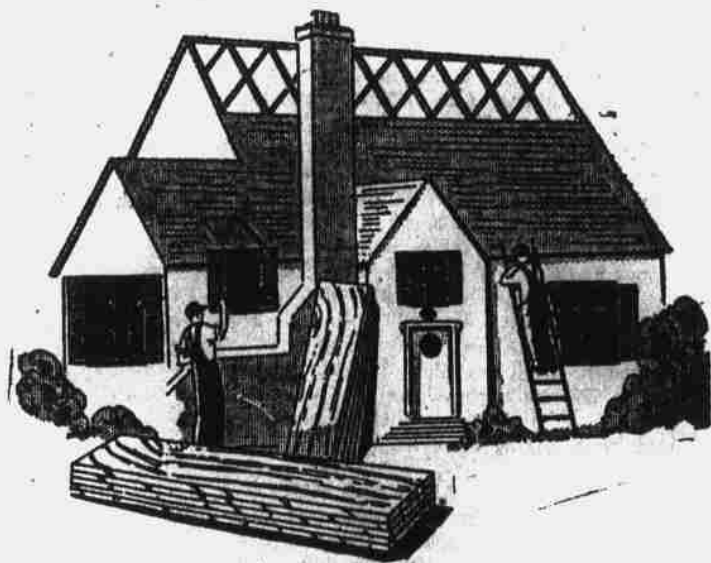
MARCH OF TIME No. 7 — STOOGE COMEDY

Thursday, May 12—

Bette DAVIS JEZEBEL with Henry FONDA

COMEDY — NEWS

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