

# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

## JESUS CALLS TO PRAYER

International Sunday School Lesson for February 23, 1941

Golden Text: "Lord, teach us to pray."—Luke 11:1.

Lesson Text: Luke 18:1-14.

In considering prayer, there is much for us to think about. What is prayer? Why should we cultivate it and how? How far should we depend upon it in ordinary and unusual affairs of life?

The person who believes in the reality of Jesus and neglects prayer is neglecting an avenue which leads to great comfort and blessing. Time and again Jesus sought, by word and example, to enlighten his disciples about the function and power of prayer.

Very often in his own life, Jesus practiced prayer—it was the medium by which he communicated with the eternal. In this day of radio broadcast, we should not be confronted by any doubt as to the ability to transmit a spiritual message through the ether. In preparation for the momentous moments of his life Jesus resorted to prayer, and, usually, he followed them likewise.

In seeking to furnish his followers with a correct conception of prayer and its usefulness, Jesus spoke various parables, two of which constitute our lesson. In both of these, strangely the author explains the point of the parable before he gives it. The first emphasized the need for constant prayer and the second warned against an attitude of self-sufficiency in righteousness, which would destroy the value of prayer.

We have the picture of an unjust judge, fearless and defiant of God and man who was finally prevailed upon to execute justice by continued urging and seeking. Therefore, the Christian is free to "represent all our interests, all our wants, great and small, without reserve, and with prolonged repetition." No man can earnestly desire any moral quality without tending in himself toward the goal. Prayer fixes our aim, attracts our own efforts, and assures our own cooperation with God.

One should not have a false notion about prayer. If we ask for selfish, harmful things we will not acquire them. Adoniram Judson could say: "I have never been deeply interested in any object and prayed sincerely and earnestly for it, but as some time—no matter how distant the day, somehow, in some shape, probably the best I should have devised—it came." His experience not only testifies to a great faith but to a spirit in harmony with divine purposes. God answers prayer if the request is in keeping with His plans and beneficial in its entire effect.

People who have puzzled over unanswered prayer might critically examine their own purpose in asking or carefully consider if their judgment as to its desirability is wisely taken. Sometimes our petitions, if granted, would harm us; often, they would prevent greater blessings in the future. The honest believer in prayer accepts the answer whatever it may be, as the better judgement of an Eternal Being, superior in love and wisdom to the supplicant. Prayer without such trust lacks an essential element of faith and sincerity.

No greater contrast in attitude would be presented than exhibited by the Pharisee and the Publican represented in the parable as praying in the Temple. The former, self-righteous in his own estimate and conscious that his formal religious rites have won him a similar appraisal from the public, realizes no need for help—he does not pray—he seeks to parade his virtues before God for the secret edification of his own soul. The Publican, self-abased and ashamed by his own unrighteousness, seeks God through prayer, desiring an assistance certain to be obtained. A very simple illustration used by Bishop Carey points out the different attitudes of praying people:

"The sort of illustration which rises to my mind in connection with prayer is that of the dog which wants to go for a run, and lies on the carpet with his eyes on you while you write a letter. He doesn't bark or whine, but just looks, watches. If you raise your eyes, he wags his tail. His appeal, though voiceless, is simply eloquent. It is an attitude which expresses a relationship of faith, affection, patience, and of implicit trust in your goodwill. . . . it implies a previous thinking and recognition. The dog would not do it for a stranger. . . . but for its master it waits because it knows him."

Sorry Misadventure

Heck—Have you ever had a motor mishap?  
Peck—Yes, I met my wife in a garage.

# Farm Bulletin Now Off Press

The new annual issue of "Agricultural Statistics," published by the State Department of Agriculture to serve as a guide to farmers, farm leaders and others in planning and determining agricultural progress, is now off the press and available for distribution.

More than 10,000 copies of the publication have already been furnished agricultural workers and leaders.

"This publication contains information on agricultural production of all crops and livestock for North Carolina," Commissioner of Agriculture W. Kerr Scott explained. "Detailed county data includes complete information on the State's 12 major crops and leading species of livestock." Historical information includes statistics on approximately 50 crops, with much data for the past 30 years.

For the first time, comparatively complete information on the number of hogs in each county is included in the publication.

