

Sunday School Lesson

SECURE IN GOD'S LOVE
Romans 8:28-30

To know that God is still in control and that He is working all things together for good to them that love Him is certainly encouraging, and also a great strength to our faith as Christians. God can turn all of life's experiences into a means of blessing to all who love Him. Note, however, that Paul did not say all things are good or that every experience of life is good. But he did say that all things work together for the ultimate good of those who love God. God is causing all things to work together, to carry out His plan for our everlasting good and His glory. This is not a proposition which needs to be proved, but an absolute certainty which needs to be accepted.

It is a glorious certainty that all things — fair and four, smooth and rough, prosperous and adverse, joyous and painful — are working for the welfare of those who truly love God. God said it is true, others have testified that it is a fact, and we have experienced it. What a comfort!

Amid the disappointments, perplexities, and pains of life, let us trust in the unflinching wisdom, goodness, and power of God. Life yields its greatest joys and satisfactions only when we surrender ourselves to the will and ways of God. In proving the security of God's children, Paul set forth the great and blessed truth that God predestinated, called, justified, and glorified those whom He foreknew.

To those of us who know God's love, there is no question about God being for us; it is a conviction. Through His infinite grace, we are the children of God, and we are safe in Him. Satan is relentless in his opposition to us, but since God is for us, we do not have anything to fear.

God was willing to send forth His Son into the world, even though He knew that He would meet with misunderstanding and misrepresentation, would be maligned, insulted, rejected, abused, and slain. The greatest sacrifice ever made took place when God "spared not his own Son" but delivered him up for us all. Christ was not spared anything that could have made His suffering terrible.

"Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect?" The answer is "no one," and the reason for this reply is that God has justified us. When God has acquitted a sinner of his guilt and restored him to the divine favor, nobody, not even Satan, can bring against him any charge that will produce a verdict of condemnation. "There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus" (Romans 8:1). Every Christian should rejoice in this glorious fact.

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?" "No one" is the answer to this question. The seven things mentioned in verse 35, plus all other possibilities, are absolutely unable to separate a Christian from Christ's love for him.

What a challenging claim Paul makes for himself and all true followers of Christ in these words: "In all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us." No man was ever more sorely maligned, persecuted, and abused than Paul, but in every conflict he came out victorious. The way to victory for every Christian is through faith in and dependence upon the triumphant and reigning Christ. Our victories are gifts from God. Satan and his cohorts are numerous, crafty, ruthless, and powerful, but they can be overcome through Christ. Let us ever remember that the victorious Christ is the source of our strength and the secret of our victory. The victorious life is Christ-centered and Christ-mastered. Paul taught us an invaluable lesson in his statement: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth (keeps on pouring his power into) me" (Philippians 4:13).

No matter how difficult the circumstances of life may be, the love of God, which is in Christ our Lord, will never let us go. "God is love" regardless of the circumstances in which we may find ourselves. He is all that we need. He provides everything which the believer in Christ needs here or hereafter. What a blessed assurance! assurance!

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The Sunday School Lesson is sent in each week by Clear Creek Baptist School in Pineville, Ky. and is written by Dr. H.C. Chiles.

I would like to express my appreciation to everyone that remembered me with cards, visits, gifts, flowers and all other acts of kindness shown me when I was in the hospital, and since my return home. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

Estes Copeland

For Your Information

Dear friends,

Most people feel responsible to take certain steps (life insurance, investments, a will) to make things easier for those who survive them. There is satisfaction in providing for your family after your death — to help them with their adjustments and to maintain family harmony.

Respectfully,

Mason Swindell



Cohoon-Harrell Exchange Vows

Miss Joan LaVerne Cohoon and Mr. Joe Allen Harrell were united in marriage Sunday, Oct. 10 at 3 p.m. in Hertford Baptist Church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace A. Cohoon of Rt. 1, Hertford. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Wesley Harrell Sr. of Rt. 3, Hertford.

Rev. Norman B. Harris performed the double ring ceremony in a candlelight setting. The altar was centered with a candelabra entwined in ivy and fern with an arrangement of white fugi mums, gladiolus, pompoms, and baby's breath. There were matching branch candelabras entwined in ivy and highlighted with palms.

Wedding music was provided by Mrs. Larry Knox, organist, of Hertford and H.R. Jones, vocalist, of Rt. 3, Hertford.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of white chantilly lace featuring a gibson girl neckline and fitted sleeves of lace. The princess styled gown flowed into a cathedral length train which was trimmed with a ruffle of wide chantilly lace. The sleeves, neckline, bodice, and ruffle were trimmed with lace and seed pearls. The camelot headpiece was covered with rows of chantilly lace sprinkled with pearls from which fell the fingertip veil of bridal illusion. The bride's only ornament was a necklace belonging to her grandmother. The bride carried a cascade bouquet of white sweetheart roses, pompoms, white mums, and baby's breath with white ribbon streamers.

