CHRIST'S NEW COMMANDMENT

International Sunday School Lessen For June 29, 1952.

Memory Selection: "A new com-mandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; even as I have loved you, that ye also love one another."— John 13: 30.

Our lesson for this week is a fitting climax to a study of the Ten Com-mandments and the teachings of Jes-us concerning them. The subject, "Christ's New Commandment," and its accompanying memory selection gives us the necessary motivating power that should enable us to keep all of God's Commandments—that power is

For centuries, the Jews had been taught that it was essential for them, not only to love God but also to love their neighbors. Yet, it was left to the founder of Christianity to give to the world a proper example of the meaning of this doctrine, which he did both by the spoken word and the example of actions. ample of actions.

Sad though it is, it is nevertheless true, that not every church member is a Christian. A man or woman practicing the principles of Jesus in any given community will stand out and be easily distinguished among those who come in contact with him, although they all may be enrolled on the membership list of some church. Christianity in its application to life has been defined as the "habit of love

Think of others and help them as you go through life; this is the commandment that Jesus gave in his teaching. It is a message which many need in this modern age, when so much emphasis is placed upon per-sonal comfort, ease and pleasure, and so little concern is taken in the happiness and welfare of others.

It is interesting to note that the helpfulness with which Jesus used to illustrate his teaching here was not in any big thing but in the simple essentials of life, food; clothes, health, companionship and rehabilitation. To practice these arts, any man or woman is capable and able if guid-

ed by the proper spirit.

These duties we owe to our neighbors and some of us, like the ancient scribe, might ask, "And who is my scribe, might ask, "And who is my neighbor?" As Jesus was teaching on one occasion, a lawyer asked him what was necessary to inherit eternal life, being solicitious as to the welfare of his immortal soul, just as most of us are. Jesus allowed his questioner to reply to his own query and when he repeated the familiar Jewish formula about love to God and his neighbor, Jesus placed his stamp of approval thereon, saying, "This do and thou shalt live." But the lawyer, wishing to explain why he had brought up for discussion a matter which could be so easily answered, inquired further and asked Jesus who his neighbor was.

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one of the most beautiful stories in all literature, was the answer Jesus gave to the questioner. Then Jesus asked the lawyer to say who had been neighbor to this Jew, plainly pointing out that there were no artificial bounds fixed upon human brotherhood.

While we are living in an age in which philanthrop? has been very generous and which probably has organized charity upon a more scientific basis than ever before, we are probably running the risk of fulfilling all our obligations to be neighborly by proxy. Most of us contribute small amounts of cash to various social and welfare organizations and then seek to ease our consciences to the burden which it would feel if we were to enter into the presence of human misery, into the presence of human misery, sorrow and distress.

Some of us are restrained from little acts of kindness and helpfulness by a certain timidity, being afraid to trust the heart of humanity for its proper response to a kindness rendered. How much better the world would be if each one of us tried to show to at least one parson each day that

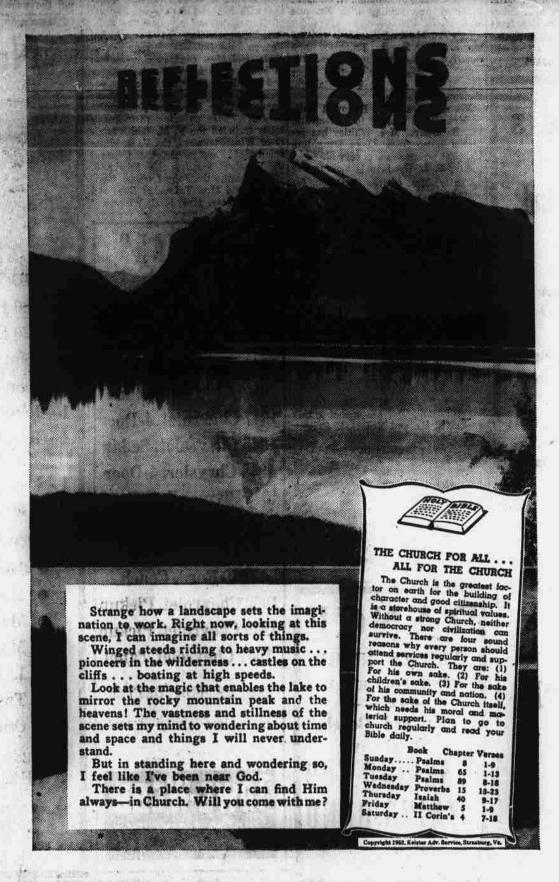
be if each one of us tried to show to at least one person each day that somebody else was interested in his life. It would not necessarily take much time or money and would come almost instinctively if we unreservedly accepted the social teachings of our Savior.

A verse of Marguerite Wilkinson, gives good thoughts on this subject:

'In never cut my neighbor's throat; My neighbor's gold I never stole; I never spoiled his house and land: But, God have mercy on my soull For I am haunted night and day By all the deads I have not done; O, unattempted leveliness!

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