"Agricultural Statistics," formerly known as the "Farm Forecaster," is a 48-page magazine publication filled with a wealth of information that will be useful to agricultural as well as industrial interests," Commissioner Scott added. "Information contained in the publication has been gathered from the farm census, the thousands of Crop Reporting Service judgment reports, warehouse sales reports, ginners and other reliable sources and surveys."

## BURGESS NEWS

Miss Ethel Jordan and Mrs. Lela Jordan, of Edenton, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Winston Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Matthews spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Seaton Davenport.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Matthews visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Matthews Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clemon Bass, of Powellsville, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walton Lane Saturday night.

Frank Tarkenton, of Washington County, visited his sister, Mrs. Lollie Blow, Sunday.

## CLASSIFIED AND LEGALS

**PUREBRED, WHITE MUSCOVY Ducks, Drakes, Eggs.** Brooksyo Farms, Richmondville, N. Y. feb.21,28,mar.7,pa

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**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION** Having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of Richard Umphlett,

deceased late of Perquimans County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Route 3, Hertford, N. C., on or before the 8th day of February, 1942, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 8th day of February, 1941.  
**MATTIE C. UMPHLETT,**  
Administratrix of Richard Umphlett.  
feb.14,21,28,mar.7,14,21.

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION** Having qualified as Executor of the estate of Thomas J. Mansfield, deceased, late of Perquimans County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Hertford, N. C., Route 1, on or before the 5th day of February, 1942, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 5th day of February, 1941.  
**T. E. MANSFIELD,**  
Executor of Thomas J. Mansfield.  
feb.14,21,28,mar.7,14,21.

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION** Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Mrs. Mary D. Towe, deceased, late of Perquimans County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Hertford, N. C., on or before the 9th day of January, 1942, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 9th day of January, 1941.  
**LAWRENCE TOWE,**  
Administrator of Mrs. Mary D. Towe.  
jan.17,24,31,feb.7,14,21

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION** Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Pattie F. Ward, deceased, late of Perquimans County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Route 1, Hertford, N. C., on or before the 27th day of January, 1942, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 27th day of January, 1941.  
**J. P. WARD,**  
Administrator of Pattie F. Ward.  
jan.31,feb.7,14,21,28,mar.7

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION** Having qualified as Executor of the estate of Alfred Turner, deceased, late of Perquimans County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Chapanoke, N. C., on or before the 15th day of January, 1942, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 15th day of January, 1941.  
**LEVI PERRY,**  
Executor of Alfred Turner.  
jan.24,31,feb.7,14,21,28

**TRUSTEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE** (By Substituted Trustee) Pursuant to the power and authority contained in a certain deed of trust dated the 13th day of September, 1934, executed by John Calhoun Nixon and wife, Annie M. Nixon, to C. S. Noble, Trustee, which deed of trust is duly registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Perquimans County, North Carolina, in FLB Book No. 1, Page 186, securing a certain note payable to Home Owners Loan Corporation, default having been made for a period of more than ninety (90) days in the payment of said note as provided therein and in the performance of certain covenants set out in said deed of trust and demand of foreclosure having been made by the holder of said indebtedness, the undersigned Trustee, having been substituted as Trustee for C. S. Noble, said substitution being duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Perquimans County, North Carolina, in Book 26, Page 141, will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the Court House door in Hertford, Perquimans County, North Carolina, at 12 o'clock Noon on the 28th day of February, 1941, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lying and being in the Town of Hertford, Hertford Township, County of Perquimans, and State of North Carolina, and more particularly described and defined as follows:

Beginning at a point on Edenton Road Street in the aforesaid Town and County, at the northwest corner of the lot of I. Bembry, formerly of the J. Bailey lot and running thence along said street North 15 degrees East 66.2 feet to the lot of the African Methodist Church; thence along the said lot South 75 degrees East 234 feet to the edge of the W. Simpson (formerly the Hoffer Estate)

lot; thence South 15 degrees West 66.2 feet to the I. Bembry line; thence along said line North 75 degrees West 234 feet to Edenton Road Street, the place of beginning.