Honor attendant was Miss Patsy Cohoon, sister of the bride. She wore a bronze colored gown with a scoop neckline and empire waistline. The bodice of the princess styled dress was covered in white chantilly lace with sheer lace sleeves. The neckline, sleeves, and waistline were trimmed with lace and seed pearls. She carried a nosegay of bronze, coral and other fall colored flowers accented with variegated streamers.

Bridesmaids were dressed in light coral dresses identical to the honor attendant's. They were Mrs. Wallace Nelson of Chapel Hill, N.C.; Miss Robin Perry of Wilson, N.C.; and Miss June Lane of Carrboro, N.C. The bridesmaids carried nosegays like that of the honor attendant.

Directors of the ceremony were Mrs. James P. Harrell and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Harrell.

Flowergirl was Miss Theresa Harrell of Rt. 3, Hertford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse V. Harrell, neice of the groom. Ringbearer was Master Alex Cohoon, brother of the bride. Acolytes were Mr. Jeff Rhodes of Chesapeake, Va., son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene A. Rhodes, cousin of the bride; and Mr. Eric Cohoon, brother of the bride.

Best man was James W. Harrell Sr., father of the groom. Ushers were Jesse V. Harrell, James P. Harrell, Jimmy Harrell, brothers of the groom, all of Hertford.

The bride's mother wore a formal gown of light blue and a long overcoat of matching lace. She wore a pink cymbidium orchid corsage. The mother of the groom wore a light rose formal gown with a long matching lace coat. She wore a lacquer cymbidium orchid corsage.

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a reception was held in the church fellowship hall.

For a wedding trip to the mountains, the bride changed to a multi-colored striped suit with matching red accessories.

The couple will make their home in Hertford where they are both employed. The bride is a secretary-bookkeeper and the groom is the farm manager at Moody Harrell and Son's Grain.

Pre-Nuptial Parties A miscellaneous floating shower was given by friends of the bride at the Hertford Baptist Church.

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shower was given at the Woodland Methodist Church by friends and relatives of the groom.

The bride was honored at a dinner party given by the bridesmaids at Boswell's Restaurant in Edenton.

A rehearsal party was given by Mr. and Mrs. John Piland Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. James P. Harrell at the home.

The reception following the ceremony was given by Mrs. Clyde Sutton, Mrs. Wallace Cartwright, Mrs. Allen Meads, Mrs. Carl Sawyer, Mrs. Howard Matthews, Mrs. Fred Matthews and the parents of the bride.

Anderson Methodist Plans Celebration

Anderson United Methodist Church will be having their Bicentennial Celebration Sunday Oct. 31 at 10:30 a.m. A very interesting program is being planned with

dinner on the grounds. The Hertford "Fifes and Drums" will perform after lunch. Former members and friends are invited to attend.

First Baptist Church News

Sunday School will begin at 9:45 a.m. at Hertford First Baptist Church this Sunday under the direction of Mrs. R.B. Gibbs, Superintendent. The morning worship service will follow at 11 a.m. with a "Missionary Hour" by Rev. John W. Law and Sunday Point Baptist Church will be

visiting guests for the service. Rev. John H. London is the host pastor.

A mid-week worship service will be held at First Baptist Church on Wednesday night at 7:30 p.m. Pastor London will be present with a message to the new converts.

In The News

Dean Britt of Newport News, Va. was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Britt on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bass and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harrison spent the weekend in Williamsburg, Va.

Mrs. Al Hendley has returned to her home in Columbia, S.C. after spending several days last week in Hertford.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Gregory of Hertford and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Gregory of Chesapeake, Va. spent the weekend in the Pennsylvania Dutch Country.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Watson are spending this week in Nanty-Glow, Pa. with Mr. Watson's mother, Mrs. Kate Watson.

Mrs. Joe Ward Proctor spent last Tuesday in Williamsburg, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. John Winslow and family of Asheboro were weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy White, and Mr. and Mrs. John Newby Winslow.

Robbie Taylor and Andy Taylor of Charlotte were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. H.R. Christensen on Thursday.

Mrs. Josiah Proctor and Mrs. Clarence Watson of

Harvey Point spent Saturday in Manteo.

Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Biggers spent the weekend in Pinehurst with Miss Helen Cole.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor of Charlotte were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. V.N. Darden on Thursday.

I WILL APPRECIATE YOUR VOTE IN THE GENERAL ELECTION

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