Being the same lots or parcels covered by deed from E. V. Perry and wife to Thomas H. Nixon and J. Calhoun Nixon, recorded in Book 7, Page 98 of the registry of Perquimans County and by deed from Thomas H. Nixon and wife to J. C. Nixon and recorded in Book 7, Page 416, and recorded 12-22-'06 and by deed from John G. Overton to Calhoun Nixon dated January 13, 1902, and recorded 1-14-'02 in Book 5, Page 287, of the Registry of Perquimans County, being the same tract of land surveyed and platted by David Cox, Surveyor, on August 22, 1934, copy of which plat is now on file with the Home Owners' Loan Corporation.

The purchaser at this sale will be required to make a cash deposit of 5 percent of the purchase price to show good faith.

This, the 27th day of January, 1941.  
**T. C. ABERNATHY,**  
Substituted Trustee.  
J. S. McNider, Attorney.  
jan.31,feb.7,14,21

**NOTICE OF SALE** Under and by virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Perquimans County, made in the proceedings enlow et als, being a suit for the satisfaction of tax liens held against titled J. W. Ward vs. Essie Wins-the property hereinafter described, the undersigned commissioner will, on the 1st day of March, 1941, at 11:30 o'clock, A. M., at the courthouse door in Hertford, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash that certain tract of land lying and being in Hertford Township, Perquimans County, N. C., described as follows: Beginning on the public

road sixty-five feet from the lane leading to Felton Ward's and running down the road sixty-five feet, thence one hundred and fifty feet back from the road parallel with said lane leading to Felton Ward's, thence sixty-five feet parallel with the road opposite the first station, thence one hundred and fifty feet to first station. See Book 8, Page 1.

Dated and posted this 29th day of January, 1941.  
**CHAS. E. JOHNSON,**  
Commissioner.  
jan.31,feb.7,14,21

**North Carolina, In The** Perquimans County. Superior Court Oliver Cromwell Holley, Plaintiff Vs.

**Essie Mae Lilly Holley, Defendant** NOTICE OF SUMMONS IN ACTION FOR DIVORCE

The defendant, Essie Mae Lilly Holley, take notice: An action entitled as above has been instituted in the Superior Court of Perquimans County, North Carolina, for the purpose of severing the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between plaintiff and defendant, and for the purpose of obtaining an absolute divorce, and you will further take notice that you are required to be and appear before the clerk of Superior Court of Perquimans County, North Carolina, at the Court House in Hertford, North Carolina, on the 14 day of March, 1941, and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff or else the prayer of the complaint will be granted in accordance with the relief demanded in the complaint now on file in said office.

This 12 day of February, 1941.  
**W. H. PITT,**  
Clerk of Superior Court for Perquimans County, North Carolina.  
feb.14,21,28,mar.7.

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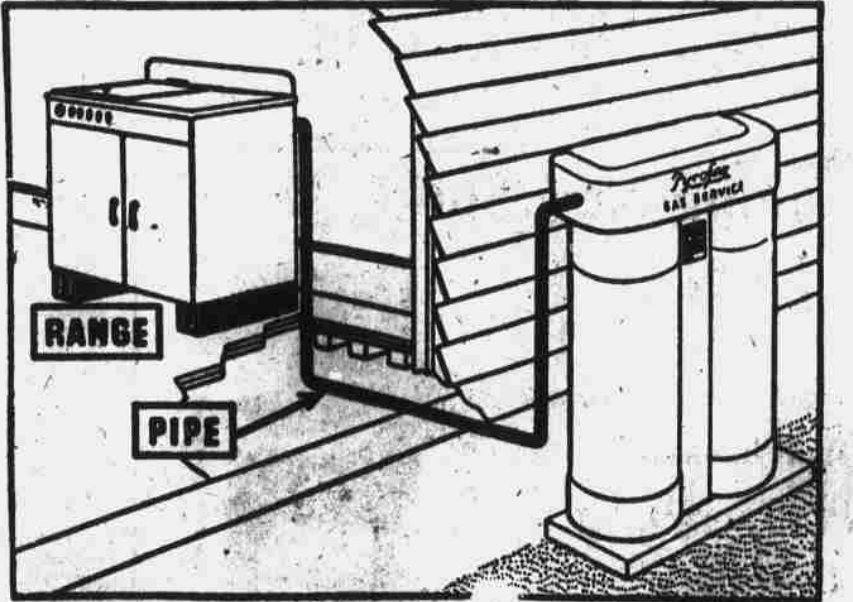
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